

Parish Announcements - Sunday, November 26, 2023

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

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities	
TODAY - Sunday, November 26	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship
Wednesday, November 29	6:00p Nativity Paraklesis
Friday, December 1	9:30a Orthodox Homeschool Co-op 10:00a OLLI Class hosted at Church
Saturday, December 2	10:00a-2:00p Parish Brunch and Ministry Gatherings with Bishop Nicholas 5:00p Great Vespers followed by Pizza Dinner & Gathering of Teens & Young Adults
Sunday, December 3	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Hierarchal Liturgy followed by Parish Banquet

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.

Weekly Offering during the Divine Liturgy

Each Sunday during the Divine Liturgy, we pass baskets as an opportunity for ALL those present to support the ministry offered by our parish community. To contribute electronically via PayPal, please access the QR Code. Many thanks!



Patronal Feast of St. Nicholas & Hierarchal Visit of Bishop Nicholas



Join us the **weekend of December 1-3** as we celebrate our patronal feast and welcome His Grace, Bishop Nicholas. We will have a parish brunch Saturday, December 2 with organizations and ministries gathering with Bishop Nicholas from **10:00 am till 2:00 pm including Dress Rehearsal for the Christmas Program**; Great Vespers at 5:00 pm followed by a Pizza Dinner for our Teens & Young Adults. To sign up to bring a food or beverage item to the parish brunch, sign up by scanning the QR code! If you would like to assist with the setup or cleanup of the parish potluck brunch, please contact Aly Wicker at alywicker@gmail.com.

Silent Auction Donations for Banquet

We are currently accepting donations for the auction including new items, handmade items, gift baskets, products from companies you work at/own, and coupons for goods/services from businesses. Deadline is TODAY to donate! Please contact Angelic Nevill (northfromsouth1@gmail.com).

Church Etiquette Reminder of the Month - What To Do During a Censing

When there is a censing happening during liturgical services, please simply remain where you are standing for the entirety of the censing. Please refrain from moving around or walking to your "spot" in church, even after the priest who is censing has "passed by" you. If sitting, it is appropriate to stand up during the entirety of a censing. Standing in place, you may turn around as the priest is censing in the narthex. Also, when the censer is being censed in your direction (at you), simply bow your head in reverence.

2024 Stewardship & Membership Forms

Stewardship & Membership forms will be mailed to your homes. Please prayerfully consider what you are willing and able to financially contribute to the operation and functioning of our growing parish community to support its various ministries and services! **This is an annual responsibility of everyone in our parish!**

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
Nov 26 <i>(Fast)</i>	IN NEED OF HOST	
Dec 3	Parish Banquet	Patronal Feast w/ His Grace, Bishop Nicholas
Dec 10 <i>(Fast)</i>	IN NEED OF HOST	
Dec 17	Steve & Tina Rieger; Rich Ratliff	Order of St. Ignatius Awareness Sunday
Dec 24 DAY <i>(Fast)</i>	"Light & Lenten" Fellowship	
Dec 24 NIGHT	Parish Festal Potluck	Christmas Feast & Fellowship
Dec 31	IN NEED OF HOST	



POTMEF (Pay Off the Mortgage Early Fund) UPDATE

A parish family has offered a **NEW MATCHING Challenge** for POTMEF.

Any donations in November will be matched up to \$5,000.

Please consider a donation to help us pay off our mortgage in 2023!

Ladies of St. Nicholas 2023 Holiday Baklava Sale

There is still time to place an order for Holiday Baklava, and thanks to all who have placed orders! Sale continues through December 8, with fresh-baked baklava available for pickup the weekend of December 16-17. Please see the enclosed flyer for more information, and feel free to share it with family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues. **Access the online order form via QR code.** There are still more opportunities to volunteer! Baklava Week is Dec. 11-15, with all-day work sessions for baking, cutting, and packaging. Saturday, Dec. 16 is pick-up morning. For questions, contact us at: StNBaklava@gmail.com.



Antiochian Men Virtual Advent Retreat - Saturday, December 9

Our 5th Annual AMEN Virtual Retreat will take place on Saturday, December 9, 2023. The retreat will be focused on the book "On the Incarnation" by St. Athanasius. We still have a few copies available in our bookstore so be sure to pick up your copy while supplies last! Our men will be meeting at the blue house for a Lenten potluck breakfast on 12/9 starting at 9:00 am and will join the Zoom meeting together as a group. If you aren't able to attend in person you are welcome to join the Zoom meeting from wherever you are. The Zoom link is available in the AMEN group in the GroupMe app. We hope to see you there!

Parish Christmas Card

Be included in our Parish Christmas Card (mailed to our entire mailing list); scan QR code to issue electronic payment via PayPal or sign-up on Sundays during Fellowship. **\$25 per entry.** Contact Diana Wilson (479-430-0469 or Dshorty_2008@yahoo.com) to sign up.

