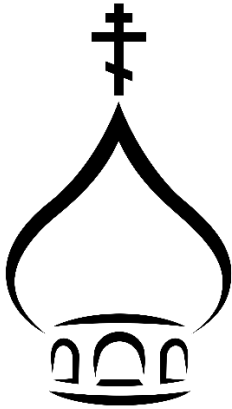


Divine Liturgy

Sunday, November 8, 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 November 9, 2020

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 5. SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL AND THE OTHER BODILESS POWERS: Archangels Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Selaphiel, Jegudiel, and Barachiel. Synaxis of the Holy Unmercenaries.

Weekly Calendar

Please note that Fr. Matthew will be on vacation from Monday, November 2 through Monday, November 9. During that time, please refrain from contacting him unless there is an emergency.

(All Parishioners must review and follow the St. Nicholas Church Reopening Guidance when attending services in person.)

Wednesday, November 11, 2020

7:00 pm – Readers Vespers (Live Stream Only)

Thursday, November 12, 2020

12:00 pm – Deadline for RSVP for Saturday Panikhida/Vespers and/or Sunday Liturgy

Saturday, November 14, 2020

5:15 pm – Monthly Panikhida (Live Stream will also be available)
6:00 pm – Great Vespers (Live Stream will also be available)

Sunday, November 15, 2020

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available)
10:45 am – Communion for Parish Children (Wait outside the main Church Doors)
Outdoor Fellowship Gathering to follow the Divine Liturgy (weather permitting)

Announcements

Honoring Our Veterans

On this Veterans Day 2020 we honor our men and women who so valiantly served in the United States Armed Forces. We pray for those on active duty and for those veterans who completed their tours of duty. We thank them and wish them God's blessings for many years.

Active Duty

Reader, 2nd Lt. Daniel Holobeny, U. S. Air Force

Jonathan Hontz, U.S. Navy

Veterans

V. Rev. James Mason, U.S. Navy

Subdeacon Michael Guydan, U.S. Air Force

Leo Tony Anicola, U.S. Air Force

Barry Bretz, U.S. Navy

Stephen Chromiak, U.S. Navy

Dennis Chrush, U.S. Air Force

Stephen Doncevic, U. S. Army

Michael Dorosh, U.S. Navy

Paul Dragovich, U.S. Marines

Donald Dudash, U.S. Army

Walter Grigoruk, U.S. Marines

Donna Haney, U.S. Navy

Andrew Hasenecz, U.S. Air Force

Paul Havrilko, U.S. Army

Michael Isbansky, U.S. Army

Joseph Kavchok, Jr. U.S. Air Force

William Keysock, U.S. Navy

Gary Kiechel, U.S. Army

Walter Logechnik - US Army

Michael Matsko, U.S. Navy

John McGarrity, U.S. Army

John Mikita, U.S. Navy

David Monarek, U.S. Marines

Joseph Pinkowicz, U. S. Army

William J. Potter, U.S. Air Force

Patric Shea, U.S. Marines

Michael Slivka, U.S. Air Force

Dorothy Stafiniak, U.S. Air Force

Wash Telepchak, U.S. Army

Keith Atlee, (4 years) ROTC

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Further, we pray for those sons and daughters of our parish who have given their lives in battle and for those who served their tours of duty and have passed on to eternal rest. May their Memory Be Eternal.

Update Regarding Archbishop David

(Copied from www.OCA.org)

Standing Synod Meets

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On Tuesday, November 3, 2020, the Standing Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America, met via teleconference under the presidency of His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon. In their meeting, the members of the Standing Synod considered the request that His Eminence Archbishop David of Sitka and Alaska made to His Beatitude to appoint an episcopal administrator for the Diocese of Alaska. His Eminence has made this request due to his serious health condition. With the concurrence of the Standing Synod, His Beatitude reiterated that His Eminence Archbishop David remains the ruling bishop of the Diocese of Alaska. Additionally, His Beatitude accepted the request of His Eminence Archbishop David and appointed His Grace Bishop Alexis of Bethesda as episcopal administrator of the Diocese of Alaska.

His Eminence Archbishop David's condition remains critical. He is residing at his daughter's home in Hanover, Pennsylvania, while he receives treatment for cancer. Faithful are invited to mail cards, care of his daughter:

Archbishop David
42 Arlene Drive
Hanover, PA 17331

His Beatitude and the members of the Standing Synod call upon the clergy and faithful of the Orthodox Church in America to remember His Eminence in their prayers. His Beatitude said, "Once again, I ask each of us to fervently pray that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Divine Physician and Healer of our souls and bodies, grant His Eminence Archbishop David courage and consolation to endure his treatment with hope, and that the Mother of God inspire him to maintain his strong faith while bearing this cross."

Parish Security Update: Church Security Alarm Access Policy

Dear St. Nicholas Parishioners,

October 30, 2020

The Parish Security and Safety Ministry's primary objective is to provide a secure place of worship where clergy, members, and visitors can worship in a safe and secure environment. Members of the ministry have met with the Pennsylvania State Police and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to conduct safety assessments and to provide recommendations for safety and security.

One of the recommendations, to be implemented in the near term, are guidelines for *church security alarm access*. The target date to activate the policy is the end of November 2020.

Church Security Alarm Access:

- The current security access code will be disabled at the end of November 2020. Once the code is disabled, entrance into the church using the old code will result in the alarm being set off. *Any fines, due to false alarms, issued by the township may be the responsibility of the individual causing the alarm.*
- New "Personal Codes" will be issued and assigned to key church personnel who need consistent access to the church facilities
- It is important, for all members with personal access codes, to adhere to the following rules:
 1. Never give your personal access code to anyone
 2. Protect your personal access code from discovery by any person
 3. If for any reason, your personal access code is discovered by anyone, contact the church administrative assistant immediately so that the code can be canceled and a new code issued

Requests for personal access codes must be made to the St. Nicholas Parish Council for review and determination of need.

Over the next 4 weeks, the Parish Council is asking all parishioners with church keys to return them to the church office. Place all keys in an envelope with your name. Church keys will be reissued along with a personal access code to assigned clergy and parishioners.

As progress is made on key recommendations, updates will be provided to the parish community.

Your is in Christ,

St. Nicholas Parish Council

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.



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 5 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Tone 4 Troparion *(Bodiless Powers)*

O Commanders of the heavenly hosts, we who are unworthy beseech you: by your prayers encompass us beneath the wings of your immaterial glory, and faithfully preserve us who fall down and cry out to you: "Deliver us from all harm, for you are the Commanders of the Powers on high!"

Tone 5 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty, resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man, and we cry to Thee: O Lord, save us!

Tone 2 Kontakion *(Bodiless Powers)*

Commanders of God's armies and ministers of the divine glory, princes of the bodiless angels and guides of mankind; ask for what is good for us, and for great mercy, O Supreme Commanders of the Bodiless Hosts.

Tone 5 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever.
(Ps. 11:7)

Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly! (Ps. 11:1a)

Tone 4 Prokeimenon (*Bodiless Powers*)

He makes His Angels spirits, / and His ministers a flame of fire. (*Ps. 103:5*)

Epistle

(Galatians 6:11-18) See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

(Hebrews 2:2-10 (*Bodiless Powers*)) For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various

miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will? For He has not put the world to come, of which we speak, in subjection to angels. But one testified in a certain place, saying: "What is man that You are mindful of him, or the son of man that You take care of him? You have made him a little lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, and set him over the works of Your hands. You have put all things in subjection under his feet." For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Tone 5

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation. (Ps. 88:1-2)

For Thou hast said: "Mercy will be established forever; My truth will be prepared in the heavens." (Ps. 88:3)

Tone 5

Praise Him, all His Angels, praise Him, all His hosts! (Ps. 148:2)

Gospel

(Luke 8:41-56) And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to

his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me." Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace." While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well." When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

(Luke 10:16-21 (*Bodiless Powers*)) He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me." Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven." In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.

Communion Hymn

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

He makes His Angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. (*Ps. 103:5*)

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:

Metropolitan Herman

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, Patricia Grammes, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Jonathan Hontz, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Pauline Kasick, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Olga Maksimova, Peter Marsh, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Mary Orzolek, Kylie Pinho, 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.