# St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Announcements 7/10/22

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Thank you to all the men who came out and helped with our AMEN Service Project yesterday. We got a lot of work done cleaning up the church grounds!

Our next Men's Breakfast will be on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will be a potluck breakfast and it will take place at the church (not at the blue house). We will have a **GUEST SPEAKER** attending the breakfast with us! A man from the local charitable organization Loving Choices will be speaking to our men's group about how abortion affects men and what some of the service opportunities are for our men to get involved and to help them out!

We need some help from the men in our church with setting up tents on the grass behind the back door of the church on Sunday mornings for the remainder of the summer. If you can assist with setting up tents on Sunday mornings, please plan on coming to the church at 8:30 am on Sunday mornings so that the tents, tables, and chairs can be set up for fellowship prior to the start of Orthros at 9:00 am.

## We Need Help with 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. We still have two dates available in the month of July! Do you have a birthday or anniversary in your household coming up? Offering the Oblation on the Sunday closest to it would be a great idea!

Date	Name	Commemoration
July 10	Jared & Mariana Townsley	
July 17	AVAILABLE	
July 24	Philip & Ciera Nelson	
July 31	AVAILABLE	
August 7	AVAILABLE	
August 14	Rich Ratliff	
August 21	AVAILABLE	
August 28	Lindel & Soon Mee Townsley	
September 4	AVAILABLE	
September 11	AVAILABLE	
September 18	Steve & Niki Kolokithas	
September 25	The Baclig Family	Andy & Liz B-Day/Baclig Crowning Anniversary
October 2	AVAILABLE	
October 9	AVAILABLE	
October 16	AVAILABLE	
October 23	AVAILABLE	

## **Antiochian Women**

We have a Ladies of St. Nicholas Summer Fellowship Event scheduled on **July 16th at 3:00 pm**. Please note this is a date change, it has been pushed back one week from the original date. This will take place at the church, and everyone is encouraged to stay for Great Vespers immediately following the event (starting at 6:00 pm). Come enjoy food and fellowship with your fellow sisters in Christ! Nancy Brown will be speaking about OCLife with a possible guest speaker! We hope to see you there!

## **Guidebook & Directory Update**

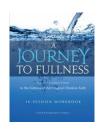
Our new parish Guidebook and Directory is almost finalized! Please review your contact information entry using the link that was sent out to the parish via email. Send an email to Scott Strickland (sbstrickland@gmail.com) with any corrections or adjustments.

## **Baptism of Victoria Cate Today!**

The Baptism of Victoria Cate is today! Please remain with us after Fellowship Hour today for the Baptism of Victoria, daughter of Michael & Lindsay Cate at 12:30 pm. Many years!

## **Music Together Summer Session**

A local teacher will be offering a music program for children till age 5 on Wednesday mornings at 11:15a (July through early August). THIS IS NOT a parish function but is being hosted at St. Nicholas Church. It is a paid program. To learn more, please contact Katie Staed via her email address at opusstringsnwa@gmail.com if interested.



## **Community Groups**

The next North Group meeting will be tomorrow, Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:00 pm. It will take place at Philip and Ciera Nelson's home. The address is: 1 Sandhurst Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72714.

The next South Group meeting is TBD. If anyone would like to be added to the rotation of hosting either community group at their home, please speak with Fr. Paul or Michael Baclig.

## **Youth Summer Get-Togethers**

Many thanks to ALL who joined us for this youth gathering over the past month. Our children participated in morning prayers, story time, crafts, and learned lessons on the Church and our Faith. Church School will begin again in September – we hope that our families will participate in our youth formation programs.

## **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.

## **Monthly Choir Practice**

Our July choir practice will be held this Wednesday, July 13 immediately following Vespers which starts at 6:00 pm. This is date change since we won't have Vespers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of this month. If interested in singing in the choir and/or chanting, please join us for these practices!

## **Help Needed with Live Streaming Services**

We are looking for volunteers to help with live streaming services at St. Nicholas Church. We recently purchased new microphones that only work with iPhones and other Apple devices. We are looking into getting a permanent Apple device to be kept in the church for the purpose of live streaming, but in the meantime, we would appreciate help from anyone who has an iPhone and is willing to help with live streaming our church services. We would ideally like to have a team of several people who regularly attend church services to help with live streaming so that there are multiple backups if someone is not able to attend a service. If you are interested in serving the church in this way, please contact Michael Baclig at (479) 372-7097.

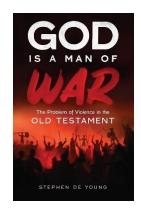
## **Bookstore Update**

Fr. Stephen De Young gave a powerful talk at the 2022 DOMSE Parish Life Conference in Memphis, TN last week on the theme of his latest book *God is a Man of War: The Problem of Violence in the Old Testament*. The Antiochian Men are currently reading this book together as an organization and it will be



the topic of the AMEN Virtual Retreat that is scheduled on November 19th, 2022. You can purchase your copy of this book though our online church bookstore by clicking HERE or on the image of the book to the right.

The bookstore is also featuring an icon entitled "Lover of the Innocent." It features Christ with his arms outstretched toward the souls of aborted children. Stop by the bookstore to pick up this icon today!



Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities		
Monday, July 11	6:00 pm North Community Group  1 Sandhurst Drive in Bella Vista	
Wednesday, July 13	6:00p Daily Vespers	
Saturday, July 16	<b>3:00p</b> Ladies of St. Nicholas (Antiochian Women) Summer Fellowship <b>6:00p</b> Great Vespers	
Sunday, July 17	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship/Coffee Hour	