

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 5/22/22

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Conversation About Strategic Planning Ministry – TODAY!

Many thanks to ALL who joined us for our conversation on 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 after Fellowship (Coffee) Hour TODAY 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.

Paschal Donations

Our church was beautifully decorated during Holy Week and the Paschal season with flowers and other decorations. We also enjoyed our festal meals together at Pascha with great attendance. These were two large expenses to the Church: \$1,000 – decorations; \$500 – festal meals. If anyone would like to financially contribute towards these expenses as a paschal donation, we would greatly appreciate it! If you would like to make a monetary donation to help cover these costs, please scan the QR code to the right. Thank you!



Liturgical & Church Items Needed – Donations for the Paschal Season 2022

It is a pious custom to make a special offering in thanksgiving for our Lord's saving Resurrection during the Paschal season. If you would like to do so, please consider donating towards some liturgical and church items that we need for our parish community. To learn more and/or offer your contribution, please discuss with Fr. Paul Fuller or Tom Salem. Thanks to everyone who has already donated items!

Holy Water Sprinkler (container): \$150

Holy Chrism vessel (container) used for Sacrament of Chrismation: \$250 – **DONATED**

Decorative Rugs for the Altar: \$350 – **DONATED**

Epitaphios (Burial Shroud of our Lord) – embroidered fabric icon (25x36 inches): \$500

Censer: \$550 – **DONATED**

Chalice Set – used for the distribution of Holy Communion: \$600-900

Bier (Tomb of our Lord) – hand-made wooden structure (cost of materials): \$1,000

A big THANK YOU to Derek Waters for donating his time and labor to build our new Bier in time for Holy Friday this year!



DOMSE Teen SOYO Officer Application

Attention teens! Are you interested in being a Teen SOYO Officer for our diocese? Officer positions include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Social Media Director. If you are interested in serving in one of these Officer roles, please use the QR Code to the left to apply!

Antiochian Women

If any ladies would like to be added to the Antiochian Women email list for our parish, contact Elizabeth Baclig at (920) 574-0467.

Antiochian Men

Our next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday May 28th at the blue house next to the church. This will be a potluck breakfast, and everyone is encouraged to bring some food to share. We are going to start a collection of optional donations at these breakfasts for anyone who would like to donate to our AMEN Chapter. The funds that are raised will go towards activities and charitable giving on behalf of our men's group. Our next AMEN Bible Study hosted by Fr. Stephen De Young will take place IN-PERSON at the PLC in Memphis on June 16th! This might be live-streamed or set up for a Zoom meeting for those who aren't attending the PLC. Be sure to join our AMEN groups in the GroupMe and Band Apps. Contact Michael Baclig (479-372-7097) to be added to these groups. Fr. Paul was a guest on the latest "Coming Out of Chaos" podcast episode which posted last week! This is the first ever podcast launched under the banner of The Antiochian Men and the Diocese of Miami and the Southeast. We would like to encourage all our men to listen to this podcast and recommend that everyone in our parish listens to the newest episode that Fr. Paul is featured in! Scan the QR code to the right to listen!



2022 DOMSE Parish Life Conference

Registration is still 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.

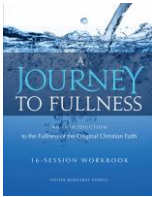


Monthly Choir Practice

Our St. Nicholas Church Choir will now be having a monthly choir practice on the 3rd Wednesday of each month immediately following Vespers. Our next choir practice will be this coming Wednesday, June 15, starting at 7:00 pm. All existing choir members and anyone interested in joining our choir is welcome to attend!

Parish Council Meeting Date Change

Our next Parish Council Meeting was originally scheduled for June 1st, however, we are pushing this meeting back one week to June 8th. The reason for the change is that we will be offering the Festal Liturgy for the Ascension of our Lord on the evening of June 1st.



Community Groups

The next North Group meeting will be on Monday June 6th starting at 6:00 pm. It will take place at the Salem family's home. The address is: 9 Windemere Street, Bentonville, AR 72712.

The next South Group meeting will be on Monday June 20th starting at 6:00 pm. It will take place at the King family's home. The address is: 2938 N Cassius Lane, Fayetteville, AR 72704.

Youth Summer Get-Togethers

Youth (age 10 & under), along with their parents and/or caregivers are invited to join us on Tuesdays in June from 10:00a till Noon for our Summer Youth Get-Togethers! Activities include story time, crafts, snacks, and lessons. Please contact Fr. Paul via email (saintnicholasar@gmail.com) to participate.



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.

Please note that next Sunday May 29th is still available!

Date	Name	Commemoration
May 22	The Carender Family	
May 29	AVAILABLE	
June 5	The Waters Family	
June 12	AVAILABLE	
June 19	Nancy Brown	
June 26	AVAILABLE	
July 3	Mackenzie & Lauren Goff	
July 10	AVAILABLE	
July 17	AVAILABLE	
July 24	AVAILABLE	
July 31	AVAILABLE	
August 7	AVAILABLE	
August 14	AVAILABLE	
August 21	AVAILABLE	
August 28	AVAILABLE	

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities

		Greeting	Response
Wednesday, May 25	6:00p Daily Vespers	English: Christ is risen!	Truly He is risen!
Saturday, May 28	9:00a Men's Breakfast at the Blue House 6:00p Great Vespers	Greek: Christos anesti!	Alithos anesti!
		Russian: Khristos voskrese!	Voistinu voskrese!
		Romanian: Hristos a inviat!	Adevărat a inviat!
Sunday, May 29	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship	Arabic: El Messieh Qam!	Haqqen Qam!