

August 20, 2023

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

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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 20, 2023 11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2. Prophet Samuel (11th c. B.C.). Hieromartyr Philip, Bishop of Heraclea and with him the Martyrs Severus, Memnon, and 37 Soldiers in Thrace (304). Martyrs Heliodorus and Dosa of Persia (380). Holy New Martyr Theocharis (Neapolis). Saint Stephen, King of Hungary (1000).

FIRST ANTIPHON

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! // sing of His name, give glory to His praise! (*Psalms 65/66:2*)

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name! // make known His deeds among the nations! (*1 Chronicles 16:8*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!**

In the city of the Lord of hosts; // in the city of our God! (*Psalms 47/48:8*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!**

His sanctuary is in the city of peace, // and His dwelling in Sion! (*Psalms 75/76:2*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!**

SECOND ANTIPHON

The Lord loves the gates of Sion // more than all the dwellings of Jacob! (*Psalms 86/87:2*) **O Son of God, who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You! Alleluia!**

Glorious things are spoken of you, // O City of our God! (*Psalms 86/87:3*) **O Son of God, who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You! Alleluia!**

God has established her forever! // We have thought upon Your mercy, O God, in the midst of Your people! (*Psalms 47/48:8-9*) **O Son of God, who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You! Alleluia!**

The Most High has sanctified // His tabernacle! (*Psalm 45/46:4*) **O Son of God, who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You! Alleluia!**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God, Who for our salvation willed to be incarnate of the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, Who without change became man and were crucified, O Christ our God, trampling down death by death, Who are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: save us!

THIRD ANTIPHON

O God, my heart is ready, my heart is ready! I will sing and give praise to Your glory! (*Psalm 107/108:1*)

Tone 1 In giving birth you preserved your virginity. / In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. / You were translated to life, O Mother of Life, // and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me? (*Psalm 115/116:12*) In giving birth ...

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord. (*Psalm 115:4*) In giving birth ...

TROPARIA

Tone 2 When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You slew hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: // “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

Tone 1 In giving birth you preserved your virginity. / In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. / You were translated to life, O Mother of Life, // and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

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 2 Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, / who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. / For being the Mother of Life, // she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

The prokeimenon in the second tone: The Lord is my strength and my song; / He has become my salvation.
(*Psalm 117:14*)

v. The Lord chastising chastised me, and did not give me over to death. (*Psalm 117:18*)

THE READING FROM THE FIRST EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (9:2-

12) Brethren: If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, “You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain.” Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

Alleluia, Tone 2

v: The Lord hear you in the day of affliction, the name of the God of Jacob shield you. (Psalm 19:1)

v: Lord, save the king and hear us, on whichever day we call upon you. (Psalm 19:9)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (18:23-35) At that time, Jesus said to Peter: "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

COMMUNION HYMN

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

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

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

Joe Tome

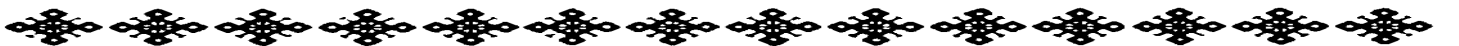
Special Intention

Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Blessed 5th yr. Repose to our sweet grandson, Andrew Panoff (Aug. 18)

Baba & Dedo



WELCOME to all our friends and visitors and those joining us via Facebook livestream: [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](#).

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

INQUIRERS'/CATECHUMENS' CLASS led by our parish catechist, Reader Alexander Gonser, takes place on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy. Feel free to join in and let other inquirers know about these classes introducing the Orthodox faith.

CHURCH SCHOOL a meeting for teachers will be held on Sunday, August 27 after Liturgy.

Aug 20 CANDLESTAND: Susie Ford
Aug 27 CANDLESTAND: Susie Ford

HOURS: No Hours
HOURS: Lucy Hogg

READER: Angelo Panoff
READER: Phil Wiles

SHRINE FEAST OUTDOOR LITURGY & PARISH PICNIC Sunday, August 20. The menu for lunch is lamb/chicken, rice, coleslaw, vegetable, & bread. Please bring a dessert to pass. Tickets are \$18 adult & \$9 children are available. **If you didn't pre-purchase a ticket, please allow those who did to go first. Volunteers are needed Saturday, August 19 after Vespers to prep the pavilion for the Liturgy and Sunday morning at 8 am to set-up for Liturgy. Your help is needed to break-down the pavilion after Liturgy on Sunday! Please consider donating the cost of a whole lamb or making a partial donation.**

FLOWERS for the icon of our Lady of Iveron were donated by Ralph & Debbie Neely in memory of Joseph & Dorothy Goodman.

MAUI HAWAII DONATIONS will be sent to IOCC to help those who were devastated by the island fire. There is a basket at the candle stand or you can give directly on their website <https://iocc.org/>.

MAKE YOUR FAITHFUL GIVING EASY AND CONVENIENT WITH GIVELIFY Go to the website and on the home page click on the box **Give now with Givelify** which will walk you through the donation process; this is a secure site. (2.9% + \$0.30 of your donation goes to Givelify as a fee). **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.**

CAR SHOW Sunday, August 27 from 3-6 pm in the church parking lot. No admission fee. Sloppy Joes will be served-free will offering.

RIB/CHICKEN DINNER Sunday, September 10th - kick-off for Church School. Tickets are \$18 adults, children under 12 are free.

ETHNIC DANCE Saturday, September 23 at 6 pm at St. Nicholas. Come and enjoy an evening of dancing & fellowship. **Everyone is welcome.** The cost is \$10 per person; children under 12 are free. Pizza & pop will be provided.

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

MEMORY ETERNAL! CHRIST IS RISEN Vladimir "Walter" Pyatenko, fell asleep in the Lord on August 15, the feast of our Lady's falling asleep. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Cedarburg Funeral Home of Frankenmuth and are in the Weekly Schedule below. Vladimir's obituary is [here](https://www.cederbergfh.com/obituary/vladimir-pyatenko) <https://www.cederbergfh.com/obituary/vladimir-pyatenko> Remember Vladimir in your prayers that he rest in the light of Christ's face, and also remember his family - son Mike and his wife Carol, son Eugene and his wife Lois, and his grandchildren and their families. Bog da prosti! Memory eternal! Christ is risen!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Today	Feast of our Lady of Iveron's shrine
8 am	finish set-up for outdoor Liturgy
9:45 am	procession with the icon of our Lady of Iveron
<u>10 am</u>	<u>Divine Liturgy - live-streamed on FACEBOOK</u> no YouTube livestream
	Picnic

Monday, August 21

11 am	visitation at church for Vladimir "Walter" Pyatenko
12 noon	burial (funeral) service followed by burial in our parish cemetery

Tuesday, August 22 *Father in Toledo*

Wednesday, August 23 **Leavetaking of Dormition**

9:30 am Divine Liturgy
Trisagion for Fr. Raphael Biernacki (17 years)

Saturday, August 26

5 pm **Vespers**
Confessions

Sunday, August 27

9:30 am Hours
10 am **Divine Liturgy - live-streamed**

Offerings for the week August 13, 2023

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 2,130.82
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ -973.18

77persons in attendance on August 13