

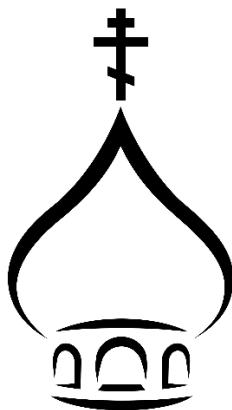
# **Divine Liturgy**

September 25, 2022

**15th Sunday after Pentecost (1st of Luke)**

**Repose of Ven. Sergius,**

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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 25, 2022

**15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 6. Repose of Ven. Sergius (Sérgii) the Wonderworker, Abbot of Rádonezh** (1392). Ven. Euphrosynē of Alexandria (5th c.). Ven. Euphrosynē of Suzdal' (1250). Translation of the Relics of St. Herman, Archbishop of Kazan' (1595). Martyr Paphnutius and 546 companions in Egypt (3rd c.). Commemoration of the Earthquake of 447 (447).

## Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> – Fr. Nikolai's Day Off

Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

## Coffee Hour Today

### 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 was 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 **TODAY** at a Parish Council sponsored Coffee Hour, to help him cover his everyday life expenses during this period without work. Please be generous!

## Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

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

**Friday, September 30**

Eve of Protection

6:00 pm - Great Vespers w/ Litia

<b>Saturday, October 1</b>	Protection of the Theotokos (Pokrov) 8:50 am - Reading of the Hours 9:00 am - Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm - Great Vespers
<b>Sunday, October 2</b>	16th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy
<b>Saturday, October 8</b>	5:00 pm - Great Vespers
<b>Sunday, October 9</b>	17th Sunday / St. Tikhon of Moscow 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy
<b>Saturday, October 15</b>	5:00 pm - Great Vespers
<b>Sunday, October 16</b>	18th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy
<b>Saturday, October 22</b>	Memorial Saturday of St. Demetrius 8:50 am - Reading of the Hours 9:00 am - Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm - Great Vespers
<b>Sunday, October 23</b>	19th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy
<b>Saturday, October 29</b>	5:00 pm - Great Vespers
<b>Sunday, October 30</b>	20th Sunday after Pentecost 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

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**Tone 6**

**Troparion**

*(Resurrection)*

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure body. Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee.

**Tone 4**

**Troparion**

*(St. Sergius)*

A zealot of good deeds and a true warrior of Christ our God, thou didst struggle greatly against the passions in this passing life; in songs and vigils and fasting thou wast an image and example to thy disciples, thus the most Holy Spirit lived within thee, and thou wast made beautiful by His working. Since thou hast great boldness before the Holy Trinity, remember the flock which thou hast wisely gathered, and do not forget to visit thy children as thou hast promised, venerable Sergius, our father!

**Tone 6**

**Kontakion**

*(Resurrection)*

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

**Tone 8**

**Kontakion**

*(St. Sergius)*

Bound by the love of Christ, O venerable one, and following Him with unwavering desire, thou didst despise all carnal pleasures, shining like the sun in thy land. Therefore, Christ has enriched thee with the gift of miracles. Remember us, who venerate thy most holy memory and who call out to thee: "Rejoice, O Sergius, made wise by God!"

**Tone 6**      **Prokeimenon**      (*Resurrection*)

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance! (Ps. 27:9a)

*To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!* (Ps. 27:1a)

**Tone 7**      **Prokeimenon**      (*St. Sergius*)

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. (Ps. 115:6)

**Epistle**

Read by Reader Matthew Lezinsky

**(2 Corinthians 4:6-15)** For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed - always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

**(Galatians 5:22-6:2 (St. Sergius))** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such

a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

## **Tone 6**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*He who dwelleth in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God. (Ps. 90:1)*

*He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust." (Ps. 90:2)*

## **Tone 6**

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

## **Gospel**

**(Luke 5:1-11)** So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net." And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!" For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

**(Luke 6:17-23 (St. Sergius))** And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all. Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven, for in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.

### **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. 111:6)  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## **Candle Offerings for Sunday, September 25, 2022**

### **Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)**

Happy Birthday Sandi Keysock, Offered by Bill Keysock

### **Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)**

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

## **Advent Lecture Series**

Fr. Nikolai will be offering a series of lectures on Death, and the Afterlife in November, during the Nativity Fast. This will be over 4 or 5 sessions. If you're interested in attending this in person or via Zoom, please sign up on the sign-up sheet at the candle desk, or email Fr. Nikolai at [nikolai.breckenridge@gmail.com](mailto:nikolai.breckenridge@gmail.com). Once we find out what days and time will be best, we will schedule the dates. Lectures will also be recorded.

## **General Panikhida**

We will be resuming the parish custom of having a General Panikhida for our departed parishioners and loved ones on the first Saturday of the month, 30 minutes before Vespers. So join us this upcoming Saturday, October 1st, at 4:30 PM and pray for those who need our prayers!

## **Readers Course**

All the tonsured Readers, as well as those who are interested in the order of Divine Services, are invited and encouraged to join in on 2 courses outlining the information needed to function properly as Readers in the Orthodox Church. We will cover the daily order of services, the books required to serve them, and the way they are assembled. These will be held after Great Vespers on Saturday, October 15th, and Saturday, October 29th.

## **SAVE THE DATES!**

We sold so many halupki at our Slavic Celebration (1200), that we dipped into our store for the Christmas Bazaar! We now will be making a small batch of 600 halupki and need your help.

Sunday, November 6 we will be steaming, deveining, and making rice.  
Monday, November 7 we will be mixing meat, rolling and cooking.  
All help is appreciated! See Val Roberts if you can help. Thank you!

# **ATTENTION!!**

We have frozen 4-packs of halupki for sale! They are \$15. Please see Val Roberts.

## **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.

## **Christmas Bazaar Baking and Pierogi Schedule**

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.**