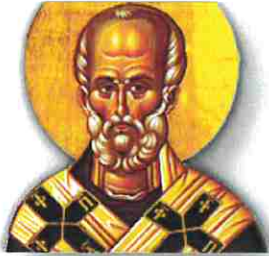


OCTOBER 16, 2022: HOLY FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL IN NICAEA

Also: Holy Martyr Longinus & company

Orthros Gospel 7

First Tone



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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CHANTER: Steve Andrews

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Steve Andrews

ORGANIST: Roseanne Yu

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

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/ 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>

TODAYS MEMORIAL SERVICE is being chanted for the soul of the servant of God, Peggy Smyrnes-Williams (1 year), and Trisagion Services for John Hanna (16 years), Father George Christulides (33 years), Deaconess Mary Christulides (5 years), Evelyn Vlastos (29 years), Anna Vervilles, and Mandia Lykiardopoulos.

PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and fellowship following services in the Large Hall hosted by GOYA and sponsored by the Christulides/Panagis, Hanna & Smyrnes-Williams families.

TODAY: GOYA Meeting

THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS

- Monday, Oct 17, 2022: Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022: Feast Day St Luke Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
GOYA Basketball 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022: GREEK SCHOOL 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday, Oct 23, 2022: Memorial Service for Popie Frentzos (40 days)
General Assembly
Daughters of Penelope "Think Pink" Bake Sale

SPECIAL HYMNS AND READINGS OF THE DAY:

As the clergy exit at the Small Entrance, the Resurrection Apolytikion in First Tone is chanted:

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τρίήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν· διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οικονομίᾳ σου, μόνε φιλόνηρωπε. The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. For this reason were the powers of heaven crying out to You, O Lifegiver, "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind!" [SD]

After the clergy exit with the Gospel the usual Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is chanted:

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 Apolytikion is repeated. Then, we hear the hymn for the Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council:

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith. O greatly merciful One, glory be to You. Ὑπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ὧν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὁδηγήσας· πολυεύσπλαγγνε, δόξα σοι.

Next, we honor our patron, St. Nicholas:

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμνῇ 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:

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδης ἀμαρ-τωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

A protection of Christians unshamable, intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, please reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; Your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

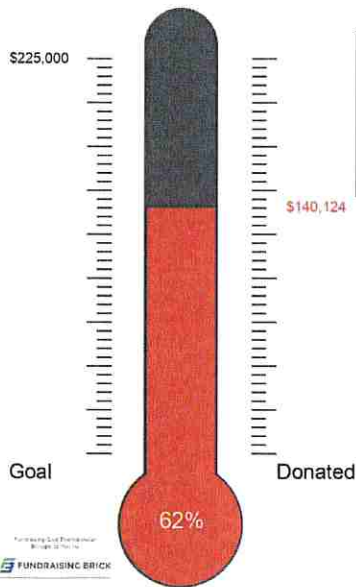
TODAY'S EPISTLE READING: Titus 3:8-15. Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with all of you. Amen.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING: The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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 pledge 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	271 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$140,124.00 GOAL (\$225,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$729.81

Estate Donation to St. Nicholas Cathedral

Mary Vasilakis, through her estate, donated \$10,000 to our St. Nicholas Cathedral community; \$5,000 to the Building Fund and \$5,000 to Philoptochos Society. Mary was a lifelong member of St. Nicholas Cathedral and always devoted her time and energy to helping our Cathedral and continued that help through her estate. With the ongoing ceiling repair, Mary’s donation will help to get our services back into the Sanctuary. We are deeply grateful to her for this generous gift. May God grant her eternal rest, and may her memory be eternal!

Support GOYA Mission Walk for Guatemala

On October 9th, 2022 St. Nicholas GOYA participated in a walk at Schenley Park supporting the vital work of the mission trips in Guatemala.

The money earned from this event will be used for:

- Building hospitals
- Establishing a seminary
- Translating liturgical/theological books
- Sewing vestments/other liturgical coverings
- Providing parishes with icons/liturgical utensils
- Assisting less fortunate members of the church
- Supporting other mission teams



How Can You Help?

There is still time to support this cause! Donations are still being accepted. Checks can be given to a GOYA member or mailed to St. Nicholas GOYA, 419 S. Dithridge Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, made payable to Holy Cross Mission Fund.

If you have any questions please contact the chair of this event, Toulia Darakos at toula.darakos@icloud.com.



THINK PINK

BAKE SALE

On Sunday,

October 23rd, 2022

(Following liturgy)

HOSTED
BY

Daughters of Penelope

**St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox
Cathedral**

OCTOBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
PLEASE NOTE: ALL REGULARLY SCHEDULED WORSHIP SERVICES WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CRYSTAL ROOM (SMALL HALL)						
16 Sunday of 7th Ecumenical Council Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	17 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	18 Feast Day of St. Luke 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. GOYA Basketball 7:00 p.m.	19	20	21	22 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
23 6th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. General Assembly Daughters of Penelope BAKE SALE	24	25 GOYA Basketball 7:00 p.m.	26 St. Demetrios the Myrrh- Streamer Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	27	28	29 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
30 5th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	31					