

November 30, 2025

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 narthex. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Matthew, Deacon Luke, or with one of the ushers.

Holy Communion – for Orthodox Christians (those received into the Orthodox Church through baptism or chrismation), please note that there are specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion – fasting from midnight (unless you need to take medication) and recent Confession. 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

For our visitors who are not Orthodox Christian: we welcome you to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Unfortunately we cannot extend to you a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. The Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship of our community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, but for which we must all pray. All, however, are welcome to partake of the blessed bread (antidoron) which will be given when coming forward to receive the final blessing from the priest at the conclusion of the Liturgy. **Again, welcome!**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025 25th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 8. Holy and All-praised Apostle Andrew the First-called (62). Ven. Sebastian Dabovich (1940). St. Frumentius, Archbishop of Abyssinia (Ethiopia – ca. 380).

TROPARIA

Tone 6 The Angelic Powers were at Your tomb; / the guards became as dead men. / Mary stood by Your grave, / seeking Your most pure body. / You captured hell, not being tempted by it. / You came to the Virgin, granting life. / O Lord, Who rose from the dead, // glory to You.

Tone 4 O Andrew, as the First-called of the Apostles / and brother of their Leader, / entreat the Master of all / to grant peace to the world / and to our souls great mercy.

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 3 The Virgin comes today to the cave to give birth, ineffably to bring forth the Word Eternal. Therefore, rejoice, O earth, at the message, with the angels and shepherds give glory to Him Who shall appear by His own will as a young child, He Who is from eternity God.

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. (Psalm 18:1)

THE READING IS FROM THE FIRST EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (4:9-16) Brethren, God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

Alleluia, Tone 1

v. The heavens will confess your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the church of the holy ones.

(Psalm 88:4)

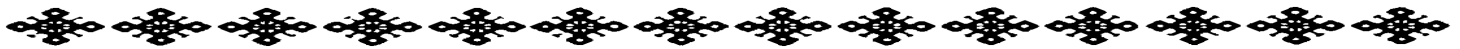
v. God – glorified in the counsel of the holy ones. (Psalm 88:4)

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (1:35-51) At that time, John stood with two of his disciples. And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi," (which is to say, when translated, Teacher) "where are You staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour). One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Now when Jesus looked at him, He said, "You are Simon the son of Jonah. You shall be called Cephas" (which is translated, A Stone). The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

COMMUNION HYMN Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! *(Psalm 148:1)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

The Popoff Family

Kosta, Helen, Magda, Jessie

Angie Kinney

Nicholas Khait, Elizabeth Khait, Artyom Khait, Aleksander Khait

Sviatlana Khait

Special Intentions for Family and Self

Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Milica, Calvin, Joan, Peggy, Bob,

Angelo, Christine, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Les, Bosa, Jeanette, Ted,

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

Special Intention

Magda Popoff

Linda Branoff

Sviatlana Khait

Bosa

Joe Tome

Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE BLESSED REPOSE OF

Dorothy Gintsis

Harold Brock Sr, Evdokia Naumoff, Nicholas Brock

Ivan, Evdokia, Mykola Ponomarenko

Natse, Peter, Angelo Popoff & Eleni

The Georgopoulos

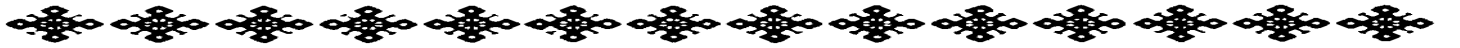
Violet Gintsis, Bill &
Freda Piper & Family

Laurie Brock

Lucy Hogg

Magda Popoff

Mary & Tom Batzos



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](#).

Nov 30 **CANDLESTAND:** Susie Ford

HOURS:

READER: Phil

Dec 7 **CANDLESTAND:** Christine Panoff

HOURS: Madison

READER: Angelo

COFFEE SOCIAL Please join us after Liturgy in the fellowship hall for coffee and bagels in memory of Angelo Popoff donated by his family.

CHURCH SCHOOL The youth are learning about [Joseph #2 \(elementary\)](#) [Joseph #2 \(high school\)](#)

LENTEN POTLUCK Please bring a lenten dish to share for the visit of Saint Nicholas on Sunday, December 7. Lenten desserts are provided by Alexandra Stith and Barry Cavett.



DECK THE HALLS AT ST. NICHOLAS! On Tuesday, December 9 at 9 am we will arrange the flowers & put up and decorate the trees and Nativity scenes in the church and the hall.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS If you would like to have your name(s) included on the annual Christmas greetings list please call or email the office no later than December 7. Donations are appreciated.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS can be sponsored in honor of the living or as a memorial for the deceased. Envelopes are also in the narthex and pews. The sponsors will be listed in the newsletter.

ANGEL WING ORNAMENTS are available for purchase from Christine Panoff or can be picked up in the office. 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. On Sunday, December 7th a Trisagion will be held in memory of all those fallen asleep remembered on tree.

ABC 12 COOKIE WALK INTERVIEW on Thurs, December 11 on Good Morning Mid-Michigan 9 to 10 am.

COOKIE WALK will be held on **Saturday, December 13 from 10 am to 1 pm**. The Cookie Walk is chaired by **Cathy Edwards** and **Staci Shank**.

- Baked goods need to be delivered by Friday, December 12 before 3 pm.
- Sign-up sheet in the parish hall to volunteer whether with baking cookies, set-up, the day of the sale, or the break-down of the hall following the sale.
- Donations are also appreciated if you cannot bring cookies so baklava & some pre-made goodies can be purchased. There is a donation jar in the parish hall.
- Please help us get the word out about the Cookie Walk! Share our parish Facebook page event and posting on the Cookie Walk, take fliers to share, let your friends and neighbors know!



KITCHEN USE Please call the office to check on availability before planning to use the kitchen. If you would like to have a workshop of the cookie walk in the kitchen, please contact the office (810-744-0070).

WEEKLY SCHEDULE Today - 6 month Trisagion for Allison Borkovich

Monday, December 1

Fr Matthew is with Archbishop Alexander returning on Tuesday, December 2.

Wednesday, December 3

11:15 am No Liturgy
adult education class

Friday, December 5

6 pm pan-Orthodox Vespers with lity for Saint Nicholas

Saturday, December 6 **Saint Nicholas**

9:30 am pan-Orthodox Liturgy for Saint Nicholas
5 pm Vespers followed by Confessions

Sunday, December 7

9:30 am third and sixth hours
10 am **Divine Liturgy**
Trisagion for those remembered on our Angel Wing tree
Saint Nicholas visits
lenten potluck
No class for inquirers, catechumens, and neophytes

Offerings for the week November 23, 2025

Weekly Tithes & Offerings	\$ 3,870.00
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 4,380.00
	\$ -510.00

92 persons in attendance on November 23