

August 4, 2024

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Diocese of Toledo - Orthodox Church in America

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Welcome! We are honored that you have joined us in our celebration of the Lord's resurrection this day.

If you are a first-time visitor to our parish, we invite you to sign our guest book in the vestibule. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Matthew, Deacon Luke, or with one of the ushers.

For our friends present with us who are not Orthodox Christians, please note that we have specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion. We ask that you refrain from going to Communion until you have spoken with Fr. Matthew after the Liturgy and understand our discipline and piety regarding this sacrament and its implication for responsibility towards and membership in the Orthodox Church. The bread offered at the end of the service is available to all.

If you are an Orthodox Christian from another parish who has prepared in accordance with your discipline, and have a blessing from your home priest to do so, we invite and encourage you to partake of Holy Communion. **Again, welcome!**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024 6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 5. Holy Seven Youths (“Seven Sleepers”) of Ephesus: Maximilian, Jamblicus, Martinian, John, Dionysius, Exacustodian (Constantine), and Antoninus (250). Martyr Eudoxia of Persia (362-364). Martyr Eleutherius of Constantinople (4th c.).

TROPARIA

Tone 5 Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead// by His glorious Resurrection.

Tone 4 In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence, so you won the heights by humility, and riches by poverty, O Holy Father Nicholas, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

KONTAKION

Tone 7 On the mountain You were transfigured, O Christ God, and Your disciples beheld Your glory as far as they could see it; so that when they would behold You crucified, they would understand that Your suffering was voluntary, and would proclaim to the world that You are truly the Radiance of the Father!

The prokeimenon in the fifth tone: You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us / from this generation forever. (Psalm 11:7)

v: Save me, O Lord, for a venerable one is fading away. (Psalm 11:1a)

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE ROMANS

(12:6-14) Brethren: having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if

prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

Alleluia, Tone 5

v. Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing to the age, to generation and generation I will declare your truth in my mouth. (Psalm 88:1)

v. For you said, To the age mercy will be built, in the heavens your truth will be prepared. (Ps. 88:2)

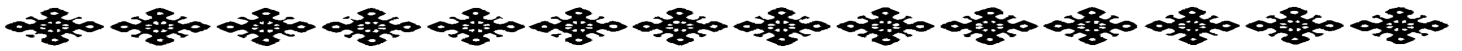
THE READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (9:1-8) At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" — he then said to the paralytic — "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

COMMUNION HYMN Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! (*Psalm 148:1*)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The holy Gospel according to Luke 24:36-53 (6th Matins Gospel)

Now as they said these things, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and said to them, "Peace to you." But they were terrified and frightened, and supposed they had seen a spirit. And He said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do doubts arise in your hearts? Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have. When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. But while they still did not believe for joy, and marveled, He said to them, "Have you any food here?" So they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb. And He took it and ate in their presence. Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things. Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high. And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them. Now it came to pass, while He blessed them, that He was parted from them and carried up into heaven. And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God. Amen.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Health & blessings for Les Ford

Akkerman family

Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Milica, Calvin, Angelo, Joan, Peggy, Bob, Angelo, Christine, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Kosta, Les, Bosa, Christopher, Allison, Jeanette, Kathryn, David, Taras, Ted, Joseph, Marlene, Ellyn, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family and friends

Joe Tome

Special Intention

Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE BLESSED REPOSE OF

Tom

Bruce & Rebecca



WELCOME to all our friends and visitors and those joining us via our YouTube channel: [St Nicholas Orthodox Church Burton](#). If at the time of the divine services you cannot access the livestream, please check out [St. Mary Magdalene Church](#), [St George Church](#) or [Dormition Monastery](#).

Aug 4 CANDLESTAND: Dennis Goodman

HOURS: Barry Cavett

READER: Phil Wiles

Aug 11 CANDLESTAND: Susie Ford

HOURS: Lucy Hogg

READER: Angelo Panoff

COFFEE SOCIAL Please join us after Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome. There is a sign up sheet next to the service window for those who would like to donate and/or serve.

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD is celebrated on August 6. On Mount Tabor Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John. "‘He was transfigured,’ Saint John Damascene assures us, ‘not by assuming what He was not, but in revealing to His disciples what He was, opening their blind eyes and making them see.’ Christ opened the eyes of His disciples, and it was with sight transfigured by the power of the Holy Spirit that they saw the divine Light indissolubly united to His body. There were therefore transformed themselves and it was in prayer that they were able to see and understand the change that has taken place in our nature through its union with the Word (St. Gregory Palamas)...[The] feast is therefore that of the divinization of our human nature and the participation of our corruptible body in those eternal blessings that are beyond nature. Even before accomplishing our salvation through His Passion, the Saviour showed that the goal of His Incarnation was precisely to lead the whole of mankind to the contemplation of His divine glory." *The Synaxarion* by Hieromonk Makarios of Simonos Petra, Volume 6, pg 392, 394

36th ANNUAL DORMITION MONASTERY PILGRIMAGE August 14-15. The guest speaker will be His Eminence Archbishop Daniel. Archbishop Alexander, Archbishop Nathaniel and Bishop Andrei will be in attendance. Look at the flier for more details.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED Thursday, Aug. 15 at 1 pm for pavilion clean-up & Saturday, Aug 17 at 10 am to set up the pavilion for the Liturgy! Volunteers are needed to break-down the pavilion after Liturgy on Sunday! There is a sign up sheet in the parish hall for those who can help and for dinners.

OUTDOOR LITURGY, SHRINE FEAST & DANCE Sunday, August 18th. The menu for lunch is lamb/chicken, rice, coleslaw, vegetable, & bread. Tickets are \$20 adult & \$9 children. Please purchase them from Sharon Jernigan by the 14th to ensure there is enough food for everyone. *We are looking for donors for the lambs we'll be cooking! Please consider donating the cost of a whole lamb or making a partial donation.* Skimos Band will play from 2-6 pm.

DORMITION FAST began on August 1 and continues to August 14. As is the custom at our parish, the Moleben to the Mother of God will be served in her shrine on Sundays after Liturgy beginning today, August 4 and continuing to August 11. Take the time to come before her icon at the shrine and ask her intercession for your and your family's needs. At the conclusion of the service you will be anointed with the myrrh from the myrrh-streaming Hawaiian icon of our Lady of Iveron.

YOUTUBE CHANNEL subscribe to our YouTube channel [Saint Nicholas Orthodox Church Burton](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) to receive notifications of upcoming livestreams for services. Livestreams begin at 9:30 with Hours.

OFFICE HOURS are Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9-3.

GIVE TO THE CHURCH THROUGH GIVELIFY Go to our website www.saintnicholasburton.org and click on the box [Give now with Givelify](#); this is a secure site. (2.9% + \$0.30 of your donation goes to Givelify as a fee). *Please consider adding a little extra to your donation to cover the fee we are charged. If you do not wish to donate online, you may write a check to St. Nicholas Orthodox Church and send it to the parish address: 2143 S Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Today @ 12:30 pm Moleben to the Mother of God at the shrine

Monday, August 5 *Fr Matthew in Toledo*
6:30 pm Pan-Orthodox Vespers at St. Mary Magdalene Church

Tuesday, August 6 **TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**
10 am Pan-Orthodox Liturgy at St. Mary Magdalene Church

Wednesday, August 7
9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Saturday, August 10
[5 pm Vespers - live-streamed](#) *Confessions*

Sunday, August 11
[9:30 am Hours & 10 am Divine Liturgy-live-streamed](#)
12:30 pm Moleben to the Mother of God at her shrine

Offerings for the week July 28, 2024

Weekly Tithes & Offerings	\$ 1,722.45
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,380.00
	\$ -2,657.55

63 persons in attendance on July 28