# Parish Announcements - Sunday, October 19, 2025

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

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities	
TODAY, Sunday, October 19	9:00a Orthros w/ (Chrismation of Mary Hurley) 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School, Fellowship, & Inquiring Minds
Wednesday, October 22	<b>6:00p</b> Vespers followed by Parish Council Mtg
Friday, October 24	9:30a Bible Study & Homeschool Co-op  5:30p College Dinner Outing (Home of Philip & Ciera Nelson – 1 Sandhurst Dr in Bella Vista)
Saturday, October 25	5:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, October 26 (Great-martyr Demetrios)	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship

#### **Welcome to our Guests**

We are grateful that you have joined us to offer worship of God! 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 seat or standing area. At the Dismissal, join us in veneration of the Holy Cross (held by the Priest) or Festal Icon 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! Contact Fr. Paul Fuller (479-379-6220 or pastor@stnicholas.org) to schedule a meeting to learn more about our parish community and the Orthodox Faith.

### Sacraments of Christian Initiation - TODAY, Sunday, October 19

We will offer the Sacrament of Chrismation for Mary Hurley. Welcome home and may God grant you many years!

### SAVE THE DATE: Patronal Banquet - Saturday, December 6

We will celebrate our Patronal Feast of St. Nicholas with Great Vespers at 4:00p followed by our Patronal Banquet from 5-9:00p. Regular schedule of festal services on Sunday, December 7. This is a fundraising ticketed event; more details to come! Volunteers needed, please contact Olivia Rhodes (479-579-7708; therhodes17@gmail.com).

## THANK YOU - Parish Cookout

Our thanks to our AMEN group and those who joined us last night for our Parish Cookout!

### Parish Leadership Update

Our thanks to the following parishioners as they have stepped into new leadership roles, effective immediately:

Steve Kolokithas – Interim chairman of the Parish Council Paula Haydar and Gina Waters – Interim co-leaders of the Antiochian Women Laura Evans, Niki Kolokithas, and Kate Salem – co/tri-chairs of the 2026 Parish Life Conference

## College Student Dinner - Friday, October 24

College students are invited to dinner at the home of Philip & Ciera Nelson (1 Sandhurst Dr in Bella Vista) on Friday, October 24 at 5:30p. Please RSVP (philipnelsonj@gmail.com or 512-563-8732).

#### OLLI Class & Luncheon - Thursday, October 30

We will host a class & luncheon for the OLLI program from 10:00-12:30p. Volunteers needed to provide food for the luncheon; please contact Kate Salem (402-430-9989; ksalem2@cox.net).

## Antiochian Women Fellowship - Saturday, November 8

Antiochian Women will be meeting on November 8th at 3:00p before Great Vespers. Please bring a dish, side, or desert to share! If you have any questions about Antiochian Women please reach out to Gina Waters at gwaters034@gmail.com.

#### Church School & Children's Christmas Play

It is once again time for the annual Patronal Banquet and Christmas Play. Part assignments for the play as well as detailed rehearsal information will be handed out in church school. Rehearsals will also be primarily during. Church school. Please let Gina Waters know if you are not interested in performing at gwaters034@gmail.com. If you are unable to afford a ticket to the annual banquet please reach out to Fr. Paul.

## Making of a Catechumen - Strunk Family

Our congratulations to Strunk Family: Sam, Megan, Emmit, and Rosa who became catechumens this past Sunday; please keep them in your prayers as they journey towards the Orthodox Church!

#### Catechism Classes - Fall 2025

We will offer catechism classes for our newcomers, inquirers, and catechumens on Wednesday evenings (October 29 & November 5). Vespers at 6:00p followed by Catechism until 8:00p.

## Psalter Reading Group - Advent 2025

If you're looking for a daily spiritual discipline this upcoming Advent, participate in our Psalter Reading Group. Each day during Advent (November 15-December 24), you will be assigned a section of reading from the Psalter (Book of Psalms). It only takes about 10-15 minutes each day to read on your own. Reading schedule will be sent via email a few days before November 15. To participate, simply fill out the form via the QR code. Any questions, please contact Fr. Paul Fuller (frpaul.fuller@gmail.com).



#### **Charity Considerations in October**



**Youth & Seminary Month** of the Antiochian Archdiocese: We took a special collection on Sunday, October 5 supporting our Antiochian seminarians. Thus far, we've collected \$540. If you would like to donate electronically, scan the QR code.

**Special Olympics Sports Camp in Pennsylvania:** We will take a special collection on **Sunday, October 26** to support our archdiocesan efforts to host the Special Olympics Sports Camp in Pennsylvania at the Antiochian Village Camp. If you would like to donate electronically, scan the QR code.



## Those Celebrating in October - God Grant You Many Years!

#### **Birthday**

Elisabeth Cisneros - Oct 1 Maria Comsa - Oct 22
Bruce Hale - Oct 6 Casey Hale - Oct 24
Penelope Hale - Oct 7 Zoe Pangere - Oct 24
Laura Wicker - Oct 12 Dylan Reineking - Oct 24
Vera Belic - Oct 17 Emma Paunov - Oct 26
Hanna Cox - Oct 18 Sarah Ellison - Oct 28
Tyler Cox - Oct 21

### Name's Day

Tom Salem (St. Thomas) – Oct 6

Abraham Fenner (St. Abraham) – Oct 9

Philip Nelson (St. Philip) – Oct 11

Laura Evans (St. Laura) – Oct 19

Laura Wicker (St. Laura) – Oct 19

James Baclig (St. James) – Oct 23

Lucas Frederick (St. Luke) – Oct 18

Emma Paunov (St. Demetrios) – Oct 26

Bruce Hale (St. Luke) – Oct 18

## Wedding Anniversary

Gary & Debra Wheeler - Oct 8 Seth & Diana Wilson - Oct 14
Cory & Lucy Troy - Oct 9 Paul & Angelic Nevill - Oct 18
Rob Fannin & Elisabeth Cisneros - Oct 13