St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 5/29/22

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Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord

Join us Wednesday, June 1 at 6:00p for a Festal Liturgy to celebrate the Great Feast of the Ascension of our Lord. After Liturgy, we will join together for a dinner outing at a nearby restaurant.

<u>Stork Report – Cate Family</u>

Michael & Lindsay Cate welcomed their new baby girl on Tuesday, May 24, 2022. Victoria Anne Cate was born on 7:48a. She was 19.5" long and 6 lbs. 13 oz at the time of her birth. If you would like to send a note of congratulations to the family, you can send an email to: Michael.cate10@gmail.com (Michael) Lindsay.Nichole10@gmail.com (Lindsay). May God grant many years to the newborn Victoria Anne and the entire Cate Family!

Conversation About Strategic Planning Ministry

Many thanks to ALL who joined us for our conversations on Sunday, April 3 and Sunday, May 22 – these were productive and informative discussions! 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. Our next conversation date will be later this summer.

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.

Many thanks to the following people who have already contributed towards the purchase of these items: Bob & Nancy Brown, David & Ulli Nelson, Tom & Kate Salem, Emil & Salwa Salman (Louisville), Scott & Janna Strickland, Pat & Madeline Teague, Derek & Gina Waters!

Holy Water Sprinkler (container): \$150 – DONATED
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 – DONATED
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!

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.

Antiochian Men

Thanks to all our men who came out to help the Sullivan's with moving yesterday. We are going to help them finish the job this **Tuesday 5/31 starting at 6:00 pm** and will meet at **2 Overton Lane, Bella Vista, AR 72714**. We will also be helping the Haydar's with moving this **Thursday 6/2 starting at 9:00 am** and will meet at **1639 E Stewart St, Fayetteville, AR 72703**. Our next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, June 11th, at the blue house next to the church. This will be a potluck breakfast, and everyone is encouraged to bring some food to share. 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 & Band Apps. Contact Michael Baclig (479-372-7097) to be added to these groups.

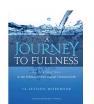
2022 DOMSE Parish Life Conference

Registration is still open for the 2022 Parish Life Conference, but it closes on June 1st! 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 <u>https://domse.org/event/domse-plc2022/</u> 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. We are making an exception for our next choir practice due to the PLC, and it will be on **Wednesday**, **June 22**, **starting at 7:00 pm**. All existing choir members and anyone interested in joining our choir is welcome to attend!



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 (<u>saintnicholasar@gmail.com</u>) 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.

Date	Name	Commemoration
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	Rich Ratliff	
September 4	AVAILABLE	
September 11	AVAILABLE	

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities			Greeting	Response
Tuesday, May 31	6:00p AMEN Helping the Sullivan's with moving (day 2) 2 Overton Lane, Bella Vista, AR 72714	English:	Christ is risen!	Truly He is risen!
Wednesday, June 1	6:00p Festal Liturgy for the Ascension of Our Lord Followed by Dinner Outing	Greek:	Christos anesti!	Alithos anesti!
Thursday, June 2	9:00a AMEN Helping the Haydar's with moving 1639 E Stewart Street, Fayetteville, AR 72703	Russian:	Khristos voskrese!	Voistinu voskrese!
Saturday, June 4	4:30p Strickland Baptism 6:00p Great Vespers	Romanian: Arabic:	Hristos a inviat! El Messieh Qam!	Adevărat a înviat! Haggen Qam!
Sunday, June 5	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship/coffee hour	Alabic.	EI MESSIEII Qaiii:	Haqqen Qam: