

November 8, 2020

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Diocese of Toledo - Orthodox Church in America

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5. SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL AND THE OTHER BODILESS POWERS: Archangels Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Selaphiel, Jegudiel, and Barachiel. Synaxis of the Holy Unmercenaries.

TROPARIA

(Tone 5) Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead// by His glorious Resurrection.

(Tone 4) Commanders of the heavenly hosts, / we who are unworthy beseech you: /by your prayers encompass us beneath the wings of your immaterial glory, / and faithfully preserve us who fall down and cry to you: //“Deliver us from all harm, for you are the Commanders of the Powers on high!”

(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 Fourth Tone: He makes His angels spirits, / and His ministers a flaming fire.

v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, Thou art very great!

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE HEBREWS (2:2-10) Brethren: if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels; thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Alleluia, Tone 5

v: I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation.

v: You have said: Mercy will be established forever, and my truth will be prepared in the heavens.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (8:41-56) And there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Someone touched

me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me.” And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.” While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler’s house came and said, “Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher anymore.” But Jesus on hearing this answered him, “Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well.” And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, “Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, “Child, arise.” And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

COMMUNION HYMN

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

The Synaxis of the Heavenly Bodiless Powers (November 8)

The Angelic Ranks are divided into three Hierarchies: highest, middle, and lowest.

The Highest Hierarchy includes: the Seraphim, Cherubim and Thrones.

The six-winged SERAPHIM (Flaming, Fiery) (Is 6:12) stand closest of all to the Most Holy Trinity. They blaze with love for God and kindle such love in others. The many-eyed CHERUBIM (outpouring of wisdom, enlightenment) (Gen 3:24) stand before the Lord after the Seraphim. They are radiant with the light of knowledge of God, and knowledge of the mysteries of God. Through them wisdom is poured forth, and people’s minds are enlightened so they may know God and behold His glory. The THRONES (Col 1:16) stand after the Cherubim, mysteriously and incomprehensibly bearing God through the grace given them for their service. They are ministers of God’s justice, giving to tribunals, kings, etc. the capacity for righteous judgment.

The Middle Angelic Hierarchy consists of three Ranks: Dominions, Powers, and Authorities:

DOMINIONS (Col 1:16) hold dominion over the angels subject to them. They instruct the earthly authorities, established by God, to rule wisely, and to govern their lands well. The Dominions teach us to subdue sinful impulses, to subject the flesh to the spirit, to master our will, and to conquer temptation.

POWERS (1 Pet 3:22) fulfill the will of God without hesitation. They work great miracles and give the grace of wonderworking and clairvoyance to saints pleasing to God. The Powers assist people in fulfilling obediences. They also encourage them to be patient, and give them spiritual strength and fortitude.

AUTHORITIES (1 Pet 3:22, Col 1:16) have authority over the devil. They protect people from demonic temptations, and prevent demons from harming people as they would wish. They also uphold ascetics and guard them, helping people in the struggle with evil thoughts.

The Lowest Hierarchy includes the three Ranks: Principalities, Archangels, and Angels:

PRINCIPALITIES (Col 1:16) have command over the lower angels, instructing them in the fulfilling of God’s commands. They watch over the world and protect lands, nations and peoples. Principalities instruct people to render proper honor to those in authority, as befits their station. They teach those in authority to use their position, not for personal glory and gain, but to honor God, and to spread word of Him, for the benefit of those under them.

ARCHANGELS (1 Thess 4:16) are messengers of great and wondrous tidings. They reveal prophecies and the mysteries of the faith. They enlighten people to know and understand the will of God; they spread faith in God among the people, illuminating their minds with the light of the Holy Gospel. ANGELS (1 Pet 3:22) are in the lowest rank of the heavenly hierarchy, and closest to people. They reveal the lesser mysteries of God and His intentions, guiding people to virtuous and holy life. They support those who remain steadfast, and they raise up the fallen. They never abandon us and they are always prepared to help us, if we desire it.

Over all the Nine Ranks, the Lord appointed the Holy Archangel Michael (his name in Hebrew means “who is like unto God”), the faithful servitor of God, as Chief Commander. He cast down from Heaven the arrogantly proud Lucifer and the other fallen spirits when they rebelled against God. According to Church Tradition, and in the church services to the Archangel Michael, he participated in many other Old Testament events. He appeared to Joshua Son of Navi and revealed the will of the Lord at the taking of Jericho (Josh 5:13-16). Holy Scripture and Tradition give us the names of the Archangels: Gabriel: strength (power) of God, herald and servitor of Divine omnipotence (Dan 8:16, Luke 1:26). He announces the mysteries of God. Raphael: the healing of God, the curer of human infirmities (Tobit 3:16, 12:15) Uriel: the fire or light of God, enlightener (3 Ezdras 5:20). We pray for him to enlighten those with darkened minds. Selaphiel: the prayer of God, impelling to prayer (3 Ezdras 5:16). He prays to God for mankind. Jehudiel: the glorifying of God, encouraging exertion for the glory of the Lord and interceding for

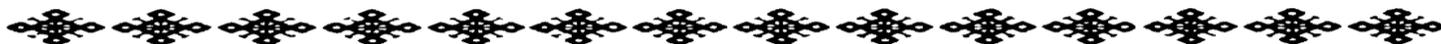
the reward of efforts. Barachiel: distributor of the blessings of God for good deeds, entreats the mercy of God for people. Jeremiel: the raising up to God (3 Ezdras 4:36)

Each person has a guardian angel, and every nation also receives its own guardian angel from God (Dan. 10:13). When a church is consecrated, it also receives a guardian angel (Palladius, Dial. Ch. 10). *from*
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The holy Gospel according to John 21:15-25 (11th Matins Gospel)

So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (*agapas*) Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love (*philo*) You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs." He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (*agapas*) Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love (*philo*) You." He said to him, "Tend My sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love (*phileis*) Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love (*fileis*) Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love (*philo*) You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep. Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish. This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me." Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, "Lord, who is the one who betrays You?" Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, "But Lord, what about this man?" Jesus said to him, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me." Then this saying went out among the brethren that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you?" This is the disciple who testifies of these things, and wrote these things; and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Happy Birthday Kuma Mira~Lord bless you

Health & God's blessing for the Elieff & Krigner families

Health for my family

Fr. Tom, Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Aaron, Milica, Calvin, Larry, Angelo, Joan, Peggy, Bob, Angelo, Christine, Dorothy, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Kosta, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Christopher, Allison, Jeanette, Kathryn, Taras Joseph, Ted, Marlene, Gladys, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family & friends.

Special Intention

Steve, my family& the Cameron family

Health and blessings for the Peck Family

Kuma Bosa

Nancy Krigner

Bosa Kantar

Joe Tome

Joe Tome

Lucy Hogg

the Peck family

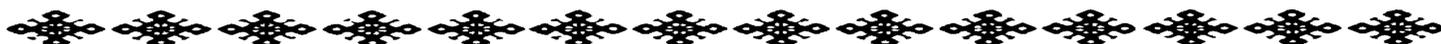
CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Harold & Nicholas Brock and James Brock Jr. Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal

Harold Brock on the 6th year anniversary

Laurie Brock

Laurie Brock, Ian, Stephanie & the girls



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](#) or [St George Church](#) or [Assumption Church](#) for their livestreams.

ANGEL TREE Our parish received 38 children. Lucy Hogg has mailed out the children's names to those sponsoring them. Please call Lucy at (810)-695-3110 if you have questions. **Gifts need to be placed in a gift bag or wrapped but you must include the child's names and code number on the gifts.** Gift range is between \$30 and \$40 - no more than \$40 per child; if you have more than one child please spend the same amount for each one. Gift

cards are ok for children 15-17 years old. Several items may be requested but you only need to pick one or more of these items. Please return the gifts by the first week in December.

Even though all of the children's name's St. Nicholas was given have been sponsored, Catholic Charities has other things needed to bless families at Christmas. You can contact Matushka Lisa for more information. The Lord bless you for your looking after those who are in need.

VOLUNTEER(S) needed to deliver donations to Catholic Charities once a month. Contact the office if you can help.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS meets on Wednesdays after Liturgy at 11:15 am-12:15 pm. The class will be continuing our book *Early Christian Fathers*, continuing with *The First Apology of St Justin the Martyr*. Contact the office if you'd like to join the class through Zoom.

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CHARITY ASSISTANCE PLATE will be set out in the narthex. This money is used for gift cards for those in need and are distributed once a month. **The funds for this ministry need replenishing.**

STEWARDS OF THE OCA On Sunday, November 15th: Support the work of the Orthodox Church in America by becoming a Steward of the OCA. Your support will enhance the work of the ministries and departments of the OCA that serve the entire church by providing important resources such as liturgical texts, liturgical music, religious educational material, and educational events. Other new and exciting projects are also under development. Go to oca.org/stewards to learn more and to view the schedule of upcoming live online events that will highlight the work and plans of the departments."

CANDLE INTENTION REQUESTS can be emailed to the office at stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com or called in.

OFFICE OPEN Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9am -3 pm

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

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

Parish Council (3 will be elected)

Shari Nicoloff (term ending this year)
Ian Price
Stephanie Price
Ellyn Serra
Michael Serra
Jennifer Shann
Jonathon Shann

Auditor (1 will be elected)

Calvin Conrad
Fannia Young

Lay Delegate - Oct. 2021 Diocesan Conference (1 will be elected)

Deborah Gonser-Adams
Susie Ford
Joe Tome

Lay Delegate - July 2021 OCA All-American Council (1 will be elected)

Deborah Gonser-Adams
Susie Ford
Joe Tome

Weekly schedule:

Today Elections after Liturgy

Tuesday, Nov 10

6:30 pm

parish council meeting in the fellowship hall with physical distancing and wearing masks. The virtual option will be available for parish council members who wish to attend by teleconference.

7 pm

OCA online church school

Wednesday, Nov 11

9:30 am

Divine Liturgy– streaming on our YouTube channel

No adult education

Fr Matthew in Toledo after Liturgy

Saturday, Oct Nov 14

5 pm

Great Vespers – streaming on our YouTube channel

Confessions after Vespers

Sunday, Nov 15

9:30 am

CHRISTMAS FAST BEGINS

Third and Sixth Hours

10 am

Divine Liturgy – streaming on our YouTube channel

1:30 pm

Baptism of Lazaros Dimitrios Stavridis

Offerings for the week November 1, 2020

36 persons in attendance on November 1st

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 1,503.22
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	\$-1,600.78