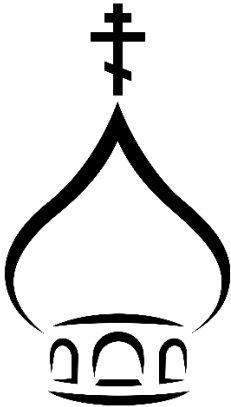


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Sunday, July 5, 2020

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Note to our Guests and Friends Visiting St. Nicholas:

We offer a most sincere and heart-felt welcome to St. Nicholas Church! Please be advised that according to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves to receive the Holy Sacrament.

(Please note - Information to be included in next Sunday's bulletin must be submitted by noon on Thursday. Thank you! ~ Jennifer N. Bzik)

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Schedule for the Week of July 5, 2020

4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 3. Ven. Athanasius, Founder of the Great Lavra and Cœnobitic Monasticism on Mt. Athos, and his six disciples (1000). Uncovering of the Relics of Ven. Sergius (Sérgii) of Rádonezh (1422). Martyr Anna at Rome (304) and Martyr Cyrilla, of Cyrene in Libya, a widow (304). Ven. Lampados of Irenopolis (10th c.). Hieromartyr Cyprian of Mt. Athos (1679)

Please join us for our Virtual Coffee Hour at 12:00 pm on Sunday on Zoom
(Check your email or the church website for the meeting link.)

Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, July 8, 2020	7:00 pm - Readers Vespers (Live Stream)
Thursday, July 9, 2020	12:00 pm - Deadline for RSVP for Divine Liturgy on Saturday or Sunday
Sunday, July 11, 2020	9:30 am - Divine Liturgy - Families with children are encouraged to attend Divine Liturgy on Saturdays (Live Stream will also be available) 10:45 am - Communion for Parish Children 6:00 pm - Great Vespers (Live Stream)
Sunday, July 12, 2020	5 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available) 10:45 am - Communion for Parish Children 12:00 pm - Virtual Coffee Hour (Zoom)

Announcements are back!!!

If you have something that you would like to have included in the bulletin for next Sunday, please provide the information to Jennifer Bzik by noon on Thursday. Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we figure out new ways to do things during this challenging time.

Announcements

Renovation of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker Mosaic Completed

I am pleased to announce that the renovation of our mosaic was completed the morning of Friday, June 19, 2020. It is stunningly beautiful and looks brand new. The work took 4-1/2 days.

What was done:

1. All missing tiles replaced.
2. Failed grouting removed and replaced, and repainted.
3. Two coats of premium car wax applied with double drying and buffing done in between applications to seal the mosaic for this winter.

What we need to do: (Parish Property Care Ministry)

1. Nothing needs to be for this coming winter.
2. Next year, late summer/early fall, access roof with ladder, taking along a 5' or 6' ladder up to mosaic.
3. Purchase premium car wax; apply a thin coat to entire mosaic; allow to dry 1-1/2 hours; buff with clean cotton terry cloth towels until towels appear clean.
 - a. Repeat application as above and mosaic will be fine for the winter.
4. While up there, examine the limestone arches around the mosaic for leaks in the seams between blocks. (Right now they are fine.)
 - a. If there are any open seams, apply cement to seal seams (not caulking).
5. This needs to be done annually thereafter to maintain the integrity of the mosaic.

With love in Christ,
Patty Felix for the Parish Council

Announcements

A Note of Thanks

To our St. Nicholas Church Family!

Thank you so much for all the cards, messages, phone calls and all the love that you have shown us at this difficult time. Everyone of you showed how much you care about us and it helped us be at peace and accept God's will. Much love to you all!

Carmen, Moses, Alex and Christopher

A Note of Thanks

Just want to say thank you to all my family and friends at St Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church for thinking of me while I was in Hospitals and Nursing Homes for all this time. Your prayers and good wishes that were offered to me at that time made me get through a time in my life that was hard for me and the family. God Bless all fo you and keep you all safe.

God Bless, Love to All - Nadya Seifert

Baby Hashinger Baptism

Remington Rose Hashinger, infant daughter of Ryan and Lydia Hashinger is to be baptized on Saturday, July 18. The proud grandparents are Randall and Maxine Marsh.

Announcements



Looking for a gift for someone?

We've got a perfect way to say "Thanks!" or "I'm Thinking of You".

Grocery Gift Cards are the ideal gift that everyone can use. When you purchase a gift card from our parish, you are helping our parish earn 5% income every time on each card. Last year alone, your card purchases helped raise \$2,000 for our church.

Participating stores are: Giant, Valley Farm, and Weis Markets. Card denominations are \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, and \$100. Special value cards for \$200 and \$300 may be ordered upon request with advance notice. Cards do not expire, so please consider purchasing a Grocery Gift Card the next time you need to buy a gift for someone. Better yet, why not get yourself a grocery gift card to use for your weekly shopping purchases and help earn some money for our parish!

See Stephanie Pasquel for Grocery Gift Cards. (Cash or checks please.)

Grocery Gift Cards are still available during social distancing. Please contact Stephanie Pasquel for details.

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Tone 3 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Tone 3 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

Tone 3 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
(Ps 46/47:6)

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! (Ps 46/47:1)

Epistle

(Romans 6:18-23) And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your

fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Tone 3

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame! (Ps 30/31:1)

Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me! (Ps 30/31:2)

Tone 6

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. (Ps 111/112:1)

Gospel

(Matthew 8:5-13) Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel! And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps 148:1)*

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. (*Ps 111/112:6b-7a*)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Heavenly Father...

Physician of our souls and bodies, Who has sent Your only-begotten Son to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal us, Your Servants, from all physical and spiritual ailments, through the grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant to us patience in this sickness, strength of body, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your Word to pray for each other that we may be healed. For You are the source of healing, and to You we give glory; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers at the Divine Liturgy for the Health of the Servants of God:

Igumen David Lewis

Archbishop David Mahaffey

Archpriests: Thomas Edwards, John Perich, Rodion Pfeifer, James Mason, Claude Vinyard, Dimitri Oselinsky, David Shewczyk, Dennis Swenki, James Weremedic

Priests: Matthew Joyner, Ian Shipley, John Nightingale

Matushki: Ashley Joyner, Marie Mason, Johanna Bohush, Evelyn Edwards, Paraskeva Vansuch, Myra Kovalak, Gloria Martin, Maryann Oselinsky, Priscilla Shipley, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic

Servants: Bethany Bruder, Mary Brzuchalski, Helen Cotirgasanu, Roberta Cusick, Val Danchenko, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, David Gowarty, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Jonathan Hontz, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Pauline Kasick, Greg Konsevitch, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Olga Maksimova, Peter Marsh, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Mary Orzolek, Ryan Pinkowicz, Kiera Pheiffer, Gordon Roberts, Clara Roman, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Robert Schainfeld, Cate Shea, Julia Smith, Julia G. Smolenski, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, John Uzick, Irene Witaneck

Child of God: Emily Estrin

Please remember them and all our homebound and nursing home parishioners in your daily intercessory prayers.