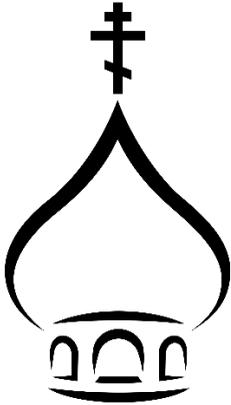


# **Divine Liturgy**

Sunday, July 18, 2021

**Fathers of the 1st Six Ecumenical Councils**



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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 18, 2021

**4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 3. Fathers of the 1st Six Ecumenical Councils.** Martyr Emilian of Silistria in Bulgaria (363). Martyr Hyacinth of Amastridea (4th c.). Ven. John the Long-suffering of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves–1160). Ven. Pambo, Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves–13th c.). Ven. Pambo, Hermit, of Egypt (4th c.). Monastic Martyrs Grand Duchess Elizabeth and Barbara (1918–July 5th O.S.). The “TOLGA” Icon of the Mother of God (1314).

## Father Matthew’s Office Hours This Week

Wednesday 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

## Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

*\*\*\*Live Stream will also be available for all services.\*\*\**

**Wednesday, July 21, 2021**

7:00 pm – Church History 101 with Fr. Matthew

**Saturday, July 24, 2021**

6:00 pm – Great Vespers

**Sunday, July 25, 2021**

9:10 am – Reading of the Hours  
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

### ***Mitre Award***

*Please join us for a luncheon after the Divine Liturgy to honor Fr. James Mason.*

## A Reminder from the Parish Council

It has been brought to our attention there has been a notable amount of talking in the narthex prior to and following the Divine Liturgy and other services. Please be mindful that services have not ended until all people have exited the church and the prayers and choir have concluded. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

# Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 18, 2021

## Fathers of the 1st Six Ecumenical Councils

### **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 8**      **Troparion**    *(Fathers)*

Thou art most glorious, O Christ our God, Who hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth. Through them Thou hast guided us to the True Faith. O greatly compassionate One, glory to Thee!

### **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 8**      **Kontakion**    *(Fathers)*

The Apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrines have established one Faith for the Church. Adorned with the robe of truth, woven from heavenly theology, It defines and glorifies the great mystery of piety.

### **Tone 3**      **Prokeimenon**    *(Resurrection)*

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

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

**Tone 4      Prokeimenon      *(Song of the Three Holy Children)***

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever! *(Song of the Three Holy Children, v. 3)*

**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.

**(Hebrews 13: 7-16 (Fathers))** Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

### **Tone 3**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

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

### **Tone 1**

*The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. (Ps. 49:1)*

### **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.

**(John 17:1-13 (Fathers))** Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they

may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

## **Communion Hymn**

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

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! *(Ps. 32:1)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

# **Candle Offerings for Sunday, July 18, 2021**

## **Vigils in Altar**

In Honor Of Sophia Lezinsky, Offered by Baba & Grandpa

## **Vigils in Altar**

In Honor Of Mike Dorosh, Offered by Lezinsky & Florenz Families

## **Vigils in Altar**

In Honor Of Andrew Florenz, Offered by Mom Judy & Mr. Nick

## **Votives in Altar**

Happy Birthday Sophia, Offered by The Bzik Family

## **Vigil in Side Candle Holders**

In Memory Of Eva Ridolfi, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry Bretz

## **Vigil in Side Candle Holders**

In Memory Of Mary Skardinski, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry Bretz

## **Crosses**

In Memory Of Andrew Hutz, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry Bretz

## **Vigils on the Tetrapod**

In Honor Of Sophia Lezinsky's Birthday, Offered by Daddy, Mommy, and Jacob

## **Vigils on Icon Table**

In Memory Of Frank Davco, Offered by Daughter Francine & Michael Slivka

## **Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary**

In Memory Of Veronica Davco, Offered by Francine & Michael Slivka

## **Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary**

Happy Birthday Mr. Mike, Offered by Sophia and Jacob

### **Vigils - Icon of St. John the Baptist**

In Memory Of Peter Slivka, Offered by Brother Michael & Francine Slivka

### **Votives - Icon of St. John the Baptist**

In Memory Of Richard Stetch, Offered by Fr. Tom & Matushka Evelyn

### **Vigils on North Wall Window Sills**

In Honor Of Sophia's Birthday, Offered by The Hodson Family

### **Vigil of St. Andrew**

For Health Of Steve & Michele Lelo, Offered by Fr. Tom & Matushka Evelyn

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Save the Date**

Please save the date on Sunday, July 25 we will be celebrating Fr. Mason's Mitre Award. At its Spring Session the Holy Synod of Bishops has granted Fr. James Mason the right to wear the Mitre. The parish will honor this award with a Luncheon after Liturgy on Sunday, July 25. Please plan to join us to thank Fr. James for his many years of dedicated service.

### **Raisin and Plain Paska Breads Available**

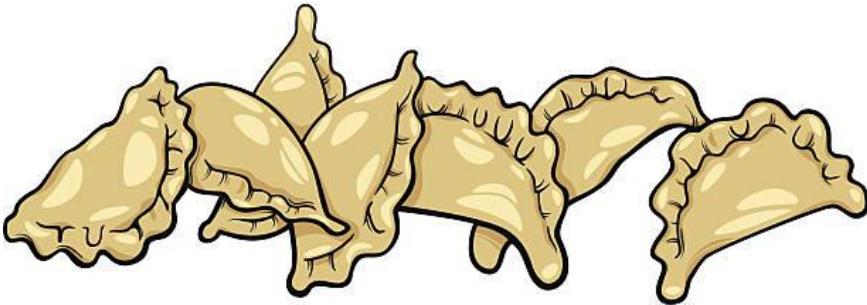
We still have some raisin and plain paska breads available. These breads were baked last year and have been frozen since that time. Please contact Maxine Marsh at 610-837-8063 if you are interested in the breads. Donations accepted.

### **Found**

A small silver cross with clear stones was recently found in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Jennifer Bzik if it belongs to you.

**Did you know?**

**WE MAKE PIEROGI  
EVERY WEEK!!!**



We make hand pinched pierogi every week (except around the holidays). Please call the **Pierogi Hotline** at **610-867-0402, ext. 5** before 8 am on Monday morning to order your pierogi for pickup on Wednesday between 9 and 11:30 am. For orders over 10 dozen, please give seven days notice.

When you call the Pierogi Hotline (610-867-0402, ext. 5), please leave your name, phone number and the number of dozen you would like. Please speak clearly and repeat your phone number when leaving your order. We make potato with cheese or sauerkraut.

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 for the Health of the Servants of God:**

**Metropolitan Herman**

**Igumen David Lewis**

**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

**Deacons:** Geoffrey LoBalbo

**Subdeacons:** Michael (Frank) Guydan

**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, David G. Cudlic, Roberta Cusick, Val Danchenko, Judi Diaz, Betty Fedora, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Pauline Kasick, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Victoria Lustig, Olga Maksimova, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Ryan Pinkowicz, Kiera Pheiffer, Gordon Roberts, Clara Roman, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Robert Schainfeld, Cate Shea, Francine Slivka, Michael Slivka, Julia Smith, Julia G. Smolenski, Dorothy Stafiniak, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, Irene Witaneck

**Child of God:** Emily Estrin

**Handmaidens of God:** Corinne Gahles Stuckey, Amanda Riley, and their unborn children

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