Divine Liturgy

Sunday, June 25, 2023

3rd Sunday after Pentecost Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Forerunner Virgin-Martyr Febronia of Nisibis





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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 25, 2023

3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2. Saint Theólēptos, Metropolitan of Philadelphia (1325). Virgin Martyr Febronia of Nisibis (ca. 304). Ss. Peter and Fevronia (tonsured David and Euphrosynē), Wonderworkers of Múrom (1228). St. Dionysios, the builder of Prodromou Monastery on Mt. Athos (1375). Ven. Dometius of Dionysiou (1405). Monastic Martyr Procopius of Ivéron. St. Moloug of Lismore (530).

Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Wednesday, June 28th - 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Coffee Hour Today

As of bulletin printing, there was no host for Coffee Hour.

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

Live Stream will also be available for all services.

Wednesday, June 28	6:00 pm - Great Vespers w/ Litia
Thursday, June 29	Ss. Peter and Paul
	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

Pierogi Making Schedule

We will be making pierogi:

Monday, June 26, Tuesday, June 27, Wednesday, June 28

NO Pierogi Making:

Monday, July 3, Tuesday, Juy, July 4, Wednesday, July 5 Monday, July10, Tuesday, 11, Wednesday July 12

BACK TO MAKING

Monday, July 17, Tuesday 18, Wednesday July 19 Monday, July 24, Tuesday, July 25, Wednesday, July 26

AS of now, there are no free days in August.

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Tone 2Troparion(Resurrection)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Tone 4Troparion(Forerunner)

O Prophet and Forerunner of the coming of Christ, although we cannot praise thee worthily, we honor thee in love at thy nativity, for by it thou hast ended thy father's silence and thy mother's barrenness, proclaiming to the world the incarnation of the Son of God!

Tone 2 Kontakion (Resurrection)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever.

Tone 3Kontakion(Forerunner)

Today the formerly barren woman gives birth to Christ's Forerunner, who is the fulfillment of every prophecy; for in the Jordan, when he laid his hand on the One foretold by the Prophets, he was revealed as Prophet, Herald, and Forerunner of God the Word.

Tone 2 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. (Ps. 117:14)

The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death. (Ps. 117:18)

Epistle

Reader John Heitzenrater

(Romans 5:1-10) Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

Tone 2

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect thee! (Ps. 19:1)

Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call! (Ps. 19:9)

Gospel

(Matthew 6:22-33) The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

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!

Candle Offerings Sunday, June 25, 2023

Vigils in Altar - Windowsill (2)

In Memory Of Our Beloved Father John Aranjo Offered by Laurel Riley and Diana Buskirk

Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)

In Memory Of Our Beloved Father John Aranjo Offered by Laurel Riley and Diana Buskirk

Vigils in Altar - Side Table (2)

In Honor Of Alyssa Weaver's Birthday, Offered by Mr. Nick & Miss Judy

Votives in Altar

In Honor Of and For Health Of Gordon & Valerie Roberts on their 40th Anniversary

Vigil in Side Candle Holders (2)

Happy Birthday Robin Haney, Offered by Patty Felix

Crosses

In Memory of Anna Wallitsch, Offered by Greg & Rosalie Radio

Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)

Happy Birthday Robin Haney, Offered by Patty Felix

Vigils on Icon Table (2)

In Honor Of Sasha Florenz on her 10th Birthday, Offered by Grandpa & Baba

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)

In Memory Of Helen Haney, Offered by Patty Felix

Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary

Happy 10th Birthday Sasha Florenz Offered by Uncle Matthew, Aunt Lori, Sophia & Jacob

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

In Memory Of Helen Lackatos, Offered by Barb, Kyra & Gregory

Votives - Icon of St. John the Baptist

In Memory Of Helen Lackatos, Offered by Barb, Kyra & Gregory

Vigils on South Wall Window Sill (3)

Happy 40th Anniversary Val & Gordon Roberts, Offered by The Roberts Family

Vigil of St. Michael (1)

Happy Birthday Aubrey Roth, Jr., Offered by Patricia Owens

Lenten Pierogi

Lenten Pierogi will be made Monday, June 26. To order please add your name to the list by the phone in the kitchen. Thank you.

A Note Of Thanks

Thank you to my St. Nicholas family for your prayers, cards, phone calls, visits and gifts while I was in the hospital and recuperating at home during May and June. Your thoughtfulness was much appreciated. I am glad to be back singing with the choir and making pierogies.

Joe Pinkowicz

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.