

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Newsletter

Diocese of Toledo-Orthodox Church in America

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Services: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday- adult education 11:15 am

Saturday – 5 pm Vespers followed by Confessions

Holydays: Vespers & Liturgy as announced

“May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.” St. Jude 1:1

FEBRUARY 2025

HYMNS FROM VESPERS FOR THE ENCOUNTER OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE (Feb 2)

Simeon, tell us, Whom you bear in your arms, that you rejoice so greatly in the Temple? To Whom do you shout and cry aloud: “Now I am set free, for I have seen my Savior?” This is He Who was born of a Virgin; this is God the Word, Who came forth from God, Who for our sakes has taken flesh and has saved man. Let us worship Him!

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Simeon, receive Him Whom Moses once beheld in darkness, granting the Law on Sinai, now that He has become a Babe subject to the Law! This is He Who spoke through the Law. This is He, of Whom the Prophets spoke, Who for our sakes has taken flesh and has saved man. Let us worship Him!

Come, let us also go to meet Christ with divine songs! Let us receive Him Whose salvation Simeon saw! This is He Whom David announced; this is He Who spoke in the Prophets, Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and Who speaks through the Law. Let us worship Him!

Let the gate of heaven be opened today, for the unoriginate Word of the Father has made a beginning in time without forsaking His divinity. As a Babe forty days old, of His own will He is brought by the Virgin, His Mother, as an offering in the Temple of the Law. The Elder receives Him in his arms, crying as a servant to his Master: “Set me free for my eyes have seen your Salvation!” Glory to You, O Lord, for You have come into the world to save mankind.

The Ancient of Days, Who gave Moses the Law on Sinai in former times, today appears as a Child. As Maker of the Law, He fulfills the Law. He is brought into the Temple according to the Law, and given over to the Elder. Simeon the righteous receives Him. Beholding the fulfillment of the divine order now brought to pass, rejoicing aloud, he cries: “My eyes have seen the mystery hidden from the ages made manifest in these latter days, the Light that disperses the foolishness of the faithless Gentiles, and the Glory of the newly-chosen Israel! Therefore set free your servant from the bonds of this flesh to the life filled with wonder that knows no age or end, for You grant the world great mercy!”

FROM FATHER'S DESK

Beloved,

On February 9 we begin using the Lenten Triodion, the book from which the hymns for Vespers and Matins and Liturgy will come beginning today and up through Great and Holy Week. (see here: https://www.ponomar.net/data/lenten_triodion.pdf) This book will be our guide through our prayer, fasting and almsgiving leading us to Pascha. Even though Lent is weeks away, we begin with this book to orient ourselves gradually to the journey that lies ahead. These hymns and the Scripture readings of these Sundays lead us to prepare for the Lenten spring.

On February 9 we hear the gospel where our Lord Jesus tells us the parable of the publican and the Pharisee. It is a story of contrasts in prayer: the Pharisee boasting about the good he does and judging everyone else while the tax collector stands in the back and says only, "God be merciful to me the sinner." Jesus is telling us first, not to judge others and second, the way we can keep from judging others is by humbly admitting our own sins.

This is a timeless lesson. In the lives of the saints of the desert of Egypt, centuries after our Lord Jesus spoke these words, we read that "one day Father Isaac of Thebes saw a brother sin and he condemned him. When Isaac returned to his cell an angel stopped him from entering, saying 'God sent me to fetch you to instruct Him where you want to throw the guilty brother whom you have condemned.' Immediately Abba Isaac repented and never judged again."

We also read that "a brother questioned Abba Poemen saying, 'If I see my brother committing a sin, is it right to conceal it?' The old man said to him, 'At the very moment when we hide our brother's fault, God hides our own and at the moment when we reveal our brother's fault, God reveals ours too.'"

This is a challenging lesson for us. And the challenge lies in the words of the publican today, "God, be merciful to me the sinner." This prayer is found in the Liturgy, in the Jesus Prayer and in Greek, Slavonic, Romanian it is "God be merciful to me, THE sinner" but in English we consistently mistranslate it as "God, be merciful to me, A sinner." To call ourselves "A sinner" implies that I know there are other sinners, who could even be worse than me. "THE sinner" says I am the only sinner of whom I am aware. No one else but me, THE sinner. There is something in our American mind that resists this correct understanding.

But when we read the lives and sayings of the saints, we see that they saw only their sins and themselves as THE sinner in need of God's mercy and help. It was this that brought justification to the tax collector and the lack of this that brought judgment upon the Pharisee. Acknowledging ourselves as THE sinner brings us to God. By seeing only his own sins St. Macarius the Great "became a god upon earth, because, for just like God, so Abba Macarius when he would see the sins of any it was as though he did not see them and when he heard the sins of any it was as if he did not hear them."

Acknowledging our sinfulness, each of us calling to God to be merciful to us THE sinner brings us to two fundamental truths: in relation to God we are nothing yet in God's heart, we are everything. Only realizing these two fundamental truths can bring us some peace. Don't confess other people's sins, don't even look to see them, only look at ourselves, our sins, confess ourselves as THE sinner and we will truly call God's mercy upon us and not His fearful judgment.

The great monastic saint, Anthony of Egypt, was told by God that there was someone in the city who was even holier than he, Anthony. So Anthony went to a cobbler to ask him about his way of life. The cobbler couldn't figure out why this old holy man had come to him to ask him about his life. As he mended a shoe the man said, "I do not know, Abba, if I have ever done any good. Every morning I get up and do my prayers and then I begin my work. However, I first say to myself that all the people in this city, from the very least to the very greatest, will be saved, and only I will be condemned for my many sins. And in the evening when I lie down, again I think about the same thing." And Anthony embraced and kissed the cobbler saying "I have grown old in the desert, toiling and sweating, but I have not attained to your humility." Our salvation is found in humbly seeking the salvation of our brothers and sisters, praying for them, aiding them, as we pray with the publican, "O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, be merciful to me THE sinner."

Love, Fr Matthew

Hours Schedule

<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
2 Angelo	2 Alexander	6 Alexander
9 Phil	9 Angelo	13 Angelo
16 Barry	16 Phil	20 Phil
23 Lucy	23 Barry	27 Barry
	30 Lucy	

If you are unable to make your assigned reading date, please find a replacement.

Reader Schedule

<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
2 Phil	2 Barry	6 Barry
9 Alexander	9 Phil	13 Phil
16 Katherine	16 Alexander	20 Alexander
23 Angelo	23 Katherine	27 Angelo
	30 Angelo	

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Candle Stand Attendant Schedule

<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
2 Christine Panoff	2 Dennis Goodman	6 Dennis Goodman
9 Dennis Goodman	9 Christine Panoff	13 Christine Panoff
16 Susie Ford	16 Susie Ford	20 Susie Ford
23 Ian & Stephanie P.	23 Ian & Stephanie P.	27 Ian & Stephanie P.
	30 Susie Ford	

If you are unable to make your assigned date please find a replacement. Let Susie know of any changes or if you cannot find a replacement (810-407-3016).

HOURS, READERS & CANDLE STAND. Please look at each month's newsletter as the schedule may have changed since the previous publication.

PRAYER SERVICE for the sick & suffering will be held at St. Mary Magdalene the second Tuesday of the month at 6 pm. Email names to smmocafenton@gmail.com

CONFESSIONS the sacrament of Confession is offered on Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment. Call the office 810-744-0070 or e-mail stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com to make an appointment.

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN Please come & minister to Christ with our brothers & sisters on February 6 from 9 am-12:30 pm. "Feeding the hungry is a greater work than raising the dead." *St. John Chrysostom.*

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES are on Wednesdays at 11:15 am. We are reading - *Wounded by Love*, a transcription of conversations with Saint Porphyrios (1906-1991).

INQUIRERS/CATECHUMENS' CLASS led by Reader Alexander Gonser after the Divine Liturgy. Feel free to join in and let other inquirers know about these classes introducing the Orthodox faith. The class meets in the library.

CATECHUMENS the following persons will be made catechumens prior to the Divine Liturgy on Sundays - January 26 - Annie Bailey (godmother Matushka Lisa), February 2 - Madison Kassiane Green (godfather Reader Alexander Gonser, her cousin), February 9 - Jeff James & Jeffrey David Muma, February 22 - Sebastian & Sadie Roberts.

MEMORY ETERNAL

George Abu-Aita fell asleep in the Lord on Saturday, December 21, 2024. He is the father of Amir, Jacob, Jordan, and Amira. George was a parishioner of Saint George Church, Flint. Visitation and funeral took place at Saint George Church on Monday, December 23 with burial at Thetford Township Cemetery. Arrangements were through Swartz Funeral Home. Please remember George in your prayers that he rest in the light of Christ's Face. And remember his family that the Lord sustain them in their grief. Christ is risen!

Carole 'Gretchen' Wegman Guire Cleavenger fell asleep in the Lord on January 15 in West Virginia with funeral and burial taking place in West Virginia on Friday, January 17. She is stepmother/mother to our parishioner Susie Ford. Please remember Gretchen in your prayers that she rest in the light of Christ's face and remember also her family in their time of grief that the Lord sustain them.

PAN-ORTHODOX SERVICES - FEBRUARY 2025

February 1st - 4 pm Vespers with Liturgy for the great feast of the Encounter of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the Temple with Symeon and Anna at St. Mary Magdalene.

YOUR HELP NEEDED! February 2 after coffee social. We need to put away the Christmas decorations.

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE new officers: Chris Taylor, president; Paul Brayan, vice-president; Stephanie Price, treasurer; tabled until February's meeting - secretary; Dennis Jernigan, non-officer on executive committee. *rector's report* - possibly three new catechumens may be enrolled in the coming months. *minutes*: approved. *endowment* - portfolio loss of \$30,000 in December. Gerry Bakousidis was elected to replace Ruth Conrad on the endowment committee. *community outreach*: Feb 15 is pre-Lent dance, dj cost \$400. Invite your friends and plan on attending to enjoy music and fellowship! Community outreach calendar will be published in the newsletter. *fundraising* - Cookie Walk - gross income \$4912, approximate expenses \$940 = \$3972. 10% to charity (\$397.20). Net proceeds \$3,574.80. Annual meeting - January 26, coney luncheon in memory of Simeon "Sam" Panoff. Meatfare dinner - February 23, tentatively turkey dinner. Cheesefare dinner - March 2. St Thomas Sunday - April 27, egg hunt & luncheon. We need a chairperson for the Cookie Walk for December 13, 2025. *charity* - North End Soup Kitchen on Thursday, February 6 from 9 to 12:30 pm. *building and grounds* - Dennis Jernigan is scheduled to meet with Consumers to examine the main and sanitary sewer lines on Wednesday, January 15. Will start work on heating/cooling in conference room, Father's office, secretary's office. *old business* - Chris Taylor is continuing to check with ABC 12 to get events listed. vision meeting will be brought up at the annual meeting together with the illustration to see who wishes to be part of the various ministries. Incorporate vision plans into monthly agenda beginning with February agenda. *new business* - Father Matthew's housing allowance was approved. Do we want to purchase some silk flowers for Pascha & Christmas? (flowers die so easily and need extensive maintenance, etc.) Live flowers still will be bought but also have silk ones for the boxes in front of the iconostasis. There are funds in the memorial fund that can be used for church. Look into lilies for Pascha and poinsettias for Christmas. We will have coffee social sponsored in honor of those catechumens when they are received into the Church.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING The next Parish Council meeting will be February 18th at 6:30 pm.

PRE-LENT DANCE February 15 from 6 pm - 9 pm at St. Nicholas. A DJ will be playing cd's. The cost is \$10/under 10 free. There will be a freewill offering for food. All ages are welcome! Please join us for an evening of fun, dancing, fellowship & food.

HOUSE BLESSINGS Please fill out the enclosed form and return it to the office if you would like your home to be blessed with the new holy water by Father Matthew.

MEATFARE SUNDAY is February 23. There will be a turkey dinner after Liturgy. The cost is \$18 per adult and children are free. Please see Chris Taylor or Sharon Jernigan for tickets. There is a signup sheet in the parish hall for those who can help with serving, cleanup & bringing desserts.

CHEESEFARE is March 2. The Fundraising Committee is asking parishioners for help in preparation, serving and clean-up. A freewill offering will be collected. Everyone is invited to attend. There will be a signup sheet in the parish hall and you can contact Katherine Gonser with any questions at 810-333-5486.

13th ANNUAL DORMITION MONASTERY DINNER took place January 23 at St. George Church. *Please* take the time to watch or listen to the round table discussion and questions & answers on [What does it mean to be an Orthodox Christian?](#) The Lord bless Fr Michael Bassett and Fr Dn Michael Schlaack for their work in organizing. Remember in prayer Mother Gabriella, Mother Macrina, Mother Olympia, Mother Melania, Sister Elysia, Sister Emily and Ruxandra Sheldon together with Father John and Preoteasa Anna Konkle who make up the community of the monastery. Thank you to everyone who attended the Dormition Dinner, donated, or worked, especially Susie Ford and Sharon Jernigan for chairing St. Nicholas' part in providing the drinks.

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

FACEBOOK PAGE Please visit, like, and follow our parish page: www.facebook.com/stnicholasburton Please share posts to your page. This increases the number of people who know about our church. Those who have been at coffee fellowship have seen the number of inquirers who have been coming to Sunday Divine Liturgy. Over 3,000 people have liked and followed our Facebook page.

ADDRESS CHANGE If you have changed your home address, phone number or email address or are no longer using one we have on file, please contact the office. Any changes in the last year may not have been updated in our records.

MEMORIAL SATURDAY / SOULS' SATURDAY The first Memorial Saturday of 2025 is February 22 which we will observe with 9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by a Trisagion for the fallen asleep. We pray for the dead because it is handed on to us from the Scriptures. As members of the Church, the Body of Christ, we are exhorted to pray for one another ([James 5:16](#)). Whether we live or die, "we belong to the Lord" ([Romans 14:8](#)). For we are "members of His Body, of His flesh and of His bones" ([Ephesians 5:30](#)). The Church is "the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God". As such, she includes "tens of thousands of angels" and "the spirits of righteous people completed (in death)" as well as those of us alive on earth ([Hebrews 12:22-24](#)). Death does not end our membership in the Body of Christ. For neither "death nor life [...] will separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" ([Romans 8:38-39](#)). We remember that God "is not the God of the dead, but of the living - for all are alive to Him" ([Luke 20:38](#)). Therefore, we pray for both the living and for the "dead in Christ" ([1 Thessalonians 4:16](#)).

If you would like to make kollyva/kutya/phentsa/zhito for this Memorial Saturday, please tell Father Matthew.

In this newsletter there is a remembrance sheet for 2025 for you to put the first names of those you want to be remembered at the Souls Saturdays throughout the year. Extra copies are at the candlestand.

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). 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.

ANOTHER WAY TO GIVE - KROGER & COSTCO COMMUNITY REWARDS Remember to use the Community Rewards when checking out. If you haven't already signed up, you can do so online or go to the customer service desk in the store. They send a check to St. Nicholas for a portion of everything participants spend in their stores.

OUR CHARITY MINISTRIES

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN we serve on Thursday, February 6 from 9 to 12:30 pm.

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting Shampoo & Conditioner for the month of February. Place the items in bags then put in the Blue Box in the hall. Catholic Charities Community Closet will distribute the items.

FOOD DRIVE Place non-perishable food items in the other blue box in the hall.

WINTER WARM UP Catholic Charities is in need of blankets, hats, gloves, scarves, socks, boots, coats & other warm winter gear. For more information call 810-265-7025.

 <h2 style="margin: 0;">HOPE IN A BOX</h2>	
Feb	Shampoo & Conditioner
Mar	Feminine Care & Dental Products
Apr	Deodorant & First Aid Items

February Coffee Social Volunteers & Sponsors	
2	
9	Stojan Prusac & Abigail Zayan
16	
23	

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, & NAMESDAYS

BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Kristin Hart
Luba Todorovsky
- 5 Joseph Oginsky, Jr.
- 9 Milica Beslach
- 10 Andy Yosheff
Nicole Hiteshew
- 11 Rebecca Lazar
Sharon Jernigan
- 13 Jordan Abu-Aita
- 15 Sherry Brown
- 19 Paul Ellis
- 20 Matushka Lisa Butrie
- 21 Mark Houser
- 25 Juliana Bolinger
- 26 Jerry Brucksch



NAMESDAYS

- 17 Bogdan Beslach
Theodore Stavridis
Theodore Wilhelm
- 25 Taras Evandenko
Taras-Michael Butrie
- 28 Kira Rabkina

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Jonathon & Jennifer Shann (2007)
- 12 Allen & Deborah Adams (1971)
- 26 Ian & Stephanie Price (2000)

If your name is missing or has the incorrect information in the birthday, anniversary or namesday list please call the office: (810) 744-0070

Jan. 12	Theophany Dinner
Jan. 23	Dormition Dinner
Feb 15	Pre-Lent Dance
Feb. 23	Meat Fare Dinner
Mar. 2	Cheese Fare Dinner
Mar 21-22	Lenten Retreat at St George
Apr. 13	<i>Palm Sunday Bake Sale (tentative)</i>
Apr. 18 ^t	Pascha Egg Coloring
Apr. 27	Pascha Egg hunt
May 17	Family Game Night
May 18	Sunday School Recognition and Picnic
May 26	Burton Memorial Day Parade
June 21	Family Game Night
July 19	Movie night
Aug. 17	Outdoor Liturgy, picnic and dance
Aug. 24 th or 31	Classic car show
Sept. 20	S'mores and Bon Fire
Oct. 25	Trunk or Treat
Nov. 8	Family Game Night
Dec. 7	St. Nicholas Visit
Dec. 13	Cookie Walk

VISITATION TO THE SICK If you would like Fr. Matthew to make a visit to home, hospital, or nursing home, please contact the office 810-744-0070.

DAILY INTERCESSION FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

The following are our brothers and sisters of St. Nicholas who are currently homebound, suffering from chronic illness, in recovery or in need of special prayers. Please remember them in your prayers and reach out to them with a card, a phone call or a visit!

Deacon John Bocek	Mary Karayanis	Angelo Popoff	Bill Tadrick
Paul Ellis	Nick Karayanis	Helen Popoff	Wendy Tadrick
Bill Haw	Macy Lemmen	Ron Salhany	Dave Vuckovich

To aid in your outreach, here is a listing of the addresses and phone numbers of our Homebound:

Paul Ellis @ Beaconshire	21630 Hessel Ave	Detroit, MI 48219	313-534-8400
Mary & Nick Karayanis	2238 Old Hickory	Davison, MI 48423	810-653-1169
Helen Popoff	2221 Bellemeade Dr.	Davison, MI 48423	810-653-3867
Dave Vuckovich	9352 Morrish Rd	Swartz Creek, MI 48473	810-348-4733 (Barb)
Mike Stikovich	3417 Edgewood Ct	Davison, MI 48423	810-658-8321
Diane Todorovsky	14182 Moffett Dr	Fenton, MI 48430	810-750-7860



Pre-Lenten Dance

February 15th
6pm-9pm

DJ will be there to play CD's
\$10 entrance fee
(Under 10 free)
Freewill offering for food

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ST NICHOLAS 5 YEAR VISION

A financially secure parish, with 100 Sunday Liturgy regular attendance, a large Church school, and several parishioners serving a multitude of ministries.



Orthodox Churches of Genesee County, Michigan

Assumption (Greek) 2245 Baldwin Road ❖ Grand Blanc, MI 48439 ❖ 810-771-4611
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2025 Great Fast and Bright Week



Pan-Orthodox Divine Services and Lenten potlucks

Great Compline at St. George (*Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays 6 pm, Fridays 6 pm Akathist*) All are welcome. This beautiful service along with the Lenten Hours on Wednesdays allows us to experience the Great Fast more deeply. Confessions will be available after the service.

Lenten Hours at St. Nicholas (*Wednesdays, 10 am*) All are welcome.

Presanctified Divine Liturgy and **Lenten Potlucks** (*Wednesdays, 6 pm*) We will celebrate together the Presanctified Liturgy and the Great Feast of the Annunciation according to the schedule below. Holy Communion is given at both. To partake of Holy Communion at evening liturgies, please be prepared with prayer and fasting (*no eating or drinking after 12 noon*). Confessions will only be available prior to the evening liturgies from 5:30pm–6pm. The lenten potluck dinners will be coordinated by the host parish.

- March 12 **Presanctified Liturgy** at St. Nicholas 6 pm
- March 21 & 22 **Lenten Retreat with Father Silviu Bunta** at St. George (*separate flier*)
- March 25 **Great Feast of the Annunciation Divine Liturgy** at Assumption 10 am
- March 26 **Presanctified Liturgy** at St. Mary Magdalene 6 pm
- April 9 **Presanctified Liturgy** at St. George 6 pm
- April 12 **Preparation of Gifts, Raising of Lazarus Liturgy** at St. Nicholas 9:30 am

Bright Week (April 19-25)

- April 21 **Paschal Divine Liturgy** at St. Mary Magdalene 10 am
- April 22 **Paschal Divine Liturgy** at St. Nicholas 10 am
- April 23 **Paschal Divine Liturgy** at St. George time to be determined
- April 25 **Paschal Divine Liturgy for the Life-giving Font** at Assumption 10 am

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Come, Join Us for this Lenten Retreat by Fr. Silviu Bunta!



The story of our lives: Holy Friday & Holy Saturday in human experience

Fr. Silviu will discuss the hymnography of Holy Friday and Holy Saturday in our lives.

**Friday & Saturday,
March 21 & 22, 2025**

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**Please RSVP by March 14 to 810-732-0720 or
saintgeorgeflint@gmail.com**

Friday, March 21

6 pm

Salutations (Akathist)

7 pm

1st talk with question & answer

Saturday, March 22

9 am

registration

9:30 am

2nd talk

10:05 am

break

10:20 am

3rd talk

10:55 am to 12 pm

lunch (free-will offering)

12 pm

questions and answers

12:45 pm

Fr Silviu departs

1:15 pm

Great Vespers



Fr. Silviu specializes in Scriptural studies and has his Ph.D. in Second Temple Judaism from Marquette University. He has his M.A. in New Testament from the University of Oradea (Oradea, Romania). He is a priest of the Diocese of Toledo (OCA) serving as rector of Saint George Church in Pharr, TX. He is retired as Professor at the University of Dayton having taught Bible, ancient Judaism, Hebrew, and Greek.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>Times and events are subject to change</i></p>	<p>✝ <i>Fast</i></p> <p> <i>Wine & Oil Permitted (no meat)</i></p> <p> <i>Fish Permitted (no other meat)</i></p>					<p>1</p> <p>4 pm pan-Orthodox Vespers at St Mary Magdalene</p>
<p>2 <i>Encounter of the Lord</i> 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy Church School-St Innocent - Apostle to America Christmas Clean-up</p>	<p>3 <i>Fr leaves for Toledo in the pm</i></p>	<p>4 <i>Fr in Toledo</i></p>	<p>5   9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult education</p>	<p>6 9 am - 12:30 pm North End Soup Kitchen</p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>7</p> <p>✝</p>	<p>8 11 am Prusac baptisms</p> <p>5 pm Vespers confessions</p>
<p>9 <i>Publican & Pharisee</i> 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy Church School-Dormition</p>	<p>10 <i>No Fast</i></p>	<p>11 <i>No Fast</i> 6 pm Prayer Service @ St. Mary for the sick & suffering</p>	<p>12 <i>No Fast</i> No Liturgy No adult education</p>	<p>13 <i>No Fast</i> Office Closed</p>	<p>14 <i>No Fast</i></p>	<p>15 <i>No Fast</i> 5 pm Vespers Confessions Pre-Lent Dance</p>
<p>16 <i>Prodigal Son</i> 8:45 am baptism & receptions by chrismation followed by 10 am Divine Liturgy Church School-St Athanasius and the Creed</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 6:30 pm parish council meeting</p>	<p>19 ✝ 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult education</p>	<p>20 Office Closed</p>	<p>21 ✝</p>	<p>22 <i>Souls' Saturday</i> 9:30 am Liturgy & Trisagion 5 pm Vespers confessions</p>
<p>23 <i>Meatfare</i> 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy Church School-St John Chrysostom and the Liturgy Meatfare Dinner</p>	<p>24 Meat Fast</p>	<p>25 Meat Fast</p>	<p>26 Meat Fast 10 am Lenten hours 11:15 am adult education</p>	<p>27 Meat Fast Office Closed</p>	<p>28 Meat Fast</p>	<p>March 1 Meat Fast 5 pm Vespers confessions</p>