

# **St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 1/23/22**

**Please send any NEW announcements to [Bulletin@StNicholasAR.org](mailto:Bulletin@StNicholasAR.org)**

## **Bishop NICHOLAS' Visit Recap**

Many thanks to all who made this visit so wonderful and spiritually enriching - we greatly appreciate your efforts of hospitality, organization, and participation while we welcomed His Grace, Bishop NICHOLAS to our parish community last weekend!

## **House Blessing Season**

It is the pious custom following the Feast of Theophany (Baptism of our Lord) to have our homes blessed with holy water. To schedule a time with Fr. Paul to come and offer this ministry to you and your household, please email him a request so arrangements can be made.

## **Parish Directory & Guidebook – NEW PROJECT**

We are in great need of a parish directory to be utilized by all in our parish community. Scott Strickland will be organizing and leading this project which we hope to publish by May 2022. We will announce Sunday dates for pictures based alphabetically by last name and ask that all of our parishioners participate. If you have any questions or would like to offer to help, please contact Scott Strickland (479-365-9719).

## **Parish Calendars 2022**

Our Parish Calendars are in, and we have quite a few left! Be sure to pick up your copy if you haven't already! They can be found on the table by the back door of the church. Please be sure to take a parish calendar to utilize in your home throughout 2022!

## **Holy Oblation & Fellowship Hour Hosting 2022**

We are in need of families to host the holy oblation (holy bread) and Fellowship (Coffee) Hour after Liturgy on Sundays in the upcoming year of 2022. **Signing up to host Fellowship Hour is a new process for our parish and we plan to follow this going forward.** Please see Kate Salem to sign up - thank you!

## **Annual Parish Meeting/General Assembly**

Our General Parish Assembly (Annual Meeting) will take place on **Sunday, February 6, 2022**, immediately following Divine Liturgy that day. Please mark your calendar and make plans to join us for this very important parish meeting!

## **Parish Council 2022**

If you are interested in being on the Parish Council this year, please contact Fr. Paul to discuss further. Parish Council nominees will be considered at our General Parish Assembly, but only those nominated in advance, not from the floor at the Assembly.

## **2022 Stewardship & Membership Form Update**

**Our Stewardship 2022 Goal is \$150,000 in financial contributions & 40 forms returned. As of January 18, 2022, we have received Stewardship & Membership Forms from the following 26 parishioners & families who have pledged a total amount of \$111,150 towards our goal.** All members are asked to fill out this form each year, as they allow us to update contact information, as well as budget and plan for future needs, charities, and projects of our parish community. Please fill out YOUR Stewardship & Membership Form and return to our Church Office. Many thanks to these parishioners listed below who have filled out their 2022 Stewardship & Membership Form:

Michael, Elizabeth, & Gretchen Baclig

Vera Belic

Robert & Nancy Brown

Matt & Sandra Buja

Janessa Craig

Dawn DeLong

Mounir & Montez Farah

Steve & Brittany Fenner

Fr. Paul & Ramia Fuller

Mike & Georgeta Galbraith

Lauren Goff

Shawn Guthrie

Adnan & Paula Haydar

Jeff Jenkins

Todd & Terry Keese

Don & Talitha Lourie

David & Ulli Nelson

Philip & Ciera Nelson

Turnip Rea

Steve & Tina Rieger

Tom & Kate Salem

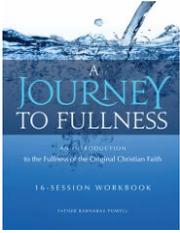
Kevin & Nancy Scherer

Scott & Janna Strickland

Jared & Marianna Townsley

Lindel & Soon-Mee Townsley

Derek & Gina Waters



### Community Groups

The next **North Group** meeting will be on **Monday 2/7 starting at 6:00 pm**. It will take place at the Baclig family's home. The address is: **13815 Eastgate Drive, Rogers, AR 72756**.

The next **South Group** meeting is TBD. In order to continue this great outreach, we are in need of some households willing to host the South Group on a monthly rotation basis in 2022. If you are interested, please discuss further with Fr. Paul or with Scott & Janna Strickland.

### Orthodox Christians For Life (OCLife)

We had a very well attended prayer event for OCLife at St. Nicholas Church last Friday which coincided with The March For Life in Washington DC! You can watch the video of the live stream on our church's Facebook page by scanning the **QR code to the right!** 

Also, if you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christians For Life organization, use the QR code to the left to watch a video interview that our very own Michael Baclig did recently with OCLife President and Executive Director Emily Wilkinson by scanning the **QR code to the left!** 



### 2022 DOMSE Winter Retreat

Due to the increasing numbers of COVID-19 cases and the concern for the safety of our parishioners, the Diocese Ministry Council (DMC) of DOMSE has decided to reschedule the 2022 DOMSE Clergy & Winter Retreats. In making this decision, we considered the trend of the infection rate of the Omicron strain of COVID-19 in the UK and South Africa. It increased significantly before it rapidly declined. Therefore, by rescheduling the Clergy & Winter Retreats to the February date, we are hoping that we will see a drastic decline in the infection rate here in the US.

**If you have already registered & paid for the January dates of the Clergy & Winter Retreats** – Your registration/payment will be applied to the February date of the Clergy & Winter Retreats. No action needed! If you are not able to attend the Clergy & Winter Retreats in February, you may cancel your registration and/or request a refund of your registration payment. To cancel or request a refund, please send an email to [dmcdomse@gmail.com](mailto:dmcdomse@gmail.com). **If you have not registered/paid for the Clergy & Winter Retreats** – You can register at: <https://domse.org/event/domse-winterretreat2022/> or scan the QR code to the right 




**DOMSE CLERGY & WINTER RETREATS 2022**

**Clergy Retreat**  
Feb 23 & 24

**Winter Retreat**  
Feb 25 & 26

**DATE CHANGE!**

**DOMSE**  
Diocese of Miami & the Southeast

**Hosted at St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church in Atlanta, GA**

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities	
Wednesday, January 26	6:00p Daily Vespers
Saturday, January 29	6:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, January 30	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship & Church School

### Antiochian Men

Our next men's breakfast will be next **Saturday, January 29, 2022**. It will take place at the church and will begin at **9:00 am**. It will be a potluck breakfast so please bring some food to share. Also, please **SAVE THE DATE** for our 3rd Annual AMEN Lenten Virtual Retreat! It will take place on **Saturday 3/26/22**.

### Antiochian Women

Please **SAVE THE DATE** for the DOMSE Antiochian Women Spring Lenten Retreat! It will take place on **April 9, 2022** from **9:00 am** (10 am Eastern) to **11:00 am** (12 pm Eastern). All parish chapters are being encouraged to meet at their local parishes and to join together as groups via Zoom.



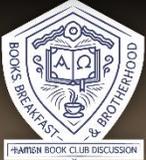
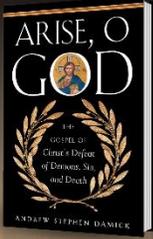
**3RD ANNUAL AMEN**  
THE ANTHOCHIAN MEN  
DIOCESE OF MIAMI & THE SOUTHEAST  
LENTEN VIRTUAL RETREAT

**SATURDAY 3/26/22**

# ARISE, O GOD

**Event #1 @ 10 am EST**  
Books, Breakfast, & Brotherhood Part IV  
Discussion led by Burt Noyes

**Event #2 @ 12 pm EST**  
Guest Speaker:  
Fr. Andrew Stephen Damick



**ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN SPRING  
LENTEN RETREAT**

**April 9, 2022**  
10am-12pm ET

*Hub-and-Spoke Meeting*

Led by his Grace  
Bishop Nicholas  
& Sh. Shell Keim

**Details to follow**



Theme: *Your current status is salvific*

### 2022 DOMSE Parish Life Conference

Our next Parish Life Conference (PLC) is scheduled for June 15-18, 2022, in Memphis, TN. The location of the PLC rotates each year, and this will be one of the closest locations possible for us to attend one of these events! Mark your calendars and start making plans now so you can participate in this wonderful and important diocesan event this coming summer!



**SAVE THE DATE**

## Barbecue, Blues, and Beatitudes

Join us in **Memphis, June 15-18**  
for the **2022 Parish Life Conference**



**DIOCESE OF MIAMI & THE SOUTHEAST**  
Host Parish: St. John Orthodox Church, Memphis, TN