

# **St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 2/6/22**

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

Our General Parish Assembly (Annual Meeting) will take place immediately following the Divine Liturgy today. Please be sure to join us for this important meeting!

## **Church School Update**

Listed below are the remaining dates for Church School leading up to the summer break. This is also reflected on the calendar that can be accessed on our church website. Please note that we will have back-to-back weeks of Church School in May. **Remaining Church School dates for this school year are: February 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, and May 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Teen SOYO Meeting**

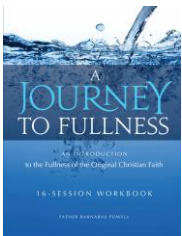
Teen SOYO will be meeting next Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, after liturgy and Church School. All of the teens in our parish are invited to attend this meeting!

## **Community Groups**

The next **North Group** meeting will be tomorrow, **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 will be on **Monday 2/21 starting at 6:00 pm**. It will take place at the King family's home. The address is: **2938 North Cassius Lane, Fayetteville, AR 72704**.

We will continue to go through "A Journey to Fullness" so please remember to bring your workbook with you!



## **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).

## **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 26 parishioners & families below 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 Keesee

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

### Antiochian Men

Our next men's breakfast will be next **Saturday, February 12, 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, March 26, 2022, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm**.

### 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 to 11:00 am**. We will be meeting at St. Nicholas Church and then joining together as a group via Zoom. All other DOMSE Antiochian Women chapters are being asked to do the same. Please join us if you can!

### 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. Those who offer the holy oblation will also host Fellowship Hour on the same Sunday. **Signing up for the holy oblation and hosting Fellowship Hour is a new process for our parish and we plan to follow this going forward.** Please see Kate Salem (ksalem2@cox.net) to sign up and see the upcoming dates available in the sign-up schedule below!

Date	Name	Commemoration
February 6	The Kolokithas Family	
February 13	AVAILABLE	
February 20	Lindel & Soon-Mee Townsley	
February 27 (Meat Fare)	AVAILABLE	
March 6 (Cheese Fare)	Cory & Rebecca Troy	
March 13 (Fast)	AVAILABLE	
March 20 (Fast)	AVAILABLE	
March 27 (Fast)	AVAILABLE	
April 3 (Fast)	AVAILABLE	
April 10 (Fast)	Vera Belic	
April 17 (Palm Sunday)	Talitha Lourie	
April 24 (Pascha)	Nichole Lourie	Evelyn – Elizabeth the Wonderworker

### 2022 DOMSE Winter Retreat

**The 2022 DOMSE Clergy and Winter Retreat is less than 3 weeks away!** This event was originally scheduled for the end of January but it was postponed due to the rising cases of the Omicron variant of COVID-19. We are anticipating that cases will drastically decline leading up to the new retreat dates at the end of February. The Clergy portion of the retreat will take place on 2/23 & 2/24 and the Winter Retreat for everyone in our diocese will take place on 2/25 & 2/26. The retreats are being hosted at St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church in Atlanta, GA. **Join us for some great fellowship with people from across our diocese!** Register at: <https://domse.org/event/domse-winterretreat2022/> or scan the QR code to the right



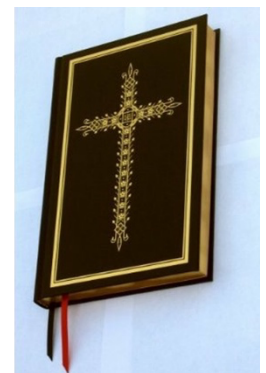
### 2022 DOMSE Parish Life Conference

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!

### Bookstore Update

We have received our first shipment of books for the Services of Holy Week and Pascha. These books contain all of the many services that occur during Holy Week, including Great and Holy Pascha. These books sell out every year, so get your copy early if you don't already have one! Once we sell out of our first shipment, we will create a list of those who wish to purchase one for our next order to make sure we order enough for everyone that wants one.

We have some new items in our Church Bookstore! The selection of fiction titles for the teen and young adult readers has expanded with the addition of three new books: (1) Beyond the White Fence, (2) The Lightkeeper, and (3) Icon, A Novel. Also new: we now feature a selection of Orthodox themed cards, affordably priced at \$2.95 Each! Our selection of Orthodox Crosses has been restocked with several new additions and new icons are also being added weekly. Stop by our Church Bookstore before you leave today to see our expanded selection and new items for sale!



### Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities

Wednesday, February 9	6:00p Daily Vespers
Saturday, February 12	6:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, February 13	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship & Church School