

OCTOBER 2, 2022– SECOND SUNDAY OF LUKE

The Holy Martyrs Cyprian & Justina

Tone 7 (Grave)

Orthros Gospel 5



**WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!**

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***Our Sunday worship schedule: Sept 11 – 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](http://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](http://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 Large Hall hosted by GOYA.**

**TODAY:** Today is Church Music Sunday where we honor all choir members and cantors. A special tray will be passed in honor of the choir.

#### **THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS**

- **Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022:** GOYA Basketball 7:00 p.m.
- **Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022** GREEK SCHOOL 10:00 a.m.
- **Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022:** Memorial Services for Gus Mastro and George Kefalos (40 days), Trisagion Services for Katie Kefalos (5 yrs), Mary Kefalos (1 yr), and Nick & Bessie Tsouris

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**SPECIAL HYMNS AND READINGS (SMALL ENTRANCE):**

*As the clergy are exiting the altar, we hear the Resurrection hymn for the Tone of the week (Tone 7):*

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέφξας τῷ Ληστῆ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας· ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος. By means of Your Cross, O Lord, You abolished death. To the robber You opened Paradise. The lamentation of the myrrh-bearing women You transformed, and You gave Your Apostles the order to proclaim to all that You had risen, O Christ our God, and granted the world Your great mercy.

*At the procession with the Gospel 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.”

*As the Clergy reenter the Sanctuary, the Resurrection hymn in Tone 7 is repeated.. Then, we hear the hymn for St.*

*Cyprian the Martyr:* Καὶ τρόπων μέτοχος, καὶ θρόνων διάδοχος, τῶν Ἀποστόλων γενόμενος, τὴν πρᾶξιν εὗρες Θεόπνευστε, εἰς θεωρίας ἐπίβασιν· διὰ τοῦτο τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας ὀρθοτομῶν, καὶ τῇ πίστει ἐνήθλησας μέχρις αἵματος, Ἱερομάρτυς Κυπριανέ, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν. Becoming a partner with the Apostles in way of life and successor to their thrones, O God-inspired Saint, in the active life you found an entrance to contemplation. Hence you rightly expounded the word of truth, and you shed your blood in struggling for the faith, O Hieromartyr Cyprian. Intercede with Christ our God, beseeching Him to save our souls.

*Next, we chant the Hymn for our Church’s Patron Saint, St. Nicholas (Tone 4):*

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, we hear the seasonal Kontakion for the Theotokos (Tone 2):* Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε,

μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδῃς ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε. O Protection of Christians that never fails, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protects now and ever those who honor you.

**EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15.** Ἀδελφοί, συνεργοῦντες παρακαλοῦμεν, μὴ εἰς κενὸν τὴν χάριν τοῦ Θεοῦ δέξασθαι ὑμᾶς. Λέγει γάρ· Καιρῶ δεκτῷ ἐπήκουσά σου καὶ ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σωτηρίας ἐβοήθησά σοι· ἰδοὺ νῦν καιρὸς εὐπρόσδεκτος· ἰδοὺ νῦν ἡμέρα σωτηρίας. Μηδεμίαν ἐν μηδενὶ διδόντες προσκοπὴν, ἵνα μὴ μωμηθῇ ἡ διακονία, ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ συνιστῶντες ἑαυτοὺς ὡς Θεοῦ διάκονοι, ἐν ὑπομονῇ πολλῇ, ἐν θλίψεσιν, ἐν ἀνάγκαις, ἐν στενοχωρίαις, ἐν πληγαῖς, ἐν φυλακαῖς, ἐν ἀκαταστασίαις, ἐν κόποις, ἐν ἀγρυπνίαις, ἐν νηστείαις, ἐν ἀγνότητι, ἐν γνώσει, ἐν μακροθυμίᾳ, ἐν χρηστότητι, ἐν Πνεύματι ἀγίῳ, ἐν ἀγάπῃ ἀνυποκρίτῳ, ἐν λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ἐν δυνάμει Θεοῦ· διὰ τῶν ὄπλων τῆς δικαιοσύνης τῶν δεξιῶν καὶ ἀριστερῶν, διὰ δόξης καὶ ἀτιμίας, διὰ δυσφημίας καὶ εὐφημίας· ὡς πλάνοι καὶ ἀληθεῖς, ὡς ἀγνοούμενοι καὶ ἐπιγινωσκόμενοι, ὡς ἀποθνήσκοντες καὶ ἰδοὺ ζῶμεν, ὡς παιδευόμενοι καὶ μὴ θανατούμενοι, ὡς λυπούμενοι ἀεὶ δὲ χαίροντες, ὡς πτωχοὶ πολλοὺς δὲ πλουτίζοντες, ὡς μηδὲν ἔχοντες καὶ πάντα κατέχοντες.

Brethren, working together with him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

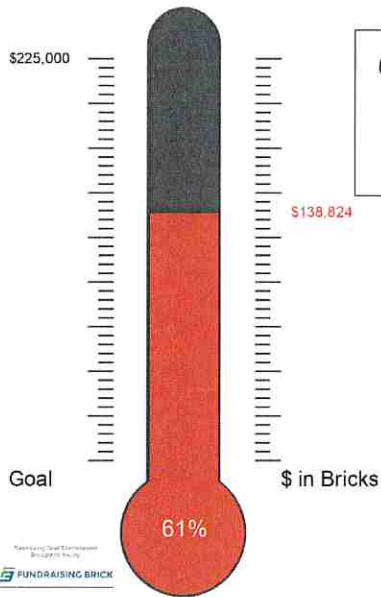
**GOSPEL: Luke 6:31-36.** Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Καθὼς θέλετε ἵνα ποιῶσιν ὑμῖν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, καὶ ὑμεῖς ποιεῖτε αὐτοῖς ὁμοίως. καὶ εἰ ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστὶ; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας αὐτοὺς ἀγαπῶσι. καὶ ἐὰν ἀγαθοποιῆτε τοὺς ἀγαθοποιοῦντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστὶ; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσι. καὶ ἐὰν δανείζητε παρ' ὧν ἐλπίζετε ἀπολαβεῖν, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστὶ; καὶ γὰρ ἁμαρτωλοὶ ἁμαρτωλοῖς δανείζουσιν ἵνα ἀπολάβωσι τὰ ἴσα. πλὴν ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἐχθροὺς ὑμῶν καὶ ἀγαθοποιεῖτε καὶ δανεῖζετε μηδὲν ἀπελπίζοντες, καὶ ἔσται ὁ μισθὸς ὑμῶν πολὺς, καὶ ἔσεσθε υἱοὶ ὑψίστου, ὅτι αὐτὸς χρηστός ἐστὶν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀχαρίστους καὶ πονηροὺς. Γίνεσθε οὖν οἰκτίρμονες καθὼς καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ὑμῶν οἰκτίρμων ἐστίν. The Lord said, "And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

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**2022 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex**  
***(Just ask a member of Parish Council)***

If you have already submitted your 2022 Stewardship Commitment, THANK YOU! If not, please take the time to make 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!!***



***Our Church. Our  
Spiritual Home***

<u>2022</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	269 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$138,824.00 GOAL (\$225,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$730.65

**GREEK SCHOOL**

Adult Greek Classes with Toulia Protopapa starting the week of October 4th

- Beginners      Thursdays      6pm -7:30pm**
- Intermediate      Wednesdays      6:30 - 8pm**
- Advanced      Tuesdays      6:15 - 7:45pm**

Tuition is \$350 a year, made payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral, with adult Greek lessons in the memo. To register or if you have any questions, please email

[tprotopapa@gmail.com](mailto:tprotopapa@gmail.com)

## **YOUTH SAFETY WORKERS**

Who is considered a Youth Safety Worker?

- **All Clergymen (Bishops/Priests/Deacons, both Active & Retired)**
- **Pastoral Assistants & Youth Directors**
- **People assisting, in any ministry, where the participants are under 18 years of age or in high school, whichever is later.**
  - **Including Parish Youth Safety Administrators, Church School Teachers, Dance Directors, Greek School Teachers, Youth Advisors (including Chaperones & Drivers)**
  - **Even... Parents who occasionally help-out, but are alone with other people's children.**

Each Youth Safety Worker is required to register yearly with the church and will be available through the church office soon.

Those interested in becoming a Youth Safety Worker and have not started the process or need to determine what documentation you need to complete, please contact Taki Darakos, [edarakos@aol.com](mailto:edarakos@aol.com), 412-944-4961.

# THINK PINK

BAKE SALE

On Sunday,

October 23rd, 2022

*(Following liturgy)*



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**St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox  
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# OCTOBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>PLEASE NOTE: ALL REGULARLY SCHEDULED WORSHIP SERVICES WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CRYSTAL ROOM (SMALL HALL)</b>						
2 <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Luke</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	3	4 <b>GOYA Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	5	6	7	8 <b>Greek School</b> 10:00 a.m.
<b>Fr. Bender Away Oct 7-10th. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Joe Cervo of Presentation of Christ Church "Ypapanti" in East Pittsburgh (1-330-284-8353)</b>						
9 <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Luke</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. <- Father Bender Away ->	10	11 <b>GOYA Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	12	13	14	15 <b>Greek School</b> 10:00 a.m.
16 <b>Sunday of 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	17 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b> 7:00 p.m.	18 <b>Feast Day of St. Luke</b> 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  <b>GOYA Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	19	20	21	22 <b>Greek School</b> 10:00 a.m.
23 <b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  <b>General Assembly</b>	24	25 <b>GOYA Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	26 <b>St. Demetrios the Myrrh- Streamer</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	27	28	29 <b>Greek School</b> 10:00 a.m.
30 <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	31					