

Divine Liturgy

Sunday, November 17, 2024

21st Sunday after Pentecost (9th of Luke)

St. Gregory the Wonderworker of Neo-Caesarea



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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 November 17, 2024

21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 4. St. Gregory, Wonderworker of Neo-Cæsarea (ca. 266-270). Ven. Nikon, Abbot of Rádonezh, disciple of Ven. Sergius (1426). Ven. Lazarus the Iconographer, of Constantinople (ca. 857). Martyr Gobron (Michael) and 133 soldiers, of Georgia (914). Ven. Genadius of Vatopedi (Mt. Athos).

Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Monday, November 18th – Fr. Nikolai's Day Off
Wednesday, November 20th – 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Friday, November 22nd – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Coffee Hour Today

Coffee Hour Today is hosted by The Lungu Family
To Benefit the IOCC Hurricane Relief Fund

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

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

- 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 **22nd 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 **23rd Sunday After Pentecost**
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy
Thursday, December 5 6:00 pm – Great Vespers w/ Litia for St. Nicholas

Friday, December 6 **St. Nicholas the Wonderworker**
8:50 am – Reading of the Hours
9:00 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 7 **Christmas Bazaar**
10:00 am – 4:00 pm – Bazaar
5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, December 8 **24th Sunday after Pentecost**
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy
12:00 pm – Parish Yolka

Thursday, December 12 9:00 am – Akathist – Nurturer of Children
6:00 pm – Great Vespers w/ Litia for St. Herman

Friday, December 13 **St. Herman of Alaska**
8:50 am – Reading of the Hours
9:00 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 14 5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, December 15 **Sunday of the Forefathers**
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy
3:30 pm – Choir Concert

Saturday, December 21 5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, December 22 **Sunday Before Nativity**
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, December 24 **Eve of Nativity**
9:00 am – Royal Hours
7:00 pm – Nativity Vigil

Wed., December 25 **Nativity of our Lord**
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Thursday, December 26 **Synaxis of the Mother of God**
8:50 am – Reading of the Hours
9:00 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 28 5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, December 29 **Sunday after Nativity**
9:10 am – Reading of the Hours
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

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Tone 4 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!"

Tone 8 Troparion *(St. Gregory)*

Thou didst become worthy of thy name through thy way of life; through thy vigilance in prayer and thy constant works of mercy. Therefore, O Father Gregory, beseech Christ God to enlighten our minds, that we may not sleep in sin, which leads to death!

Tone 4 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

Tone 2 Kontakion *(St. Gregory)*

Thou didst receive the power to perform miracles, frightening the devils and healing the sick through thy wonderworking. O All-wise Father Gregory, thy deeds truly entitle thee to be called Wonderworker.

Tone 4 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.
(Ps. 103:26)

Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great! (Ps. 103:1)

Epistle

Read by Reader Matthew Lezinsky

(Galatians 2:16-20) 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.

Tone 4

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!
(Ps. 44:3b)*

For Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity. (Ps. 44:6)

Gospel

(Luke 12:16-21) Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.'" But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?'

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So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Communion Hymn

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

Candle Offerings - Sunday, November 17, 2024

Vigils in Altar - Windowsill (2)

For Health Of Pat Telepchak, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry

Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)

In Honor Of Fr. James & Mat. Pat's Anniversary, Offered by Their Family

Vigils in Altar - Side Table (2)

Happy Birthday & Good Health to Lydia Hashinger

Offered by Susan & Bill Nielsen

Votives in Altar

In Memory Of Philip Stefanov

Votives in Iconostas

In Honor Of Pres. Stephanie Petrides on Her Names Day

Offered by Fr. Michael & Mat. Susan Kon

Vigil in Side Candle Holders (2)

Happy Birthday Barb Monarek, Sue Nielsen & Lydia Hashinger

Offered by Kyra Monarek

Crosses

Good Health to Barb Monarek, Offered by Susan & Bill Nielsen

Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)

In Memory Of Joan & Mary Stetz, Offered by Pat & Tom

Vigils on Icon Table (2)

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

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)

Safe Travels Barbara, Bill & John, Offered by Fr. Jim & Mat. Pat Mason

Vigils of St. Paul (1)

For Health Of Mircea, Offered by The Lungu Family

Vigil of St. Michael (1)

In Memory Of Michael Stetz, Offered by Pat & Tom

Flowers to Adorn the Icon of The Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple

In Memory Of Mary & William Radick, Elizabeth & Robert Burch

Offered by Peter & Patricia Metz

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.

Donations Received In Memory

In Memory of Walter Grigoruk, offered by: Jeanette & Harrison Boos, Barry & Ann Marie Bretz, Paula & John Lahutsky, John & Sharon Musgnung, Lynne Robinson, Linda & David Sterner, Harry & Sharon Willard,

Pierogi Schedule

Pierogi Making 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.****

3rd 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>

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THANK YOU!!! "One Can Can Help" Food Drive

Sponsored by: RO59/NSS

Sincere thanks to all who donated to our food drive to benefit the Allentown Rescue Mission. They were thrilled with the amazing amount of food collected. Your generous donations are so deeply appreciated!

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:

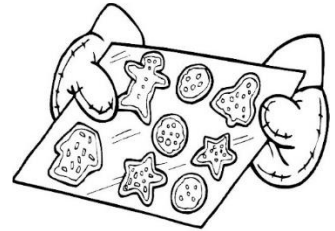
- We have very limited refrigerator space, so please consider items that do not require refrigeration.
- Please DO NOT slice your cakes, pies, brownies, etc. The baked goods team will pre-slice items for consistence in serving piece and pricing.
- Feel free to provide a label e.g. German Chocolate Cake, 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 6th 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!

Giving Tree

This year our parish Giving Tree will support the Cay Galgon Life House in their mission to prepare local pregnant women and mothers of infants for a life of self-reliance. Through their group home for homeless pregnant women and their community outreach program, they support hundreds of women and infants each year. Located on West Broad Street in Bethlehem, they are well positioned to help at risk families right here in our area. The tags on our Giving Tree will be ideas for items to help support either the general mission of the Cay Galgon Life House, or items to support their Holiday Toy Drive.

For the Holiday Toy Drive, we are collecting toys for infants and toddlers (birth to 3 years old). The most requested gifts are books and educational toys, which help foster early development and learning. Many of the tags have small, simple items so please take several!!!

In addition we are collecting gift cards:

Amazon gift cards (any dollar amount)

Giant grocery gift cards (\$25 increments are most helpful)

Lowe's gift cards (\$25 increments are most helpful)

Please bring your gift unwrapped in a gift bag or a bag to contain/separate your item from the others when placed in the large collection box in the vestibule. **Please ensure that the tag is firmly attached to the gift(s).** (If item is wrapped IT WILL BE OPENED!) **Gifts are due in by 12/15 -no exception.**

You will also see a list hanging on the tree of general items that are needed on an ongoing basis. If you would like to make a monetary donation please pass that donation on to Jennifer Bzik.

Remember that specific brand names are not as important as getting these vital items into the hands of those that need them. Bargain shopping is a great way to help more families. For these and other consumable items (baby wash, shampoo for moms, etc.), keep in mind that multiple small or medium containers are more useful than large bulk sizes. While one giant size bottle of shampoo might be the better bargain, buying several smaller bottles allows them to be distributed to help multiple families.

The generosity of our St. Nicholas family is amazing. Thank you in advance.



INFANTS NEEDS LIST

Baby Formula
Oatmeal Cereal
Rice Cereal
Snacks
Juice

Diapers NB-size 6
2t/3t pull ups
Diaper Cream
Baby Lotion
Baby Wash
Baby Clothes (Newborn-3T)
Blankets
Bath Towels
Wash Cloths
Crib Sheets
Bassinette Sheets
Comb/Brush Set
Nail Clippers
Tub
Bibs
Pacifiers
4oz & 8oz Bottles
Sippy Cups

Car Seat
Walker
Stroller
Baby Swing
Park N Play
Bassinet
High Chair
Booster Seat
Exer saucer
Play mat





MOTHERS NEEDS LIST



2-in-1 Shampoo
Lotion
Body Wash
Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Deodorant
Razors
Maternity Clothing
Pads
Tampons
Nursing Bras
Nursing Shirts





HOUSEHOLD NEEDS LIST



Dish Soap
Dishwasher Soap
Dreft
Laundry Detergent
Bleach
Clorox Wipes
Paper Towels
Kleenex
1ply Toilet Tissue
Bath Towels
Kitchen Towels
Twin Sheets
Twin Blankets



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 Witaneck, Sandra Wyslutsky

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

Handmaiden: Elizabeth Hockman and her newborn daughter

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