

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 10/3/21

Please send any NEW announcements to Bulletin@StNicholasAR.org

Antiochian Men

The men of St. Nicholas Church will be assisting Cory Troy and Rebecca Cercea with setting decorations, set up, and take down for their wedding next Friday 10/8 and Saturday 10/9. If you are interested in helping, please refer to the calendar in the AMEN group in the GroupMe App for the times that we are planning to help out as a group. We will also be assisting Philip and Ciera Nelson with moving after Divine Liturgy next Sunday 10/10, please plan to help out if you can. Our next Monthly AMEN Virtual Bible Study will be on 10/21. Join our AMEN group in the GroupMe app for the zoom meeting link and to stay up to date with upcoming events for our men's group! Contact Michael Baclig at 479-372-7097 to join if you haven't already!

Antiochian Women

The date for the next Ladies' Fellowship meeting has been changed to 10/30. It will take place at the church just prior to Great Vespers starting at 4:00 pm. Kate Salem and Ulli Nelson will be hosting. This will be the Antiochian Women's official and very warm welcome of Kh. Ramia. Our hosts will come up with some informal questions and conversation starters for the event. The NAB has selected the next suggested book for the Antiochian Women to read together as an organization. It is *Mary as the Early Christians Knew Her: The Mother of God in Three Ancient Texts*, by Frederica Matthews Green. Save the date for an online seminar with the author scheduled for 10/17. A link for registration is forthcoming.

Patristic Book Study for Young Adults

Fr. Paul is offering a Patristic Book Study this Fall for any young adults who are interested! These book studies start tomorrow! They will take place on Monday evenings – October 4, 11, & 18. They will start at 7:00 pm via ZOOM and will focus on the book "On the Human Condition" by St. Basil the Great. To sign up, send an email to Fr. Paul. Our church bookstore has just received 5 additional copies of this book, be sure to pick one up while supplies last!

Community Garden

We will be having a Fall Garden Sale on Sunday November 7th following The Divine Liturgy. With winter coming, this sale will be a little bit different, since we are not going to be selling plant starts. Instead, we will have plant or garden related items for sale, as well as produce that has been preserved from our garden. If anyone would like to bring things like baked goods to sell as well, that would be welcome! If anyone has any questions please reach out to Ciera Nelson at (409) 256-5685.

Orthodox Christians For Life (A Pro-Life Ministry)

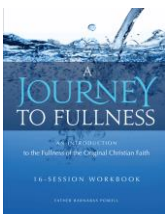
A new ministry has been established at St. Nicholas Church! It is called "Orthodox Christians For Life: A Life Affirming Ministry," or "OC For Life" for short, under the leadership of Nancy Brown. OC For Life is a non-profit organization dedicated to equipping the Orthodox Christian community to strengthen its commitment to the sacredness of human life from conception to death, illuminating the Church's teaching on life issues through education and engagement. We are starting a donation campaign and will have a container in the Parish Hall to gather donations for Compassion House, a home for unwed pregnant teens. We are focused on 5 items which Compassion House has said they need. We will be doing the collection between now and the beginning of the Nativity fast. Nancy has been in contact with Compassion House to communicate our intention and will hope to meet with them in person in the near future. The items selected are: gas cards, paper towels, toilet paper, canned good (corn, green beans, refried beans, tomato sauce, spaghetti sauce, alfredo sauce, marinades), and diapers sized 1-5. We are also accepting monetary donations for this collection. You donate cash, write a check with "OC For Life" in the memo line, or use the QR code to the right to donate via PayPal. Thanks in advance for your support of this important ministry!

Donate to our OC
For Life Ministry!



Community Groups

DATE CHANGE! The next North Group meeting will take place on **Tuesday October 12th**, starting at 6:00 pm. We moved this to avoid a conflict with Fr. Paul's book study. Tom & Kate Salem will be hosting this meeting at their home. The address is: **9 Windemere St, Bentonville AR 72712**. The next South Group meeting will take place on **Tuesday October 26th**, starting at 6:00 pm. It will take place at the Strickland family's home. The address is: **122 Northaven Street, Farmington, AR 72730**. The 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.



New Church Phone Line Reminder

We have installed a new phone line at St. Nicholas Church and the phone number for the church has now changed! The new church phone number is (479) 379-6220. A voice mail has been set up on this line and Fr. Paul will be checking the messages on a regular basis. Please note that there is a 30 second time limit to voice mail messages left on this line.

New DOMSE Newsletter

At the direction of His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS, the inaugural edition of the Monthly DOMSE Newsletter "The Light" has launched! Visit <https://domse.org/domse-newsletter/> to view the newsletter or scan the QR code to the right. Stay tuned for more editions of this newsletter at the beginning of each month!



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. Paul 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. Paul and to partake of the blessed bread, which is also distributed at the dismissal. Please speak with Fr. Paul for inquiries on how to become a member of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church.



Fall Retreat

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OCTOBER 15 - 17, 2021

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REGISTER:

<http://tiny.cc/Fall2021Registration>

THE FALL RETREAT DETAILED SESSION SCHEDULE IS NOW AVAILABLE:

<http://tiny.cc/Fall2021ScheduleDetailed>



FOR HOTEL INFORMATION:

domse.org/event/domse-fall-retreat-2021/



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