

**January 24, 2022**

**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, JANUARY 23, 2022 31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 6. Hieromartyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra, and Martyr Agathangelus (312). Ven. Gennádii of Kostromá (1565). Translation of the relics of St. Theóctist, Archbishop of Novgorod (1786). Ven. Mausimas the Syrian (4th c.). Ven. Salamanēs the Silent of the Euphrates (ca. 400). St. Paulinus the Merciful, Bishop of Nola (431). Commemoration of the Sixth Ecumenical Council (680-681).**

**TROPARIA**

**Tone 6** The Angelic Powers were at Your tomb; / the guards became as dead men. / Mary stood by Your grave, / seeking Your most pure body. / You captured hell, not being tempted by it. / You came to the Virgin, granting life. / O Lord, Who rose from the dead, // glory to You.

**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 sixth tone: O Lord, save Your people / and bless Your inheritance!** (Ps. 27:9a)

**v. To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!** (Ps. 27:1a)0

**THE READING FROM THE FIRST EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO TIMOTHY (1:15-17)** Timothy, my son: This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am first. However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory to the ages of ages. Amen.

**Alleluia, Tone 6**

**v: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.** (Psalm 90:1)

**v: He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust!"** (Psalm 90:2)

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (18:35-43)** Then it happened, as Jesus was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, saying, "What do you want Me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight." Then Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

**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 20:19-31 (9th Matins Gospel)**

Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained. Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being

shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

**Saint Paulinus the Merciful (January 23)** was descended from an aristocratic and wealthy family of Bordeaux (France). By virtue of his extensive education and upbringing, the twenty-year-old youth was chosen to become a Roman senator, later he became consul and finally, governor of the region of Campagna in Italy. At twenty-five years of age, he and his wife were converted to Christ and were baptized. After this he completely changed his manner of life. He disposed of all his property, and distributed the money to the needy, for which he endured the scorn of his friends and servants. Not having children of their own, the pious couple adopted poor orphans and raised them in the fear of God. In his searchings for a secluded life, Saint Paulinus went to the Spanish city of Barcelona. News of his ascetic life spread about, and in 393 they asked him to be ordained as a priest. Soon he left Spain and went on to the city of Nola in Italy, where he was elected bishop. When the Vandal barbarians invaded Italy and carried off many people to Africa in captivity, Saint Paulinus used church funds to ransom the captives. However, he did not have enough money to ransom the son of a certain poor widow from slavery in the household of the Prince of the Vandals. So, he volunteered to take his place. Dressed as a slave, Saint Paulinus began to serve the Vandal prince as a gardener. Soon his identity was revealed to the ruler, King Riga, in a dream. Not only did he receive his own freedom, but he also won the release of all the other prisoners from Campania, and returned home with them. Saint Paulinus is known both as a builder of churches and as a Christian poet. Among his many virtues, his love for mankind and his compassion for the poor and needy deserve special mention. He died at seventy-eight years of age on June 22, 431. Thirty-two of his poems and fifty-one of his letters survive. They contain various moral discourses filled with deep piety. His relics are in Rome, in the church of the holy Apostle Bartholomew. from [oca.org](http://oca.org)

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**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF**

Natalya Andreeva

Kira Rabkina

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

Joe Tome

Special Intention

Joe Tome

**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE**

Menka Brown - Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal

Dorothy Goodman

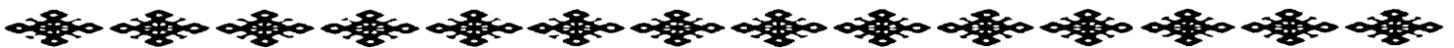
Lydia Dorohov (2 yr. Jan. 26) Memory Eternal, ever loving son

Victor Dorohov

**ETERNAL LIGHT AT THE ALTAR**

Luba & Don Stevens

Kira Rabkina



**WELCOME** to all our friends and visitors! Welcome to everyone 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](#).

**COFFEE SOCIAL** is provided today by the Bakousidis family in memory of Kostas Papalazarou. Please join us after Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome.

**10TH ANNIVERSARY DORMITION MONASTERY** micro-retreat took place January 20 virtually. You can see the Vespers [here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iX-fp_ve9NQ) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iX-fp\\_ve9NQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iX-fp_ve9NQ) and listen to Archbishop Nathaniel's edifying talk [here](https://youtu.be/iX-fp_ve9NQ?t=5100) [https://youtu.be/iX-fp\\_ve9NQ?t=5100](https://youtu.be/iX-fp_ve9NQ?t=5100). 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, Mother Apolinaria, Sister Elysia, Sister Emily and Ruxandra Sheldon together with Father John and Preoteasa Anna Konkle who make up the community of the "monastery. Some statistics from Father Michael Bassett: "Zoom statistics indicate: Over 170 individuals registered, over 140 attended, over 70 did not. Of those not attending, many attended via YouTube. And, of course, many of those attending (either via Zoom or YouTube) did not attend alone but with one or more others watching with them. We await for Ruxandra Sheldon to assess the donations and purchases made via the links. In addition to donations made via the links I believe we have at least \$2,100 in donations made directly to two of our parishes that will be mailed in the next few days."

**MEMORY ETERNAL - CHRIST IS RISEN! LARISSA FREUDE NEWMAN**, wife of David Newman, daughter of Archpriest Don & Popadia Donna Freude, fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, January 14 in Florida. Funeral services and burial will take place this week in Akron, OH. Please remember Larissa in your prayers that she rest in the light of Christ's face. Remember her family, also, especially her husband David; parents, Father Don and Popadia Donna, and siblings Anthony & Julianna and all her family that God sustain them in their grief. Bog da prosti! Christ is risen!

**ANNUAL MEETING** The annual parish meeting takes place today Sunday, January 23, beginning with a short prayer service after the Divine Liturgy. The Meeting will then reconvene in the Parish Hall. All parish organizations must present a report, oral or written, to be given at this meeting.

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**PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE** Please note that we are no longer accepting credit card payments.

**OFFICE HOURS** are Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9-3. This schedule is subject to change.

**HOUSE BLESSINGS** If you would like your home blessed with the new holy water, please fill out the form at the candle stand and return it to the office.

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

Today Annual meeting in the parish hall after Liturgy

**Monday, January 24** *Father in Toledo*

**Wednesday, January 26**

No Divine Liturgy  
No adult education

**Friday, January 28**

9:30 am Divine Liturgy  
11:15 am adult education - finish the kontakion "on Theophany" by St Romanos the Melodist

**Saturday, January 29**

**5 pm** [Great Vespers with Lity - streaming on our YouTube channel](#) followed by *Confessions*

**Sunday, January 30** **Three Holy Hierarchs; Saints Basil, Gregory, and John**

9:30 am Third and Sixth Hours  
**10 am** [Divine Liturgy - streaming on our YouTube channel](#)

**Offerings for the week January 16, 2021**

*50 persons in attendance on January 16*

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 3,395.30
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ 291.30