

June 4, 2023

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 4, 2023 8th SUNDAY OF PASCHA – HOLY PENTECOST. St. Metrophanes, first Patriarch of Constantinople (325-326). Righteous Martha and Mary, the sisters of Lazarus (1st c.). Ven. Methodius "Peshnasha", disciple of Ven. Sergius of Rádonezh (1392). Martyrs Frontasius, Severinus, Severian, and Silanus, of Gaul (1st c.). Martyr Concordius of Spoleto (ca. 175). Hieromartyr Astius, Bishop of Dyrrachium in Macedonia (ca. 110). Venerable Father Zosima the Bishop of Babylon (6th c.).

FIRST ANTIPHON

The heavens are telling the glory of God; / and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (*Psalm 18:1*)
Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

Day to day pours forth speech, / and night to nights declares knowledge. (*Psalm 18:2*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, / and their words to the ends of the universe. (*Psalm 18:4*)
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

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble; / the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (*Psalm 19:1*) **O Gracious Comforter, save us who sing to You: "Alleluia!"**

May He send you help from the sanctuary / and give you support from Sion! (*Psalm 19:2*) **O Gracious Comforter, save us who sing to You: "Alleluia!"**

May He remember all your offerings, / and fulfill all your plans! (*Psalm 19:3*) **O Gracious Comforter, 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

In Your strength the king rejoices, O Lord, and exults greatly in Your salvation. (*Psalm 20:1*)

Troparion - Tone 8 Blessed are You, O Christ our God, You have revealed the fishermen as most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit; through them You drew the world into Your net. O Lover of Man, glory to You!

You have given him his heart's desire, and have not withheld the request of his lips. (*Psalm 20:2*) Blessed are You...

For You meet him with goodly blessings; You set a crown of fine gold upon his head. (*Psalm 20:3*) Blessed are You...

SMALL ENTRANCE

Deacon Wisdom! Upright!

Priest: Be lifted up, Lord, in your power; we will sing and chant your mighty works. (*Psalm 20:13*)
Good Comforter, save us who sing to you: "Alleluia!"

TROPARION

Tone 8 Blessed are You, O Christ our God, You have revealed the fishermen as most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit; through them You drew the world into Your net. O Lover of Man, glory to You!

KONTAKION

Tone 8 When the Most High came down and confused the tongues He divided the nations; but when He distributed the tongues of fire, He called all to unity. Therefore, with one voice, we glorify the All-Holy Spirit!

INSTEAD OF THE TRISAGION

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ! (*Galatians 3:27*) Alleluia!

The prokeimenon in the eighth tone: **Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth; / and their words to the ends of the universe.** (*Psalm 18:4*)

v. **The heavens describe the Glory of God, and the firmament proclaims the making of his hands.** (*Ps. 18:1*)

THE READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (2:1-11) In those days, when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

Alleluia, Tone 8

v. **By the word of the Lord the heavens were made firm, and by the spirit of his mouth all their power.** (*Psalm 32:6*)

v. **From heaven the Lord looked upon, he saw all the sons of men.** (*Psalm 32:13*)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (7:37-52, 8:12) On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of Life."

THE HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS

Without knowing a man you became a mother, without knowing corruption you bore a child, giving flesh to the Word who creates all things, containing Him Who cannot be contained, encompassing your infinite Maker: O Virgin Theotokos, we magnify you!

COMMUNION HYMN

Let Your good Spirit lead me on a level path! (*Psalm 142:12a*) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

IN PLACE OF "WE HAVE SEEN THE TRUE LIGHT..."

Tone 8 Blessed are You, O Christ our God, You have revealed the fishermen as most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit; through them You drew the world into Your net. O Lover of Man, glory to You!

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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, Mira, Bosa, Christopher, Allison, Jeanette, Kathryn, David, Taras, Ted, Joseph, Marlene, Mary, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family and friends

Special Intention

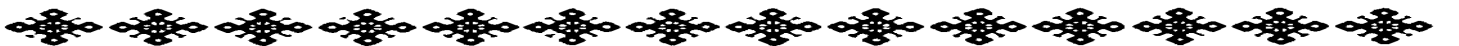
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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Nikolaos Bakousidis, loving father & papou (4 yrs.)

his loving family



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](#).

CANDLESTAND: Dennis Goodman

HOURS: Calvin Conrad

READER: Phil Wiles

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.


CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ADULT EDUCATION will resume June 7, continuing with Fr. Silviu Bunta's book.

INQUIRERS'/CATECHUMENS' CLASS led by our parish catechist, Reader Alexander Gonsler, takes place on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy. Feel free to join in and let other inquirers know about these classes introducing the Orthodox faith.

ARCHBISHOP ALEXANDER will visit us for Vespers on Saturday, June 10 and Divine Liturgy on Sunday, June 11 to present Protodeacon Luke (Kerry) with the *kamilavka* and Reader J. Joseph Tome with the Order of St. Romanos. We will be having a brunch afterward with a freewill offering.

MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF SCRAMBLE'S deadline to sign up for golf, a sign, to donate gift cards and other items is **June 11th**. See Matushka Lisa if you have any questions or payments today. Fliers are available in the fellowship hall and on our website.

 **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to help water the flowers around the outside of the church. There is a signup sheet in the parish hall.

BACKPACKS & SCHOOL SUPPLIES for students in need in Burton will be purchased with donations collected in the Charity Plate in May and June.

MEMORY ETERNAL- CHRIST IS RISEN! Richard Ratza, the husband of our parishioner Pamela Pitlanish, fell asleep in the Lord on May 31. His Trisagion service is on Tuesday, June 6 at 2 pm at Allen Funeral Home in Davison. Visitation is on Monday 11-2 & 4-7 and one hour before Tuesday's service. You may read Rick's obituary [here](#). Please remember Richard "Rick" in your prayers and also his wife, Pamela, and their family that Christ Jesus grant him rest in the light of His face and that He sustain Rick's family in their grief. Bog da prosti! Christ is risen!

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LECTURE SERIES at Saint Mary Magdalene Church begins June 14. It will be a mini 3-week lecture series "The Acts After Acts" that will follow the lives of the apostles after the book of Acts until their deaths. They are offering this both online or in person. Sign up can be done by contacting the parish office or by using the sign-up link [here](http://www.st-marymagdalene.org/adult-education) <http://www.st-marymagdalene.org/adult-education> Please reach out to Fr. Gabriel (frgabrielsmm@gmail.com) or Protodeacon Michael with any questions.

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Today Vespers with kneeling prayers
2 pm St. Nicholas Cemetery
4 pm Great Lakes Cemetery

Monday, June 5 *Fr. in Toledo*

Tuesday, June 6
2 pm Trisagion for Richard Ratza at Allen Funeral Home

Wednesday, June 7
9:30 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Adult ed class

Saturday, June 10
5 pm **Vespers - live-streamed** *Confessions*

Sunday, June 11 **1ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - ALL SAINTS**
9:45 am Greet Archbishop Alexander
10 am **Pontifical Divine Liturgy - live-streamed**

Offerings for the week May 28, 2023

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 1,568.10
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ -1,535.90

45 persons in attendance on May 28