

Parish Announcements - Sunday, May 14, 2023

Announcement requests may be sent via email to saintnicholasar@gmail.com

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities

TODAY – Sunday, May 14 <i>(Sunday of the Samaritan Woman & Mother's Day)</i>	9:00a Orthros & Chrismation of Daniel King 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship & Spring Garden Sale
Wednesday, May 17	6:00p Vespers 7:00p Choir Practice
Saturday, May 20	5:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, May 21 <i>(Sunday of the Healing of the Blind Man & Ss. Constantine & Helen)</i>	9:00a Orthros & Chrismation of the Colton, Alice, & Charles Holland 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Graduation Recognition Day, Church School, & Fellowship

Spring Garden Sale - TODAY

TODAY after Liturgy. Many items and goodies for sale – please support our Community Garden!

Digital Advertisement & Publicity for the Church

Looking for a few people to assist in creating Facebook advertisement, as well as other digital advertisement and publicity for the Church. If able and willing to offer your services to help out, please contact Fr. Paul.

Paschal Donations



It is a pious practice to offer an additional donation during the Paschal season for the needs of the parish community. We ask that donations be offered for the expenses of our NEW FELLOWSHIP AREA at the parish house next door. **The new set-up costs approx. \$18,000 – a big expense, but a great upgrade for our fellowship needs!**

Thus far, we've collected \$3,800 in Paschal Donations towards our NEW Fellowship Area! THANK YOU!

Sacraments of Initiation to the Orthodox Church

Join us as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Chrismation upon Daniel King (**TODAY**), Colton, Alice, & Charles Holland (**May 21**), & Sonia Loy (**May 28**). Service of Initiation will take place in the midst of Orthros, approx. at 9:40a. Welcome home & many years!

Monthly Choir Practice – Wednesday, May 17

Our next choir practice will take place on **Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00p**, following Vespers at 6:00p. All choir members and anyone interested in joining our choir should attend – thank you!

Church School & Graduation Recognition Day

Last day of Church School for 2022-2023 is **Sunday, May 21**. Many thanks to our dedicated teachers from this past year!

Congratulations, graduates! Any graduates of high school, college, post-grad, please email the Church Office (saintnicholasar@gmail.com) with name, degree, awards, and future plans to be included in our **Graduation Recognition Day (Sunday, May 21)**.

Church Etiquette Reminder of the Month – Singing in Church

It is important to be vocal during the liturgical services; not talking in private conversations, but participating in the worship through singing. Lend your voice, following the choir or chanters. Sunday bulletin offers the “major” hymns that may vary each week for our usage; hymns, such as: Resurrectional Troparion of the Week, Hymn of the Saint/Feast being celebrated, and Troparion of our Patron - St. Nicholas. Also, we print the Vespers services used throughout the week. We should be actively engaged with our worship and communal prayer, offering our voices in praise to God!

Antiochian Men – May Events

The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, May 27th. This will be a special breakfast as we will be joined by Jesse Irwin who will be in town visiting that week! Jesse was a long-time member of our parish. He is also the former Choir Director and was a Parish Council Member. We hope you will join us! Also, we have 2 AMEN events that will occur via Zoom in May, our Quarterly AMEN Leadership Meeting on May 16th and our Monthly AMEN Virtual Bible Study on 5/18. The Zoom links are available in our AMEN group in the GroupMe App. If you aren't in that group and want to be added please speak to Michael Baclig.

Holy Oblation & Fellowship Hosting

Please consider which Sunday your household will offer the Holy Oblation (holy bread) and host Fellowship (Coffee) Hour. Please see Kate Salem (ksalem2@cox.net) to sign up and learn more.

**Many Sundays this Summer need a host!
This will be an annual request of our parish family!**

2023	Names of Host	Commemoration
May 14	Nevill Family	Mother’s Day
May 21	Cory & Rebecca Troy	Graduation Recognition Day Rebecca’s Birthday
May 28	Mark & Denise King Vera Belic	
June 4	Parish Festal Potluck	PENTECOST
June 11	Philip & Ciera Nelson	
June 18 (Fast)	Michael & Lindsay Cate	Father’s Day Lindsay & Roman’s Birthday
June 25 (Fast)	IN NEED OF HOST	
July 2	IN NEED OF HOST	
July 9	IN NEED OF HOST	
July 16	IN NEED OF HOST	
July 23	IN NEED OF HOST	
July 30	IN NEED OF HOST	

Bookstore UPDATE

Fr Stephen De Young’s new book Apocrypha: An Introduction to Extra-Biblical Literature is now in stock in the bookstore. Also now available is The Gurus, The Young Man, and The Elder Paisius detailing a young man’s discovery of the Orthodox faith through the help of St Paisius. New icons are now on the wall with others to arrive soon.

Paschal Greetings & Troparion in Various Languages

It is customary to greet Orthodox Christians with the paschal greeting during the Paschal Season; we’ve included a few to know below:

Language	Greeting	Response
English	Christ is risen!	Truly, He is risen!
Arabic	Al Masseh qam!	Haqqan qam!
Greek	Christos anesti!	Alithos anesti!
Romanian	Hristos a inviat!	Adevărat a înviat!
Russian	Khristos voskrese!	Voistinu voskrese!
Spanish	Cristo ha resucitado!	En verdad ha resucitado!
Ukrainian	Khristos voskres!	Voistinu voskres!