

*September 26, 2021*

**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 26, 2021 **14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 5. Repose of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian (2nd c.). Ven. Ephraim, Abbot of Perekóp, Wonderworker of Novgorod (1492).**

**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 2** Beloved Apostle of Christ our God, hasten to deliver a defenseless people! He Who allowed you to recline on His breast, receives you as you bow before Him. Implore Him, O John the Theologian, to disperse the persistent threat from the heathens, // entreating for us peace and 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 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 are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Psalm 18:1)**

**THE READING IS FROM THE FIRST CATHOLIC EPISTLE OF THE APOSTLE JOHN (4:12-19)**

Beloved: No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. We love Him because He first loved us.

*Alleluia, Tone 1*

**v: The heavens will praise Your wonders, O Lord; and Your truth in the congregation of the saints.** (*Psalm 88:5*)

**v: God is glorified in the council of His saints.** (*Psalm 88:7*)

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (19:25-27, 21:24-25)** Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home. 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.

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

**The holy Gospel according to Mark 16: 9-20 (3rd Matins Gospel)**

Now when Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had cast seven demons. She went and told those who had been with Him, as they mourned and wept. And when they heard that He was alive and had been seen by her, they did not believe. After that, He appeared in another form to two of them as they walked and went into the country. And they went and told it to the rest, but they did not believe them either. Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover. So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.

**The falling asleep of the holy apostle and evangelist John the Theologian (September 26)** This Apostle was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and was the son of Zebedee and Salome, and the brother of James the elder. First a fisherman by trade, he became an Apostle and the beloved Disciple of Christ. Only he of all the Disciples followed Him even to the Cross, and was entrusted with the care of our Saviour's Mother, as it were another son to her, and a brother of Christ the Teacher. After this, he preached throughout Asia Minor, especially in Ephesus. When the second persecution against the Christians began in the year 96 during the reign of Domitian, he was taken in bonds to Rome, and there was cast into a vat filled to the brim with boiling oil. Coming forth therefrom unharmed, he was exiled to the island of Patmos, where he wrote the Book of Revelation. Returning again to Ephesus after the death of the tyrant, he wrote his Gospel (after the other Evangelists had already written theirs) and his three Catholic Epistles. In all, he lived ninety-five years and fell asleep in the Lord during the reign of Trajan in the year 100. He was called Theologian because he loftily expounded in his Gospel the theology of the inexpressible and eternal birth of the Son and Word of God the Father. It is for this cause that an eagle-a symbol of the Holy Spirit, as Saint Irenaeus says-is depicted in his icon, for this was one of the four symbolic living creatures that the Prophet Ezekiel saw (Ezek. 1:10).

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

Health & God's blessings for Fr. Matthew

Health & God's blessings for the Elieff & Krigner family

God's blessing for good health to our godson Noah on his birthday, Sept. 20

Nancy Krigner

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Christine & Angelo

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

Joe Tome  
Joe Tome  
Mom & Dad  
Lucy Hogg

Special Intention

God's blessings to all of our grandkids & their parents

My family

### **CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE**

Blessed Repose to our grandson Andrew on his 7<sup>th</sup> birthday Sept 25 & grandson  
Matthew

Baba & Dedo

### **ETERNAL LIGHT AT THE ALTAR**

Joseph Goodman Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal

Dorothy



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[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](#) [Assumption Church](#) or  
[Dormition Monastery](#) for their livestreams.

**CAR SHOW** Thank you to everyone who came to the car show. A special thanks to Dennis & Sharon  
Jernigan for cooking the burgers & to Steve & Shari Nicoloff for donating the hamburger meat.

**PROSFORA FOR DIVINE LITURGY** is needed. Anyone who can bake some it would be greatly  
appreciated.

**COFFEE SOCIAL** 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 or just help.

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

**CANDLE INTENTION REQUESTS** email to the office at [stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com](mailto:stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com) or call.

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it to the parish address: 2143 S Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519.**

### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Today** Church School begins

**Tuesday, September 28** *Father in Toledo*

### **Wednesday, September 29**

11:15 am No Divine Liturgy  
Adult education

**Friday, October 1**

10 am

**Pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy-Protection of the Mother of God**

**Saturday, October 2**

*\*note time for Vespers - this Saturday only\**

4:30 pm

**Great Vespers - streaming on our YouTube channel**

*Confessions*

**Sunday, October 3**

9:30 am

Third and Sixth Hours

10 am

**Divine Liturgy - streaming on our YouTube channel**

Church School

**Offerings for the week September 19, 2021**

*48 persons in attendance on September 19<sup>th</sup>*

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 1,312.05
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	<b>\$ -1,791.95</b>

