

WELCOME TO
**SAINT NICHOLAS
ORTHODOX CHURCH**

Sunday, January 15th, 2023

**Twenty-Ninth Sunday After Pentecost & Twelfth Sunday of Luke – Tone
6/Eothion 9**

Today's Hymns and Readings

Resurrectional Apolytikion Tone 6: When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of St. Paul of Thebes Tone 8: The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundredfold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father Paul, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Apolytikion of St. John the Hut-Dweller Tone 4: Since thou hadst with fervor longed after the Lord from thy youth, thou lefdest the world with its delights and nobly didst strive in valiant ascetic deeds. Thou didst pitch thy hut before the gates of thy parents; thou didst break the demons' snares, O all-blessed Father. And therefore, as is meet, hath Christ God glorified thee, O John.

Troparion of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker: In truth you were revealed to your flock, as a rule of faith, a model of meekness and a teacher of self-control. Therefore you have won the heights by humility, riches by poverty. Holy father Bishop Nicholas intercede with Christ our God that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion of the Presentation of Christ Tone 1: Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

The Trisagion Hymn:

English: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal have mercy on us.

Arabic: Qudduson ullah, Qudduson ulqawi, Qudduson ullahdhi, la yamut urhamna.

Greek: Agios O Theos, Agios Ischiros, Agios Athanatos, eleison imas.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal have mercy on us.

Priest: Dynamis!

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The Epistle

*How magnified are Thy works, O Lord; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians 3:4-11

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

The Holy Gospel

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 17:12-19

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



UPDATE – Parish Challenge for POTMEF (11 Households)

We are asking you to renew your efforts to help us pay off our mortgage early and offering a PARISH CHALLENGE to accomplish our goal – IN NEED OF 20 households to financially contribute \$5,000 (two-year time period). As of December 22nd, 2022, our current mortgage is \$58,000; your contribution will help us retire this debt! To offer your pledge, please discuss with Tom Salem (479-295-9892), parish treasurer.

Thus far, we have 11 out of the needed 20 HOUSEHOLDS pledging \$5,000 EACH.

We currently have 10 households contributing \$5,000 each: **Anonymous, Anonymous, Anonymous, Anonymous, Bob & Nancy Brown, Fr. Paul & Ramia Fuller, Shawn Guthrie, Adnan & Paula Haydar, Todd & Terry Keesee, Philip & Ciera Nelson, Tom & Kate Salem.**


PLEASE NOTE: This appeal is in addition to your regular stewardship, which is necessary for the annual functioning of our parish community!



Parish Treasury Report

2022	December 2022	YTD
Income:	\$30,466.21	\$255,959.90
Expense:	\$29,749.37	\$252,952.45

1/5/2022 Checkbook: \$55,698.09 Mortgage: \$57,147.54



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Welcome to our church community! We are blessed to have you worshipping with us today. We are the jurisdiction of the Orthodox Christian Church whose roots trace directly back to first century Antioch, the city in which the disciples of Jesus Christ were first called “Christians” (Acts 11:26). The Orthodox Church is the oldest and second largest Christian group in the world. We are called by God our creator to worship and follow Him, and to proclaim to the world His message of love, peace and salvation.