

Parish Announcements - Sunday, September 10, 2023

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

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities	
TODAY - Sunday, September 10	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship
Wednesday, September 13 <i>(Great Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross)</i>	5:00p Festal Orthros 6:00p Festal Liturgy followed by Dinner (provided at the Church)
Friday, September 15	9:30a Morning Prayers followed by Bible Study 9:30a Orthodox Homeschool Co-op
Saturday, September 16	3:30p Chant Class 5:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, September 17 <i>(Ss. Sophia & her daughters, Faith, Hope, & Love)</i>	9:00a "Come & See" Session - Proskomide (Preparation of the Holy Gifts) 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship

Inquirers & New Guests to our Church - Welcome!

We are blessed to have many inquirers and new guests to our Church. Thank you for joining us for worship and fellowship! Please contact Fr. Paul Fuller (479-379-6220 or saintnicholasar@gmail.com) to schedule a time to meet and learn more about our parish community and the Orthodox Faith.

Church School for Youth - 2023-2024



Church School begins TODAY, being offered every other week after Liturgy. Please register your children; there is NO COST. (QR code for e-form or printed copies available at church). Please contact Elizabeth Baclig (920-574-0467 or elizabethsbaclig@gmail.com) to learn more. *Our program is ONLY successful with the participation of our children and encouragement of their parents!*

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Wednesday, September 13

Join us as we celebrate, by anticipation, this Great Feast in the Life of the Church! Festal Orthros at 5:00p; Festal Liturgy at 6:00p followed by Dinner (*provided at the Church*).

"Come & See" Sessions - Autumn 2023

Join us prior to the Divine Liturgy for "come & see" sessions, which we demonstrate the preparation services: the Proskomide (preparation of the Holy Gifts), Kairon (entrance prayers), and Clergy Vestments (explanation of vestments). **These sessions will be offered at 9:00a (instead of Orthros) on the following Sundays: September 17, October 1, October 22, & November 5.** An opportunity for ALL to experience these liturgical services!

Chant Class - Saturday, September 16 (NEW DATE & TIME)

These sessions continue to be offered each month at 3:30p, prior to Great Vespers at 5:00p. This is open to all. Learn about Reading of Psalms, basic tones, hymns, and responses of the Church, and how to put the liturgical services together. Sessions led by Reader David Nelson.

Church Etiquette Reminder of the Month
- "Lipstick, Perfume, & Chewing Gum" -

Lipstick (or gloss) should not be worn while taking Holy Communion, when venerating (kissing) the cross, an icon, the priest's or bishop's hand, or any sacred object. It is best not to wear it at all while attending liturgical services, but especially be mindful and blot lipstick (gloss) during the above-mentioned times. Hand-painted icons have been ruined by lipstick; and even though the cross or spoon can usually be cleaned, it's not considerate to those who follow and can still tarnish metal items. Also, please know that some people have a strong sensitivity to perfume, cologne, and even aftershave. If used, please use only a small amount. The Temple is already filled with the wonderful odor of incense arising to God as our prayers do. Lastly, chewing gum is never appropriate inside the Temple.

Holy Oblation & Fellowship Hosting

Please consider which Sunday your household will offer the Holy Oblation (Holy Bread) and host Fellowship (Coffee) Hour. This is annual request of our parish families! Please contact Kate Salem (402-430-9989 or ksalem2@cox.net) to sign up and learn more.

Many Sundays this Autumn need a host!

2023	Names of Host	Commemoration
Sept 10	Nancy Brown	
Sept 17	Sonia Loy; Tom & Kate Salem	Sonia's Name's Day (St. Sophia)
Sept 24	Fuller Family	
Oct 1	Elisabeth Cisneros	
Oct 8	IN NEED OF HOST	
Oct 15	IN NEED OF HOST	
Oct 22	IN NEED OF HOST	
Oct 29	IN NEED OF HOST	
Nov 5	IN NEED OF HOST	
Nov 12	IN NEED OF HOST	
Nov 19	IN NEED OF HOST	
Nov 26	IN NEED OF HOST	

Antiochian Men

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2nd Annual AMEN BBQ & Brotherhood event last Sunday, it was a great success! Be sure to join us at the parish house for our monthly Men's Breakfast on Saturday, September 30th at 9:00a. This is a potluck breakfast. We are also still collecting donations for the "Building a Ramp" project to recoup the cost of the materials which totaled \$2,000. We are asking for some of our men to each donate \$100 by the end of this year to raise the remaining funds that are needed. This can be an upfront donation of \$100 or a monthly donation of \$20 for 5 months. If you would like to donate towards this effort, you can do so via PayPal using the QR code. You can also give cash or a check with "AMEN Ramp Project" in the memo line to Tom Salem.



Patristic Book Study - October 2023

We will be offering a Patristic Book Study reading "Letters" by St. Ignatius of Antioch (1st century) in October on three Monday evenings (October 2, 9, & 16) at 8:00p CST. It's a virtual format (via ZOOM). **Please email Fr. Paul (frpaul.fuller@gmail.com) to sign up. Also, purchase a copy of the book in our parish bookstore.**

OCF (Campus Ministry) - THANK YOU!!!

Thank you for your generosity; we raised \$250 towards these efforts both locally and nationally! If you have contact information of college students (email, phone #, school, major), please email the Church Office.

South & North Community Groups - Autumn 2023

We continue to gather, working through a video series on engagement with the Divine Liturgy (main worship service).

**SOUTH - Monday, September 18 at 6:00p at the Home of Fr. Paul & Ramia Fuller
(217 S Amber Dawn Ave in Farmington)**

NORTH - Monday, September 25 at 6:00p at the Home of Steve & Niki Kolokithas

2023 DOMSE Fall Retreat - Last chance to register!

Fall Retreat is September 22-23, 2023 at St. Elias Orthodox Church in Atlanta, GA. This will be a wonderful opportunity for fellowship with people from all over our diocese! Registration for this event closes this coming Friday, September 15 so be sure to register before then. Scan the QR code to register, book your hotel, and to view the full schedule for the retreat. We hope to see you there!

