

June 18, 2017

Bulletin

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Orthodox Church in America

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The Holy Gospel according to Mark

16:1-8 (2nd Matins Gospel)

Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?” But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away – for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples – and Peter – that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you. So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 1. ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA. Martyr Leontius, and with him Martyrs Hypatius and Theodulus, at Tripoli in Syria (70-79). Ven. Leonty, Canonarch, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—14th c.). Ven. Leonty the Hagiorite (1605). The “BOGOLIUBSKAYA” Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos (1157).

TROPARIA

(Tone 1) When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: “Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! // Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind!”

(Tone 8) As the bountiful harvest of Your sowing of salvation, / the lands of North America offer to You, O Lord, all the saints who have shone in them. / By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace // through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

(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 First Tone: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee.

v. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE ROMANS (2:10-16) Brethren: glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

Alleluia, Tone 1

v. God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me.

v. He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ, with David and his seed forever.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (4:18-23)

At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

On the second Sunday after Pentecost, each local Orthodox Church commemorates all the saints, known and unknown, who have shone forth in its territory. Accordingly, the Orthodox Church in America remembers the saints of North America on this day.

Although it is a relatively young church, the Orthodox Church in America has produced saints in nearly all of the six major categories of saints: Apostles (and Equals of the Apostles); Martyrs (and Confessors); Prophets; Hierarchs; Monastic Saints; and the Righteous.

Saint Herman of Alaska (December 13, August 9), was a member of the first mission of Orthodox monks from Russia to Alaska and fell asleep in the Lord in 1837. The Martyr Juvenal was killed near Lake Iliamna by natives in 1799, thus becoming the first Orthodox Christian to shed his blood for Christ in the New World. In 1816, Saint Peter was put to death by Spanish missionaries in California when he refused to convert to Roman Catholicism.

Missionary efforts continued in the nineteenth century, with outreach to the native peoples of Alaska. Two of the most prominent laborers in Christ's Vineyard were Saint Innocent Veniaminov (March 31 and October 6) and Saint Jacob Netsvetov (July 26), who translated Orthodox services and books into the native languages.

As the nineteenth century was drawing to a close, an event of enormous significance for the North American Church took place. On March 25, 1891, Bishop Vladimir went to Minneapolis to receive Saint Alexis Toth (May 7) and 361 of his parishioners into the Orthodox Church. Saint Tikhon (Belavin), the future Patriarch of Moscow (April 7, October 9), came to America as bishop of the diocese of the Aleutians and Alaska in September 1898. As the only Orthodox bishop on the continent, Saint Tikhon traveled extensively throughout North America in order to minister to his widely scattered and diverse flock. He realized that the local church here could not be a permanent extension of the Russian Church. Therefore, he focused his efforts on giving the American Church a diocesan and parish structure which would help it mature and grow. Saint Tikhon returned to Russia in 1907, and was elected as Patriarch of Moscow ten years later and reposed in 1925.

Saint Raphael of Brooklyn (February 27) was the first Orthodox bishop to be consecrated in North America. He was consecrated by Bishop Tikhon and Bishop Innocent (Pustynsky) at Saint Nicholas Cathedral in New York on March 13, 1904. As Bishop of Brooklyn, Saint Raphael was a trusted and capable assistant to Saint Tikhon in his archpastoral ministry. Saint Raphael reposed on February 27, 1915.

In the twentieth century, in the aftermath of the Russian Revolution, countless men, women, and children received the crown of martyrdom rather than renounce Christ. Saints John Kochurov (October 31) and Alexander Hotovitzky (December 4 and August 7) both served the Church in North America before going back to Russia. Saint John became the first clergyman to be martyred in Russia on October 31, 1917 in Saint Petersburg. Saint Alexander Hotovitzky, who served in America until 1914, was killed in 1937.

In addition to the saints listed above, we also honor those saints who are known only to God, and have not been recognized officially by the Church. As we contemplate the lives of these saints, let us remember that we are also called by God to a life of holiness. oca.org

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Anna Branoff, Gloria Zelenko, Allen, Kate & Alyson

Adams family

Health & Blessings on Fr. Matthew, Fr. Esteban, Deacon Kerry, Luke, Mary Anne

Adams family

Brayan & Adam

Blessings on John Auxier & Renée Gioryca, this day of their wedding (June 11)! And

Godparents Allen & Deborah Adams

May they have many healthy, happy years together.

Special Intentions

Health & Blessings to Kerry & Kathy Gonser for their anniversary June 10

Angelo & Christine Panoff

Health & Blessings to Angelo Panoff for his birthday June 11th

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Fr. Joe, Fr. Tom, Deacon Anthony, Aaron, Reggie, Allen, Deborah, Noah,

Dušan, JoAnn, Nicolai, Luba, Kosta, Jimmy, Laurie, Anna, Walt, Zina,

Dorothy, Michael, Allison, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Jeanette, Ted, Marlene,

Nicholas, Margaret, Gladys, my family and friends

Joe Tome

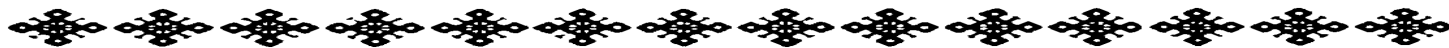
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Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR ALL THOSE IN BLESSED REPOSE

Newly ordained Priest Dr. Joshua Genig
St. Xenia, Alex, Aunt Patsy, Rosemary & Ron

Joe Tome
Adams family



WELCOME all of our friends and visitors to St. Nicholas! Please join us for fellowship in our parish hall.

CHARITY PLATE TODAY AND NEXT SUNDAY is to help those displaced from their apartments by the fire at Burton Arms. Please be generous!

COFFEE, DONUTS, PASTRIES & CUPCAKES are donated by the Karayanis family in memory of Theresa Karayanis (40 days) and in honor of Father's Day.

We need volunteers to help with coffee & donuts for the months of June, July & August.

CHARITY MINISTRIES

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting **Laundry Soap** for the month of June. 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.

MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF SCRAMBLE. It will be held at the Flint Elks Golf Club on tomorrow, June 19th, the day after Father's Day and would make a great Father's Day gift. **Please turn in your requests for golfing, dinner or donations as soon as possible.** The Macedonian Open raised over \$16,400 for the Church last year and is hopeful for an even bigger and better turnout this year. If you have any questions or know of someone who would like to help, please contact Angelo Panoff (angelo.panoff@wfadvisors.com or 810-423-6020), Christine Panoff (capanoff@umflint.edu or 810-232-4868), Linda Branoff (branoff721@aol.com or 810-964-3654), George Branoff (george.branoff27@frontier.com or 810-252-5395) or Chris Nedanis (cned77@gmail.com or 810-877-0889).

OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP Please contact Dennis Jernigan (810-908-3631) if you are able to assist with trimming bushes and trees at the church as well as to take down the anniversary banner by the office door.

Weekly Schedule:

Monday, June 19 **Macedonian Golf Open at Flint Elks**
Father Matthew on Communion Calls

Tuesday, June 20 Communion Calls to Bay City and Caro

Wednesday, June 21
9 am Divine Liturgy
11 am Adult Education – Chapter 2 of "Wounded by Love" by St. Porphyrios

Saturday, June 24
5 pm Vespers

Sunday, June 25
9:30 am Third Hour
10 am Divine Liturgy

Offerings for the week June 11, 2017

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$1,379.00
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$4,034.03
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*75 people were in attendance on
Sunday, June 11, 2017*

“If you cannot see Christ in the beggar at the church door, you will not find Him in the chalice.” **St. John Chrysostom**