St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 6/6/21

Please send any NEW announcements to Bulletin@StNicholasAR.org

Sacred Music Training

We will have a Sacred Music Training Class TODAY following the Divine Liturgy led by Co-Choir Director David Nelson! This first training session is great for anyone to attend (even if you don't want to sing!) as it will be an overview of what the role is of chanting/singing in the church and the purpose of our Sacred Music in the services. Training sessions for learning how to chant and how to put together the services will follow in future weeks!

Divine Liturgy for The Ascension

We will have an evening Divine Liturgy for The Ascension on Wednesday June 9, 2021 at St. Nicholas Church. This will take the place of our regular Wednesday Vespers. The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ is celebrated each year on the fortieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter). The Feast itself commemorates when, on the fortieth day after His Resurrection, Jesus led His disciples to the Mount of Olives, and after blessing them and asking them to wait for the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, He ascended into heaven. We hope you can join us for this important service!



Antiochian Women

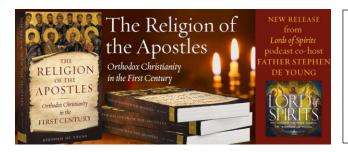
A new group has been created for the Antiochian Women at St. Nicholas Church in the GroupMe App. All of the ladies in our church are invited to join this group including church members, catechumens, and inquirers to Orthodoxy! Just scan the QR code to the left to join this group in the GroupMe App!

Antiochian Men

Our next Men's Breakfast fellowship will be next Saturday 6/12 starting at 9:00 am. We will be meeting at St. Nicholas Church and it will be a potluck breakfast. Our next AMEN Monthly Virtual Bible Study will be on Tuesday 6/22 starting at 6:00 pm. The Zoom link is available in the AMEN GroupMe and Band groups.

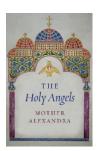
Bookstore Updates

Our church bookstore has re-stocked it supply of *The Religion of the Apostles* by Fr. Stephen De Young and *The Holy Angels* by Mother Alexandra! The Antiochian Men are reading The Religion of the Apostles together as an organization and it will be the topic of multiple upcoming virtual events for the men in our diocese! The Ladies of St. Nicholas have started reading *The Holy Angels* together as well so be sure to pick up your copy today!



The Religion of the Apostles

Antiochian Men Book Club Selection



The Holy Angels

Antiochian Women Book Club Selection

Community Groups

The next <u>North Group</u> meeting will take place on <u>Monday</u> June 7th starting at 6:00 pm at the Baclig family's home. The address is: 13815 Eastgate Drive, Rogers, AR 72756.

The next <u>South Group</u> meeting will take place on **Thursday June 17**th starting at 6:00 pm at the Strickland family's home. The address is: 122 Northaven Street, Farmington, AR 72730.

Both groups will be continuing to go through the *A Journey To Fullness* series. Remember to bring your workbook with you! If you don't have a workbook and would like to purchase one, they can be purchased through our St. Nicholas Church Bookstore for \$10 each.

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.

Virtual Parish Life Conference

Please remember to register for the 2021 DOMSE Virtual Parish Life Conference! It takes place from 6/13/21-6/20/21. Events are planned in the evenings during the week for each of our Organizations including The Antiochian Men, The Antiochian Women, Young Adult Fellowship (YAF), Teen SOYO, Christian Education, and the Order of St. Ignatius. This is 100% FREE! Use the QR Code to the right to register or go to http://tiny.cc/DOMSE_VPLC2021 His Eminence, the Most Reverend Metropolitan Joseph, Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, will be greeting the DOMSE (Diocese of Miami and the Southeast) faithful to open the conference.



DOMSE V-PLC - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All times listed are EST

DAY & DATE	TIME	EVENT & DETAILS
SUNDAY JUNE 13, 2021	3:00pm	Sunday with Sayidna. Join His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph for opening remarks of the DOMSE 2021 Virtual Parish Life Conference. On ZOOM
	5:15pm	TEEN SOYO V-Oratorical Presentations
MONDAY JUNE 14, 2021	10am - 12:30pm	Kid's Club Day 1 Preschool - 3 rd Grade 4 th -6 th GRADE
	7:00pm	Teen SOYO Guest Speaker - Erin Ghata "Dead Men Live!"
	8:00pm	Teen SOYO Business Meeting
TUESDAY JUNE 15, 2021	10am - 12:30pm	Kid's Club Day 2 Preschool - 3 rd Grade 4 th -6 th GRADE
	9:30am	Clergy Meeting
	7:00pm	YAF Guest Speaker - Fr. Joseph Abouid
		"Prayer of the Hart - A Discussion on The Way of the Pilgrim"
	8:00pm	YAF Q&A Session
	8:30pm	Akathist for St. Raphael
WEDNESDAY JUNE 16, 2021	10am - 12:30pm	Kid's Club Day 3 Preschool - 3 rd Grade 4 th -6 th GRADE
	9:00am	Antiochian Women Books & Breakfast
	7:00pm	Antiochian Women Guest Speaker - Fr. David Winn "St. John the Theologian: Love and the World"
	8:00pm	Antiochian Women Business Meeting
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THURSDAY JUNE 17, 2021	9:00am	AMEN Books, Breakfast & Brotherhood
	7:00pm	AMEN Guest Speaker - Fr. Hans Jacobse
		"Sexual Sobriety according to the Orthodox Church"
	8:00pm	AMEN Business Meeting
FRIDAY	7:00pm	Order of St. Ignatius Meeting
JUNE 18, 2021	8:00pm	DOMSE Video
SATURDAY JUNE 19, 2021	10:00am	Workshop: Christian Education - Hosted by Anna-Sarah Farha "Recruiting, Training, and Supporting Church School Staff"
	11:30am	Ask Sayidna
	12:30pm	Workshop: Using Technology for Ministry in the Orthodox
		Church - Hosted by AMEN for All DOMSE
	2:00pm	AMEN Guest Speaker - Fr. Kosta Petrogeorge "ABSTINENCE, SOBRIETY, & INTIMACY: practical Orthodox
		insights for personal and relational growth."
SUNDAY	3:00pm	Homily and closing of the DOMSE VLC 2021 with His Grace,
JUNE 20, 2021	3.00pm	Bishop NICHOLAS on BAND