

Saint Nicholas Newsletter

April 2025



*Saint Mary of Egypt
Commemorated April 1st*

Celebrations

God grant you many years!

Birthdays

Niki Kolokithas – Apr 1

Bob Brown – Apr 2

David Nelson – Apr 2

Steve Rieger – Apr 4

Isaiah Hale – Apr 7

Stuart Jackson – Apr 7

Debra Wheeler – Apr 8

Justine Sherrouse – Apr 11

Michael Kolokithas – Apr 23

Madeline Teague – Apr 28

Name's Day

Riley Arnold (St. Mary of Egypt) – Apr 1

Brian Frederick (St. George) – Apr 23

Georgeta Galbraith (St. George) – Apr 23

Kota Waters (St. George) – Apr 23

Wedding Anniversaries

Eric & Elizabeth Carender – Apr 2

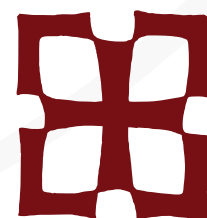
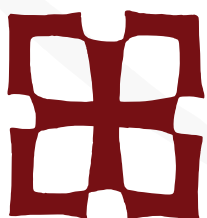
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2025 Stewardship & Membership Form

Please prayerfully consider what you are willing and able to financially contribute to the operation and functioning of our parish community to support its various ministries and services! This is an annual responsibility of everyone in our parish; please submit by December 29, 2024.

Also in 2025, for those willing and able please consider contributing towards our Building Fund (suggested amount of \$100 monthly, but please contribute as able). This is in *ADDITION* to Stewardship.

Access the print or online form by clicking the image below.



Parish Paschal Card

Be included in our Parish Paschal Card
(mailed to our entire mailing list!);
click image below to issue electronic payment via PayPal
or sign-up on Sundays during Fellowship. \$25 per entry.

Deadline is Monday, April 7.

Contact Jackson & Abby Bliss to sign up.
(jacksonbliss13@gmail.com or abbyfae626@gmail.com)



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Liturgical Schedule for Great Lent, Holy Week, & Pascha

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*Great Lent,
Holy Week,
and Pascha
Schedule
of Services*

*at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
Springdale, AR*



Liturgical Schedule

Remaining Services during Great Lent

- Great Compline at 6:00p Monday, April 7
- Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & ****Potluck Meal****
at 6:00p Wednesday, April 2
(Hosted at our Parish)
- Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & ****Potluck Meal****
at 6:00p Wednesday, April 9
(Hosted at St. John Church- 1740 9th St. in Rogers)
**Potluck Meals provided by the Host Parish ONLY
after Pre-Sanctified Liturgies on Wednesdays**
- Compline with Canon of Repentance & the
Reading of the Life of St. Mary of Egypt
at 6:00p Thursday, April 3
- Akathist (Madayeh) Service to the Theotokos
at 6:00p Friday, April 4

Liturgical Schedule

Holy Week Schedule

Friday, April 11	• 6:00p •	Compline with the Canon of the Raising of Lazarus
Saturday, April 12 <i>(Raising of Lazarus)</i>	• 10:00a • • 5:00p •	Festal Liturgy Great Vespers
Sunday, April 13 <i>(Palm Sunday)</i>	• 9:00a • • 10:00a • • 1:00p •	Festal Orthros Festal Liturgy Bridegroom Orthros
Monday, April 14	• 6:00p •	Bridegroom Orthros
Tuesday, April 15	• 6:00p •	Sacrament of Holy Unction
Wednesday, April 16	• 10:00a • • 6:00p •	Vesperal Liturgy 12 Passion Gospels
Thursday, April 17	• 10:00a • • 6:00p • • 7:00p •	Royal Hours Un-nailing Vespers Lamentations
Friday, April 18 <i>(Holy Friday)</i>	• 10:00a • • 6:00p • • 7:00p •	Royal Hours Un-nailing Vespers Lamentations
Saturday, April 19 <i>(Holy Saturday)</i>	• 10:00a • • 6:00p •	Vesperal Liturgy Pashcal Orthros & Liturgy <i>(followed by Fellowship)</i>
Sunday, April 20 <i>(PASCHA)</i>	• 1:00p •	Agape Vespers <i>(followed by Fellowship)</i>

Diocesan Virtual Lenten Retreats

Our diocese will be hosting virtual lenten retreats for our various ministries/organizations during the weekend of April 5-6.

Antiochian Women, Antiochian Men, Teen SOYO, & Young Adult Ministries



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Parish Life Conference



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Our diocesan family will be gathering for our annual Parish Life Conference (PLC) in Jacksonville, FL - June 11-14

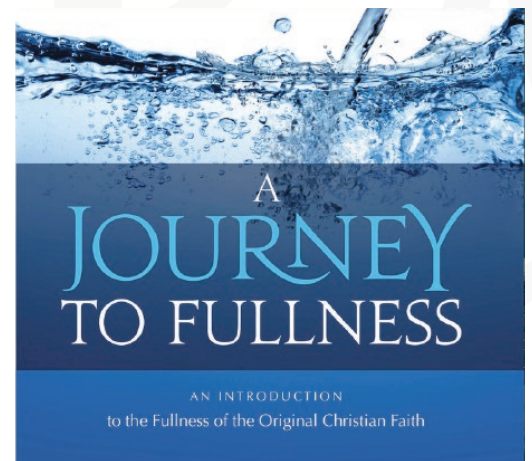
We hope that you will consider attending this summer!

"Journey to Fullness"

This video series (16 videos approx. 17 minutes each) is recommended for all of our newcomers, inquirers, and catechumens.

We hope this will be a valuable resource for you as you learn more about Orthodoxy Christianity.

It is accessible through a private link to our parish's YouTube channel.



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SAINT GEORGE THE TROPHY BEARER

About St. George

St. George was born in Cappadocia the son of wealthy and virtuous parents. His father suffered for Christ and his mother then moved with her son to Palestine where she had farmland. When George grew up, he entered the military, where in his twentieth year, he attained the rank of a Tribune and was in the service of Emperor Diocletian. The most famous of George's miracles are depicted in iconography. Near Mount Lebanon was a large lake, inhabited by an enormous dragon-like serpent. Coming out of the lake, it devoured people, and the breath from its nostrils poisoned the air. George rode up on his horse with spear in hand and signed himself with the Sign of the Cross.



He rushed at the serpent saying, “In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” George pierced the throat of the serpent with his spear and trampled it with his horse. Twenty-five thousand men, not counting women and children, were then baptized. The Empress Alexandra believed in Christ through George. Diocletian wanted paganism to be the state religion to unify his empire. Since George and Alexandra refused to offer sacrifices to idols and renounce the one true Faith, Diocletian had them both beheaded in 303. Though he was a talented officer who amazed the world by his military exploits, George is known as the Victory-bearer, or Trophy-bearer, not only for his military achievements, but for successfully enduring martyrdom.

The Feast of St. George is celebrated on April 23.

Parish Activity at St. Nicholas



Ministry & Organizational Leaders,

If there is any announcement or advertisement that you would like published in the St. Nicholas Newsletter, please contact John Bailey at johncaleb.bailey@gmail.com

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