

Parish Announcements – Sunday, July 13, 2025

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

| Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities | |
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| Sunday, July 13 | 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Stewardship Update, Fellowship, & Inquiring Minds |
| Wednesday, July 16 | 6:00p Vespers |
| Friday, July 18 | 9:30a Bible Study 6:00p Ladies' Fellowship (Hosted by Elizabeth Baclig – 13825 Eastgate Road in Rogers) |
| Saturday, July 19 | 9:00a Holy Bread Instruction & Baking Session 5:00p Great Vespers |
| Sunday, July 20 (Feast of the Prophet Elias) | 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Blessing of Cars & Fellowship |

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.

Inquiring Minds – TODAY, Sunday, July 13

Join us for Inquiring Minds, our monthly Adult Education Class on **Sunday, July 13 following Fellowship (approx. 12:30p)** for a Q&A session with Fr. Paul. Encouraged for ALL to attend, but “required” for inquirers and catechumens!

Holy Bread Instruction & Baking Session – Saturday, July 19

Baking Holy Bread (prosphora) is a vital ministry of our parish community. Please join us for a baking session on Saturday, July 19 at 9:00a. Please contact Kate Salem (402-430-9989; ksalem2@cox.net) to RSVP and learn more.

Feast of Prophet Elias & Blessing of Cars – Sunday, July 20

In honor of the Feast of the Prophet Elias, we will offer prayer and bless (sprinkle with holy water) our cars (and other modes of transportation—so bring your bicycles, motorcycles, trucks, and even big wheels!) on Sunday, July 20 following Divine Liturgy.

Those Celebrating in July – God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday

Blaise Deschler – Jul 1
Nikolas Carender – Jul 14
Caleb Deschler – Jul 14
Emmit Strunk – Jul 15
Kh. Ramia Fuller – Jul 20
Carrie Searce – Jul 24
Hayley Mitchell – Jul 25
Steve Pangere – Jul 25
Aly Wicker – Jul 30

Wedding Anniversary

Manoj & Sneha Virippil – Jul 16
Bob & Nancy Brown – Jul 30

Name's Day

Dawn DeLong (St. Elizabeth the New Martyr) – Jul 18
Brea Hale (St. Elizabeth the New Martyr) – Jul 18
Adnan Haydar (Prophet Elias) – Jul 20
Megan Paunov (St. Mary Magdalene) – Jul 22
Aly Wicker (St. Mary Magdalene) – Jul 22
Tina Rieger (St. Christina) – Jul 24

Stewardship Summer UPDATE

MANY THANKS for your financial contributions in 2025! We greatly appreciate your continued support of your time, talents, and treasures. Stewardship is an opportunity to examine our priorities and values, to express our thankfulness, to give of ourselves, and to grow in grace. We take this opportunity during the summer months to remind our faithful of the vital need for EVERYONE to participate in the financial support of our parish community!

2025 Goal – \$225,000 in stewardship giving & 65 forms returned!

To date, we have received **Stewardship & Membership Forms** from 57 households who have pledged a total amount of \$199,980 towards supporting our various ministries and operation of our parish community. However, over 90 households call St. Nicholas Orthodox Church their church.

Will you join us?

| | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
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| Stewardship Amount Received January-June | \$85,945 | \$99,240 | \$99,960 |
| Stewardship Forms Received | 67 | 71 | 57 |
| Pledged Amount | \$171,000 | \$195,520 | \$199,980 |

Capital Building Fund UPDATE

In addition to your stewardship, we challenged our faithful to financially contribute to our **Capital Building Fund** for the building up of the parish community of St. Nicholas Orthodox Church.

Thus far, 15 households responded to this challenge in 2025 pledging a total of \$31,000 towards our Capital Building Fund.

Will you join us?

2024 Received - \$8,800; thru June 2025 - \$15,500 Received

Total Amount in Capital Building Fund – \$82,430



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 Capital Building Fund (suggested amount of \$100 monthly, but please contribute as able). This is in ADDITION to Stewardship.

To discuss or learn more, please contact
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