

# Parish Announcements - Sunday, November 5, 2023

Announcement requests may be sent via email to [saintnicholasar@gmail.com](mailto:saintnicholasar@gmail.com)

<b>Schedule of Liturgical Services &amp; Activities</b>	
TODAY - Sunday, November 5	9:00a "Come & See" Kairon & Vestments 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship
Wednesday, November 8 ( <i>Synaxis of the Holy Archangels</i> )	6:00p Vespers 7:00p Choir Practice
Friday, November 10	9:30a Bible Study & Orthodox Homeschool Co-op
Saturday, November 11	NO Great Vespers
Sunday, November 12	9:00a "Reader" Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship

**\*\*Please note that Fr. Paul will be out-of-the-country November 10-18 participating in a Study Tour to Ireland & Northern Ireland. Please check out parish publications for schedule updates.\*\***

## 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](mailto: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!



## "Come & See" Kairon & Vestments - TODAY, Sunday, November 5

Join us at 9:00a, prior to the Divine Liturgy for a "come & see" session demonstrating Kairon (entrance prayers), and Clergy Vestments (explanation of vestments). *Please note there will be no homily offered on these Sundays.*

## TEEN SOYO Leader & Communication

We are pleased to announce that Caleb Mackey (501-658-9501 or [calebmackey@protonmail.com](mailto:calebmackey@protonmail.com)) has stepped forward to lead our Teen SOYO (youth group). He has created a GroupMe chat for our teens and their parents; be included!

## Psalter Reading Group - Advent 2023

OPEN to ALL! If you're looking for a daily spiritual discipline this upcoming Advent season, here it is! Each day during Advent (November 15-December 24), you will be assigned a small section of reading from the Book of Psalms (Psalter). It only takes about 10-15 minutes each day to read on your own. To sign up and participate, simply fill out the form and submit (QR Code). Any questions, contact Fr. Paul ([frpaul.fuller@gmail.com](mailto:frpaul.fuller@gmail.com)). May God bless you in your spiritual endeavor this upcoming Advent season!



### 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 for 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 community!**

## 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!**

<b>2023</b>	<b>Names of Host</b>	<b>Commemoration</b>
Nov 5	Wicker Family	
Nov 12	Manoj & Sneha Virippil	
Nov 19 (Fast)	Stewardship Ministry	Stewardship Sunday
<b>Nov 26</b> (Fast)	<b>IN NEED OF HOST</b>	
Dec 3	Parish Banquet	Patronal Feast w/ His Grace, Bishop Nicholas
<b>Dec 10</b> (Fast)	<b>IN NEED OF HOST</b>	
Dec 17	Steve & Tina Rieger; Rich Ratliff	Order of St. Ignatius Awareness Sunday
Dec 24 DAY (Fast)		
Dec 24 NIGHT	Parish Festal Potluck	Christmas Feast & Fellowship
<b>Dec 31</b>	<b>IN NEED OF HOST</b>	

### UPDATE - POTMEF (Pay Off the Mortgage Early Fund)

**ONLY \$12,500** left on our current mortgage - a remarkable achievement thus far!

Thanks to those who have continued to contribute so that we can retire this debt!



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

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

We've collected \$2,500 towards our Match (as of October 31)!

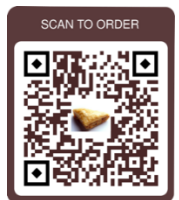
Please consider a donation to help us pay off our mortgage in 2023!

### Monthly Choir Practice - Wednesday, November 8

Our next choir practice will take place on **Wednesday, November 8 following Vespers at 6:00p**. All choir members and anyone interested in joining our choir should attend - thank you!

### Ladies of St. Nicholas 2023 Holiday Baklava Sale

Baklava season is here and runs through December 8. Fresh-baked baklava will be available for pick-up the weekend of December 16-17. Please see the flyer for details, and share with others! This annual project is the main fundraising effort of our Antiochian Women. We have increased sales each year and have gained many repeat customers through the efforts of our parishioners. Proceeds are used for benevolence within our Diocese, charitable giving within our local community, liturgical items, and other parish needs. Thank you for your continued enthusiasm and support! For questions, please contact Paula at: [StNBaklava@gmail.com](mailto:StNBaklava@gmail.com). **PLACE YOUR ORDER, using the QR Code.**



Please check out this link to Sign-Up Genius (link in the parish email) and plan on joining some of our fun baklava work sessions! There will be a session on Saturday, November 18 at 9:00a to work on pre-assembly of the trays. Baklava Week for baking and packaging will be December 11-15.