

June 16, 2024

**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, JUNE 16, 2024 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA – Tone 6. The Three Hundred and Eighteen Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council at Nicæa. Afterfeast of the Ascension St. Tychon (Tikhon, Tycho), Bishop of Amathus in Cyprus (4th-5th c.). Ven Tikhon of Kaluga (or Medin – 1492). Ven. Tikhon of Lukhovsk (Kostromá – 1503). Martyrs Tigrisus the Presbyter and Eutropius the Reader, of Constantinople (5th c.).**

**FIRST ANTIPHON**

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy. (*Psalm 46:1*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

For the Lord, the Most High is terrible! A great God over all the earth! (*Psalm 46:2*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet! (*Psalm 46:3*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet! (*Psalm 46:5*) **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**

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! (*Psalm 47:1*) **O Son of God who ascended in glory, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

Mount Sion, in the far north, the city of the great King! (*Psalm 47:2*) **O Son of God who ascended in glory, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

Within her citadels God is known when He defends her! (*Psalm 47:3*) **O Son of God who ascended in glory, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

For lo, the kings assembled; they came on together! (*Psalm 47:4*) **O Son of God who ascended in glory, 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**

**Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world!** (*Psalm 48:1*) **Tone 4** You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, granting joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through the blessing they were assured that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world!

**The earth-born and the sons of men, rich and poor together!** (*Psalm 48:2*) You ascended in glory ...

**My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.** (*Psalm 48:3*) You ascended in glory ...

**I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle in psalmody.** (*Psalm 48:4*) You ascended in glory...

### **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** You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, granting joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through the blessing they were assured that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world!

**Tone 8** You are most glorious, O Christ our God! You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth! Through them you have guided us to the true faith! O greatly Compassionate One, 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 6** When You had fulfilled the dispensation for our sake, and united earth to heaven, You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, not being parted from those who love You, but remaining with them and crying: "I am with you and there is no one against you!"

*The prokeimenon in the fourth tone: Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and glorified is Your Name forever!* (*Song of the Three Holy Children, v. 3*)

*v. For You are just in all that You have done for us!* (*v. 4*)

**THE READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE HOLY APOSTLES (20:16-18, 28-36)** *In those days:* Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "You yourselves know how I lived among you all the time from the first day that I set foot in Asia. Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

*Alleluia, Tone 1*

v. **The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and called the earth, from the risings of the sun to its settings.** (*Psalm 49:1*)

v. **Gather his venerable ones to him, the ones who distribute his testament upon sacrifices.** (*Psalm 49:6*)

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (17:1-13)** When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work which you gave me to do; and now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory which I had with you before the world was made. "I have manifested your name to the men whom you gave me out of the world; yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you; for I have given them the words which you gave me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours; all mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

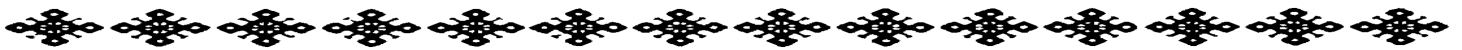
**WE SING "IT IS TRULY MEET TO BLESS YOU..."**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

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

**IN PLACE OF "WE HAVE SEEN THE TRUE LIGHT..."** **Tone 4** You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, granting joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through the blessing they were assured that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world!

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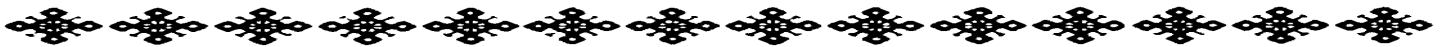
**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF**

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

Special Intention

Joe Tome

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**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](#).

**June 16 CANDLESTAND:** Susie Ford

**HOURS:** Lucy Hogg

**READER:** Phil Wiles

**June 23 CANDLESTAND:** Christine Panoff

**HOURS:** Angelo Panoff

**READER:** Katherine Gonser

**COFFEE SOCIAL** Please join us after Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome. There is a signup sheet next to the service window for those who would like to donate and/or serve in the coming weeks.

**MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF SCRAMBLE** Please remember the Macedonian Open is Monday June 17. If you haven't already donated please consider doing so. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you from the Parish Council.

**MEMORY ETERNAL! CHRIST IS RISEN!** Please keep in your prayers Mira Prusac who fell asleep in the Lord, Friday, June 14. She was preceded in death by her husband Stojan & son Luka. Mira is survived by her sons, John & Danny Prusac and many grandchildren & great-grandchildren. You can read her obituary [here](#). Please remember Mira and her family in your prayers. May Mira rest in the light of Christ's face and her memory be eternal in God. Christ is risen!

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** is Tuesday, June 18 at 6:30. Please let Sharon know if you cannot attend.

**FAMILY GAME NIGHT** June 22 after Vespers. Join us for a fun evening of fellowship, pizza & playing board games. A free will offering will be collected which will be used to sponsor other social activities. Stephanie & Ian Price are hosting the event so you can contact Stephanie at (248) 396-3899 if you have any questions or to R.S.V.P. You don't have to R.S.V.P. but it is helpful. They will also bring the games but you are welcome to bring your own.

**PAN-ORTHODOX SOFTBALL GAME** @ St. John the Evangelist Catholic School on July 7<sup>th</sup>. The game starts at 3 pm. Drinks and food are provided by Assumption this year.

**GIVE TO THE CHURCH THROUGH GIVELIFY** Go to our website [www.saintnicholasburton.org](http://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). **\*Please consider adding the extra fee we are charged to your donation.** 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.

**PRAYERS AT THE GRAVES** will take place on Souls' Saturday (Zadušnica), June 22 and Pentecost, June 23 at Evergreen, Crestwood, Sunset Hills, and Saint Nicholas Cemeteries as well as any other cemetery requested of Father Matthew. The schedule is:

**Saturday, June 22**

- 9:00 am Evergreen Cemetery beginning in the chapel with a Trisagion service
- 12:30 pm Crestwood Cemetery
- 1:30 pm Sunset Hills Cemetery
- 2:00 pm Gracelawn Cemetery

**Sunday, June 23**

- 2:00 pm St. Nicholas Cemetery
- 4:00 pm Great Lakes National Cemetery



If there is another cemetery you'd like to be visited, please contact the parish office as soon as possible so that it can be scheduled. If you know anyone who has family buried at the parish cemetery but who are not parishioners of St. Nicholas, please let them know of the date and time for the services at the graves on Sunday, June 23.

**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.

**ST. NICHOLAS' PARISH PICNIC & DANCE** is August 18. There is a signup sheet in parish hall for those who can help.

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

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Sunday, June**

4-8 pm Visitation at Swartz Funeral Home for Mira Prusac  
7 pm Parastas

**Monday, June 17** *Father traveling back from Atlanta*

Macedonian Open at Flint Elks Club  
10 am Visitation at St. Nicholas for Mira Prisac  
11 am Funeral service followed by burial at Evergreen Cemetery

**Tuesday, June 18** *Father in Toledo*

6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting

**Wednesday, June 19**

No Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, June 22**

9 am-3 pm Prayers at the graves. Locations & times are listed above.  
**5 pm** **Vespers - live-streamed** *Confessions*  
Family Game Night following Vespers

**Sunday, June 23** **Pentecost**

**9:30 am** **Hours & 10 am Divine Liturgy-live-streamed**  
2-5 pm Prayers at the graves. Locations & times are listed above.



**Offerings for the week June 9, 2024**

Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,519.25
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,380.00
	\$ -2,860.75

52 persons in attendance on June 9