

# St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 4/10/22

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## Conversation About Strategic Planning Ministry

Many thanks to ALL who joined us for our conversation this past Sunday, April 3 – it was a productive and informative conversation! We need to consider the future of our parish community. What will St. Nicholas Church look like in 5 years? In 10 years? In 20 years? In order to do so, we will be offering some informal conversations about a strategic plan. You are invited to participate in these conversations. Join us Sunday, May 22 after Fellowship (Coffee) Hour for another conversation.

## Usher/Greeter Ministry

We will be implementing a new ministry of ushers and greeters during our liturgical services, especially on Sundays. We are blessed with many inquirers and guests, and it will be beneficial to our worship experience in having volunteers better equipped to serve in these functions. If interested in this ministry, please contact Fr. Paul.

## Baby Shower for Lindsay Cate

Attention Ladies of St. Nicholas! We are planning a Baby Shower for Lindsay Cate on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 4:00 pm at the church. We hope to see you there!

## Making of Palm Crosses

We will be making palm crosses at the church next Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00 pm before Great Vespers. We plan to continue making crosses immediately following Great Vespers at 7:00 pm for about 30 minutes. Please join us for this fun activity if you can!

## Parish Directory & Guidebook – PICTURE DAYS

Thank you to everyone who has been participating in our picture days over the last several weeks for our Parish Directory & Guidebook project! We will be having a make-up day this coming Sunday for anyone who hasn't yet had their picture taken. Additionally, all Organizations and Ministry Teams will be taking group pictures on Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup>. Remember to wear your Sunday best for your picture, and most of all – smile! Copies of your digital photo will be available upon request via email to Elizabeth Baclig ([elizabethsbaclig@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethsbaclig@gmail.com)). We are asking for parishioner donations to help with the expense of printing our directory and guidebook, scan the QR code to the right to make a donation – THANK YOU! Please see Scott Strickland (479-365-9719) for more information on this important project!



## Community Paschal Greeting Card

As a parish fundraiser, we will be mailing out a Community Paschal Greeting Card to our mailing list. We are seeking the names of those who would like to contribute \$25 (per family or entry). **This is the last day that we are accepting donations for this fundraiser for those who would like to participate.** You can donate via PayPal using the QR code to the left. Please contact Jason or Kristin Potoski ([kpink007@live.com](mailto:kpink007@live.com) or 214-843-2114) to be included.



## 2022 DOMSE Parish Life Conference & Bible Bowl

Would you like to represent St. Nicholas Church in the Bible Bowl at the 2022 Parish Life Conference? If so, please send an email to Michael Baclig ([michaelbaclig54@yahoo.com](mailto:michaelbaclig54@yahoo.com)) to confirm your interest in participating **no later than April 17th!** Our parish can have up to 3 teams, each team is determined by age group including (1) Pre-Teen (age 10-12), (2) Teen (ages 13-19), and (3) adult (age 20 and older). We will organize teams depending on how many express interest in participating. **We already have an adult team confirmed with 3 people signed up, and we only have room for 2 more people as alternates for our adult team!** Visit <https://www.teensoyo.org/bible-bowl> or scan the QR code to the left to learn more about the Bible Bowl!



**Registration is now open** for our next Parish Life Conference (PLC)! It 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! We hope that you will choose to participate in this wonderful and important diocesan event this coming summer! Visit <https://domse.org/event/domse-plc2022/> to register for the PLC or scan the QR code to the right.



## Church School Reminder

Our Church School classes resume today and will start immediately following the Divine Liturgy. We plan to dismiss the children and our Church School teachers first so that they can go over to the blue house for classes. Listed below are the remaining dates for Church School leading up to the summer break. Please note that we will have back-to-back weeks of Church School in May.

**Remaining Church School dates are April 10<sup>th</sup>, and May 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## 2022 Stewardship & Membership Form Update

As of March 3, 2022, we have received Stewardship & Membership Forms from the following 41 parishioners & families who have pledged a total amount of \$154,706.00. 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 if you haven't already and return to our Church Office. **We have set NEW goals for 2022 of \$170,000 in pledged funds and 50 forms returned!** Many thanks to these parishioners listed below who have filled out their 2022 Stewardship & Membership Form:

Michael, Elizabeth & Gretchen Baclig  
 Vera Belic  
 William Benoit  
 Nancy & Robert Brown  
 Matt & Sandra Buja  
 Eric & Elizabeth Carender  
 Janessa Craig  
 Dawn DeLong  
 Mounir & Montez Farah  
 Steven & Brittany Fenner  
 Fr. Paul & Ramia Fuller  
 Georgeta & Mike Galbraith  
 Lauren Goff  
 Mackenzie Goff

Shawn Guthrie  
 Casey & Kiersten Hale  
 Adnan & Paula Haydar  
 Colton & Claire Holland  
 Jeff Jenkins  
 Todd & Terry Keesee  
 Mark & Denise King  
 Steve & Niki Kolokithas  
 Don & Talitha Lourie  
 Caleb Mackey  
 Trevor Nakamura  
 David & Ulli Nelson  
 Philip & Ciera Nelson  
 Andrew & Alexis Powers

Richard & Samantha Ratliff  
 Turnip Rea  
 Steve & Tina Rieger  
 Tom & Kate Salem  
 Kevin & Nancy Scherer  
 Scott & Janna Strickland  
 Lily Tippit  
 Jared & Marianna Townsley  
 Lindel & Soon-Mee Townsley  
 Cory & Rebecca Troy  
 Derek & Gina Waters  
 Seth & Diana Wilson  
 Alan & Candy Wolff

**Antiochian Men**

April is Antiochian Men Month! If you are interested in reading the Epistle, helping with the collection plate, or with being a greeter/usher this month, please talk to Fr. Paul. A big THANK YOU to Derek Waters for building a new bier (Christ's Tomb) for Holy Friday! Our next Men's Bible Study will be on Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>. The Zoom link for the Bible Study is available in our AMEN groups in the GroupMe and Band Apps. Call or text Michael Baclig (479-372-7097) to be added to either of these groups. Our next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Blue House. This will be a potluck breakfast and will be after Pascha so there are no restrictions on what food to bring!

**Antiochian Women**

Thank you to all of our ladies who participated in our Antiochian Women Lenten Retreat at the church yesterday! We had a big turn out and the retreat was a huge success. Thanks also to our Antiochian Woman President, Elizabeth Baclig, for organizing this event and for helping to make sure that it went smoothly!

**Holy Oblation & Fellowship Hour Hosting**

We are in need of families to host the holy oblation (holy bread) and Fellowship (Coffee) Hour after Liturgy on Sundays. Those who offer the holy oblation will also host Fellowship Hour on the same Sunday. 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
April 10 (Fast)	Vera Belic	
April 17 (Palm Sunday)	Talitha Lourie	
April 24 (Pascha)	Nichole Lourie	Evelyn – Elizabeth the Wonderworker
May 1	Tom & Kate Salem	
May 8	Baclig/Holland Family	
May 15	AVAILABLE	
May 22	AVAILABLE	
May 29	AVAILABLE	
June 5	AVAILABLE	
June 12	HOLD	
June 19	AVAILABLE	
June 26	AVAILABLE	
July 3	Mackenzie & Lauren Goff	
July 10	AVAILABLE	

**Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities**

Monday, April 11	6:00p Great Compline
Tuesday, April 12	6:00p AMEN Bible Study (Zoom)
Wednesday, April 13	6:00p Presanctified Liturgy followed by Lenten Potluck Dinner
Friday, April 15	6:00p Little Compline with the Canon of the Raising of Lazarus
Saturday, April 16	10:00a Festal Liturgy for the Raising of Lazarus 6:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, April 17 (Palm Sunday)	9:00a Festal Orthros 10:00a Festal Liturgy followed by Fellowship