

October 2, 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, OCTOBER 2, 2022 16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7. Hieromartyr Cyprian, Virgin Martyr Justina, and Martyr Theoctistus, of Nicomedia (304). Bl. Andrew, Fool-for-Christ, at Constantinople (936). Repose of Rt. Blv. Princess Anna of Kashin (1338). Ven. Cassian of Uglich (1504). Martyrs David and Constantine, Princes of Georgia (740). Righteous Warrior Theodore Ushakov (1817).**

**TROPARIA**

**Tone 7** By Your Cross You destroyed death. To the thief You opened Paradise. For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy. And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that You are risen,// granting the world 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 6** Protection of Christians never failing, / Mediatrix before the Creator, ever constant. / Do not despise the voice of prayer of sinners, / but in your goodness come to help us who faithfully call upon you. / Hasten to entreat, hurry to pray, O Theotokos, // interceding always for those honor you.

**The prokeimenon in the seventh tone: The Lord shall give strength to His people. / The Lord shall bless His people with peace. (Psalm 28:11)**

**v. Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord! (Psalm 28:1a)**

**THE READING IS FROM FIRST EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (6:1-10)**

Brethren, we then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard You, and in the day of salvation I have helped You."

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed. But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

**Alleluia, Tone 7**

**v. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High. (Psalm 91:1)**

**v. To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (Psalm 91:2a)**

**THE READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (6:31-36)**

At that time, Jesus told His disciples, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

## COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (*Psalm 147:1*)

### **Metropolitan Tikhon's Letter on Inaugural "Church Musician Sunday"**

**October 2, 2022      Protocol 10/001**

To the Clergy, Monastics, and Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America, My Beloved Children in the Lord, 'Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Sing to him a new song, play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.' (Ps. 33:1, 3). Music suffuses the scriptures, starting from the first pages of the Pentateuch. In the fourth chapter of Genesis we read of Jubal, 'the father of all such as handle the harp and organ' (Gen. 4:21). Songs of holy people are found throughout the Old Testament and the New: the songs of Miriam, Moses, Deborah, Hannah, David, Habakkuk, Isaiah, Jonah, the Three Children, Zachariah, and the most Holy Theotokos, to name but a few.

But of course, even before the first father Adam was formed, when the physical world was first coming into being, the scriptures speak of music: 'the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy' (Job 38:7). 'Praise the Lord, O sun and moon,' says the psalmist (Ps. 148:3). Music is, in some mysterious way, part of creation and part of redemption, such that even heaven is filled with song. 'With the angels' song we cry to thee, All-powerful: Holy, Holy, Holy art thou, O God' (troparion from the Morning Prayers). And this song, though it begins in time, extends beyond time, and is taken up by the angels and saints forever. As such, the Apocalypse of St. John the Theologian is perhaps the most musically rich text of all scripture, full as it is of canticles and invocations of song: 'And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints' (Rev. 5:9, 14:3, 15:3).

Today in our churches, we carry on the tradition of sacred song, bridging the gap, as it were, between those ancient songs sung by prophets and patriarchs and the eternal song sung by angels and saints. Our traditions of church music are both a continuation of the ancient worship of the Old and New Covenants and a participation in the heavenly liturgy. This is why the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America has set aside the Sunday following the feast of Saint Romanus the Melodist for an annual celebration of church musicianship, to honor singers, choir directors, composers, arrangers, chanters, readers, bell-ringers, hymnologists, translators, hymnographers, and all who help our parishes and their congregations to make a 'joyful noise unto the Lord' (Ps. 98:4) so that our temples resound with the praise of God.

I encourage all of our parishes and institutions to take this opportunity to honor those who contribute to church music, and I urge all church leadership to help foster vocations in this area. May we all of us, at all times, according to our own vocation, praise the Lord with 'psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs' (Eph. 5:19). And may he in turn be well-pleased with our sacrifice of praise, and rejoice over us, and quiet us with his love, and sing over us in his joy (Zeph. 3:17).

With the blessing of the Lord, I remain sincerely yours in Christ,

**+TIKHON**

*Archbishop of Washington - Metropolitan of All America and Canada*

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### CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

God's blessings on my daughter Ellyn Serra on her birthday today and her family	Connie
God's blessings to our granddaughter Angela on her 14 <sup>th</sup> birthday Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Baba & Dedo
Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Milica, Calvin, Angelo, Joan, Peggy, Bob, Angelo, Christine, Dorothy, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Kosta, 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

Memory Eternal~Blessed Repose Themyana Brown (30 yrs.)	Krigner/Elieff family
Grandson Andrew Panoff on his 8 <sup>th</sup> birthday Sept. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Baba & Dedo



**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](#).

**CANDLESTAND: Dennis Jernigan**

**HOURS: Alexander Gonser**

**READER: Angelo Panoff**

**COFFEE AND DONUTS** 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.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**CHURCH SCHOOL** today [Birth of St. John the Baptist](#)

**ADULT EDUCATION** classes are on Wednesdays at 11:15 am and Saturdays after Vespers. Having read a brief biography of Geronda Aimilianos of Simonopetra, we will read his homily **"On Prayer: Problems and Temptations."** Copies are available on the table under the clock in the parish hall.

**CENTER FOR HOPE** is having a milk & food giveaway on Tuesday, October 11 from 11 am to 1 pm.

**DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE** at Assumption is hosting a fall salad luncheon on Thursday, October 13 at 11:30 am. The cost is \$10 per person. For more information call 810-771-4611.

**OCTOBER 16** luncheon in our fellowship hall following the Divine Liturgy. Come and join us!

**UKRAINIAN REFUGEES** You can support International Orthodox Christian Charity's (IOCC) humanitarian response to the Ukraine crisis through [iocc.org/ukraine22](http://iocc.org/ukraine22) or by calling 877.803.4622.

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

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**MEMORY ETERNAL - CHRIST IS RISEN** Eleftheria Rissin, a parishioner of Saint Mary Magdalene Church, fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday, September 26. Because of the ongoing expansion project at Saint Mary Magdalene Church, her funeral will be served by Fr Gabriel Bilas at our church on Friday, October 7. You may read Eleftheria's obituary at the Swartz Funeral Home website [here](#). Christ God grant His newly-fallen asleep handmaiden Eleftheria rest among the saints! Bog da prosti! Christ is risen!

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday, October 4**

6:30 pm prayer service for the sick and suffering@ St. Mary Magdalene Church

**Wednesday, October 5**

9:30 am Divine Liturgy

11:15 am Adult education class

**Friday, October 7** *Fr. Matthew in Toledo*

9:30 am visitation for Eleftheria Rissin at church

10 am funeral of Eleftheria Rissin served by Fr Gabriel Bilas, burial at Sunset Hills cemetery

**Saturday, October 8**

**No Vespers, No Confessions, No adult education**

**Sunday, October 9**

9:30 am Third and Sixth Hours

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

Church School - [Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ](#)

***Offerings for the week September 25, 2022***

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 4,097.24
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ 993.24

62 persons in attendance on September 25

**59<sup>TH</sup> DIOCESAN CONFERENCE  
at St George Cathedral, Rossford, Oh**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**

- 9 am** Divine Liturgy, Trisagion for all the fallen asleep diocesan clergy & spouses
- 11 am** brunch, conference registration  
*Fr. Alexander Rentel, OCA Chancellor - keynote presentation*
- 1 pm** break
- 2 pm** conference business session at Holiday Inn & Suites Hotel, Perrysburg, OH
- 5 pm** Vespers at St George Cathedral
- 7 pm** dinner - location to be determined

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9**

- 9:45 am** Greeting of Archbishop Alexander
- 10 am** Pontifical Divine Liturgy
- 12 noon** luncheon



**HOPE IN A BOX**

<b>Oct</b>	Socks, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Dish Soap and Shampoo
<b>Nov</b>	Dish & Laundry Soap
<b>Dec</b>	Socks, Towels, Toiletries & New Toys