

WELCOME TO
**SAINT NICHOLAS
ORTHODOX CHURCH**

Sunday, July 16th, 2023

Tone 5/Eothinon 6 – Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

Today's Hymns and Readings

Resurrectional Apolytikion Tone 5: Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Apolytikion of the Holy Fathers Tone 8: Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

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.

Ordinary Kontakion Tone 2: O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

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.

Dynamis!

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

The Epistle

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O ye righteous.

Blessed are those whose iniquities are forgiven!

The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. Titus 3:8-15

Titus, my son, faithful is the saying, and concerning these things I desire you to affirm confidently, that those who have believed in God may be thoughtful of how to preside in honorable occupations. These things are good and profitable to men. But avoid foolish disputes, and genealogies, and contentions, and controversies about the Law; for they are unprofitable and vain. A man who is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject, knowing that such a one is subverted, and sins, being self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicós, give diligence to come to me to Nicopolis; for I have determined to winter there. Set forward Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that they may be lacking in nothing. And let our people also learn how to preside in honorable occupations, so as to help in cases of urgent need, that they should not be unfruitful. All who are with me salute you. Salute those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.



The Holy Gospel

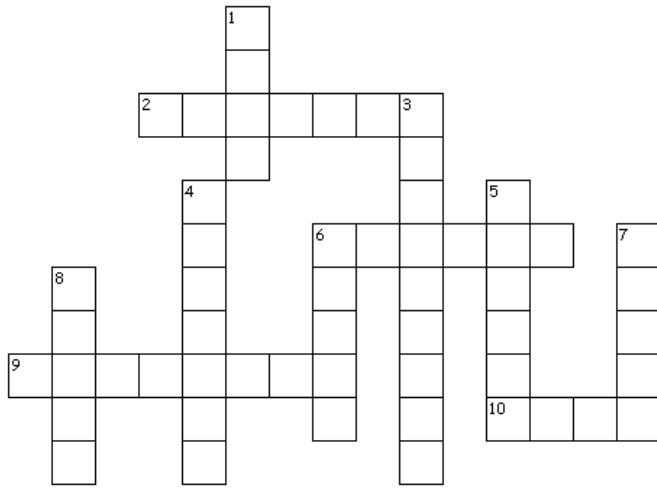
The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew 5:14-19

The Lord said to His Disciples: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father Who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them, but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

Crossword Answers:

Across – 2. Chariot 6. Mantle 9. Tishbite 10. Ahab
Down – 1. Baal 3. Twentieth 4. Jezebel 5. Elisha 6.
Moses 7. Horeb 8. Elias

Crossword Puzzle - Prophet Elijah



Across

2. The mode of transportation for Elijah's ascent into Heaven
6. Garment (vestment) that fell as Elijah ascended into Heaven, which his successor received
9. Being from the town of Tishbe, he is sometimes known as Elijah the ____
10. Name of the King of Israel whom Elijah delivered his first message (prophecy)


Down

1. The "false" prophets of this deity were challenged by the Prophet Elijah
3. Date in July of his feast-day
4. The wife of King Ahab
5. Elijah's chosen successor as prophet
6. Elijah and ____ appeared with Jesus upon Mount Tabor at the Transfiguration
7. Mount that Elijah met God after traveling for 40 days and nights
8. In the Arabic/Greek version, Elijah's name is also more commonly known as ____

Parish Treasury Report

	2023	June 30, 2023	YTD
Income:	\$18,912.90		\$128,947.71
Expense:	\$19,987.74		\$128,429.99

7/7/2023 Checkbook: \$57,206.70 Mortgage: \$32,894.71



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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.