

**November 14, 2021**

**St. Nicholas Orthodox Church**

*Diocese of Toledo - Orthodox Church in America*

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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, NOVEMBER 14, 2021 **21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 4. Holy and All-praised Apostle Philip (1st c.). Ven. Philip, Hermit of Irap near Novgorod (1527). St. Justinian the Emperor (565), and his wife, St. Theodora (548). St. Gregory Palamas, Archbishop of Thessalonica (ca. 1360).**

**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 3)** Holy Apostle Philip, entreat the merciful God//to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions!

**(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 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 are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Psalm 18:1)**

**THE READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE HOLY APOSTLES (8:26-39)** In those days an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, “Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” This is desert. So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go near and overtake this chariot.” So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, “Do you understand what you are reading?” And he said, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. The place in the Scripture which he read was this: “He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so He opened not His mouth. In His humiliation His justice was taken away, and who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth.” So the eunuch answered Philip and said, “I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?” Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, “See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?” Then Philip said, “If you believe with all your heart, you may.” And he answered and said, “I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.” So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing.

*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 LUKE (10:25-37)** At that time, a certain lawyer tested Jesus asking, "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!

**The holy Gospel according to John 21:1-14 (10th Matins Gospel)**

After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and in this way He showed Himself: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We are going with you also." They went out and immediately got into the boat, and that night they caught nothing. But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Then Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any food?" They answered Him, "No." And He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast, and now they were not able to draw it in because of the multitude of fish. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment (for he had removed it), and plunged into the sea. But the other disciples came in the little boat (for they were not far from land, but about two hundred cubits), dragging the net with fish. Then, as soon as they had come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have just caught." Simon Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, "Come and eat breakfast." Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are You?" - knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus then came and took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish. This is now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.

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

Mary Ferchak on her birthday November 10<sup>th</sup>

Helen & Angelo Popoff

Special Intention

God's blessings & good health to our godson Alexander Gonser and Calvin

Conrad on their tonsuring

Fr. Tom, 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, Joseph, Ted, Marlene, Gladys, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my

family and friends

Special Intention

Sandy Taylor

Magda Popoff

Julia Peck

Christine & Angelo

Joe Tome

Joe Tome

**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE**

Allen Carsten Jr.

JoAnn Economou (1 yr.) from her loving brother Bill & family

Rest of the soul on the 6<sup>th</sup> month for Peter Sredich & the 8<sup>th</sup> month for

Josephine Sredich, beloved parents and grandparents

Alex & Peter Popoff, Eleni Servinis & John Naum

Dina Tasevska, Theodora & Kosta Papalazarou, Niki Panos, Tronda Nicevski,

Jimmy & Kosta Nedanis, Borce Namovski and Vlado & Nancy Kocovski

David & Barb Vuckovich

Bill Economou

their daughters & families

Magda Popoff

Kosta & Nancy Tasevski



**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](#) for their livestreams.

**PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE** Work continues on the new pew book which will include Vespers, "Christ is risen" in different languages, Trisagion, Parastas, and a glossary. Two inquirers interested in the Orthodox Church - Barry Cavett and Phil Wiles. Two readers tonsured by Archbishop Alexander at the 105th anniversary Liturgy: Barnabas (Calvin) Conrad and Alexander Gonser. Parish council approved moving \$1,000 from unrestricted memorial funds for charity. The Diocese will match this with a grant of \$1,000 for charity. Fundraising: anniversary dinner broke even which was the plan. Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 11. Theophany banquet - lamb dinner - on Sunday, January 9. Work on the air conditioning units has begun. The old units inside the church have been removed. Sink fixture/pipe needs replaced in the classroom hallway. This needs to be taken care of as soon as possible. Approved \$1,000 for this expenditure. The eaves trough covers are in and look to be installed after the trees are trimmed. Linden trees will be trimmed by Ronald's Tree Service and we are close to the top of the list so that within the next two weeks it may be done. Birch tree coming down will have to wait. We are asking for a volunteer or volunteers to help organize the supplies in the storage room. New white boards for the classrooms will be purchased with memorial fund money designated for the church school. The parish finances remain stable. God bless you for your continuing your stewardship during these difficult times.

**The Orthodox Church and The Orthodox Way** by Metropolitan Kallistos (Ware) are available at the kiosk. The cost for either of the books is \$18. Please see Matushka Lisa if you would like to buy a copy.

**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY BOOKS** are also available for purchase. The cost is \$20.

**COFFEE SOCIAL** today is provided in memory of Peter & Josephine Sredich by their daughters, grandchildren and 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 or just help.

**ANGEL WING ORNAMENTS** are available for purchase from Christine Panoff or Linda Branoff. The cost is \$5 per ornament. These are for families to put in photos of fallen asleep family members. The ornaments will then be placed on a Christmas tree in the church annually. A Trisagion will be held in memory of all those fallen asleep remembered on the tree on the Sunday Saint Nicholas is observed. People may take home their ornament(s) after Theophany to keep at home until the following year.

**COOKIE WALK** is December 11<sup>th</sup>. There are signup sheets on a table as you go into the parish hall.

**ANGEL TREE PROGRAM** Our parish is sponsoring 52 children as part of our Advent Fast, by helping those in need in our local community. The name tags are available in the parish hall. Gift range is between \$25 and \$35. **(\*It's very important to keep the amounts spent for children in the same family the same amount.)\*** Gift cards are ok for 15 yrs. to 17 yrs. old. Please return the gifts to the church by December 3. Gifts do not need to be wrapped and can be placed in a (gift) bag but must have the child's name and code number on the gifts, using a separate bag for each child. Also, if you would like to adopt a child and are unable to attend services in person, please contact Connie or the office. You can contact Connie Maxim with any questions at (810) 603-7717.

**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 1<sup>st</sup>. There are forms in the narthex or you can email the office. Donations are appreciated.

**VISIT WITH ST. NICHOLAS & POTLUCK** on December 5<sup>th</sup>. You will find an envelope in your box of offering envelopes for St. Nicholas Day.

**HOLIDAY PASTRY SALE** at Assumption is Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. This is by pre-order only and the deadline is November 28<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to place an order call 810-771-4611.

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

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**PARISH MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCIL, AUDITORS & LAY**

**DELEGATES** takes place today, November 14. To vote you must have submitted a pledge card & received Confession and Communion within the past year. Only one vote per person. If you fill out an absentee vote please do not fill out a ballot on November 14. . The nominees are:

**Parish Council (3 year term)**  
**(3 will be elected )**

Lena Bakousidis  
Susie Ford  
Michelle Gerzevske (term ending)  
Sharon Jernigan (term ending)  
Michael Serra  
Jennifer Shann

**Auditor (3 year term)**  
**(1 will be elected)**

Linda Branoff (term ending)

**Lay Delegates - Oct. 2022**  
**Diocesan Conference**

**at St. George Cathedral,**  
**Rossford**  
**(2 will be elected)**  
Susie Ford  
Joe Tome

- Absentee ballots are available in the office
- Absentee ballots must be returned by November 12

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Today** Trisagion for Peter & Josephine Sredich - **Election - ballots are in the parish hall**

**Monday, November 15** CHRISTMAS FAST begins

*Father in Toledo*

**Tuesday, November 16** St. Matthew

9:30 am Divine Liturgy

**Wednesday, November 17**

No Divine Liturgy

11:15 am Adult education - kontakion "on earthquakes & fires" by St Romanos  
2:30 pm trip to Dormition Monastery

**Saturday, November 20**

5 pm Pan-Orthodox Great Vespers at Assumption

**Sunday, November 21** ENTRY OF THE THEOTOKOS

9:30 am Third and Sixth Hours

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

Church School

**Offerings for the week November 7, 2021**

*80 persons in attendance on November 7*

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 4,436.18
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ 1,332.18