Divine Liturgy

Sunday, June 18, 2023

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints of America





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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 June 18, 2023

2nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 1. All Saints of America (All Saints of Russia). Martyr Leontius, and with him Martyrs Hypatius and Theodulus, at Tripoli in Syria (70-79). Ven. Leonty, Canonarch, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves–14th c.). Ven. Leonty the Hagiorite (1605). "Bogolyubov" Icon of the Mother of God (1157).

Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Wednesday, June 21st – 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm Friday, June June 23rd – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Coffee Hour Today

Coffee Hour Today is hosted by The Parish Council In Honor of Father's Day

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

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

Tuesday, June 20 7:00 pm - Parish Council Meeting

Saturday, June 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:50 - Reading of the Hours

9:00 - Divine Liturgy

5:00 pm - Great Vespers

Sunday, June 25 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

9:10 am - Reading of the Hours

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, June 28 6:00 pm - Great Vespers w/ Litia

| Thursday, June 29 | Ss. Peter and Paul |
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| | 8:50 - Reading of the Hours |
| | 9:00 - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, July 1 | 4:30 pm - General Panikhida |
| | Great Vespers - 5:00 pm |
| Sunday, July 2 | 4th Sunday after Pentecost |
| | 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours |
| | 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Thursday, July 6 | 9:00 am - Akathist to the Theotokos, Nurturer of children |
| Saturday, July 8 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, July 9 | 5th Sunday after Pentecost |
| | 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours |
| | 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, July 15 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, July 16 | 6th Sunday after Pentecost |
| | 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours |
| | 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, July 22 | 6:30 pm - Great Vespers (Note Different Time!) |
| Sunday, July 23 | 7th Sunday after Pentecost |
| | 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours |
| | 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |
| Saturday, July 29 | 5:00 pm - Great Vespers |
| Sunday, July 30 | 8th Sunday after Pentecost |
| | 9:10 am - Reading of the Hours |
| | 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy |

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Tone 1 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: "Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!"

Tone 8 Troparion (All Saints of America)

As the bountiful harvest of Thy sowing of salvation, the lands of North America offer to Thee, O Lord, all the saints who have shone in them. By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

Tone 1 Kontakion (Resurrection)

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Thyself. Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master! Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to Thee: "Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!"

Tone 3 Kontakion (All Saints of America)

Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God in the lands of North America now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us. With them the Angels glorify Him, and all the Saints of the Church of Christ keep festival with them; and together they all pray for us to the Pre-eternal God.

Tone 1 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee! (Ps. 32:22)

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

Tone 7 Prokeimenon (All Saints of America)

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

Epistle

Read by Reader Nicholas Stepanoff

(Romans 2:10-16) but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God. For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

(Hebrews 11:33-12:2 (All Saints of America)) who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and

imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me. (Ps. 17:48)

He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever. (Ps. 17:51)

Tone 1

Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, O you righteous! (Ps. 31:11a)

Gospel

(Matthew 4:18-23) And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called

them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

(Matthew 4:25-5:12 (All Saints of America)) Great multitudes followed Himfrom Galilee, and from Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan. And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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!

Candle Offerings Sunday, June 11, 2023

Vigils in Altar - Windowsill (2)

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak, Offered by Michele, Joe, Stephen & Families

Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)

Happy Anniversary Eric & Lindsey Slivka, Offered by Fran & Mike Slivka

Vigils in Altar - Side Table (2)

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak, Offered by Dorothy Stafiniak

Votives in Altar

For Health Of Ann Marie Bretz on her Birthday, Offered by Stephanie Pasquel

Votives in Iconostas

In Honor of Luke Shadid, Offered by Fr. Michael & Mat. Susan Kon

Vigil in Side Candle Holders (2)

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak, Offered by Dorothy Stafiniak

Crosses

In Honor Of Owen Radio's 16th Birthday, Offered by Poppy & Baba

Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)

Happy Birthday Ann Marie Bretz, Offered by Barry

Vigils on Icon Table (2)

In Honor of Owen Radio's 16th Birthday Offered by Dad, Jen, Ethan, Kody, Austin, Devon

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)

In Honor of Owen Radio's 16th Birthday Offered by Dad, Jen, Ethan, Kody, Austin, Devon

Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary

Happy Birthday Matthew Roberts, Offered by Mom & Dad

Vigils - Icon of St. John the Baptist (2)

Happy Birthday Matthew Roberts, Offered by Mom & Dad

Votives - Icon of St. John the Baptist

Happy Birthday Jackson Slivka, Offered by Francine & Michael Slivka

Vigils on South Wall Window Sill (3)

In Honor Of Gregory Brusko, Offered by Damian, Jen & Cameron

Vigils of St. Gregory (1)

In Memory Of Michael Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Vigils of St. Paul (1)

In Memory Of Michael Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Vigils on North Wall Window Sill (3)

In Honor Of Gregory Brusko, Offered by Damian, Jen & Cameron

Vigil of St. Michael (1)

In Memory Of Michael Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Vigil of St. Andrew (1)

In Memory Of Michael Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Upcoming Parish Council Meeting

Parish Council Meeting - Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

Some may not know, but Council Meetings are open to all Parishioners to observe. If you wish to attend, please let Fr. Nikolai or Jen know, so we know to expect you.

A Note of Thanks

Sunday, June 11th Coffee Hour results:

A big THANK YOU to all who attended the Sunday, June 11th coffee hour. All monies collected went to the HVAC Project. A total of \$10,358.00 was collected! Special Thanks to the person(s) who contributed \$10,000. Thanks again to everyone, especially to those church members who helped us set up and clean up.

God Bless, Ann Marie and Barry Bretz

A Note Of Thanks

Dear St. Nicholas,

Thank you so much for hosting a drive for the Mission. Your drive will bless many. We would love for your church to visit our Mission and volunteer. We look forward to your next drive!

Blessings, Diane Schenk Hope Rescue Mission 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:

Archbishop Melchisedek Pleska

Igumen: Patric Carpenter, 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, Priscilla Shipley, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic, Stephanie Onofrey, Julia Romanchak

Servants: Bethany Bruder, Mary Brzuchalski, Helen Cotirgasanu, David G. Cudlic, Val Danchenko, Christopher Felix, Patricia Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Don Holobeny, 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, Amber Metz, Michael Metz, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Joseph Pinkowicz, Kiera Pheiffer, Laurel Riley, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Connor Samuels, Robert Schainfeld, Catherine Shea, Francine Slivka, Michael Slivka, Julia Smith, Dorothy Stafiniak, Joan Stetz, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, Patricia Telepchak, Irene Witanek

Handmaidens of God: Lydia Hashinger, Krista Irwin, Julianna Kahl, Amanda Riley, and their unborn children, Kaylee Riley and Alyssa Weaver and their newborn children.

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