

Parish Life March 17 - 25

Saturday, March 17 *St. Patrick / Memorial Saturday*

- 9am Memorial Liturgy (St. Patrick)
- 6:15pm Memorial Litya
- 6:30pm Great Vespers
- 7:20pm Confessions

Sunday, March 18 *St. John Climacus / St. Nikolai of Zhicha*

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am Divine Liturgy
- 12:00pm Fellowship Hour (*Team 1 Frangedakis*)
- 12:20pm Telos Meeting
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (Linda, Bethany)
- 6pm Youth Group

Monday, March 19 - Parish Work Day

Tuesday, March 20 - Parish Work Day

- 6:30pm OCF (at UK)

Wednesday, March 21

- 6:15pm Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts
- 7:30pm Lenten Meal w/Readings

Thursday, March 22

- 9am Matins w/St. Andrew Canon & Life of St. Mary of Egypt

Friday, March 23

- 11am Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts
- 6:30pm Akathist to Most-Holy Theotokos
- 7:30pm Confessions

Saturday, March 24 *Akathist Saturday*

- 6:30pm Anunciation Vigil
- 8:20pm Confessions

Sunday, March 25 *Anunciation of Theotokos / St. Mary of Egypt*

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am Divine Liturgy
- 12:00pm Fellowship Hour (*Team 2 Werner*)
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (Collins, Hannah, Karis)
- 6pm Girls Group



Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, March 18, 2018

Today's Readings: Heb.6:13-20 Mark 9:17-31

4th Sunday of Great Lent

St. John of the Ladder



St. Catherine Monastery at Mt. Sinai,
where St. John of the Ladder served as abbot and teacher.

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4th Sunday of Great Lent: St John Climacus (of the Ladder)

Please allow **Telos Committee** members to go first in the food line today so they can attend meeting in Fr. Justin's office.

2018 Annual Parish Cleaning

Two days--**Monday, March 19 & Tuesday, March 20**--have been earmarked for cleaning the parish in preparation for the Feast of Pascha. Fr. Justin sent you an email with the link for the online signup. Cleaning supplies will be provided.

Presanctified Liturgy will be served at 6:15pm on Wednesday, March 21 (followed by the Lenten meal w/readings) and also on Friday the 23rd at 11am. Only 3 more opportunities for Presanctified service after this week. Check your calendars!

2 Special Lenten Services This Week (5th week of Great Lent)

Matins w/St. Andrew Canon & Life of St. Mary of Egypt will begin at 9am on Thursday, March 22 (service lasts about 3 hours). This is a powerful and meditative service, that could be considered a "*mini retreat*," and is always served on the Thursday before the 5th Sunday of Lent, The Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt.

Saturday of the Akathist is always on the fifth Saturday of Great Lent--this year March 24. On Friday, March 23 at 6:30pm we will pray an Akathist to the Most-Holy Theotokos and following you will have an opportunity for confession. Last opportunity for adult confession (until after Pascha) is Friday, March 30

Date	Lead Servers	Bread Ministry	Doorkeeper	Greeter	Fellowship Hour	Hand-maidens	Prospora
Mar 17/18	Jared / JP	Linda / Bethany	Linda, Myra, Shannon	John Mize	Team I Frangedakis	Anya / Shannon	Mary Bradshaw
Mar 24/25	Silas / Abial	Collin, Hannah & Karis	Paul Frangedakis	Rebecca Wilson	Team II Werner	Becca / Myra	Geoff Whiteman
3/31 4/1	JP / Silas	Ben / Becca	Jeff Hart	Josh Lourie	Team III Bradshaw	Suzannah / Mandariah	Hannah / Geoff
Apr 7/8	Jared / Abial	Sue / Anna	Chris Naughton	John Mize	Pascha Picnic	Teresa / Karis	Alina / Geoff

Welcome to St. Athanasius Orthodox Church

- * Liturgy booklets are available to guide you through the service.
- * Please stand or sit at your comfort level.
- * If you have questions, don't hesitate to ask a greeter or usher. We are happy you are with us today!

NOTE: HOLY COMMUNION IS GIVEN ONLY TO ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE KEPT FAST, MADE RECENT CONFESSION, AND ARE AT PEACE WITH NEIGHBORS.

Beautification Outdoors: This past Sunday Fr. Justin reminded us that "beauty" is a major feature of our life in Christ. How we keep the grounds of our church (ideally) reflects the love we have for our Lord! Here are two ideas for keeping up this work:

- * It would be great if everyone could chip in a little, since we do not have professional gardeners. Gardening is a form of exercise and even helps us get healthier (literally lowering risk of heart attack, reducing weight, and even helping protect against Alzheimer's!) Please see Mary Bradshaw or Sue if you are able to volunteer occasionally and they will brief you on what to do!
- * One very easy and tangible way to help beautify the grounds is for our parents to double-check behind their kids who play outside. Let your children not only pick up their own trash, but also pick up any other items around the campus! This teaches them stewardship and that they, too, are accountable for presenting the beauty of Christ!

The St. Elizabeth Sisterhood is once again collecting new and gently used children's books for HealthPoint Family Care in Nicholasville. Books can be placed in the aqua-colored crate in the parish hall labeled "Children's Books." Books may be donated until April 22, the Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearing Women, after which they'll be taken to HealthPoint Family Care.

TITHE SECURELY ONLINE AT: ATHANASIUSOCA.ORG/GIVE

Counters—***Please allow them to be 1st kissing the Cross & coffee/food line.	Tray Offerings	tithe.ly offerings	Month-to-Date Offerings	Weekly Budget \$3,330.00	Special Offerings
3/18 Rick/Ellie 3/25 Mary/Patrick 4/1 Tim/Ellie 4/8 Mary/Ellie	March 11 \$ 2,408.00	March 11 \$ 475.17	March \$ 7,655.09	Monthly Budget \$14,432	Shrink the Mortgage \$130.00