Parish Announcements - Sunday, August 14, 2022

Announcement requests may be sent via email to Bulletin@StNicholasAR.org

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities		
Monday, August 15	6:00p North Community Group	
	(Baclig Home: 13815 Eastgate Dr. – Rogers)	
Wednesday, August 17	6:00p Vespers	
	9:00a Men's Breakfast	
Saturday, August 20		
	6:00p Great Vespers	
Sunday, August 21	9:00a Orthros	
	10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship	
	& Adult Education Class	

Guide Book & Directory Update

Our new Parish Guide Book & Directory is almost finalized! Please scan the QR code to the right to review your contact information entry, and email Scott Strickland (sbstrickland@gmail.com) with any corrections or adjustments. You will need to enter the password "NICHOLAS_2022" to access the file.

We would also like to ask our parishioners for their help with offering any local businesses who might be interested in paying for an advertisement in our Parish Guide Book & Directory. This is intended to be a fundraiser to help with covering the printing expenses. We have copies of a letter near the front and back doors of the church and would like to ask everyone to bring this letter to your own business or place of employment as well as any other local business who may be interested!



Holy Oblation & Fellowship Hour Hosting

We are in need of parishioners and families to offer the Holy Oblation (holy bread) and host Fellowship (Coffee) Hour after Liturgy on Sundays. Please see Kate Salem (ksalem2@cox.net) to sign up. We have several Sundays in need to be filled and hosted this upcoming Fall. Do you have special celebration or commemoration upcoming? Offering the Holy Oblation and hosting Fellowship Hour on the Sunday closest to it would be a great idea! This will be an annual request; we have plenty of families and parishioners to fill-up a whole year!

August 14		Commemoration
e	Rich Ratliff	
(Feast of the Dormition)	KICH KATIIII	
	Seth & Diana Wilson	St. Aidan, Diana's Birthday
August 28	Lindel & Soon-Mee Townsley	
September 4	Nancy Brown	
September 11	IN NEED OF HOST	
September 18	Kolikithas Family	
September 25	Baclig Family	Andy & Liz B-Day/Baclig Crowning Anniversary
October 2	AVAILABLE	
October 9	AVAILABLE	
October 16	AVAILABLE	
October 23	AVAILABLE	
October 30	AVAILABLE	
November 6	AVAILABLE	
November 13	AVAILABLE	
November 20 (Nativity Fast)	AVAILABLE	
November 27 (Nativity Fast)	AVAILABLE	

Back-to-School Blessing of our Students and Teachers (and Backpacks)

As a new school year begins, we will offer a special prayer and blessing for all our students and teachers at the end of Divine Liturgy TODAY. May the LORD guide, guard, and protect them as they begin their studies anew!

Antiochian Men



Our next Men's Breakfast will be **Saturday**, **August 20 at 9:00a** at the blue house next to the Church. This is a Potluck Breakfast, so if able, please bring a dish with you! Also, SAVE THE DATE for the 4th annual Diocesan Virtual Retreat scheduled for **Saturday**, **November 19**. Our local chapter will be gathering IN-PERSON to participate as a group virtually and offer a Lenten Potluck Breakfast.

Keeping the Church Area CLEAN - REMINDER

Last weekend, the upstairs area ("Mezzanine") and stairs were left in disarray. Food, trash, and chalk, crayon, or marker stains on the carpet. We ask EVERYONE, especially those with children, to help keep our Church area clean by supervising your children at Church, and making sure the areas they hang-out or play in are cleaned up. Many thanks!

Fellowship/Coffee Hour - Outdoor Tents and Set-Up

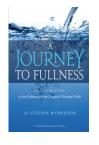
We've had some wonderful outdoor fellowship after Divine Liturgy on Sundays over the past few months. Many thanks to those who continue to set-up and clean-up during our Fellowship/Coffee Hours, including preparing the outdoor area with our new tents and tables. This "over-flow" area has been a great blessing for our continued interactions among parishioners and inquirers, for all who join us on Sundays!

Monthly Choir Practice - Wednesday, August 24 (NEW DATE)

Our next choir practice will take place on **Wednesday**, **August 24** (**NEW DATE**) at **7:00***p*, following Vespers at 6:00*p*. All existing choir members and anyone interested in joining our choir should be attending - thank you!

Usher & Greeter Ministry - TRAINING DAY - Sunday, August 28

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. We will offer our TRAINING DAY on Sunday, August 28 after Divine Liturgy to discuss how best to help out!



Community Groups

The next North Group meeting will be on **Monday**, **August 15 at 6:00p**. Join us at the Baclig Family's Home at 13815 Eastgate Drive, Rogers, AR 72756. This will be the 16th and final session in the "Journey to Fullness" series that we have been going through together as a group!

We are IN NEED of hosts for the South Community Group to continue this outreach and ministry in the areas of Springdale, Fayetteville, and Farmington. If interested, please contact Michael Baclig or Fr. Paul to discuss further so we can schedule our monthly gatherings.

Monthly Adult Education Class - Sunday, August 21

We will begin offering an Adult Education Class on the 3rd Sunday of each month following Fellowship Hour (approx. 12:30p) for 30 minutes. This will be an informal Q&A session with Fr. Paul to grow in our Faith. Topics to include Church History; moral, ethical, and social issues; church etiquette and liturgical pious practices, etc.

Parish Family Nights - Wednesdays, Sept 28, Oct 12, Oct 26, & Nov 9

EVERYONE is encouraged to join us for these Wednesday evenings this Fall. We will have service at 6:00p followed by Dinner and various lessons/discussions for ALL ages! Please mark your calendars NOW and make these gatherings a priority; dinner will be provided!

College Students - Contact Information

As our college students return back to campus, both local and other schools, we need their contact information to help them keep in touch with local parish community and OCF (Orthodox Christian Fellowship) National Office. Please send an email to our Church (<u>saintnicholasar@gmail.com</u>) with name, email, phone, mailing address, school, degree, and grad year.