Parish Announcements - Sunday, July 20, 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, July 20 (Feast of the Prophet Elias)	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Blessing of Cars & Fellowship		
Saturday, July 26	9:00a Men's Breakfast		
Sunday, July 27	9:00a Reader Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship		

Prayers appreciated for those traveling to the Archdiocesan Convention in Chicago this week. We will not have services during the next two weeks, except on Sunday, July 27 & Sunday, August 3. Contact Fr. Paul (502-592-9981) for any pastoral emergencies.

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.

Feast of Prophet Elias & Blessing of Cars - TODAY, Sunday, July 20

In honor of the Feast of the Prophet Elias, we will offer prayer and bless our cars (and other modes of transportation — bicycles, motorcycles, trucks, and even big wheels!) TODAY following Divine Liturgy.

Church School & Homeschool Co-op UPDATE

It is almost a new school year! If you are interested in participating in homeschool co-op this year please contact Gina Waters (gwaters034@gmail.com). An informational/planning meeting will be set up soon to discuss plans for this year's program.

Church school will be starting again September 7th if you are interested in teaching please contact Gina Waters (gwaters034@gmail.com).



"Journey to Fullness" Video Series

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. To access the video series, please scan the QR code.

Those Celebrating in July - God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday

Blaise Deschler – Jul 1 Carrie Scearce – Jul 24 Nikolas Carender – Jul 14 Hayley Mitchell – Jul 25

Caleb Deschler – Jul 14 Steve Pangere – Jul 25 Emmit Strunk – Jul 15 Aly Wicker – Jul 30

Kh. Ramia Fuller – Jul 20

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

Wedding Anniversary

Manoj & Sneha Virippil - Jul 16

Bob & Nancy Brown - Jul 30

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!

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
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.