

Parish Life December 3 - 11

Saturday, December 3 f/w/o

Wilmore "Old Fashioned" Christmas

- 4pm **Vespers**
- 5:15pm Confessions

Sunday, December 4 f/w/o *Hieromartyr Alexander Hotovitzky*

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am **Divine Liturgy**
- 12pm Fellowship Hour - (team 4)
- 1pm Youth Group Members Leave for Berea
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (team B)
- 5:45pm **St. Nicholas Akathist** & Fellowship at Berea

Monday, December 5 w/o *Venerable Sabbas the Sanctified*

- 6:30pm **Great Vespers for St. Nicholas**
followed by a visit with St. Nicholas

Tuesday, December 6 f/w/o *Feast of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker*

Namesday for Alla Arnold, Billy Little, John Mize,

Emilia Frangedakis, Nicholas Frangedakis

- 9:30am **Divine Liturgy for St. Nicholas**
- 6:30pm OCF at UK

Wednesday, December 7 *St. Ambrose of Milan*

- 6:30pm **Vespers**
- 7:20pm Christian Education Class: Part 9 of Intro to Orthodoxy,
"Images Alive in Holy Tradition"
- 8:20pm **Small Compline for Nativity Fast**

Thursday, December 8 w/o

- 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting

Friday, December 9 *Conception of the Theotokos*

Saturday, December 10 f/w/o

"St. Nich" (City of Nicholasville) Festival Downtown Nicholasville

- 6:30pm Vigil
- 8pm Confessions

Sunday, December 11 f/w/o

Namesday for Benjamin Naughton

- 9am Sunday School
- 10am **Divine Liturgy**
- 12pm Fellowship Hour (team 1)
- 12:30pm Bread Ministry (team C)



Saint Athanasius

ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, December 4, 2016

Hieromartyr Alexander Hotovitzky

Today's Readings: Ephesians 2:14-22 Luke 17:12-19



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Remember that the Nativity Fast is a season of reflection and renewal. Come to Saturday Night Vigil, make at least one or more confession, and honor the season with fasting and almsgiving.

Youth Group members will gather at 1pm today to depart for Berea College. At 5:45pm we will pray the Akathist to St. Nicholas at Donovan Chapel with our Berea friends and parishioners followed by a fellowship time with lenten snacks. All are welcome to join the Akathist and fellowship.

Vespers on Wednesday the 7th at 6:30pm. *"Images Alive in Holy Tradition"* will be the featured topic of the Christian Education Class beginning at 7:20pm. Small Compline for Nativity Fast at 8:20pm.

Feast of St. Nicholas is December 6

- **Great Vespers** will be served on Monday at 6:30pm and following St. Nick will visit and share small gifts with the children.
- **Divine Liturgy** will be served at 9:30am on Tuesday. (No Moleben today.)

Parish Council will meet in the conference room at 7:30pm on Thursday the 8th.

Declaration of Membership & Pledge Cards for 2017 will be given out this weekend after Vigil and Liturgy services. Please make sure you get an envelope and return to the Treasurer before Nativity. This information is necessary for the parish council to plan for the new year.

Please help the Panera Bread Ministry by volunteering one hour every 4-6 weeks. Contact Linda Frangedakis for details. Many thanks to all who currently volunteer for this ministry!

"Make Ready, O Bethlehem: Orthodox Hymns of Christmas" sung by St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral Choir offers 26 outstanding selections in English. Two copies of this CD are available in the parish bookstore for only \$15 each.

Welcome Guests & Visitors!

We are happy you are visiting with us. Please sit or stand and participate at your comfort level. *Note: Holy Communion is open to all baptized Orthodox Christians who have observed the fasting requirements, had recent confession, and are at peace with neighbors.*

Happy Birthday

- ★ December 1.....Jordan Henderson
- ★ December 2.....David Jacobs
- ★ December 5.....Maksim Foushee
- ★ December 9.....Keith Buhler,
Chris Naughton,
Laura Walther
- ★ December 10....Bogdan Iancu
- ★ December 11....Tim Powell

Annual St. "Nich" (City of Nicholasville) Festival will be held on Saturday, December 10 from 8am to 7:30pm in downtown Nicholasville. Parade begins at 5:30pm. Vigil will be at 6:30pm as usual.

St. Nicholas Gifts The Sisterhood of St. Elizabeth the New Martyr is working with the Salvation Army of Jessamine County to help financially struggling families with Christmas presents for their children. Please see Lindsay Buhler if you would like to take a gift tag for a child this Christmas. The unwrapped gifts must be returned to the church by Wednesday, December 14. Fr. Justin will bless the gifts during Vespers that evening and they will be taken to the Salvation Army on the 15th.

Weekly Budget = \$3,265

November 27 Offering = \$ 3,956.15

Monthly Budget = \$14,150

Total for November = \$10,229.15

Date	Readers	Handmaidens	Prospora	Bread Ministry	Fellowship	Greeter	Doorkeeper	Counters
Dec. 4	Reader Rick Cook	Rebecca Walther Karis Jacobs	Josh Lourie	Team B (Laura Walther, Becca Walther)	Team IV (Walther)	Josh Lourie	Paul Frangedakis	Patrick Mooney Tim Powell
Dec. 11	Subdeacon Bert Walther	Suzannah Reeves Nicole Rusu	Ryan Winter	Team C (Inessa Verenich, Tanya Viarenich)	Team I (Frangedakis)	John Mize	Jeff Hart	Josiah Letchworth Laura Walther
Dec. 18	Reader Rick Cook	Teresa Powell Shannon Cook	Ryan Winter	Team D (Lisa Powell, Linda Frangedakis)	Team II (Henderson)	Rebecca Wilson	Chris Naughton	Mary Cook Ben Worthington
Dec. 25	Subdeacon Bert Walther	Anya Jacobs Myra Lourie	Kathryn McCord	Team A (Karis Jacobs, Ben Worthington)	Merry Christmas!	Josh Lourie	Myra, Shannon, L Frangedakis	Merry Christmas!