

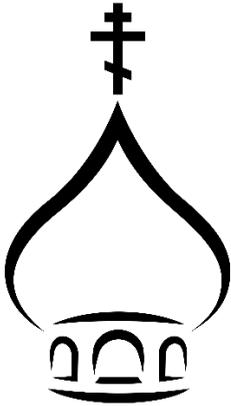
Divine Liturgy

September 18, 2022

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Cross

St. Eumenes, Bishop of Gortyna



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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 September 18, 2022

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 5. Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross. Sunday after Elevation. St. Eumenes, Bishop of Gortyna (6th c.). Martyr Ariadne of Phrygia (2nd c.). Martyrs Sophia, Irene, and Castor of Egypt (3rd c.). Greatmartyr Prince Bidzini and Martyrs Princes Elizabar and Shalvi, of Georgia (1660).

Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Monday, September 19th - Fr. Nikolai's Day Off
Wednesday, September 21st - 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Friday, September 23rd - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Coffee Hour Today

Coffee hour today is hosted by The Hodson Family

Correction: Coffee Hour last week was hosted by Radu & Aliana Lungu

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

Live Stream will also be available for all services.

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| Saturday, September 24 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, September 25 | 15th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Friday, September 30 | Eve of Protection 6:00 pm - Great Vespers w/ Litia |
| Saturday, October 1 | Protection of the Theotokos (Pokrov) 8:50 am - Reading of the Hours 9:00 am - Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |

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| Sunday, October 2 | 16th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, October 8 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, October 9 | 17th Sunday / St. Tikhon of Moscow 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, October 15 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, October 16 | 18th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, October 22 | Memorial Saturday of St. Demetrius 8:50 am - Reading of the Hours 9:00 am - Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, October 23 | 19th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, October 29 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, October 30 | 20th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |

Collection for Deacon Geoffrey LoBalbo

As most of you are aware, our Deacon, Geoffrey LoBalbo had to go into the hospital several weeks ago. The diagnosis was a staph infection from a sore somewhere on his body. The infection for serious enough that doctors had to install a PICC line for antibiotics. This leaves the Deacon unable to work his normal secular job for about 6 weeks. We will be taking up a collection on Sunday, September 25th at a Parish Council sponsored Coffee Hour, to help him cover his everyday life expenses during this period without work. Please be generous!

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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 1 Troparion *(Feast)*

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance! Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries; and by virtue of Thy Cross, preserve Thy habitation!

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 4 Kontakion *(Feast)*

As Thou wast voluntarily raised upon the Cross for our sake, grant mercy to those who are called by Thy Name, O Christ God; make all Orthodox Christians glad by Thy power, granting them victories over their adversaries by bestowing on them the invincible trophy, Thy weapon of peace!

Tone 7 Prokeimenon *(Feast)*

Extol the Lord our God: worship at His footstool for He is holy! (Ps. 98:5)

The Lord reigns, let the people tremble! (Ps. 98:1a)

Epistle

Read by Reader Nick Stepanoff

(Galatians 2:16-20 (Sunday After)) knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

(2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4) Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Remember Thy congregation, which Thou hast gotten of old! (Ps. 73:2)

God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth! (Ps. 73:13)

Gospel

(Mark 8:24-9:1 (Sunday After)) When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

(Matthew 22:1-14) And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.'" But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his

business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:)

Tone 8

Magnify, O my soul, the most precious Cross of the Lord!

Thou art a mystical Paradise, O Theotokos, who, though untilled, hast brought forth Christ; through Him the life-bearing wood of the Cross was planted on earth. Now at its Exaltation, as we bow in worship before it, we magnify thee.

Communion Hymn

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

The light of Thy countenance has been signed upon us, O Lord. *(Ps. 4:7)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Candle Offerings for Sunday, September 18, 2022

Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)

In Memory Of My Grandmother, Vera, Offered by Guliana Holobeny

Votives in Altar

For Health of Ann Marie & Barry on their Anniversary
Offered by Stephanie Pasquel

Votives in Iconostas

Happy Birthday Joe Mascari III, Offered by Kavchok & Mascari Families

Crosses

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

Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)

Happy Anniversary Frank & Michele Guydan, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry

Vigils on Icon Table (2)

Happy Anniversary Joe & Margie Kavchok
Offered by Kavchok & Mascari Families

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)

For Health Of Suzanne Nicholas, Offered by Bill & Sandi Keysock

Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary

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A Note of Thanks

Thank you to all who gave generously at our recent coffee hours hosted to raise funds for the replacement of our aging HVAC systems. We collected \$610 at coffee hours and \$600 was matched by the ROCMAS Local. After an additional \$300 donation from a generous member of our parish, we directed a total of \$1,510 towards the HVAC project.

Thank you for your support!
Sandi Keysock, President RO59

THANK YOU!!!!!!

A very big thank you to everyone who came out to make this Slavic Celebration a Success!! This truly was a group effort. We were busy from the end of June right up until the Celebration cooking, baking, donations, crafting, and setting up. Thank you to the Pierogie makers, the Roll makers, the kiffle makers, the Halupki makers and the crafters. Thank you for the Russian Tea, people who helped set up and work all the different areas: Russian Treasures, Children's Crafts, Russian Tea room, Baked Goods, Beverages, Frozen Halupki and Pierogies, Food Servers, Cooks, Cashiers, Runners, Potato Pancake Flippers, Pierogie Fryers, the potato and onion cutters, the potato cleaner, the packers day, night crew, the dishwashers, table cleaners, advertising and handout fliers!!! Everyone who helped clean up that day and the days after!! If I missed anyone please forgive me. There are just so many people to thank who made this a success.! Also, I would like to send out a special thank you to those who do not belong to our church but, work diligently to help our church succeed. Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!!

With appreciation,
Judy Lezinsky

Coming Soon - The Wonderworker

It's time to prepare for the next edition of our newsletter, The Wonderworker. Any news related to what's going on in the parish is welcome for submission. We hope that all heads of ministries and committees will be able to offer a short update to the parish at large about the good things they are doing. Information for the Fall Edition should be submitted no later than Friday, September 30, 2022. Please send your submissions to Fr. Nikolai or Jennifer Bzik.

A Note Of Thanks

Thank you to our parish family for all of your prayers, calls, cards, etc. They are truly appreciated.

Subdeacon Michael (Frank) & Michele Guydan

Christmas Bazaar Baking and Pierogi Schedule

Monday, September 19 - kiffle prep 7:00 AM - Noon

Wednesday, September 21 - pierogi making 6:30 AM &
kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Wednesday, September 28 - pierogi making 6:30 AM - Noon

Friday, September 30 - roll baking & packing 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Tuesday, October 4 - kiffle prep 7:00 AM - Noon

Wednesday, October 5 - pierogi making 6:30 AM &
kiffle baking & packing 10:00 - 3:00 PM

Wednesday, October 12 - pierogi making 6:30 AM - Noon

Friday, October 14 - roll baking & packing 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Tuesday, October 18 - kiffle prep 7:00 AM - Noon

Wednesday, October 19 - pierogi making 6:30 AM &
kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Wednesday, October 26 - pierogi making 6:30 AM - Noon

Tuesday, November 1 - kiffle prep 7:00 AM - Noon

Wednesday, November 2 - pierogi making 6:30 AM &
kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Wednesday, November 9 - pierogi making 6:30 AM - Noon

Tuesday, November 15 - kiffle prep 7:00 AM - Noon

Wednesday, November 16 - pierogi making 6:30 AM &
kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Wednesday, November 30 - pierogi making 6:30 AM - Noon

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:

Igumen David Lewis

Archpriests: Thomas Edwards, John Perich, James Mason, Claude Vinyard, Dimitri Oselinsky, David Shewczyk, Ian Shipley, Dennis Swenki, James Weremedic, John Onofrey

Priests: Nikolai Breckenridge, John Nightingale

Deacons: Geoffrey LoBalbo

Subdeacons: Michael (Frank) Guydan

Matushki: Liudmyla Breckenridge, Marie Mason, Johanna Bohush, Evelyn Edwards, Paraskeva Vansuch, Myra Kovalak, Gloria Martin, Maryann Oselinsky, Priscilla Shipley, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic, Stephanie Onofrey

Servants: Bethany Bruder, Mary Brzuchalski, Michael Bzik, Helen Cotirgasanu, David G. Cudlic, Roberta Cusick, Val Danchenko, Betty Fedora, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, Linda Gardner, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Alexandra Keysock, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, Bernard Kusior, Jean Kusior, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Victoria Lustig, Olga Maksimova, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Kiera Pheiffer, Laurel Riley, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Connor Samuels, Robert Schainfeld, Catherine Shea, Francine Slivka, Michael Slivka, Julia Smith, Julia G. Smolenski, Dorothy Stafiniak, Joan Stetz, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, Irene Witanek

Handmaidens of God: Lisa Metz, Alyssa Weaver and their unborn children, Molly Polacco, Tosha Roberts and their newborn daughters.

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