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St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

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The Gospel according to Saint 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.

SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2019 6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 5. Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas (1st c.). St. Pitirím, Bishop of Tambov (1698). Ven. Moses, Wonderworker, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th-14th c.). Martyr Julian of Dalmatia (2nd c.). Martyr Eustathius (Eustace—ca. 321), of Apamea. Ven. Paul of Xeropotamou, founder of the Monastery of St. Paul on Mt. Athos (10th c.). The Smolensk “HODIGITRIA” (“THE GUIDE”) Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos (brought from Constantinople in 1046). Icon of the Mother of God “of Tenderness” (1885).

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 6) Protection of Christians never failing, Mediatrix before the Creator, ever constant. Do not despise the voice of prayer of sinners, but in your goodness come to help us who faithfully call upon you. Hasten to entreat, hurry to pray, O Theotokos, interceding always for those honor you.

The Prokeimenon in the Fifth Tone: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us / from this generation forever.

v: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly.

THE EPISTLE OF 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: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

v: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

THE READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MATTHEW (9:1-8)

And 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! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Saints Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon and Parmenas, Apostles of the Seventy (July 28) were among the first deacons in the Church of Christ.

In the Acts of the Holy Apostles (6:1-6) it is said that the twelve Apostles chose seven men: Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicholas, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, and appointed them to serve as deacons.

They are commemorated together on July 28, although they died at various times and in various places.

At first, Saint Prochorus accompanied the holy Apostle Peter, who made him bishop in the city of Nicomedia. After the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, Prochorus was a companion and coworker of the holy Apostle John the Theologian and was banished with him to the island of Patmos. There he wrote down the Book of Revelation concerning the final fate of the world. Upon returning to Nicomedia, Saint Prochorus converted pagans to Christ in the city of Antioch, where he suffered martyrdom.

Although Saint Nicanor suffered on the same day that the holy Protomartyr Stephen (December 27) and many other Christians were killed by stoning, Saint Nicanor is commemorated on December 28.

Saint Timon was later appointed by the Apostles as bishop of the city of Bostra in Arabia and suffered from the Jews and pagans for preaching the Gospel. He was thrown into a furnace, but by the power of God he came out of it unharmed. The tradition of the Roman Church says that Saint Timon died by crucifixion.

Saint Timon of the Seventy is also commemorated on December 30.

Saint Parmenas zealously preached Christ in Macedonia. He died after being afflicted with an illness. Some say that Saint Parmenas suffered martyrdom under Trajan (98-117) in the final year of his reign.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

In honor of Aaron Prusac's parents

God's blessings for good health to Christy Panoff on her birthday today, July 21st.

God's blessings to Linda Branoff on her birthday July 21st.

Mary & Tom Popoff

Fr. Tom, Fr. Paul, Fr. Joe, Fr. Dimitrie, Fr. Anthony, Matushka Rose Marie, Angelo, Christine, Tommy, Reggie, Alex, Irene, Rimi, Allen, Deborah, Susan, Luba, David, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Christopher, Jeanette, Nicholas, Margaret, Joseph, Ted, Marlene, Gladys, my family and friends

Special Intention

Mira & Stojan Prusac
Angelo & Christine

Angelo & Helen Popoff

Joe Tome
Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Our grandson Andrew

Michael Goodman Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal

Angelo & Christine
Aunt Dorothy, Debbie, Ralph,
Joe, Sarah, David & Ashley



WELCOME to all our friends and visitors. Please join us in our fellowship hall for coffee and donuts.



COFFEE & DONUTS are served in the fellowship hall after Liturgy. Everyone is welcome to join us for a time of fellowship.

THANK YOU Fr. Matthew, Matushka & church family for all of the prayers & support that you give and continue to give. It is greatly appreciated! Please keep praying as I am in the Air Force. Love, Bogdan & family

MEMORY ETERNAL Mike Goodman fell asleep in the Lord on July 25. He is the son of Rose Goodman and the late John Goodman, father of Ben and brother of Dennis and Steve. Please pray for the Mike's repose, that the risen Christ place him in the abode of the saints who gaze upon His face. And remember in your prayers Mike's family. Bog da prosti! Memory eternal! Christ is risen!

RUMMAGE SALE August 9th & 10th. If you haven't already brought in items to donate, you can still do so, leaving them in the foyer at the side door of the parish hall. If you want to donate large items call Dennis Jernigan to arrange a drop off or pick up time. Please make sure they are clean, gently used & in good working order. We need lots of volunteers to help make this event successful. There is a sign up sheet in the parish hall.



***Please take some fliers which are next to the sign-up sheet & post them in your community.**

WE HOST THE PAN-ORTHODOX LITURGY for the Transfiguration of our Lord on Monday, August 5 at 6 pm. Please fast from after your lunch to receive Holy Communion.

OUR CHARITY MINISTRIES

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN Please come & minister to Christ with our brothers & sisters August 1st, 9 am-1 pm. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting bar & hand soap for the month of September. Place the items 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.



SHRINE FEAST/PICNIC Sunday, August 18 – outdoor Liturgy followed by lamb picnic.

DORMITION MONASTERY PILGRIMAGE August 14th & 15th.

KONEVETS QUARTET Tuesday, September 17 at 6:30 pm. Please spread the word!

Weekly Schedule:

Today

1:00 pm Birthday celebration for Suzanne Paul

Monday, July 29

2 to 8 pm The Goodman family will receive visitors at Wm. Sullivan and Sons Funeral Home
705 W Eleven Mile Rd, Royal Oak, MI 48067

7 pm Parastas for Michael Goodman at the funeral home

Tuesday, July 30

Fr Matthew in Toledo

Wednesday, July 31

9:30 am Divine Liturgy

11:15 am Adult Ed

Thursday, August 1

Dormition Fast Begins

9 am-12:30 pm North End Soup Kitchen

Saturday, August 3

5 pm Vespers

Sunday, August 4

9:30 am Hours

10 am Divine Liturgy

12:30 pm Moleben to the Mother of God at the Shrine

Offerings for the week July 14th & 21st, 2019

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 2,698.00
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses (2 weeks)</i>	\$ 6,472.00
	\$-3,774.00

O Heavenly King, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, Who art everywhere and fillest all things; Treasury of Blessings, and Giver of Life - come and abide in us, and cleanse us from every impurity, and save our souls, O Good One.