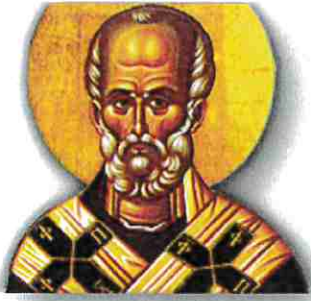


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WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!

VISIT www.stnickspgh.org TODAY for news and updates about our parish!

CLERGY: Rev. Fr. Christopher Bender and Rev. Dn. Robert Lykos

Father's Cell & Email: 724-630-3483; frchbender@verizon.net.

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CHANTERS: Steve Andrews, & Michael Rodites

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Steve Andrews

ORGANIST: Haley Cobb

ALTAR BOY CAPTAINS: Dimitri Gary, Christos Mavrogeorgis,
Steven Kefalos & Chris Kefalos

Questions about our Parish? Email church@stnickspgh.org

CHURCH SERVICE SCHEDULE: Sept 15 - June, Orthros 8:30 a.m. & Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

TO OUR VISITORS & GUESTS: *We welcome you to worship today. Whether you are an Orthodox Christian or this is your first visit to an Orthodox Church, we are happy to see you! Although Holy Communion and other Sacraments are offered only to baptized and chrismated (confirmed) Orthodox Christians in good standing with the church, all are invited to receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) from the priest at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. After services, please join us in the Church hall for fellowship and refreshments. Please sign our visitor's book at the back of the church before you leave today, and leave an email address if you want to receive news & announcements from St. Nicholas.*

TODAYS MEMORIAL SERVICE is being chanted for the soul of the servant of God, *Dr Alexander Zavaras* (3 months), while the **TRISAGION SERVICE** is offered by the Greek School in memory of *Paraskevi Mavrogeorgis(1997), Vasilis Krinis(1997), Rudolph Athanasios Agraphiotis(1952), Vasiliki Bellios(2015), Harry Constandy(1961), Helen Hampers(2014), George Hazinas(2013), Ismene Kephalyiannis(2013), John Sevilles(2002), George Thomas(1998), Angelo Tsourekis(2001).* Also being remembered in today's Trisagion is *Magdalini Hnarakis, mother of Marie Hnarakis, and related family members.*

PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and fellowship following services, hosted by Greek School and Sponsored by Dr Katerina Zavaras.

**TODAY – Philoptochos Membership Drive “Mimosas & Membership”
Greek School Annual Bake Sale**

THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

- Monday, Jan 27: Food Festival Baklava Prep
- Saturday, February 1: Greek School 10am; **ALSO: Great Vespers at Presentation of Christ Greek Orthodox Church in East Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.**
- Next Sunday, February 2: **Presentation of Christ. Church services will take place as usual on Sundays at St. Nicholas: Orthros, 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.**

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SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY (SMALL ENTRANCE):

First to be chanted as the priest exits the Altar at the Small Entrance is the Apolytikion for the Tone of the Week (Grave or Varys). See pp. 104-105 in the new Divine Liturgy books.

Then, the usual Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) in Tone 2 is chanted:

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι Ἀλληλούϊα. "Come let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us O Son of God, who arose from the dead. We sing to you, Alleluia."

The Resurrection Apolytikion in Tone 7 is repeated, followed by the hymn for St. Nicholas:

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιίμνῃ σου, ἢ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτίσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε· πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

The truth of things have revealed you to your flock as a rule of faith, an icon of meekness, and a teacher of temperance; for this cause you have achieved the heights by humility, riches by poverty. O Father and Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Finally, the Kontakion in Tone 1 for the Presentation of Christ (Feb. 2) is chanted:

Ὁ μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεῶν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἀλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόανθρωπος.

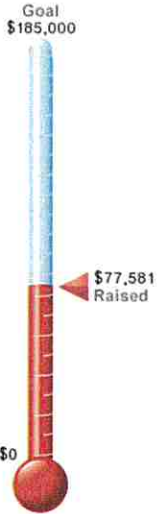
Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE: 1 Timothy 4:9-15. Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. [RSV]

GOSPEL: Luke 19:1-10. At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost." [RSV] *After the readings, please turn to page 41 in the new Divine Liturgy Book for the rest of the service.*

2020 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex
(Just ask a member of Parish Council)



If you have already submitted your 2020 Stewardship Commitment, THANK YOU! If not, please take the time to make your financial Stewardship Commitment today and complete the talent portion of the card to enable OUR Community to grow and carry on the mission of our faith.

HELP US REACH/ EXCEED OUR GOAL!!

*"A Time for Every Purpose
 Under Heaven"*
 The Stewardship of Time
 Ecclesiastes 3

<u>2020</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	129 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$77,581.00 GOAL \$185,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$601.40

Greek School News

TODAY, January 26th Greek School "Celebration of the Three Hierarchs and Greek Letters" is being held today with an Artoclasia and small presentation. Yanna Mavrogeorgis and Maria Sider-Rose will give small speeches and students will be recognized for successfully passing Elinomatheas Proficiency Exams from Greece. Acknowledgement will also be given for the academic team of Stephania Bounos, Yanna Mavrogeorgis, and Ariadne Petroulakis who came in First Place, Advanced Level in the Quiz Bowl of the 7th Annual Metropolis of Pittsburgh's Greek Language Festival held in Cleveland on November 2.

PHILOPTOCHOS UPDATES



The Philoptochos Board Invites You To *Mimosas & Membership*
TODAY
 During Coffee Hour
 Join us to celebrate our wonderful organization and our amazing women as we kick off our 2020 membership drive.
 Bring your membership donation to receive your complimentary mimosa!

Food Bank – The Food Bank continues to need your support! You can donate by making a check payable to the “St. Nicholas Philoptochos Food Bank” or through United Way by designating the St. Nicholas Food Bank (#3288) through your employers United Way contribution. Questions: contact Elaine Andrianos (412-731-4334) or Denise Daugherty (412-508-1326).
FOCUS Food Drive – We will continue collecting non-perishable food donations for FOCUS in the large bin outside of the church office. Donations are greatly appreciated! For additional information, please contact Venetia Moreno or Cathy Pandeladis.

FROM THE CHURCH SCHOOL DESK:

The St. Nicholas Church School teachers, staff and students want to wish our GOYANs (and Church School students) Good Luck at the GOYA Basketball Tournament at Holy Trinity (Canton, OH) next weekend!

Church School students in grades 7th-12th have the opportunity to learn more about their faith and participate in the St. Nicholas Oratorical Festival that will be held in March 2020. For more information, please contact Chairman Eve Elsen at 412-580-9415 or eve.m.elsen@gmail.com.

And thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday!

Yours in Christ, Miss Michelle

SIXTY CLUB NEWS

Save the date: **February 2**, small hall, after Liturgy—short business meeting to make plans for 2020. Bring your own coffee and donuts and any suggestions you may have.

Virginia is collecting \$15.00 per person for 2020 dues. Please make checks payable to St. Nicholas Sixty Club.

NEW DATE

Join US for Our Annual
Vlahokerasiotiki
Makaronada Dinner & Dance
Sunday, February 23, 2020

Food Festival Prep

We did it! We completed Kourambiethes in one day! Thank you to all who made this possible.

We are now working on our popular **Baklava**.

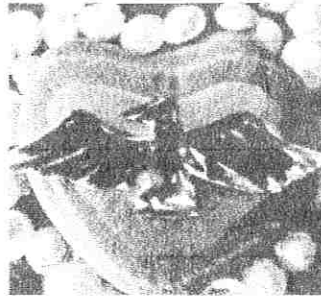
We started Friday, and cancelled Saturday due to the Makaria.

Please join us **today, after Church till 4:00 and/or tomorrow anytime between 9:00am and 7:30pm**. We've extended our cooking hours Monday into the early evening hours with hopes of finishing Baklava. Hopefully we can complete the 230 pans by then. St. Nicholas appreciates your efforts.

GOYA NEWS

GOYA info from the past tournament, "Congratulations to the Senior Boys and Junior Girls team for both finishing in 2nd place, While the Senior Girls and Junior Boys both Won Consolation.

Thank you to the coaches, advisors, chaperones, and parents for all their support, to make this a great weekend." Our next tournament will be in 2 weeks in Canton.



MIDNIGHT HELPERS

WHO ARE MIDNIGHT HELPERS?

We are a global aid team for the Greek island of Chios that is based in Pittsburgh.

WHAT WE DO:

Midnight Helpers is an online news source through Facebook, a help network, and we ship specific, direct aid to Chios and nearby Greek islands. Shipments have been ongoing since 2016.

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YOU'RE
Invited

*to an afternoon Celebration for
Presentation of Christ Feastday*

PANEGYRI

Sunday, February 2, 2020

Immediately Following Divine Liturgy
at Presentation of Christ Olympia Community Center



Special Performance by: **The Grecian Odyssey Dancers**

MUSIC! FUN!

And a Silent Auction!

Fun Activities for Children

Bring your family and friends and enjoy the afternoon party!

PRICE: Adults: \$20; Teens & Students \$10; Children 12 & under: FREE

For Reservations, please call Mary Doreza at 412-877-3415

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					31	1 Greek School, 10:00 am GOYA BB Tournament Canton, OHIO Jan 31-Feb 2
2 Presentation of Christ in the Temple Orthros, 8:30 am Divine Liturgy, 10 am GOYA BB in Canton, OH	3	4	5	6 St. Photios – (Patron Saint of our Metropolis) (Site and time of service TBA) Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) Meeting 7 pm	7	8 Greek School, 10:00 am
9 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee Orthros, 8:30 am, Divine Liturgy, 10 am	10 Hieromartyr Haralambos Orthros 9 am Divine Liturgy, 10 am	11	12	13 Living Orthodoxy 11 am OCF, 7 pm	14	15 Greek School, 10:00 am
16 Sunday of the Prodigal Son Orthros 8:30 am, Divine Liturgy, 10 am	17 Parish Council, 7:00 pm	18	19	20 Living Orthodoxy 11 am OCF, 7 pm	21	22 1st Saturday of Souls Orthros, 8:30 am, <u>Div. Liturgy, 10 am</u> Greek School 10 am GOYA BB Tournament at Holy Cross Church, Mt Lebanon Feb 21-23 Vlahokerasiotiko Dinner Dance, 6 pm
23 Judgment Sunday (Meatfare) Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy, 10 am GOYA BB Tournament Holy Cross Church	24	25	26	27 Living Orthodoxy 11 am OCF, 7 pm	28	29 2nd Saturday of Souls Orthros, 9 am Divine Liturgy, 10 am Greek School 10 am