### **WELCOME TO**

# SAINT NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Thirty-Second Sunday After Pentecost & Fifteenth Sunday of Luke – Tone 7/Eothinon 10

## **Today's Hymns and Readings**

Resurrectional Apolytikion Tone 7: Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Timothy Tone 4: Since thou hadst been instructed in uprightness thoroughly and wast vigilant in all things, thou wast clothed with a good conscience as befitteth one holy. Thou didst draw from the Chosen Vessel ineffable mysteries; and having kept the Faith, thou didst finish the course, O Hieromartyr and Apostle Timothy. Intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved.

Apolytikion of St. Anastasios the Persian Tone 4: Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by his prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

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: Oudduson ullah, Oudduson ulqawi, Oudduson 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!

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

#### The Epistle

The Lord will give strength to His people.

Ascribe to the Lord, O sons of God; ascribe to the Lord honor and glory.

The Reading is from the First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy 4:9-15

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, Who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties; devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

## The Holy Gospel

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."



#### WE NEED YOUR HELP - Parish Challenge for POTMEF

We need to pay off our mortgage early and are having a PARISH CHALLENGE to accomplish this goal – IN NEED OF 20 households to financially contribute \$5,000 (two-year time period). To offer your pledge, please discuss with Tom Salem (479-295-9892), parish treasurer.

**UPDATE** – **As of January 1, 2023, our current mortgage is now down to \$57,000;** it was \$85,000 when we announced this parish challenge in October; our parishioners have already contributed \$27,000 as a response to our parish challenge - many thanks! Your contributions will help retire this debt!



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

We currently have 11 households contributing \$5,000 each:

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!

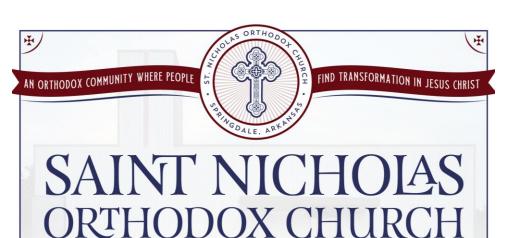


 2022
 December 2022
 YTD

 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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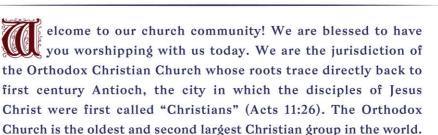
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We are called by God our creator to worship and follow Him, and to proclaim to the world His message of love, peace and salvation.

