

Saint Nicholas Newsletter

September 2025



*Saint Elizabeth
Commemorated September 5th*



Celebrations

God grant you many years!

Birthdays

Rosenda Strunk – Sept 1

Chris Beam – Sept 4

Mia Folden – Sept 6

Hannah Waters – Sept 7

David Ellison – Sept 14

Lauren Goff – Sept 15

Mackenzie Goff – Sept 15

Katherine Fuller – Sept 17

Samuel Strunk – Sept 20

Andrew Baclig – Sept 23

Joshua Thompson – Sept 23

Brea Hale – Sept 24

Rob Fannin – Sept 26

Kiersten Hale – Sept 28

Elizabeth Baclig – Sept 29

Hanna Deschler – Sept 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Samuel & Megan Strunk – Sept 25

Name's Day

Penelope Hale (Martyr Penelope) – Sept 1

Niki Kolokithas (Martyr Margarita) – Sept 1

Joshua Thompson (Righteous Joshua) – Sept 1

Elizabeth Baclig (St. Elizabeth) – Sept 5

Elizabeth Carender (St. Elizabeth) – Sept 5

Elisabeth Cisneros (St. Elizabeth) – Sept 5

Elizabeth Fenner (St. Elizabeth) – Sept 5

Zachary Fitton (Prophet Zachariah) – Sept 5

Ramia Fuller (St. Elizabeth) – Sept 5

Rebekah Fuller (St. Elizabeth) – Sept 5

Azalea Deschler (Theotokos) – Sept 8

Kiersten Hale (St. Anna) – Sept 9

Madeline Teague (St. Anna) – Sept 9

Steve Kolokithas (Holy Cross) – Sept 14

Sneha Virippil (St. Sophia) – Sept 17

Seth Wilson (St. Silouan) – Sept 24

Erik John Lawrence (Evangelist John) – Sept 26

Sean Searce (Evangelist John) – Sept 26



Bible Study

Fridays @ 10:00am
(preceded by Morning Prayers @ 9:30a)

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
Springdale, Arkansas

www.stnicholasar.org

"NOW IF WE ARE WILLING TO EXAMINE THE SCRIPTURES
IN THIS WAY, CAREFULLY AND SYSTEMATICALLY,
WE SHALL BE ABLE TO OBTAIN OUR SALVATION."
- ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Join us Friday mornings beginning at 9:30 AM for
Morning Prayers, followed by Bible Study
from 10:00 to 11:15 AM

We are continuing our study on the Acts of the Apostles!

Upcoming Events



Church School Registration

Please fill out this registration form with your children's information for the upcoming program of Church School. Your continued support and participation are greatly appreciated! Classes begin on Sunday, September 7 and will be held weekly.

To learn more, please contact our Church School Director
Gina Waters (480-682-8878 or gwaters034@gmail.com).

Feasts



Nativity of the Theotokos

*Saturday & Sunday,
September 6-7*

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sunday, September 14





THE ASSEMBLY OF
CANONICAL ORTHODOX BISHOPS
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS

PEACE OF MIND

ONE DAY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING

Saturday October 11, 2025
ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH
3171 South 48th Street Springdale, AR 72762

8:45 AM - 4 PM
(Vespers @ 5 PM)

- *For both clergy and laity*
- *Learn to recognize signs of a mental health challenge and how to interact with person in crisis*
- *Become certified through a research/evidence based, internationally recognized course*
- *Explore the connection between our Orthodox faith and mental health care*

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

\$150 Registration Fee
St. Nicholas PayPal link

Scholarships are available
Please discuss with Fr. Paul

To learn more, please contact Elisabeth Cisneros
(602-625-5622 or elcisneros@yahoo.com)

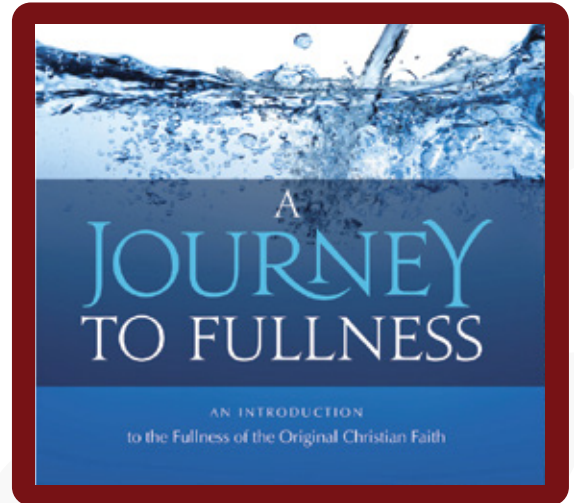
Journey to Fullness

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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.

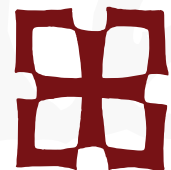
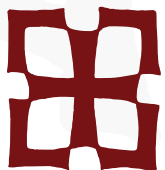


Stewardship

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!

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



The Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross

Excerpt from the OCA's publication on Lives of the Saints. Click on the images to read the full essay.



The feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is commemorated on September 14th.

The pagan Roman Emperors tried to obliterate the holy places where our Lord Jesus Christ suffered and rose from the dead, so that they would be forgotten. Emperor Hadrian (117-138) ordered that Golgotha and the Lord's Sepulchre be buried, and that a temple in honor of the pagan "goddess" Venus and a statue of Jupiter be placed there.

Pagans gathered at this place and offered sacrifice to idols. Eventually after 300 years, by Divine Providence, the Christian holy places, the Sepulchre of the Lord, and the Life-giving Cross, were discovered and opened for veneration. This took place under Emperor Constantine the Great (306-337) after his victory over Maxentius (in 312), who ruled the Western part of the Roman Empire, and over Licinius, the ruler of its Eastern part. In the year 323 Constantine became the sole ruler of the vast Roman Empire.

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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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