

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Monthly Newsletter

Diocese of Toledo-Orthodox Church in America

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Services: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday- 9:30 am Divine Liturgy adult education 11:15 am

Saturday – 5 pm Vespers followed by Confessions

Holydays: Vespers & Liturgy as announced

“May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.” St. Jude 1:1

SEPTEMBER 2021

St Isaac the Syrian - II / Homily 40

15. "Who, on seeing and hearing these things, will be stirred by recollection of his sins, and which will throw doubt in his mind: 'Will God forgive me, if I ask Him, these things by which I am pained and by whose memory I am tormented? Things by which, though I abhor them, I go on backsliding, but after they have taken place the pain they give me is even more than that of a scorpion's sting; though I abhor them, I am still right in the middle of them, and when I repent of them with suffering, I return to them again in a wretched way.'

16. This is how many God-fearing people think, people who foster virtue and are pricked with the suffering of compunction, who mourn over sin, yet human propensity compels them to bear up with the backsliding which results from it: they live between sin and repentance all the time.

17. Let us not be in doubt, O humanity, concerning the hope of our salvation, seeing that He who bore sufferings for our sakes is very concerned for our salvation; His mercifulness is far more extensive than we can conceive, His grace is greater than that which we ask for. For the right hand of our Lord is stretched out night and day, while He is on the look-out to support, comfort, and encourage everyone – especially to see if He can find any who endure even just a little suffering and grief so that their sins may be forgiven – people who are grieved over the small portion of their righteousness which is snatched away from them from time to time during the contest with the passions and with sin. Using even such small starting points as these, His aim is to make them heirs of the Kingdom of heaven, and to bring them, without any hindrance, into His joy.”

Hours Schedule

<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>
5 Angelo	3 Angelo	7 Angelo
12 Lucy	10 Lucy	14 Lucy
19 Alexander	17 Alexander	21 Alexander
26 Calvin	24 Calvin	28 Calvin

If you are unable to make your assigned reading date, please find a replacement.

Reader Schedule

<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>
5 Ruth	3 Ruth	7 Ruth
12 Alexander	10 Alexander	14 Alexander
19 Kathy	17 Kathy	21 Kathy
26 Angelo	24 Angelo	28 Angelo

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PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE Parish council met in person on Tuesday, August 10 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Linda Branoff made a report on behalf of the Macedonian Open Committee, the income from the Open will be announced at the outdoor Liturgy on August 22. Adjustments will be made crediting full amounts donated for the Macedonian Open and will be reflected on a future statement. She also made a report on behalf of the auditors that all of 2020 is completed and 2021 will be started. The new livestreaming equipment is up and running and any issues are being ironed out. Church school is moving to a one room classroom with lessons that can be taught for the various age groups at once - craft for the younger children, in-depth material for the older children. The motor on the air conditioner on the south wall in the church is broken. The units are forty years old and parts are no longer available. The other units will begin to fail. New units will be priced to see the cost to replace them all. The covers for the gutters are being looked into and additions of a couple of downspouts. The cemetery needs weed treatment. Want to know what is happening on Center Road in front of the church. The compressor in the large refrigerator in the bar room is going bad. Archbishop Alexander will visit November 6 & 7 for the 105th anniversary and we are looking into a catered dinner in our fellowship hall following the Liturgy on Sunday, November 7. Looking into hiring a financial secretary part-time to handle QuickBooks not-for-profit, a position which can be posted on our website and Facebook page. Jonathon Shann resigned from the parish council and the remainder of his term will be filled by Ellyn Serra.

FROM OUR CHOIR - Choir rehearsals resume on Sunday, September 12 at 9 am in the back classroom. Please consider joining us at rehearsals & services & becoming part of the choir, as we need new singers. Music is a ministry of the church. We sing as a community of singers and our hearts are welcoming you all.

DIOCESAN CATECHIST & DEACON'S PROGRAM Archbishop Alexander has blessed for our Diocese an online catechist, church school teacher, and diaconal vocations program headed by Fr Silviu Bunta and Fr Bogdan Bucur. *Registration deadline is October 1. If you would like details or to register, please see Fr. Matthew.*

105th ANNIVERSARY This year is 105 years since the founding of our parish. Archbishop Alexander will come November 6 and 7 for the celebration. Read future bulletins and newsletters for details.

PAN-ORTHODOX CELEBRATIONS for the Nativity of the Mother of God at St Mary Magdalene Church, Fenton - Tues., Sept. 7 at 6 pm Vespers & Wed., Sept. 8 at 9 am Divine Liturgy.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONFERENCE will take place September 25 & 26 at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church, Lorain, OH. Our parish will be represented by Fr. Matthew, Deacon Luke, and Susie Ford.

THE PARISH COUNCIL will meet on September 14th @ 6:30 pm. Please call or email the parish office if you are unable to attend this meeting.

YOUNG ADULTS Parish council is looking to help our youth, in college and those beginning their careers, remain engaged in their life in Christ, especially during the complexities of the pandemic and the stresses of college life. To do this we need your help. Specifically, we need the contact information (e-mail) for our young adults so that we can reach out to them to link them up with their local Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) or Orthodox church in their area. You can call the parish office 810-744-0070 or have your child, grandchild, or godchild send an email to stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS



❖ Church School will begin on Sunday, September 26th. The New Year will begin with prayers during the Liturgy for the teachers and students and a blessing after Communion for them as they go to class. See you then!

September Coffee Hour Volunteers	
5	
12	
19	
26	

 HOPE IN A BOX	
September	Bar & Hand Soap
October	Soctober
November	Dish Soap & Laundry Soap

CHARITY MINISTRIES

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN We serve Thursday, September 2nd from 9 am to 1 pm.

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting Bar & Hand Soap for September. 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES need volunteers at Ginormous Tent Sale! The sale runs from September 3 through 7 at the ELGA office on Center Road in Burton. If you are interested in lending a hand just go to SignUpGenius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da9ac2fa1ffcf8-2021> . Help us make this the best sale ever! *Mary Stevenson* 810-265-7025 ext. 712

CONFESSIONS the sacrament of Confession is offered on Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment. Call the parish office 810-744-0070 or e-mail stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com to make an appointment.

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, & NAMESDAYS

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sandra Spankie
- 3 Gregory Oginsky
- 6 Anastasia Butrie
Roseanne Bagale
- 9 Lazaros Stavridis
- 10 Cathy Steiner
- 12 Brandon Conover
Ciera Conover
Joseph Neely
- 14 Amani Helal
Matthew Batzos
- 18 Peggy Russell
- 20 Nick Sfetkidis
Noah Gonser
Peter Economou
Taras-Michael Butrie
- 27 James Shann
- 28 Kathy Swanigan
- 30 Luke Shann



NAMESDAYS

- 1 Joshua Brucksch
Joshua Vuckovich
- 5 Betty Nicevski
Caitlyn Elizabeth Nicole Rittman
Lisa Pray
Ressa Ann Borkovich
Quin Elizabeth Gerzevske
- 9 Anna Zubovich
Cortney Anne Batzos
Kelly Anne Panoff
Megan Ann Krigner
Nancy Ann Krigner
Nancy Borkovich
Peggy Ann Russell
- 16 Lucy (Ludmilla) Hogg
- 17 Luba Todorovsky
Luba Yosheff
Madi Lu Fisher
Sophia Batzos
- 18 Ariana Loomis
Arinn Alexandra Pray
Ashley Goodman
- 20 Oleg Dashevsky
Oleg Zubovich

ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 George & Sherry Brown (1978)
- 11 Thomas & Nancy Krigner (1988)
- 19 Dennis & Sharon Jernigan (1964)
- 20 Jerry & Christine Brucksch (1986)
- 27 Jeremy & Jami Fisher (2008)
- 29 Bob & Cathy Edwards (2000)

If your name is missing or has the incorrect information in the birthday, anniversary or namesday list please call the office: (810) 744-0070

DAILY INTERCESSION FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

VISITATION TO THE SICK Presently, Fr. Matthew may bring Communion to those who are at home and to some nursing homes. If you would like to be added to this list, please contact the office.

DAILY INTERCESSION FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

The following are our brothers and sisters of St. Nicholas who are currently homebound, suffering from chronic illness, in recovery or in need of special prayers. Please remember them in your prayers and reach out to them with a card, a phone call or a visit! Please call the office to schedule a visit for Holy Communion.

Deacon John Bocek
Linda Branoff
Mary Abu-Aita

Gladys Edwards
Paul Ellis
Bill Haw

Mary Karayanis
Nick Karayanis
Macy Lemmen

Ron Salhany
Bill Tadrack
Wendy Tadrack

To aid in your outreach, here is a listing of the addresses and phone numbers of our Homebound:

Gladys Edwards
Paul Ellis

2 Harbor Dr.
2360 Stonebridge Dr.

St. Clair, MO 63077
Flint, MI 48532



THE PAN-ORTHODOX CHURCHES
OF GENESEE COUNTY

NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS



VESPERS & LITIJA
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH
6:00PM

DIVINE LITURGY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH
9:00AM



PAN-ORTHODOX SERVICES HOSTED BY
ST. MARY MAGDALENE
2439 S. LONG LAKE RD
FENTON, MI 48430

THE 40TH MACEDONIAN OPEN

2021 GOLF SCRAMBLE



The Macedonian Open Committee would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's event a success. We are proud to announce that this year's total of \$24,216.33 is an all-time record and will be placed in the Capital Improvement Fund. We could not have done it without everyone's help. We encourage all parishoners to patronize the businesses listed below!

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Sredich Family
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Christine Panoff
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Kathy Condon

Nancy Krigner
Scott Brotebeck
Jeanette Brayan
Father Matthew
Val Evananenko
Alexander Gonser
Allen & Debra Adams
Dave & Marla Houser
George & Niki Naum
Kerry & Cathy Gonser
Anastasia Pirkovic
Alex Karayanis

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Mr. Bread
Scotty's -
Tommy Z
Gazall-Lewis Architects
Valley Breakfast & Bistro
Lena Bakousidis
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Michigan Quality Laminating

Special Thanks to ALL of our Volunteers!

We've updated our newsletter mailing list. If you want to save the postage & only receive it by email (or not at all) please let the office know. We apologize if you've already done this in the past, but after so many revisions due to covid we're starting fresh with the mailing list.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p><i>Times and events are subject to change</i></p>		<p>1  Church New Year 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult ed.</p>	<p>2 9am to 1 pm North End Soup Kitchen Office Closed</p>	<p>3 </p>	<p>4 5 pm Vespers Confessions</p>
<p>5 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>6  Office Closed</p>	<p>7 Fr. in Toledo 6 pm Pan-Orthodox Vespers at St. Mary Magdalene Church for the Nativity of the Theotokos</p>	<p>8  Nativity of the Theotokos 9 am Pan-Orthodox Liturgy at St. Mary Magdalene Church</p>	<p>9 Office Closed</p>	<p>10 </p>	<p>11 5 pm Vespers Confessions</p>
<p>12 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>13 6 pm Pan-Orthodox Vespers Divine Liturgy at our church for the Elevation of the Cross</p>	<p>14 Elevation  of the Cross 6:30 pm Parish Council</p>	<p>15  9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult ed.</p>	<p>16 Office Closed</p>	<p>17 </p>	<p>18 5 pm Vespers Confessions</p>
<p>19 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22  9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult ed.</p>	<p>23 Office Closed</p>	<p>24  Ss Juvenaly & Peter of Alaska</p>	<p>25 <i>No Vespers</i> <i>No Confessions</i> Diocesan Conference at Ss Cyril & Methodius Church, Lorain, OH</p>
<p>26 <i>Rest of St John the Theologian</i> 9:30 Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy Church School begins</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29  No Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult ed.</p>	<p>30</p>	<p> Fast Dairy Permitted (no meat) Wine & Oil Permitted (no meat) Fish Permitted (no other meat)</p>	
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