

January 19, 2025

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 narthex. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Matthew, Deacon Luke, or with one of the ushers.

Holy Communion—for Orthodox Christians, please note that there are specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion — fasting from midnight (unless you need to take medication) and recent Confession. 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

For our visitors who are not Orthodox Christian: we welcome you to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Unfortunately we cannot extend to you a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. The Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship of our community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, but for which we must all pray. All, however, are welcome to partake of the blessed bread (antidoron) which will be given when coming forward to receive the final blessing from the priest at the conclusion of the Liturgy. **Again, welcome!**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025 30th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5. Sunday of Zacchaeus. Ven. Macarius the Great of Egypt (390-391). Ven. Macarius of Alexandria (394-395). St. Mark, Archbishop of Ephesus (15th c.). Ven. Makáry the Faster, of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—12th c.). Ven. Makáry the Deacon, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th-14th c.). Righteous Theodore of Novgorod, Fool-for-Christ (1392). Opening of the Relics of Ven. Savva (Sabbas) of Storozhévsk and Zvenigorod (1652). Virgin Martyr Euphrasia of Nicomedia (303). St. Arsenius, Archbishop of Kerkyra (Corfu—8th 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 1 By Your Nativity You sanctified the Virgin's womb! And blessed Simeon's hands, O Christ God. Now You have come and saved us through love. Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!

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 COLOSSIANS (3:4-11) Brethren, when Christ who is our Life appears, and then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

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 IS FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (17:12-19) At that time, as Jesus entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

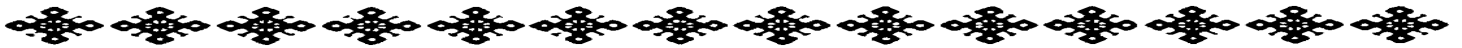
COMMUNION HYMN

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

The holy Gospel according to John 20:11-18 (8th Matins Gospel)

But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. Then they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Natse, Peter, Eleni & Angelo

God's blessings & good health to all our kids & their families in the new year

God's blessings to our grandson Jason on his birthday Jan 12

Oleg, Galina, Nikolay, Nikolay, Andrey, Vlada, Kirill, Lev & Irina

My sister Suzie Gogas

Health & safety for my aunts & cousins living in southern California

Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Milica, Calvin, Joan, Peggy, Bob,

Angelo, Christine, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Les, Bosa, Allison, Jeanette,

Kathryn, David, Taras, Ted, Joseph, Ellyn, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas,

my family and friends

Special Intention

Magda Popoff

Christine & Angelo

Baba & Dedo

Irina Sivergina

Bill Economou

Bill Economou

Joe Tome

Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE BLESSED REPOSE OF

Blessed Repose to our grandsons Andrew, Matthew & baby girl and other angels

Adelaïda & Feodosiy

Evangelos Papadopoulos

Baba & Dedo

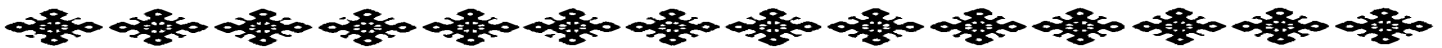
Irina Sivergina

Eleni Papadopoulos

ETERNAL LIGHT AT THE ALTAR

Evangelos Papadopoulos

Eleni Papadopoulos



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](#).

Jan 19 CANDLESTAND: Christine Panoff

HOURS: Lucy Hogg

READER: Katherine Gonser

Jan 26 CANDLESTAND: Ian & Stephanie

HOURS: Alexander Gonser

READER: Angelo Panoff

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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.

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

CHURCH SCHOOL - lesson is: [St Peter](#)

ANNUAL MEETING The Annual Meeting of Saint Nicholas Church will be held on Sunday, January 26, 2025, beginning with a short prayer service after the Divine Liturgy. The meeting will then reconvene in the fellowship hall. The nominating committee will also be elected. **All parish organizations must present a report, oral or written, to be given at this meeting. Please email reports to stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com** From the parish bylaws: "A quorum for membership meetings shall consist of 25 per cent of the total number of members in good standing on record...If at a time fixed for the meeting; the present parish members should fail to constitute the required quorum, another membership meeting shall be convened one hour later on the same day which meeting shall be considered valid in the presence of any number of attending members." The luncheon is provided by the Gonser family in memory of Simeon "Sam" Panoff.



PLEDGE CARDS If you have not turned in your pledge card yet please do so this week. You can also email your signed card to the office. There are blank cards available at the candle stand. It is important to sign a card as it's one of the requirements to be considered a member in good standing. Pledging an amount will help the parish council set a budget and also ensures your donations are applied to your new pledge.

MEMORY ETERNAL 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.

HOUSE BLESSINGS Please schedule your house blessing - customary after the blessing of the water for the Theophany of the Lord - using the sheet from the January newsletter or a copy available at the candlestand. Please return to the office or to Father Matthew.

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

13th ANNUAL WINTER DINNER FOR THE DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD MONASTERY On Thursday January 23. Our event will be held at St. George Orthodox Church (5191 Lennon Rd, Flint, MI 48507):

- 5 pm Vespers led by the Monastic Community followed by a time to visit, appetizers and the Monastery Gift Shop
- 7 pm Dinner & program: *What Does it Mean to be an Orthodox Christian*
- 8:30 PM Closing prayer and good night!

Please register or to give a donation go online at: www.saintgeorgeflint.org or use the QR code. Our parish is responsible for the drinks this year. You can also be a part by providing beverages for the dinner: 2 liter sodas-any type, Bottled water & Leelanau Cellars Witches Brew Spiced Red Wine. The deadline to leave drinks Jan 19 which can be left in the church school classroom. Sharon Jernigan is now our contact person (filling in for Susie). If writing a check, make it out to Dormition Monastery.

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* - 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.

OFFERING ENVELOPES There are still some that need to be picked up at the candle stand. If there are boxes for family who have not been attending whom you will be seeing, please deliver them to help save on postage costs. It helps a great deal when you use the envelopes & fill out the information on each one.

GIVE TO THE CHURCH THROUGH GIVELIFY at www.saintnicholasburton.org & click on [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, please send a check to St. Nicholas Orthodox Church 2143 S Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Monday, Jan 20 *Fr. in Toledo*

Wednesday, Jan 22

9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am Adult ed

Thursday, Jan 23 **13th ANNUAL WINTER DINNER FOR THE DORMITION MONASTERY**

5 pm Vespers led by the Monastic Community

7 pm Dinner & program: *What Does it Mean to be an Orthodox Christian*

8:30 pm Closing prayer and good night!

Saturday, Jan 25

5 pm [Vespers - live-streamed](#)

Sunday, Jan 26 SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY

9:30 am [Hours-live-streamed](#)

10 am [Divine Liturgy-live-streamed](#)

Church School - [Three Hierarchs: St. Gregory Nazianus](#)
Annual Meeting

Offerings for the week January 12, 2025

Weekly Tithes & Offerings	\$ 3,500.97
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,380.00
	\$ - 879.03

82 persons in attendance on January 12