

Parish Announcements – Sunday, May 25, 2025

Announcement requests (due by Monday at noon) may be sent via email to info@stnicholasar.org (NEW EMAIL)

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities	
Sunday, May 25 <i>(Sunday of the Healing of the Blind Man)</i>	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship
Wednesday, May 28 <i>(Great Feast of the Ascension – by anticipation)</i>	5:00p Festal Orthros 6:00p Festal Liturgy & Dinner Outing
Friday, May 30	9:30a Bible Study
Saturday, May 31	5:00p Great Vespers 6:00p AMEN Cookout
Sunday, June 1 <i>(Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council)</i>	9:00a <i>Sacraments of Christian Initiation</i> – Penelope Hale & Isaac Wilson 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship

Our Remembrance this Memorial Day

We remember the brave men and women who have sacrificed their lives while serving in the Armed Forces.
May their memory be eternal!

Welcome to our Guests

We are grateful that you have joined us for worship of God this morning! While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox Christian guests will be offered holy bread (as a sign of hospitality) in their pew or seat. At the Dismissal, please join us in veneration of the Holy Cross (held by the Priest) and receive additional holy bread at the end of the Liturgy. After service, please join us for food and drink during Fellowship so that we can meet and greet you! Please contact Fr. Paul Fuller (479-379-6220 or pastor@stnicholas.org) to schedule a time to meet and learn more about our parish community and the Orthodox Faith.



Paschal Donations

It is a pious practice to offer an additional donation during the Paschal season for the needs of the parish community. Please mark “paschal offering” on the envelope. Many thanks!

Great Feast of the Ascension of our Lord – Wednesday, May 28

Join us as we celebrate (by anticipation) on Wednesday, May 28 with Festal Orthros at 5:00p, Festal Liturgy at 6:00p followed by Dinner Outing.

Baseball Game Outing – Tuesday, June 3

We are attending the Northwest Arkansas Naturals game on Tuesday, June 3 at 7:05p. The ballpark is across I-49 from the church. Group tickets are ONLY \$10 (including fees). Please contact Fr. Paul (502-592-9981 or frpaul.fuller@gmail.com) to confirm your ticket so we can secure a group rate and seating.

Summer Church School Program – Tuesdays in June

We will offer a youth program from 9:30a till 12:30p on Tuesdays in June for children 12 and under. “Rooted in Prayer” with activities, crafts, lessons, and food. Please RSVP using the online form via the QR code. Also, we NEED a few adult leaders for this program, so please contact Gina Waters or Fr. Paul Fuller to volunteer!



Baptism of Penelope Hale & Isaac Wilson – Sunday, June 1

Join us at 9:00a, prior to the Divine Liturgy at 10:00a on Sunday, June 1 as we celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation for Penelope Hale, daughter of Isaiah & Brea Hale & Isaac Wilson, son of Seth & Diana Wilson! May God grant them many years!

Invitation to the Baptism of Katherine Fuller – Saturday, June 7

YOU'RE INVITED to join us as we celebrate the Baptism of Katherine, daughter of Fr. Paul & Ramia Fuller on Saturday, June 7 at 11:00a. There will be a reception to follow at St. Thomas Episcopal Church (*down the street*). Please RSVP to Ramia (713-557-1770 or raf72082@aol.com) by May 30.

Committee Volunteers NEEDED for Hosting the Parish Life Conference in June 2026

We will be hosting the PLC next Summer, which is a great responsibility and labor of a parish community) and we are requested volunteers for various committees in order to make this a successful diocesan gathering! Please contact Michael and Elizabeth Baclig – PLC co-chairs (479-372-7097 or 920-574-0467) to volunteer and offer a helping hand!

OCLife Donation Drive – May 2025

During the month of May, the month of Mother's Day, Orthodox Christians for Life (OCLife) will be sponsoring a donation drive to support mothers who choose life for their unborn children! This donation drive will benefit Compassion House, a local residential facility for teen mothers. They have need for Size 4 and 5 diapers, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, paper towels, garbage bag, non-perishable food items, and bottled water This drive will also benefit Loving Choices, a pregnancy resource center. Their needs are toiletries such as diaper cream, bath wash, shampoo, lotion, Dreft detergent, preggie pops (21 pieces size) and baby monitor. Please check out the card options near bookstore for offering OCLife donations in lieu of flowers or gifts for Mother's Day. For any questions, or to help out, please contact Nancy Brown, 479-616-8043, nancyjbrown3@hotmail.com.

Peace of Mind Training Program in October 2025

We are looking to host a Peace of Mind Training Program this Fall (a Saturday in October). Program objectives include: appropriately identifying, understanding, responding, and referring mental health concerns as they arise in the parish; exploring the connection between Orthodox Christian anthropology, pastoral care, and mental health care; cultivating ongoing conversations about mental wellness within the parish and the greater Orthodox Christian community. Approx. cost per participant would be \$150; if interested and to learn more, please contact Elisabeth Cisneros (602-625-5622 or elcisneros@yahoo.com).

2025 Stewardship & Membership Forms



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. Printed copies available in the Narthex OR access the online form by scanning the QR code. 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.

We are planning to recognize the birthdays, anniversaries, and Name's Days of our faithful in 2025. This information is requested on the stewardship & membership form.

Those Celebrating in May – God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday

Fr. Paul Fuller – May 2	Lucy Troy – May 16
Aidan Wilson – May 2	Nancy Brown – May 19
Caleb Wicker – May 6	Eric Carender – May 20
Nina Lawrence – May 11	Laura Evans – May 27
Nikifor Paunov – May 16	Steve Kolokithas

Wedding Anniversary

Adnan & Paula Haydar – May 3
Erik & Nina Lawrence – May 4
Jackson & Abigail Bliss – May 19
Tom & Kate Salem – May 24

Name's Day

Isaiah Hale (Prophet Isaiah) – May 9	Gina Waters (St. Helen) – May 21
Abigail Bliss (St. Dymphna) – May 15	Jackson Bliss (St. William) – May 28