

November 12, 2017

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

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**The Gospel according to Saint Matthew
28:16-20 (1st Matins Gospel)**

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Amen.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 6 St. John the Merciful, Patriarch of Constantinople (612-20). Ven. Nilus the Faster, of Sinai (5th c.). Bl. John “the Hairy”, Fool-for-Christ, in Rostov (1580). Prophet Ahijah (960 BC). Ven. Nilus the Myrrhusher, of Mt. Athos (1651).

TROPARIA

(Tone 6) The angelic powers were at Thy tomb the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure Body. Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord who didst rise from the dead: glory to Thee!

(Tone 8) By endurance you gained your reward, venerable Father; you persevered in prayer unceasingly; you loved the poor and provided for them in all things. Blessed John the Merciful, intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved!

(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 4) The Most Pure Temple of the Savior; the precious Chamber and Virgin; the sacred Treasure of the glory of God, is presented today to the House of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the Spirit, which the angels of God do praise. Truly this woman is the abode of heaven!

The Prokeimenon in the Seventh Tone: Precious in the sight of the Lord / is the death of His saints.

v: What shall I render unto the Lord for all that He hath rendered unto me?

THE READING IS FROM THE SECOND EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (9:6-11) Brethren: this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

Alleluia, Tone 6

v: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

v: He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust!"

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE (10:25-37) At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And He said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

COMMUNION HYMN

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

A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION

I believe, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ, the Son of the Living God, Who camest into the world to save sinners, of whom I am first. I believe also that this is truly Thine own pure Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Therefore I pray Thee: have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance. And make me worthy to partake without condemnation of Thy most pure Mysteries, for the remission of my sins, and unto life everlasting. Amen.

Of Thy Mystical Supper, O Son of God, accept me today as a communicant; for I will not speak of Thy Mystery to Thine enemies, neither like Judas will I give Thee a kiss; but like the thief will I confess Thee: Remember me, O Lord in Thy Kingdom.

May the communion of Thy Holy Mysteries be neither to my judgment, nor to my condemnation, O Lord, but to the healing of soul and body. Amen.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Health & God's Blessings to Calvin Conrad & to Allan Adams
Hally & Patsy

Fr. Tom, Fr. Gabriel, Deacon Anthony, Aaron, Reggie, Allen,

Deborah, Joann, Gloria, Luba, Kosta, Jimmy, Laurie, David, Helen, Anna, Walt,
Zina, Nicolai, Dorothy, Michael, Nicolai, Allison, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Jeanette,

Nicholas, Margaret, Joseph, Gladys, my family and friends

Special Intention

Good Health & God's Blessings for John & Rose Goodman

Val Evanencko

Alex & Magda Popoff

Joe Tome

Joe Tome

Mike, Sue, Steve, Dennis,

Eileen & Ben

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Peter Popoff & John Naum
Alex Georgopoulos, Kosta Georgopoulos & Demitra Georgopoulos

Alex & Magda Popoff
Mary Batzos

ETERNAL LIGHT AT THE ALTAR

Health of Kuma Mira Prusac & Kuma Bosa

Kuma Bosa



WELCOME to all our friends and visitors. Please join us for fellowship in the Hall.



COFFEE HOUR Volunteers are needed to help serve coffee and donuts for the month of November. Please see the sign-up sheet outside of the kitchen.

OUR CHARITY MINISTRIES

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting **BLANKETS & COATS** for the month of November. 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

HELP FOR PUERTO RICO To assist Fr. Esteban's family in Puerto Rico last Sunday we had a raffle and luncheon. We raised \$1,271 to help his family directly in Puerto Rico. God repay you!

CENTER FOR HOPE Assumption will be at the Center for Hope November 15th, 11 am – 1 pm.

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN ANGEL TREE PROGRAM Our parish will participate in this program for this Christmas. The Angel Tree is in the parish hall, 50 children's names are on the tree. Gift range is between \$20 and \$30. Attach the provided gift tag which has the child's name & code number to the gift. (Place in gift bags). Please return the gifts by December 10th. If there are any questions, please see Lucy Hogg.



RESULTS OF THE ELECTION MEETING:

Last Sunday, November 5, the following were elected:

To Parish Council: Calvin Conrad, Susie Ford, & Shari Nicoloff

As Auditors: Mary Batzos and Christine Panoff

As Lay Delegate to the 2018 Diocesan Conference & All-American Council: Joseph Tome

Installation will be December 24th after Liturgy.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING is Tuesday, November 14th at 6:30. Please pick up your information packets in the hall. If you cannot attend the meeting, please call the parish office 810-744-0070.

2018 PLEDGE CARDS have been mailed out. If you have not received yours by Nov. 10th contact the parish office by phone 744-0070 or email stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com so that we may get a pledge card to you. Please fill out and sign your pledge card even if you don't know the amount of your pledge yet. Remember in order to be considered a member here at St. Nicholas you must return a signed pledge card. We would like for them to be returned by December, 1. **DO NOT** send your 2018 pledge back with the card or it will be credited to 2017.

DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT You will find in your box of offering envelopes one marked "Diocesan Assessment." Each parish in the Diocese is assessed \$35 per pledging adult. We have been paying this directly out of our Sunday offerings, presently \$5,320 per year. If every adult will make the \$35 assessment above and beyond their regular pledge, our parish will save \$5,320 per year. If you have not yet turned in your envelope, please do so as soon as possible.

MEMORY ETERNAL +Mary Anne Brayan fell asleep in the Lord on Friday afternoon, November 10, 2017. +Mary Anne is the wife of Peter Brayan and the mother of Richard, Diane, and +Elaine. God grant her blessed repose among the saints! Bog da i prosti!

2017 CHRISTMAS GREETINGS If you would like to have your name(s) included on the annual Christmas greetings list please call the office no later than December 11.

HOLIDAY ROLLS & STUFFED CABBAGE SALE at St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church. Baked nut, poppy seed, apricot, & prune rolls (\$10 each) are available Wednesdays 2-6 pm, November 15th – November 29th. Stuffed Cabbage orders are now being taken (2 lb. container; \$12). Pick up is Wednesday November 15th 2-6 pm. For more information or to place an order call 810-659-4887.

Weekly Schedule:

Monday, Nov. 13

9:30 am **St. John Chrysostom**
Divine Liturgy
Communion Calls in Bay City & Caro
5 to 8 pm Visitation for +Mary Anne Brayan at Swartz Funeral Home
7 pm Parastas for +Mary Anne Brayan at Swartz Funeral Home

Tuesday, Nov. 14

10 am Visitation for +Mary Anne Brayan at church
11 am Funeral Service at church followed by interment at Sunset Hills Cemetery
6 to 8 pm Book Club at St. George
6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 15

CHRISTMAS FAST/ADVENT BEGINS

9 am Divine Liturgy
11 am Adult Formation
2 pm-6 pm St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church Holiday Rolls Sale
6 pm Advent Service at St. George

Saturday Nov 18

5 pm Vespers

Sunday, Nov. 19

9 am Choir Practice
9:30 am Third Hour
10 am Divine Liturgy
Church School

Offerings for the week November 5, 2017

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$2,871.00
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$4,034.03
	\$-1,163.03

88 people were in attendance on Sunday, November 5, 2017

“Our life and our death depends on our neighbour. If we win over our brother or sister, we win over God. If we scandalize our neighbour, we sin before Christ.”

St. Anthony the Great, of Egypt

