

Services and Celebrations This Week in the Parish

Saturday, September 5 / Namesday for Shannon Cook; Zacharias Powell
•6:30pm **Vigil** / 8pm Confessions

Sunday, September 6

- 10am **Divine Liturgy**
- 12pm Fellowship Hour (team I)
- 12:30-1:15pm Bread Ministry (team A)
- 2pm Youth Group

Monday, September 7 / National "Labor Day" Holiday

- 6:30pm **Great Vespers w/Litya for Nativity of the Theotokos**

Tuesday, September 8 / *Nativity of the Theotokos*

- 9am **Festal Liturgy for Nativity of the Theotokos**
(this service will be at Panagia in Lexington)
- No Moleben Today

Wednesday, September 9 / *St. Theodosius of Chernigov* (f/w/o/)

Namesday for Suzannah Reeves; Brittany Smith
Birthday for Daniel Smith

- 6:30pm **Vespers**
- 7:20 Christian Education: Church Handbook, Chapter 1

Thursday, September 10

- 7pm St. Elizabeth Sisterhood Meeting (at Alina Rusu's)

Friday, September 11 / Birthday for Nicholas Frangedakis

- No Services Today (Fr. Justin out of town)

Saturday, September 12 / Birthday for James Wesley Pulley

- 6:30pm **Great Vespers** / 7:20pm Confessions

Sunday, September 13 / Birthday for Paul Frangedakis

- 9am Sunday School for all ages begins for the new school year
- 10am **Divine Liturgy**
- 12pm Fellowship Hour (team II)
- 12pm Outside Work Day for Playground
- 12:30-1:15pm Bread Ministry (team B)
- 6:30pm **Vigil for Feast of the Cross**

Monday, September 14 / *Exaltation of the Cross* / (strict fast w/wine & oil)

- 7am **Festal Liturgy for Exaltation of the Cross**



Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, September 6, 2015

Readings for Today

2Corinthians 1:21-2:4 Matthew 22:1-14



St. Theodosius Russian Orthodox Cathedral in Cleveland, Ohio

Feast of St. Theodosius of Chernigov is Wednesday, September 9

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Sunday School For All Ages Begins Next Sunday, Sept. 13 promptly at 9am.

The breakdown of classes is as follows:

- ★ The Pre-K & K group will meet in the large Sunday School room on the basement level. Nursing mothers and little ones are also welcome in that room. We will be dividing it into two spaces. The lead instructor for the Pre-K/K class will be Audrey Wagner.
- ★ The Elementary Group (Grades 1-5) will meet in the parish hall. Josh Lourie is the lead instructor for this group.
- ★ The Middle and High School Group (Grades 6-12) will meet in the library upstairs with Subdeacon Bert Walther.
- ★ Adults will meet in the conference room upstairs and will be reading and discussing *The Desert Fathers: Sayings of the Early Christian Monks*, ed. Benedicta Ward. Dr. David Bradshaw is serving as coordinator for this series, and he will often, though not always, lead the discussion. "The Sayings..." are the ABC's of monastic tradition. Copies of the book will be available in class, but you may wish to order a copy for your personal use.

Youth Group will have their first meeting of the year this Sunday at 2pm at the ropes course at Asbury University. The next meeting will be Sept. 20, 6pm, at the church. This will be an orientation meeting for both parents and youth.

The Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos will be observed with Great Vespers/with Litya at 6:30pm on Monday, Sept. 7 here at St. Athanasius. Festal Liturgy for the Nativity of the Theotokos will be at 9am at Panagia in Lexington.

Wednesday Vespers at 6:30pm will be followed by a **Special Christian Education Series** walking us through the new parish handbook. While this might sound a little dry, we will be touching on very interesting challenges of parish life. In the first part this coming Wednesday, we will explore the history of the OCA, the history of our Dicoese of the South, and the history of St. Athanasius (our parish). In addition, we'll touch on why and how St. Athanasius became patron of the OCA Nicholasville community. Wrapping up the evening, we'll look at how our parish is structured and our Orthodox model of leadership on all levels!

No Services on Friday, Sept. 11 (Fr. Justin out of town).

Saturday the 12th, Great Vespers will be served at 6:30pm; confessions at 7:20pm.

Welcome Guests & Visitors! We are happy you are with us today and will gladly answer any questions you may have about our service. If this is your first time visiting, please let our greeter or doorkeeper know so we can recognize you at the end of the Liturgy. *Holy Communion is open to all baptized Orthodox Christians who have fasted from food and water since midnight, had recent confession, and are at peace with neighbors.*

Church Women United (a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women's movement, celebrating unity in diversity and working for a world of peace and justice) will meet on Tuesday, September 8 at 9:30am in Lexington. For more information contact Ellie Sutter.

Thank You Sarah Holiday & Zoe Zamora for volunteering to mend the server's robes. If anyone else would like to help, please contact Sarah.

Playground Work next Sunday after Liturgy. We will be spreading the gravel and setting railroad ties. Remember to bring a change of work clothes!

St. Elizabeth Sisterhood will meet on Thursday, September 10, 7-9pm, at the home of Alina Rizea Rusu. All ladies of the parish are invited. Please bring a food or drink to share as we enjoy fellowship and discuss ideas for activities for the upcoming year.

Annual Parish Meeting immediately after Liturgy on Sunday, Sept. 27.

1. Nominations for parish council are due by Wednesday, Sept.9. You may nominate yourself or someone else, but please see Fr. Justin first to review the requirements for service on the council.
2. Ministry Coordinators are asked to submit stewardship reports by Wednesday, Sept. 9. This is just a short summary the year's activities, suggestions for the coming year, and your interest in continuing your ministry leadership.

Financial Update: Offering for 8/30 was \$6,446.97. An additional \$3,000 came in on Monday. The budget deficit has been significantly reduced and we will be able to end the year in the black. **Many thanks to all for responding to this need.**

Date	Readers	Servers	Handmaidens	Prospora	Bread Ministry	Fellowship	Greeter	Doorkeeper	Counters
Sept. 6	Reader Ryan Winter	Patrick, Michael, Liam, Silas, Ian (dk), David J (dk)	Robyn Cook Teresa Powell	Ryan Winter	Team A (Karis Jacobs, Ben Worthington)	Team I (Powell)	Rebecca Wilson	Myra Lourie & Linda F.	Laura Walther Mary Cook
Sept. 13	Reader Rick Cook	Jared, Michael, Liam, JP, David J (dk), Ian (dk)	Rebecca Walther Nicole Rusu	Geoff Whiteman	Team B (Laura Walther, Beth Walther)	Team II (Patterson)	John Mize	Paul Frangedakis	Tim Powell Rebecca Wilson
Sept. 20	Subdeacon Bert Walther	Jared, Patrick, Silas, Liam, JP, Ian (dk), David J (dk)	Suzannah Reeves Shannon Cook	Geoff Whiteman	Team C (Inessa Verenich, Tanya Viarenich)	Team III (Bradshaw)	Geoff Whiteman	Jeff Hart	Laura Walther Ellie Sutter
Sept. 27	Reader Ryan Winter	Ben, Jared, Silas, JP, Ian (dk), David J (dk)	Beth Walther Myra Lourie	Sarah Holiday	Team D (Lisa Powell, Linda Frangedakis)	Annual Meeting Pizza	Josh Lourie	Chris Naughton	Mary Cook Rebecca Wilson