

May 22, 2022

**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, MAY 22, 2022 5th SUNDAY OF PASCHA – 4. The Samaritan Woman. Martyr Basiliscus, Bishop of Comana (ca. 308). Commemoration of the Second Ecumenical Council (381). St. John (Vladimir), Ruler of Serbia (1015). Monastic Martyr Paul of the Lavra (Mt. Athos – 1818).**

**FIRST ANTIPHON**

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise! (*Psalm 65:1*)  
**Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

Say to God: How awesome are Your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies cringe before You!  
(*Psalm 65:1*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

Let all the earth worship You and praise You! Let it praise Your name, O Most High! (*Psalm 65:3*)  
**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**

God be bountiful to us and bless us! Show the light of Your countenance upon us and have mercy on us!  
(*Psalm 66:1*) **O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

That we may know Your way upon the earth, and Your salvation among all nations! (*Psalm 66:2*)  
**O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

Let the people give thanks to You, O God! Let all the people give thanks to You! (*Psalm 66:3*)  
**O Son of God who arose from the dead, 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**

**Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His face.** (*Psalm 67:1*)  
Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.  
**As smoke vanishes so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire.** (*Psalm 67:2a*) Christ is risen...  
**So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad.** (*Psalm 67:2b-3*) Christ is risen...

**This is the day which the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it!** (*Psalm 117:24*) Christ is risen...

### **TROPARIA**

**Tone 4** When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the Apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy!"

**Tone 8** In the middle of the feast, O Savior, / fill my thirsting soul with the waters of piety as You cried to all: / "If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink!" // O Christ God, Fountain of our life, 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 8** You descended into the tomb, O Immortal; You destroyed the power of Death. In victory You arose, O Christ God, proclaiming "Rejoice!" to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Your apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

**The prokeimenon in the third tone: Sing praises to our God, sing praises; / Sing praises to our King, sing praises!** (*Psalm 46:6*) *v.* **Clap your hands, all you people, shout to God with loud songs of joy.** (*Psalm 46:1*)

**THE READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (11:19-26,29-30)** *In those days*, those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

**Alleluia, Tone 4**

*v:* **Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth.** (*Psalm 44:3b*)

*v:* **For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity.** (*Psalm 44:6*)

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (4:5-42)** At that time Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Every one who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this

mountain; and you say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he." Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city, and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him. Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has any one brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

**THE HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS** The Angel cried to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, O Pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead! Rejoice, all ye people! Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem! The Glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! Be radiant, O Pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection of your Son!

**COMMUNION HYMN** Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality! Alleluia! (x3)

**IN PLACE OF "WE HAVE SEEN THE TRUE LIGHT..."** Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

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

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, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family and friends

Joe Tome

Special Intention

Joe Tome

**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE**

Dina Tasevska, Borće, Trajan & Lena, and Vlado & Nancy Kočovski  
John Goodman (3 yrs.) "teller of stories, keeper of faith, our beloved sailor"  
Evdokia Ponomarenko  
Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal Evanka Elieff (7 yrs.)

the Tasevski family  
Steve, Dennis, Eileen & Ben  
Lucy Hogg  
Her family



**CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**

**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 in memory of Vasiliki Karatza by her family. 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 donuts & coffee and/or serve in the coming weeks.

**MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF SCRAMBLE** Spring is here and that can only mean one thing, the Macedonian Open is right around the corner. There are a number of ways to get involved. If you can sponsor a sign it is highly encouraged. Donating a gift card, gift basket or cash is also needed. This year's outing will be held on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Flint Elks Golf Club. As has been our tradition, that is the Monday after Father's Day. We encourage everyone to participate in some way.

The Macedonian Open is our biggest fundraiser and we are hoping 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@stifel.com](mailto:angelo.panoff@stifel.com) or 810-249-6031), Christine Panoff ([capanoff@umflint.edu](mailto:capanoff@umflint.edu) or 810-232-4868), Linda Branoff ([branoff721@aol.com](mailto:branoff721@aol.com) or 810-964-3654), George Branoff ([george.branoff27@frontier.com](mailto:george.branoff27@frontier.com) or 810-252-5395) or Chris Nedanis ([cned77@gmail.com](mailto:cned77@gmail.com) or 810-877-0889).

**A HISTORIC EVENT** On May 16 the Council of Bishop of the Orthodox Church of Serbia announced that communion between it and the Orthodox Church of Macedonia had been restored. There is a history to how communion between the two was severed in 1967 but we join now in the joy of communion restored. Communion was solemnized at the holy Liturgy on May 19 served by Patriarch Porfirije of Serbia and Archbishop Stefan of Ochrid and Macedonia. The original parishes in our diocese were founded by people who had emigrated from this part of the world. The restoration of communion between the Church in Serbia and Macedonia is an important and welcome event. Thanks to the Lord God! You may view the Liturgy of reconciliation [here](#) & photos [here](#) & [here](#).

**MEMORY ETERNAL - CHRIST IS RISEN! METROPOLITAN HILARION**, first hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia (ROCOR) fell asleep in the Lord on Monday, May 16. May the risen Christ grant him rest in the light of His face. Memory eternal! Christ is risen! Bog da prosti!

**SPRING WORK DAY** at the Dormition Monastery on Saturday, June 4th from 10 am to 4 pm. If possible, please come and help the Mother's and Sister's of the monastery. A lunch will be provided. Please notify Ruxy if you are coming and how many in order for the sister's to provide ample amount. Bring a friend and spread the word. What to bring: Tylenol, Naproxen, Water, Work gloves. Dress for the weather.

**UPDATE ON UKRAINIAN REFUGEE FUNDRAISER THROUGH THE OCA** may be read [here](#) on the OCA website. The total collection raised by the Orthodox Church in America for the Ukrainian refugee relief fund was \$739,726.45. Thank you to all who donated. Archpriest Alexander Rentel, OCA Chancellor, made a visit to Europe to see first-hand the efforts of Eleos the humanitarian agency of the Polish Orthodox Church. [Photo gallery of his trip](#).

Anyone who wishes to support International Orthodox Christian Charity's (IOCC) humanitarian response to the Ukraine crisis is asked to pray for all those affected and the people serving them, to share what IOCC is doing in order to spread the word, and to give as they are able financially. Please visit [iocc.org/ukraine22](http://iocc.org/ukraine22) or call 877.803.4622 to make a donation.

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

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Today** Trisagion service for Vasiliki Karatza (1 yr.)

**Wednesday, May 25** leave-taking of the Mid-Feast & 3<sup>rd</sup> finding of the head of St. John the Baptist

9:30 am Divine Liturgy

11:15 am Adult education class - *Transfigured in the Night: Elder Aimilianos of Simonopetra* by Fr. Maximos Conostas [here](#).

**Saturday, May 28**

**5 pm** [Vespers - streaming on our YouTube channel](#)

**Sunday, May 29** **Man Born Blind**

9:30 am Hours

**10 am** [Divine Liturgy - streaming on our YouTube channel](#)

**Offerings for the week May 15, 2022**

Weekly Offerings	\$ 1,948.02
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 3,104.00
	<b>\$ -1,155.98</b>

*44 persons in attendance on May 15<sup>th</sup>*