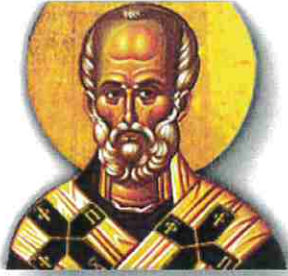


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Tone 4

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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

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ORGANIST: Haley Cobb

Questions about our Parish? Email church@stnickspgh.org or call 412-682-3866

Our Sunday worship schedule: Sept. 5 – May 31: Orthros 8:45 a.m. & Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME, VISITORS! You are honored guests here at St. Nicholas Cathedral and welcome at all our services. We invite you to receive the Holy Eucharist (Communion) if you are an Orthodox Christian who has prepared yourself through fasting, prayer, and confession. If you are not Orthodox, or are Orthodox but have not prepared, we respectfully invite you instead to come forward at the end of the service for a blessing by the priest and a piece of blessed bread (antidoron).

Our Mission & Vision Statements

The **MISSION** of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral is to Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a Spirit of Unity and Love for All through Worship, Service, Education, Fellowship and Outreach.

Our **VISION** is to be a Welcoming and Growing Parish, Striving to Live the New Life in Christ according to the Teachings and Traditions of the Greek Orthodox Faith.

Watch Sunday services, which are still streaming live from St Nicholas Cathedral at www.stnickspgh.org and click on "Live Streaming Click Here."

On-Line Giving donations are up and running on our web page www.stnickspgh.org by clicking please donate button - or you may access the donation page by using <https://abundant.co/stnickspgh/give>

PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and fellowship following services in the Small Hall, hosted and sponsored by Philotochos for Godparent Sunday.

TODAY: GODPARENT/SPECIAL FRIEND SUNDAY

THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

- **Monday, Nov 15:** Nativity Fast Begins
Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
GOYA GIRLS Basketball 6:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Nov 16:** GOYA BOYS Basketball 7:00 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Nov 17:** Orthodoxy 101 (via Zoom 7:30 p.m.)
- **Sunday, Nov 21:** Memorial Service for Peggy Smyrnes-Williams (40 days) and Peter Petropoulos (1 year)

May, 2022 Food Festival Update

Looking forward to the possibility of making Moussaka December 2, 3 and 4 if eggplant is available. Will keep you posted.

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SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY (SMALL ENTRANCE):

First to be chanted as the clergy exits the Altar at the Small Entrance is the Resurrection Apolytikion in Tone 4: When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world. [SD] Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκόλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

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· Ἀλληλουῖα. “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.”

After this, the Resurrection Apolytikion is repeated, followed by the Hymn for St. Philip:

O holy Apostle Philip, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses. Ἀπόστολε Ἅγιε Φίλιππε πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχη ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

Next, we hear the Apolytikion for the patron saint of our Church:

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμνῇ σου, ἡ 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, we hear the Kontakion in Tone 4 for the Entrance into the Temple of the Theotokos (Nov. 21):

Ο καθαρώτατος ναὸς τοῦ Σωτήρος, ἡ πολυτίμητος παστάς καὶ Παρθένος, τό ἱερόν θησαύρισμα τῆς δόξης τοῦ Θεοῦ, σήμερον εἰσάγεται, ἐν τῷ οἴκῳ Κυρίου, τὴν χάριν συνεισάγουσα, τὴν ἐν Πνεύματι θεῷ, ἣν ἀνυμνοῦσιν Ἄγγελοι Θεοῦ, Αὕτη ὑπάρχει σκηνὴ ἐπουράνιος. Today is the prelude of God's pleasure and the proclamation of man's salvation. The Virgin is clearly made manifest in the temple of God and foretells Christ to all. Let us also cry out to her with mighty voice, "Hail, fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

TODAY'S EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 4: 9-16. Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the offscouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me. [RSV]

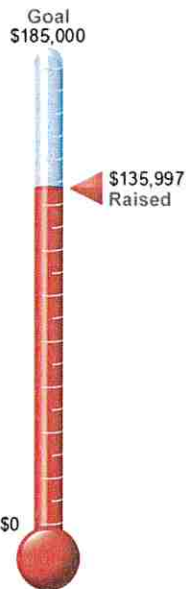
TODAY'S GOSPEL: Luke 10: 25-37. At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." [RSV]

2021 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex
(Just ask a member of Parish Council)

If you have already submitted your 2021 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!!



"And now these three remain: **Faith, Hope and Love**. But the greatest of these is **LOVE**." Corinthians 13:13

<u>2021</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	293 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$135,997.00 (GOAL \$185,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$464.15

GOYA NEWS

GOYA is currently selling Chestnut Hill Candles. They are perfect for the holidays and make great Christmas gifts. Please see a GOYAn after church for more information and place your order. Thank you for supporting our fundraiser.

GOYA is once again offering the St. Nicholas merchandise sale (Sweat Shirts and Sweat Pants).



From the Church School Desk:

Attention all Nounos, Nounas and Special Friends! **TODAY is Godparent/Special Friend Sunday.** Please join your Godchild/Special Friend in worshipping during the Divine Liturgy, receive Holy Communion together and attend Church School to see what they learn there (and make cards to send to children at Children's Hospital for Make a Difference Day). Afterwards attend the Godparent Sunday Coffee Hour sponsored by Philoptochos. It should be the start of a wonderful day together!

This year, Church School, will again have a Bake Sale at the **St. Nicholas Day Bazaar**, as well as, sponsor a Balloon artist.

The Church School children will present their **Christmas Pageant** on Sunday, December 19, 2021.

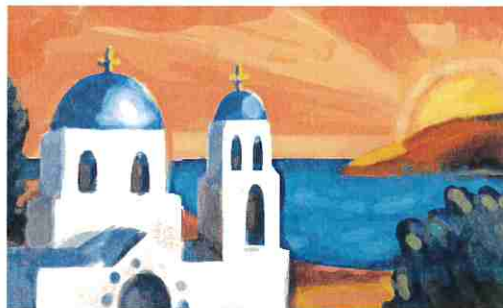
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Church School is preparing for their Holiday Outreach Project:

We are looking for hats, mittens, scarves, gloves, etc. for Neighborhood Resilience Project **Project Bundle-up** to decorate our tree. Thanks in advance for your warm winter accessories and teaching the children the gift of giving.

I appreciate the support from all of you and thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday!

Yours in Christ
Miss Michelle

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Godparent Sunday Church School Open House TODAY



Join your Godchild for
Church Worship, Holy Communion,
& Church School!

GAPA

Socrates-Daphne Lodge of Pittsburgh
cordially invites you to the

*ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
DINNER DANCE*

Friday December 17, 2021

Cocktails and Appetizers at 6 PM

Festive Dinner Buffet at 7 PM

Crowne Plaza Hotel
Fort Couch Road

Dinner and Dance \$60

Dance only \$10

*Music by the
FILARAKIA*

*FEATURING SOTIRI TSOUREKIS
and a performance by
THE GRECIAN ODYSSEY DANCERS*

*We have missed all of you and can't wait to ring in the holiday
season. Join us with your dancing shoes and don't forget
your kefi—Opa!*

Please R.S.V.P. by December 10th to
Rebecca Bertos 412-421-9427 or Aliko Andrews 412-833-4596
Joanne Melacrinis 412-563-4609

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR !



Memorial Christmas Tree Ornament

Remember your loved one by purchasing a Christmas ornament in their memory. It will be placed on the Christmas tree in the foyer during the Christmas season. **\$10 per name.** After Christmas, you may keep the ornament.

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Loved one: _____

Sponsored by Philoptochos of St. Nicholas. Checks payable to Philoptochos of St. Nicholas.

Please send money/ check to the church office.

NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14 8th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Godparent Sunday	15 Nativity Fast Begins Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. GOYA Girls Basketball 6:30 p.m..	16 Church School Teachers Meeting 7:00 p.m. GOYA Boys Basketball 7:00 p.m.	17 Orthodoxy 101 (via Zoom) 7:30 p.m.	18	19	20 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
21 Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	22 GOYA Girls Basketball 6:30 p.m..	23 GOYA Boys Basketball 7:00 p.m.	24	25 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! St. Katherine the Great Martyr Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	26	27 CATHEDRAL BALL 8:00 p.m. NO GREEK SCHOOL
28 13th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	29 GOYA Girls Basketball 6:30 p.m..	30 GOYA Boys Basketball 7:00 p.m.				

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