St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 4/18/21

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Holy Friday / Holy Saturday Overnight Vigil

If you are interested in participating in a Holy Friday / Holy Saturday Overnight Vigil at St. Nicholas Church, please use the sign up form which was sent out via e-mail. We are starting with 1-hour blocks of time for each person who signs up to read from the Psalms and the Gospels starting at 8:00 pm on Holy Friday evening (4/30) and ending at 8:00 am on Holy Saturday morning (5/1). Some logistical reminders:

- No one will have to stay up for the whole night. If you would like, you may show up for your time to read and leave after if you need to get some rest.
- Michael Baclig has offered up his camper to provide beds for those who would like to stay the whole night but will need rest at some point.
- We will provide Lenten snacks in the evening for those present.
- We will start with one-hour reading blocks, but if enough people show interest, we may cut them down to half-hour reading blocks.

If you have any questions, you can call or text Bryce Kirk at 801-793-3050. Bryce is responsible for leading this effort.

Bookstore Updates

Our St. Nicholas Church Bookstore is now selling Antiochian Men Merchandise! Stop by the bookstore to see the different AMEN items that are available for sale! Also, our bookstore will have a table with items that are 50% off next week on Palm Sunday 4/25! We have also received a re-supply of *The Services of Great and Holy Week and Pascha* book. If you haven't purchased one yet, be sure to pick one up while they are in stock as Holy Week is fast approaching!

Attention Upcoming Graduates!

We would like to recognize and pray for all of our college graduates from our parish at our Agape Vespers and Lamb feast on Pascha! If you will be graduating from any level of schooling this year, or know someone who is, please contact Kh. Marilyn at maggielaverne@gmail.com or you can text/call her at (479) 530-3305

Antiochian Men:

Our next Men's Breakfast fellowship will be on **Saturday 5/8 starting at 8:00 am**. We will be going back to meeting at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Springdale, AR. Our next AMEN Monthly Virtual Bible Study will be on **Thursday 5/20 starting at 6:00 pm**. The Zoom link is available in the AMEN GroupMe and Band groups. **April is Antiochian Men month in the Diocese of Miami and the Southeast!** If any men in the church would like to volunteer to help with the collection plate, ushering, or reading the Epistle, please speak to Fr. John or Subdeacon Tom Salem.

Holy Communion Reminders

Please remember to state your name when you approach the chalice for Holy Communion. Be sure to say your name loud enough for Fr. John to hear it. Also, since we understand Communion to mean that we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and recent Confession may participate in Holy Communion. We do invite any non-Orthodox, however, to approach the chalice for a blessing from Fr. John and to partake of the blessed bread, which is also distributed at the dismissal. Please see our Pastor for inquiries on how to become a member of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church.

Upcoming Services This Week

Tuesday 4/20 at 6:00 pm – Great Compline Wednesday 4/21 at 6:00 pm – Presanctified Divine Liturgy Friday 4/23 at 10:00 am – Presanctified Divine Liturgy; 6:00 pm – Cannon, Raising of Lazarus Saturday 4/24 at 9:00 am – Orthros; 10:00 am – Divine Liturgy, Raising of Lazarus; 6:00 pm – Great Vespers Sunday 4/25 at 9:00 am – Orthros; 10:00 am – Divine Liturgy, Palm Sunday; 6:00 pm – Bridegroom Service