

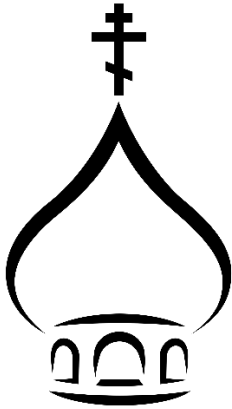
# **Divine Liturgy**

Sunday, November 10, 2024

**20th Sunday after Pentecost (8th of Luke)**

**Apostles of the Seventy:**

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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)*

***Please turn off or silence your electronic devices  
before entering the church. Thank you.***

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# Schedule for the Week of November 10, 2024

**20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 3.** Apostles of the Seventy: Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertius (1st c.). Martyr Orestes the Physician of Cappadocia (204). Hieromartyr Mīlos (or Milēs) the Wonderworker, and two disciples (341). Ven. Theocteristus, Abbot of Symbola on Mt. Olympus, Bithynia (8th c.). Martyr Constantine, Prince of Georgia (852).

## Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Fr. Nikolai's Day Off  
Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

## Coffee Hour Today

Coffee Hour Today is hosted by The Bzik Family  
In Honor Of the Heavenly Host Award Recipients

## Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

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

- Thursday, November 14** 9:00 am – Akathist to the Theotokos, Nurturer of Children
- Friday, November 15** **BEGINNING OF THE NATIVITY FAST**
- Saturday, November 16** 5:00 pm - Great Vespers
- Sunday, November 17** **21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**  
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours  
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy
- Tuesday, November 19** 7:00 pm – Parish Council Meeting
- Wednesday, November 20** 6:00 pm - Great Vespers
- Thursday, November 21** **Entry of the Most Holy Theotokos in the Temple**  
8:50 am – Reading of the Hours  
9:00 am – Divine Liturgy
- Saturday, November 23** 5:00 pm - Great Vespers
- Sunday, November 24** **22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**  
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours  
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, November 30** 5:00 pm - Great Vespers  
**Sunday, December 1** **23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**  
9:10 am - Reading of the Hours  
9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

## Upcoming Parish Council Meeting

Parish Council Meeting - Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 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.

## Pierogi Schedule

Pierogi Making November 11, 12, 13

\*\*\*Lenten Pierogi will be made November 11. Please add your name to the sheet by the phone in the kitchen to order.\*\*\*

November 18, 19, 20

NO Pierogi Making Nov 25, 26, 27 - Thanksgiving

Pierogi Making December 2, 3, 4

December 9, 10, 11

December 16, 17, 17

NO Pierogi Making December 23, 24, 25, December 30, 31, January 1

NO Pierogi Making January 6, 7, 8, January 13, 14, 15

Resume Pierogi Making January 20, 21, 22.

*\*\*\*Please note that this schedule is subject to change.\*\*\**

## Upcoming Baking Schedule

Many hands make light work, and we have lots to do to prepare for the upcoming Christmas Bazaar! Please consider helping out if you are able. Contact Pat Grammes if you have any questions.

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|------------------------|--|
| Sunday, November 10    | 12:00 pm - Kiffle dough prep                     |
| Wednesday, November 13 | 12:00 pm - Kiffle filling/baking (after pierogi) |
| Saturday, November 16  | 8:30 am - Paska Bread Baking                     |

# Divine Liturgy

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**Erastus, Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertius**

**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 3      Troparion      *(Apostles)***

Holy Apostles, Erástus, Olýmpas, Ródion, Sosipáter, Qúartus and Tértius, entreat the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions!

**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 2      Kontakion      *(Apostles)***

Illumined by divine light, O holy Apostles, you wisely destroyed the works of idolatry. When you caught all the pagans you brought them to the Master and taught them to glorify the Trinity.

**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)*

## Epistle

Read by John Heitzenrater

**(Galatians 1:11-19)** But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

## 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)*

## Gospel

**(Luke 10:25-37)** And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." But he, wanting to justify

himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

### **Communion Hymn**

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

## **Candle Offerings - Sunday, November 10, 2024**

### **Vigils in Altar - Windowsill (2)**

Happy Birthday Fr. James Mason, Offered by Mat. Pat Mason

### **Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)**

For Health Of Joe Pinkowicz on his Birthday, Offered by Stephanie Pasquel

### **Vigils in Altar - Side Table (2)**

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak, Offered by Wife, Dorothy

### **Votives in Altar**

In Memory Of Philip Stefanov, Offered by Family

### **Votives in Iconostas**

For Health Of Kh. Sophia Shadid, Offered by Fr. Michael & Mat. Susan Kon

### **Crosses**

Happy Birthday Joe Pinkowicz, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry

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

In Memory Of Mom, Dad & Joan, Offered by Pat & Tom

### **Vigils on Icon Table (2)**

In Memory Of Mom, Dad & Joan, Offered by Pat & Tom

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

Happy Birthday Tosha Roberts, Offered by Mom & Dad Roberts

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

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak, Offered by Wife, Dorothy

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

In Memory Of Jack Monarek, Offered by Barb, Kyra & Gregory

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

In Memory Of Jack Monarek, Offered by Barb, Kyra & Gregory

### **Vigils of St. Gregory (1)**

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak

Offered by Children Michele, Joseph & Stephen & Families

### **Vigils of St. Paul (1)**

For Health Of Mircea, Offered by The Lungu Family

### **Vigil of St. Michael (1)**

In Memory Of Michael Bzik, Offered by The Bzik Family

### **Vigil of St. Andrew (1)**

In Memory Of Michael Stafiniak

Offered by Children Michele, Joseph & Stephen & Families



# Heavenly Host Awards

Heavenly Host is a structured program based on the Angelic Ranks, providing age-appropriate activities for 8- to 18- year olds. It is intended to provide Orthodox Youth a foundation of Orthodox Christian Knowledge and experience so that they can passionately and intelligently “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations” for our Lord God, and Savior Jesus Christ! (Matthew 28:19). If you’re not familiar with the program yet, please see Jennifer Bzik for more information.

Please join us in celebrating our Heavenly Host participants:

**Everett Brown** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Camp Elective

**Lydia Brown** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Camp Elective

**Lydia Bzik** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Patron Saint Elective, Archangel Rank, Paschal Season Elective. Awarded Today: Bible Verses I Elective

**Nicholas Bzik** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Bible Verses I Elective, Archangel Rank, Paschal Season Elective. Awarded Today: Bible Verses II Elective

**Charles Heitzenrater** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Angels Elective. Awarded Today: Paschal Season Elective, Summer Camp Elective

**Charlotte Heitzenrater** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Angels Elective. Awarded Today: Paschal Season Elective, Summer Camp Elective

**Thomas Heitzenrater** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Angels Elective. Awarded Today: Paschal Season Elective, Summer Camp Elective

**Alexander Hodson** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Altar Server Elective, Archangel Rank, Ten Commandments Elective, Winter Retreat Elective. Awarded Today: Nicene Creed Elective, Summer Camp Elective

**Christopher Hodson** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Altar Server Elective, Archangel Rank, Ten Commandments Elective. Awarded Today: Patron Saint Elective, Summer Camp Elective

**Aurora Mascari** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Angels Elective, Archangel Rank, Psalms 1 Elective

**Joseph Mascari IV** - Previous Awards: Angel Rank, Altar Server Elective, Archangel Rank, Psalms 1 Elective

# Honoring Our Veterans

On this Veterans Day 2024 we honor our men and women who so valiantly served in the United States Armed Forces. We pray for those on active duty and for those veterans who completed their tours of duty. We thank them and wish them God's blessings for many years.

## Active Duty

Reader, Captain Daniel Holobeny, U. S. Air Force  
Jonathan Hontz, U.S. Navy

## Veterans

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| V. Rev. James Mason, U.S. Navy     | William Keysock, U.S. Navy        |
| Leo Tony Anicola, U.S. Air Force   | Gary Kiechel, U.S. Army           |
| Barry Bretz, U.S. Navy             | Walter Logechnik - US Army        |
| Stephen Chromiak, U.S. Navy        | Michael Matsko, U.S. Navy         |
| Stephen Doncevic, U. S. Army       | John Mikita, U.S. Navy            |
| Michael Dorosh, U.S. Navy          | David Monarek, U.S. Marines       |
| Paul Dragovich, U.S. Marines       | Joseph Pinkowicz, U. S. Army      |
| Donald Dudash, U.S. Army           | William J. Potter, U.S. Air Force |
| Walter Grigoruk, U.S. Marines      | Patric Shea, U.S. Marines         |
| Donna Haney, U.S. Navy             | Michael Slivka, U.S. Air Force    |
| Andrew Hasenecz, U.S. Air Force    | Dorothy Stafiniak, U.S. Air Force |
| Nicholas Hromiak, U.S. Army        | Wash Telepchak, U.S. Army         |
| Michael Isbansky, U.S. Army        | Keith Atlee, (4 years) ROTC       |
| Joseph Kavchok, Jr. U.S. Air Force |                                   |

## DECEASED

Further, we pray for those sons and daughters of our parish who have given their lives in battle and for those who served their tours of duty and have passed on to eternal rest. May their Memory Be Eternal.

# **LAST DAY - "One Can Can Help" Food Drive**

Sponsored by: RO59/NSS

We will be collecting non-perishable food products to benefit the Allentown Rescue Mission starting in October until November 10, 2024.

Please leave your generous donations in the boxes on either side of the entrance doors to the hall. They will accept nonperishable food items as well as paper products.

Thank you so much!

## **CORRECTION: Donations Received In Memory**

In last week's bulletin, the information for Donations Received In Memory was inadvertently reversed. Please accept my most sincere apologies for the error. The corrected information is below.

**In Memory of Walter Grigoruk**, offered by: Patricia Felix

**In Memory of Andrew Hasenecz**, offered by: Barry & Ann Marie Bretz, Michele Guydan, Paula & John Lahutsky, Donald & Diane Szemenyei

## **Additional Donations Received In Memory**

**In Memory of Walter Grigoruk**, offered by: Ellen Bradbury & Family, Patricia Grammes, Michele Guydan, Stephanie Pasquel, Mary Rauscher & Margaret Connell Rauscher, Catherine Shea, Michael & Francine Slivka, Jeanet & Cees Vriskoop, Douglas & Debra Wilson,

**In Memory of Andrew Hasenecz**, offered by: Catherine Shea

# A Note of Thanks

Thank you to all for the success of the coffee hour to benefit St. John Chrysostom Academy. We collected \$1,020 plus the \$500 match from RO59 for a total donation of \$1,520. Many thanks and May God Grant You Many Years!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Treasurer's Report Summary

|                |                     |                      |
|----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| July 2024      | Income:             | \$56,703.67          |
|                | Expenses:           | \$98,717.60          |
|                | <u>Net Revenue:</u> | <u>\$(42,013.93)</u> |
| August 2024    | Income:             | \$42,853.39          |
|                | Expenses            | \$57,823.65          |
|                | <u>Net Revenue:</u> | <u>\$(14,970.26)</u> |
| September 2024 | Income:             | \$52,231.72          |
|                | Expenses:           | \$27,970.36          |
|                | <u>Net Revenue:</u> | <u>\$24,261.36</u>   |

## Poinsettias for Christmas

If you wish to sponsor the Poinsettias that will decorate the church during the Nativity season, please sign up in the book at the candle desk. Red and White Poinsettias are available for a \$12.00 donation and may be taken home at the end of the Nativity Season.

# Calling All Bakers for the 12/7 Christmas Bazaar

## Fire up the ovens!

It's time for your SCRUMPTIOUS desserts that St. Nicholas is famous for. If you are a returning baker or new to the task, we welcome your YUMMY desserts. Please keep these things in mind:

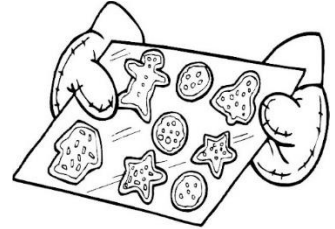
- We have very limited refrigerator space, so please consider items that do not require refrigeration.
- Please DO NOT slice your cakes, pies, brownies, etc. The baked goods team will pre-slice items for consistency in serving piece and pricing.
- Feel free to provide a label e.g. German Chocolate Cake, Snickerdoodle Cookies, etc. There is no need to list ingredients, however it is useful to note: "nut free", "egg free", "dairy free" or "sugar free".
- Please provide baked goods on sturdy plates. DO NOT use cardboard because it is often too big and not sturdy.
- Securely label your name on your containers/dishes that you want returned. They will be cleaned and placed on racks in the kitchen where you can pick them up. And, whilst we are very careful with your dishes, DO NOT use precious containers that cannot be replaced if accidentally broken.

Thank you to all the great bakers who contribute to the success of the sale! Your efforts are truly appreciated! Baked goods may be dropped off on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Grammes.

# It's time again for **COOKIES!!!**

We will be making cookie trays to sell at the Christmas Bazaar and would appreciate your help.

- 🍪 Please make at least **5 dozen** cookies (more is totally fine)
- 🍪 Notify Judy Lezinsky or Jean Jubinski what kind you would like to make (We would like to prevent duplicate flavors)
- 🍪 Please bring in your cookies in sealed containers/bags on Sunday, December 1, 2024. There will be a rack in the Church Hall for cookies to be placed on.
- 🍪 Please no cookies that have to be refrigerated.



Thank you!!!

## Hope Rescue Mission needs your **HELP!**



St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church is collecting all types of gently used clothing including coats, hats, boots, belts, men's clothing for the men at Hope Rescue Mission and for the women's and children's shelter (Lighthouse). We will take all seasons of clothing for men, women, and children. We have a need for new men's underwear, undershirts, and sweatpants all in sizes medium to xxxl.

You can drop items off in the designated containers in the Chernay Fellowship Hall. Please make all donations by **Sunday, November 24, 2024.**

This clothing helps provide food, clothing, and shelter for the men at Hope Rescue and the women and children at Lighthouse.

**Thank you in advance for your donations!**

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:**

**Archbishops: Melchisedek Pleska, Nathaniel Popp**

**Igumen: Patric Carpenter, David Lewis**

**Archpriests:** Nikolai Breckenridge, Thomas Edwards, John Perich, James Mason, Claude Vinyard, Dimitri Oselinsky, David Shewczyk, Ian Shipley, James Weremedic, John Onofrey, George Hasenecz, Emilian Hutnyan

**Priest:** John Nightingale

**Deacons:** Geoffrey LoBalbo

**Matushki:** Liudmyla Breckenridge, Marie Mason, Johanna Bohush, Evelyn Edwards, Paraskeva Vansuch, Myra Kovalak, Gloria Martin, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic, Stephanie Onofrey, Julia Romanchak

**Servants:** Bethany Bruder, Theresa Butler, Helen Cotirgasanu, David G. Cudlic, Val Danchenko, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, David Gowarty, Tom Grammes, Rachel Hardesty, Artemiy Hartman, Kalista Hartman, Nicholas Hazzard, Don Holobeny, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Krista Irwin, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Alexandra Keysock, William Keysock, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, Bernard Kusior, Jean Kusior, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Radu Lungu, Mircea Lupo, Victoria Lustig, Olga Maksimova, Amber Metz, Michael Metz, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Kiera Pheiffer, Laurel Riley, Gordon Roberts, Leah Roberts, Barbara Roman, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Connor Samuels, Robert Schainfeld, Catherine Shea, Janice Shumbata, Francine Slivka, Michael Slivka, Julia Smith, Dorothy Stafiniak, Corinne Stuckey, Maeve Stuckey, Patricia Telepchak, Irene Witanek, Sandra Wyslutsky

**Catechumens:** Jason & Taylor Fogel, Martha Klein, Chris Kiris, Lee & Jess Snekot, William Stofko

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