

*September 27, 2020*

*St. Nicholas Orthodox Church*

*Diocese of Toledo - Orthodox Church in America*

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020** 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — **Tone 7. Martyrs Callistratus and his company (49 Martyrs—ca. 304). Ven. Savvatii (Sabbatius), Wonderworker of Solovétsky Monastery (1435). Apostles Mark, Aristarchus, and Zenas, of the Seventy (1st c.). Martyr Epicharis of Rome (3rd c.). Ven. Ignatius, Abbot in Asia Minor (963-975), Saint Anthimus the Georgian.**

**TROPARIA**

**(Tone 7)** By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art 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, Mediatress 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!***

***v. Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!***

**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 Thy Name, O Most High!***

***v. To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night.***

**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!

**Saint Anthimus the Georgian – September 27** Saint Anthimus was born in Georgia, and his parents were called John and Mary. The child received the name Andrew in Baptism, and his parents raised him as an Orthodox Christian.

Andrew was captured by Turks who invaded Georgia when he was young, and he was one of many who were made slaves in Constantinople. There he learned to speak Greek, Arabic, and Turkish, and also became skilled in woodcarving, embroidery, and painting. After a few years as a slave, Andrew escaped and fled to the Ecumenical Patriarchate for refuge.

Around 1690, Andrew was invited to Wallachia by Prince Constantine Brancoveanu (August 16), who had heard of his talents. After a year or so, he became a monk and received the name Anthimus. Later, he was ordained to the holy priesthood. He was placed in charge of the royal print shop in Bucharest, and later set up a printing house in the Snagov Monastery. The monastery printed sixty-three books in Romanian, Greek, Arabic, and Georgian. Saint Anthimus was the author of thirty-eight of them. He was chosen to be the igumen of Snagov in 1696.

The saint was consecrated as Bishop of Rimnicu-Vilcea in 1705, and three years later he was made Metropolitan of Wallachia. As Metropolitan, he established schools for poor children, and built churches and monasteries. Since he was a woodcarver, he used his talent to beautify many churches.

Saint Anthimus was a zealous pastor who satisfied his flock's hunger for spiritual knowledge. Preaching in the Romanian language, he taught them the saving truths of Orthodoxy, and offered words of encouragement and consolation. His edifying books and sermons are part of the spiritual legacy of the Romanian Orthodox Church.

Metropolitan Anthimus was arrested by the Turks in 1716 and sentenced to be exiled at Saint Catherine's Monastery on Mt. Sinai, but he never arrived at his destination. On September 27, 1716, he was killed by the soldiers who were escorting him. They cut his body into little pieces and threw them into the Tungia River, south of the Danube. Thus, the faithful servant of Christ received the crown of martyrdom.

Saint Anthimus was a true shepherd of his flock, and a father to his clergy. He was glorified by the Orthodox Church of Romania in 1992. *from [oca.org](http://oca.org)*

### **The holy Gospel according to Luke 24:12-35 (5th Matins Gospel)**

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. Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?" And He said to them, "What things?" So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened. Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but Him they did not see. Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory? And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent."

And He went in to stay with them. Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.

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

Continued health & blessings on his birthday-Noah Gonser	His family
Fr. Tom, Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Aaron, Milica, Calvin, Larry, Angelo, Joan, Peggy, Bob, Angelo, Christine, Dorothy, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Kosta, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Christopher, Allison, Jeanette, Kathryn, Joseph, Ted, Marlene, Gladys, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family & friends.	Joe Tome
Special Intention	Joe Tome

**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE**

Kum Luka Prusac	Kuma Bosa
Blessed Repose to our grandson Matthew (11 mo.). Love always	Baba & Dedo
Blessed Repose to our grandson Andrew on his 6 <sup>th</sup> birthday Sept. 25 <sup>th</sup> Love always	Baba & Dedo
Themyana Brown 28 yrs. Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal (Sept. 21)	Dorothy Goodman



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](#) or [St George Church](#) or [Assumption Church](#) for their livestreams.

**FORTY DAY MEMORIAL** for Anna Branoff after Liturgy today.

**ONLINE CHURCH SCHOOL** for middle school and high school will be held every Tuesday at 7 pm. The interactive sessions will explore various topics of interest to Orthodox Christian students via video conference and will last approximately one hour. [Middle School](#) teacher, Ms. Catherine Golitzn (one of Archbishop Alexander's nieces), will lead the Middle School class, and Father Alexander Koranda of [Holy Trinity Cathedral](#) in Chicago, IL, along with Father Jonathan Lincoln of [Saint Joseph Church](#) in Wheaton, IL will team-teach the High School class. For students to participate, no registration is required. To join the class, visit [oca.org/ocs](http://oca.org/ocs). Students should click on the link for their level no earlier than 15 minutes prior to the starting time and they will gain access to the online class.

**PROTECTION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD**, one of our Lady's feasts, is celebrated on [October 1](#). We will keep this feast with [Vespers on Wednesday, September 30 at 6 pm – livestreamed](#) and [Divine Liturgy on Thursday, October 1 at 10 am- livestreamed](#). These services are open to everyone to attend in person.

**ANGEL TREE** We will participate in the Angel Tree program again this year. **Please call or email the office as soon as possible** if you are interested and let us know how many children you would like to sponsor. Christmas seems a long way off right now but we have to let Catholic Charities know how many children we will help this Christmas.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets on Wednesdays at 11:15 am-12:15 pm in the fellowship hall. The class will be continuing our book *Early Christian Fathers*, beginning with *The Didache*.

**NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN** Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 9 am-1 pm.

**CANDLE INTENTION REQUESTS** can be emailed to the office at [stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com](mailto:stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com) or called in.

**OFFICE OPEN** Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9am -3 pm

**BURIAL** of Helen Ashmun took place on Tuesday, September 22 at 11 am in our parish cemetery. Bog da prosti!  
Christ is risen!

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**KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THOSE IN NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES**

To aid in your outreach, here is a listing of their addresses:

Larry Bladecki	3254 E. Midland Rd.	Bay City, MI 48706
Gladys Edwards	2 Harbor Dr.	St. Clair, MO 63077
Paul Ellis	2360 Stonebridge Dr.	Flint, MI 48532
Vasilka Karatza	Regency 1330 Grand Pointe Ct	Grand Blanc, MI 48439
Jo Sredich	Serenity 11328 N Bray Rd	Clio, MI 48420

**ROTATING SCHEDULE** You will receive a phone call and an e-mail from the parish office notifying you of the Sunday Liturgy location you are scheduled to attend. The groups have been consolidated into two rather than three groups. **Please arrive at least 10 minutes before Liturgy.**

**WHEN YOUR HOUSEHOLD WISHES TO BE ADDED TO THE ROTATION, PLEASE CALL OR E-MAIL THE PARISH OFFICE: 810-744-0070 or [stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com](mailto:stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com)**

**Weekly schedule:**

**Tuesday, Sept 29**

**7 pm** **OCA online church school**

**Wednesday, Sept 30**

**9 am** **Divine Liturgy– streaming on our YouTube channel**

11:15 am Adult education in the fellowship hall (physical distancing and wearing of masks)

**6 pm** **Vespers – streaming on our YouTube channel**

**Thursday, Oct 1**

**10 am** **THE PROTECTION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD**  
**Divine Liturgy– streaming on our YouTube channel**

**Friday, Oct 2**

Fr. Matthew in Toledo

**Saturday, Oct 3**

1 pm Annual Diocesan Conference (virtual) [Fr. Matthew in Toledo]

**5 pm** **Great Vespers – streaming on our YouTube channel**

Confessions after Vespers – other times by appointment

**Sunday, Oct 4**

9:30 am

Third and Sixth Hours

**10 am**

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

Group 1 is in the church and Group 2 is in the fellowship hall

**Offerings for the week Sept. 20, 2020**

*27 persons in attendance on September 20*

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	\$ 1,228.80
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	\$ 3,104.00
	<b>\$-1,875.20</b>