

*September 25, 2022*

**St. Nicholas Orthodox Church**

*Diocese of Toledo - Orthodox Church in America • 2143 S. Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519*

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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, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 6. Repose of Ven. Sergius (Sérgii) the Wonderworker, Abbot of Rádonezh (1392). Ven. Euphrosynē of Alexandria (5th c.). Ven. Euphrosynē of Suzdal' (1250). Translation of the Relics of St. Herman, Archbishop of Kazan' (1595). Martyr Paphnutius and 546 companions in Egypt (3rd c.). Commemoration of the Earthquake of 447 (447).**

**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** A zealot of good deeds and a true warrior of Christ our God, you struggled greatly against the passions in this passing life; in songs and vigils and fasting you were an image and example to your disciples, thus the most Holy Spirit lived within you, and you were made beautiful by His working. Since you have great boldness before the Holy Trinity, remember the flock which you have wisely gathered, // and do not forget to visit your children as you promised, venerable Sergius, our father!

**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: Let the saints exult in glory, / let them sing for joy on their couches!**  
(Psalm 149:5)

**v. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of the faithful!** (Psalm 149:1)

## **THE READING FROM THE SECOND EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS.**

**(4:6-15)** Brethren: it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed – always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

### *Alleluia, Tone 6*

*v: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the God of heaven. (Psalm 90:1)*

*v: He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust!" (Psalm 90:2)*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (5:1-11)** At that time, while the people pressed upon Jesus to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

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

### **The holy Gospel according to Luke 24:1-12 (4th Matins Gospel)**

Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. But they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. Then they went in and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you when He was still in Galilee, saying, 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.' And they remembered His words. Then they returned from the tomb and told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them, who told these things to the apostles. And their words seemed to them like idle tales, and they did not believe them. But Peter arose and ran to the tomb; and stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying by themselves; and he departed, marveling to himself at what had happened.

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

Health for the parish families

Kris & David George

Health, blessings and protection for my family

Lucy Hogg

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**

Stojan Prusac, Don & Helen Ethington, Rosemary & Marko Vuckovich, John & Rose Goodman, Stella & Tom Branoff, John & Gloria Zelenko, & Peter Sredich

Daughters & families

**ETERNAL LIGHT AT THE ALTAR**

Joseph Goodman (8 yrs.)

Dorothy Goodman

Josephine Sredich (birthday 9/25)

Daughters & families



**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:** Susie Ford

**HOURS:** Angelo Panoff

**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 [Annunciation of the Theotokos](#)

**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.

**ORTHODOX BOOK CLUB RE-BOOT!** All are invited to join! How does it work? 1) Get your book at the beginning of the month, 2) read, 3) at the end of the month gather together for fellowship and discussion!

Our first book, “May It Be Blessed” by Archimandrite Symeon Kragiopoulos, is a short (70 pp) and easy read yet profound in its teaching: “ ... learn to say “May it be blessed” ...

• Books are available NOW at St . George Church ( \$ 8 . 00 ) - Make checks out to St . George Church Bookstore

• Sign up with Fr. Mike Bassett ( [frdnmike@gmail.com](mailto:frdnmike@gmail.com) / 989 . 627 . 9580 )

• Local (live) and remote (Zoom) discussions will be available - details to be coordinated by mid - September. - **Fr. Michael Bassett**

**ORTHODOX WOMEN IN THE HEALING MINISTRIES** 29th Annual Retreat is September 30 & October 1, 2022. There will be a different speaker than originally planned. Fr. Silviu Bunta will be the guest speaker. He studied early Judaism and ancient Christianity at Marquette University with Archbishop Alexander (Golitzin). His topic will be "Scripture is our life: thoughts on the Orthodox interpretation of Scripture". You can register at: <https://owhm.org/>

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**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.

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Wednesday, September 28**

9:30 am Divine Liturgy  
11:15 am Adult education class

**Friday, September 30**

*Father driving Archbishop Alexander to and from Bishop Daniel's enthronement  
Orthodox Women in Healing Ministries retreat at Dormition Monastery*

**Saturday, October 1**

**Protection of the Mother of God**

Orthodox Women in Healing Ministries retreat at Dormition Monastery

**Enthronement of Bishop Daniel of Chicago and the Diocese of the Midwest at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Chicago**

*No Vespers, No Confessions, No adult education*

**Sunday, October 2**

9:30 am Third and Sixth Hours

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

Church School - [Birth of St. John the Baptist](#)

**Offerings for the week September 18, 2022**

Weekly Offerings	\$ 3,982.42
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ 878.42

*47 persons in attendance on September 18*