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Bulletin

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The Gospel according to Saint 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.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017 21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. Martyr Anastasia the Roman (3rd c.). Ven. Abramius the Recluse, and his niece, Bl. Mary, of Mesopotamia (ca. 360). Ven. Abramius, Archimandrite of Rostov (1073-77). Martyrs Claudius, Asterius, Neon, and Theonilla, of Aegae in Cilicia (285). Righteous Anna of Constantinople (826). Monk Martyr Timothy of Esphigmenou (Mt. Athos – 1820).

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 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 Fourth Tone: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; / in wisdom hast Thou made them all.

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

THE READING IS FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE GALATIANS. (2:16-20) Brethren: We ourselves who know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Alleluia, Tone 4

v: Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth.

v: For Thou lovest righteousness, and doth hate iniquity.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT 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!

Father, when should we sit or stand during the Divine Liturgy?

The traditional posture for prayer and worship in the Orthodox Church has been to stand. In the Orthodox "old countries", there are usually no pews in the churches. Chairs or benches on the side walls are usually reserved for the elderly and infirm. In North America, we have tended to build our churches with pews, and since we have them, we need to figure out when we may sit and when we should stand. First of all, it is fully acceptable to stand for the entire service.

When should you definitely stand? **Always** during these times:

- The beginning of Liturgy & Great Litany
- The Little Entrance with the Gospel book
- The Epistle Reading
- The Gospel Reading
- The Cherubic Hymn

- The Great Entrance with the Offered Gifts
- From The Anaphora (“Let us stand aright, let us stand with fear...”) to the Dismissal of the Liturgy which includes:
- The Lord’s Prayer
- When the priest gives the blessing after Holy Communion
- At the Litany of Thanksgiving after Holy Communion
- Whenever the priest or bishop gives a blessing

If health or a medical condition makes it difficult to stand for the entire Liturgy, then we can be seated for a time.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Hally & Patsy

Alex & Magda Popoff

Fr. Tom, Fr. Gabriel, Deacon Anthony, Aaron, Reggie, Allen,
Deborah, Joann, Gloria, Luba, Kosta, Jimmy, Laurie, David, Helen, Anna, Walt,
Zina, Nicolai, Dorothy, Michael, Allison, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Jeanette, Nicholas,
Margaret, Gladys, my family and friends

Joe Tome

Special Intention

Joe Tome

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Kosta & Theodora Papalazarau and Evangelia Bakousidis
Peter Popoff & John Naum

Lena & Gerry Bakousidis
Alex & Magda Popoff



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

COFFEE & DONUTS are being provided today by Lori Brock & family in memory of Harold Brock (3 yrs.). 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

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN November 2nd 9am-12:30 pm. Please come & minister to Christ with our brothers & sisters. . “Feeding the hungry is a greater work than raising the dead.” St. John Chrysostom

HELP FOR PUERTO RICO To assist Fr. Esteban’s family in Puerto Rico we will:

- 1- Have a raffle of several items including a pearl necklace and earring set.
- 2- Have a luncheon on Sunday, November 5: sloppy joes, coleslaw, chips and cookie.

All proceeds from both events will go to Fr. Esteban’s Family. Please be generous!

2018 PLEDGE CARDS can be picked up today otherwise they will be mailed out. If you have not received yours by Nov. 6th, contact the parish office by phone 744-0070 or email stnicholas1916@att.net so that we may get a pledge card to you. Please fill out and sign your pledge card even if you do not know the amount you can pledge at this time. 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.

ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCIL, AUDITORS, AND LAY DELEGATES

The annual elections will take place on Sunday, November 5th following the Divine Liturgy.

As of October 27, 2017 the nominees are:

Parish Council Nominees (3 need to be elected)

Calvin Conrad Shari Nicoloff
Susan Ford

Auditor Nominees (2 need to be elected)

Mary Batzos Joseph Tome
Christine Panoff

2018 Diocesan Conference Lay Delegate Nominees (1 will be elected)

Joseph Tome

2018 All-American Council Lay Delegate Nominees (1 will be elected)

Joseph Tome

***Absentee Ballots are available in the parish office ***

Weekly Schedule:

Tuesday, Oct. 31

6 pm-8 pm Father Matthew in Toledo
Book Club is cancelled until November 14th

Wednesday, Nov. 1

9 am Divine Liturgy
11 am Adult Formation

Thursday, Nov. 2

9am-12:30 pm North End Soup Kitchen

Saturday Nov 4

5 pm Vespers



Sunday, Nov. 5

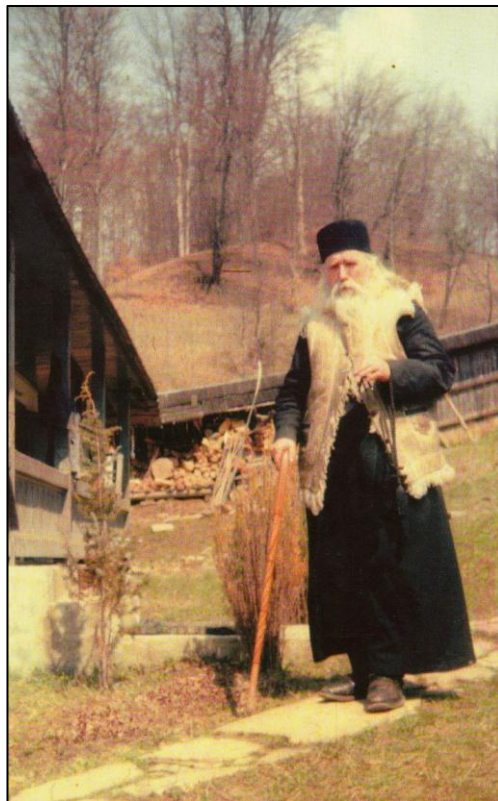
9:30 am Third Hour
10 am Divine Liturgy
Church School
Following Liturgy Election & Luncheon

Offerings for the week October 22, 2017

Weekly Offerings	\$1,725.00
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$4,034.03
	\$-2,309.03

90 people were in attendance on Sunday, October 22, 2017

“The ability to bear pain patiently increases within us through prayer, confession, holy communion, reading sacred books, the recollection of the sufferings of Our Lord Jesus Christ and all His saints. Through visiting those worse off than us and reflecting on the eternal bliss in Paradise. There’s no other path to salvation except that of the Cross, of suffering, patience and sacrifice, as the Savior says: ‘In [Through] your patience, you will gain your souls (Luke 21, 19); and ‘Those who show patience to the end will be saved (Matt. 24, 13).”



Elder Cleopa Ilie (1912-1998)