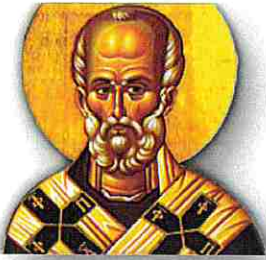


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Titus the Wonderworker; Theodora, Virgin-Martyr of Palestine;  
Amphianos & Aedesios Martyrs of Lycia

Tone (Mode) 1

Orthros Gospel 9



### WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!

VISIT [www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org) TODAY for news and updates about our parish!

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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."

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**TODAYS MEMORIAL SERVICE** is being chanted for the soul of the servant of God *Georgia Krelis* (1 year).

**TODAY: GOYA Dance Practice; Tiropita Prep**

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

- Monday, Apr. 3, 2023: GOYA Volleyball practice 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Apr. 4, 2023: GOYA Open Gym 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 5, 2023: Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Apr. 8, 2023: Lazarus Saturday Orthros 8:45 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday, Apr. 9, 2023: Palm Sunday Luncheon

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## **SPECIAL HYMNS AND READINGS OF THE DAY:**

*The first hymn chanted at the Small Entrance is the Resurrection Apolytikion in Tone 1:*

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωροῦμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν· διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε φιλόανθρωπε. 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 Life Giver, "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves humankind!"

*After the procession 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.”  
Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι Ἀλληλούϊα.

*After the Entrance Hymn the Priest reenters the Sanctuary, and the Resurrection hymn is repeated.*

*This is followed by the hymn for the saint of the Day (Mary of Egypt):*

Ἐν σοὶ Μήτηρ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ' εἰκόνα· λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν, ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράττουσα ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς παρέρχεται γάρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς, πράγματος ἀθανάτου· διὸ καὶ μετὰ Ἀγγέλων συναγάλλεται Ὅσια Μαρία τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

In you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Mary, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

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

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμνῇ σου, ἢ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω 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.

*inally, the Seasonal Kontakion is heard:*

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, 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 beyond reproach, mediator to the Creator immovable, O despise not the pleading voices of those in sin, but hasten, O good one, to the help of all of us who in faith cry out to you: speed up your intercession, and press on your supplication, O Theotokos who always protects all those who honor you.

**Epistle Reading: Hebrews 9: 11-14.** Ἀδελφοί, Χριστὸς παραγενόμενος Ἀρχιερεὺς τῶν μελλόντων ἀγαθῶν διὰ τῆς μείζονος καὶ τελειοτέρας σκηνῆς, οὐ χειροποιήτου, τοῦτ' ἔστιν οὐ ταύτης τῆς κτίσεως, οὐδὲ δι' αἵματος τράγων καὶ μόσχων, διὰ δὲ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος εἰσῆλθεν ἐφάπαξ εἰς τὰ Ἁγία, αἰωνίαν λύτρωσιν εὐράμενος. Εἰ γὰρ τὸ αἷμα τὰύρων καὶ τράγων καὶ σποδὸς δαμάλεως ῥαντίζουσα τοὺς κεκοινωμένους ἁγιάζει πρὸς τὴν τῆς σαρκὸς καθαρότητα, πόσῳ μᾶλλον τὸ αἷμα τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὃς διὰ Πνεύματος αἰωνίου ἑαυτὸν προσήνεγκεν ἁμῶμον τῷ Θεῷ, καθαριεῖ τὴν συνείδησιν ὑμῶν ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων εἰς τὸ λατρεύειν Θεῷ ζῶντι;

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? [RSV]

**Gospel: Mark 10: 32-45.** Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, παραλαμβάνει ὁ Ἰησοῦς τοὺς δώδεκα μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ ἤρξατο αὐτοῖς λέγειν τὰ μέλλοντα αὐτῷ συμβαίνειν, ὅτι Ἰδοὺ ἀναβαίνομεν εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδοθήσεται τοῖς ἀρχιερεῦσι καὶ γραμματεῦσι, καὶ κατακρινούσιν αὐτὸν θανάτῳ καὶ παραδώσουσιν αὐτὸν τοῖς ἔθνεσι, καὶ ἐμπαίζουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ μαστιγώσουσιν αὐτὸν καὶ ἐμπτύσουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται. Καὶ προσπορεύονται αὐτῷ Ἰάκωβος καὶ Ἰωάννης υἱοὶ Ζεβεδαίου λέγοντες· Διδάσκαλε, θέλομεν ἵνα ὃ ἐὰν αἰτήσωμεν ποιήσης ἡμῖν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Τί θέλετε ποιῆσαί με ὑμῖν; οἱ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· Δὸς ἡμῖν ἵνα εἷς ἐκ δεξιῶν καὶ εἷς ἐξ ἐκωνύμων σου καθίσωμεν ἐν τῇ δόξῃ σου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Οὐκ οἶδατε τί αἰτεῖσθε. δύνασθε πιεῖν τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθῆναι; οἱ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· Δυνάμεθα. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Τὸ μὲν ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω πίεσθε, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθήσεσθε· τὸ δὲ καθίσαι ἐκ δεξιῶν μου καὶ ἐξ ἐκωνύμων οὐκ ἔστιν ἐμὸν δοῦναι, ἀλλ' οἷς ἡτοίμασται. καὶ ἀκούσαντες οἱ δέκα ἤρξαντο ἀγανακτεῖν περὶ Ἰακώβου καὶ Ἰωάννου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς προσκαλεσάμενος αὐτοὺς λέγει αὐτοῖς· Οἶδατε ὅτι οἱ δοκοῦντες ἄρχειν τῶν ἐθνῶν κατακυριεύουσιν αὐτῶν καὶ οἱ μεγάλοι αὐτῶν κατεξουσιάζουσιν αὐτῶν.

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." [RSV]

*After the Gospel reading, please return to the Divine Liturgy Book for the rest of the service.*





7:00 μ.μ.

## ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2023

His Eminence Metropolitan Savas Presiding

**Lazarus Saturday, April 8– Σάββατο του Λαζάρου, 8 Απριλίου**

**Orthros, 8:45 a.m., Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.**

Όρθρος, 8:45 π.μ., Θεία Λειτουργία, 10:00 π.μ.

**PALM SUNDAY, April 9 – ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΒΑΙΩΝ, 9 Απριλίου:**

**Orthros, 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.**

Όρθρος, 8:30 π.μ., Θεία Λειτουργία, 10:00 π.μ.

**1<sup>st</sup> Bridegroom Service, 7:00 p.m. – 1<sup>η</sup> Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου,**

**Holy Monday, April 10 – Μεγάλη Δευτέρα, 10 Απριλίου:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Bridegroom Service, 7:00 p.m. – 2<sup>η</sup> Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου, 7:00 μ.μ.**

**Holy Tuesday, April 11 – Μεγάλη Τρίτη, 11 Απριλίου:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Bridegroom Service, 7:00 p.m. – 3<sup>η</sup> Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου (Τροπάριον της Κασσιανής), 7:00 μ.μ.**

**Holy Wednesday, April 12 – Μεγάλη Τετάρτη, 12 Απριλίου:**

**Holy Unction and Anointing, 3:00 p.m. – Το Ευχέλαιον, 3:00 μ.μ.**

**Orthros preparing for Holy Thursday (by anticipation), 7:00 p.m.** (*Please note: Anointing with Holy Unction will be offered after this service for those who cannot make it to the 3:00 service.*)

Ο Όρθρος της Μεγάλης Πέμπτης 7 μ.μ. (Το Χρίσμα με το Ευχέλαιον θα γίνει στο τέλος για όσους έλειπαν το απόγευμα.)

**Holy Thursday, April 13 – Μεγάλη Πέμπτη, 13 Απριλίου:**

**Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil, 9:30 a.m., commemorating the Last Supper.**

Εσπερινή Θεία Λειτουργία του Μεγάλου Βασιλείου, 9:30 π.μ.

**Service of the Holy Passion of our Lord, 6:30 p.m.** Τα Άγια Πάθη του Κυρίου – Όρθρος, 6:30 μ.μ.

**GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY, APRIL 14 – ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ, 14 Απριλίου:**

**Royal Hours, 9:00 a.m. – Ακολουθία των Βασιλικών Ωρών, 9:00 π.μ.**

**Great Vespers (Descent from the Cross), 2:30 p.m. – Εσπερινός της Αποκαθήλωσης, 2:30 μ.μ.**

**The Lamentations Service, 7:00 p.m. – Ο Επιτάφιος Θρήνος, 7:00 μ.μ.**

**GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 15 – ΜΕΓΑ ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟΝ, 15 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ:**

**Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, 9:30 a.m.**

Εσπερινός και Θεία Λειτουργία του Μεγάλου Βασιλείου, 9:30 π.μ.

**Vigil Service, 10:45 p.m. – Παννύχτις, 10:45 μ.μ.**

**RESURRECTION SERVICE AND DIVINE LITURGY, 11:45 p.m.**

ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΑΝΑΣΤΑΣΕΩΣ ΚΑΙ ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ, 11:45 μ.μ.

**GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA, SUNDAY, APRIL 16 – ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΣΧΑ, 16 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ**

**Vespers of Agape, 1:00 p.m. – Εσπερινός της Αγάπης, 1:00 μ.μ.** (Volunteers are kindly invited to read the Gospel in various languages – please see Fr. Christopher)

**CHRIST IS RISEN! ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ! ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΒΟΚΡΕC! HRISTOS A ÎNVIAT!**

**HOLY FRIDAY TRISAGION – April 14, 2023**  
[To take place at the conclusion of the Apokathelosis  
(Taking-Down from the Cross) Vespers]

First Names Only- Please Print Clearly!

*"May their memory be eternal!"*

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# Good Friday Luminary Memorials



**Remember your loved ones with Luminaries  
on Good Friday, April 14, 2023.**

***To include your loved one,  
please fill out the form below.***

**Luminaries will have names included on the bags and  
will be displayed on the steps of the church on  
Good Friday Evening, as we walk with the  
“Epitaphio” around the church.  
Names will also be published.**

Please fill out the form below and give to one of the parish council  
members or mail to the parish office. Donations of \$10.00 per  
Luminary to be paid to St. Nicholas Cathedral by Monday, April 10th.

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**Names to be commemorated:**

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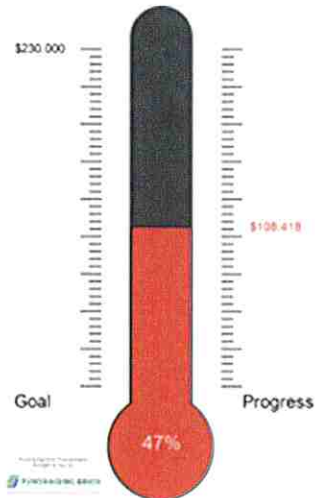
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**2023 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex**  
**(Just ask a member of Parish Council)**

If you have already submitted your 2023 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!!**



*Giving Thanks,*  
**Eucharistic  
Stewardship**

<u>2023</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	200 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$108,418.00 GOAL (\$230,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$774.41

## STEEL MAGNOLIAS

April 8----2:00, O'Reilly Theater  
\$41.00 due **TODAY**, March 26th  
10 tickets reserved.

The story takes place in a beauty salon with a group of regulars who are planning a wedding, a woman who's been "in a bad mood for forty years" and a mysterious newcomer. Through laughter, tears and a thick fog of hair spray, these women face trials and triumphs.

**EVERYONE IS INVITED**

**Sponsored by the Sixty Club.**

Contact Fran Hanna (412-731-0790),

Argie Stuart (412-681-6754)

**Please make checks payable to St. Nicholas Sixty Club**

## **Food Festival Cooking, 2023**

### **Food Festival Preparations**

Join the hustle and bustle of the kitchen today after church as we complete Tiropita.

We started assembling the pans yesterday, Saturday, April 1.

Our next and last project is not until Tuesday, April 25, as we tackle our popular Diples!

A huge thank you goes to those of you who have helped prepare all these large quantities!

### **61<sup>st</sup> Annual St. Nicholas Greek Food Festival Sunday, May 7 to Saturday, May 13**

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## **GOYA NEWS**

**Easter Chocolate Sale** - GOYA is once again having a chocolate sale. Please support our GOYAns by placing an order after church. Deadline for orders is April 2, 2023. Thank you for your continued support.

**Pastitsio Sale** - GOYA is selling their annual frozen 9 by 13 pans of Pastitsio for \$35.00. For Pastitsio pickups, call the church office or contact Alea Melacrinos Mavrogeorgis via text 412-726-5940. Please identify who you are in a detailed message. Checks can be made to St. Nicholas GOYA or cash is also acceptable.

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### **From the Church School Desk!**

**Upcoming dates to remember:**

**Communion Breakfast and Palm Making**

**Saturday, April 8, 2023**

**(Following the Divine Liturgy)**

**Easter Egg Hunt**

**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

**(Following the Agape Service)**

**Church School Graduation**

**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

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

Yours in Christ,  
*Miss Michelle*



## **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) and Parish Council.**

**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.

Registration is available through the church office. In addition, all Youth Safety Workers are required to take two courses (on-line training platform) annually and to complete a background check every other year.

Here is the website: Please register at <https://ncsrisk.org/goarch/>. The first course, Youth Safety, has two parts. The second course, Youth Worker Regulations, has one part. Prompt completion is necessary as one cannot participate in any youth programs without being registered, having a background check, having PA state clearances, and completing the two courses.

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.

HELP **PHILOPTOCHOS** HELP THOSE IN NEED  
BY ORDERING OUR NEW LENTEN FUNDRAISER

# *Sunday Soupa!*

Choose from our delicious homemade  
Lentil Soup (Fakes) or Bean Soup (Fasolada).  
Can't decide.....*order both!*

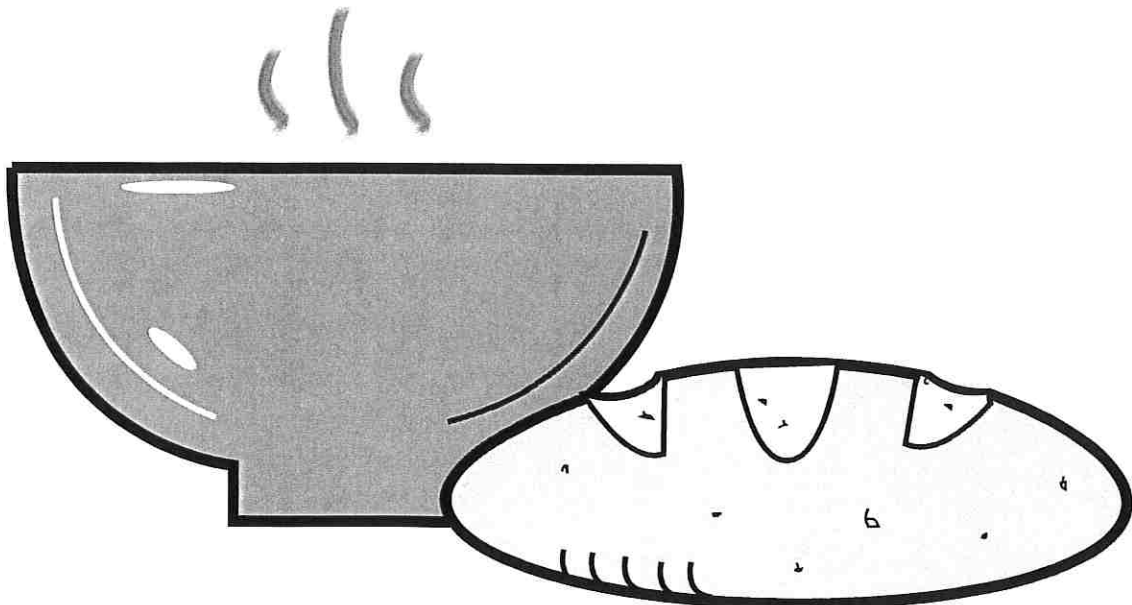
Soups are completely Lenten  
and available **ONLY** on **Sunday, March 26, April 2 & 9**

Each quart-size soup comes with a fresh  
homemade loaf of bread by Chef Joe Bardakos

**\$10** qt.

## **PREORDERS ONLY**

**Orders must be placed by Thursday prior to pick-up date**  
by phone, text or email to Maria Bardakos 412-519-8684 / [marbard47@gmail.com](mailto:marbard47@gmail.com)  
*Cash or check made out to St. Nicholas Philoptochos*



The Department of Greek Education for  
the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh presents

# THE EIGHTH ANNUAL GREEK LANGUAGE FESTIVAL

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**  
**St. Nicholas Cathedral, Pittsburgh, PA**  
**11am - 3pm**

## 1. Quiz Bowl on Greek Revolution of 1821 and Burning of Smyrna

Teams of three (3) students will compete in two levels. Eligible contestants are those currently or previously enrolled in Greek Language Studies. All the material needed to study for the Quiz Bowl is available to download at <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/3yx04h3bdlll5c2ifyk4m/h?dl=0&rlkey=d45th09aivd712t40ynqvo6c2> Each team creates its own name. A large trophy cup will be placed at the winning team's church. Individual awards will also be given.

a. Intermediate Level: 4th, 5th, 6th grade American School

b. Advanced Level: 6th - 12th grade American School (note that 6th grade students have the option of teaming up in either level)

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2. For students who are **musically talented** we encourage you to perform either solo or with others an original Greek song or Greek instrumental selection or a selection from an existing Greek composer on Greek Revolution of 1821 and Burning of Smyrna. This is open for all grades, K - 12th grade American School.

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3. For students **who love to act** we encourage you to perform an original Greek skit or one from an existing writer on Greek Revolution of 1821 and Burning of Smyrna. This is open for all grades, K - 12th grade American School.

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4. For students **who love art** we encourage you to submit your artwork for the Art Exhibit with the title in Greek on Greek Revolution of 1821 and Burning of Smyrna. This is open for all grades, K - 12th grade American School.

In addition, there will also be various booths, food, and fun for all.

Registration forms available at the Metropolis website, facebook, and  
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/3yx04h3bdlll5c2ifyk4m/h?dl=0&rlkey=d45th09aivd712t40ynqvo6c2>

**Registration deadline is April 7, 2023**

**Questions contact Maria Stamoolis: [mstamoolis@verizon.net](mailto:mstamoolis@verizon.net)**



The Department of Greek Education  
for the Metropolis of Pittsburgh presents

# The Annual Greek Language Story Contest



**Do you know of someone in your family or community with a fascinating story to tell?**

Interview and write the life story of an elderly immigrant with Greek or Cypriot roots living (either) independently or dependently, such as in a nursing home, assisted living, etc.; or interview the child or spouse of an elderly or deceased immigrant and tell their life story.

**1**

**Tell of their life before and after coming to the U.S.**

- where they traveled from and why they left
- who they traveled with and how they traveled
- who they prayed to for strength and any miracles
- how old they were when they arrived to the U.S.
- what challenges they faced
- what did they do here in the U.S.

**2**

**Provide pictures**

- of them, their family
- of places where they lived abroad, and in the U.S.
- of their favorite places and pastimes, both abroad and in the U.S.

**3**

**Provide samples of**

- their favorite Greek songs, hymns, poems, etc.

**You are not limited to only the above questions, nor are all of the above imperative**

Type this in Greek and in English in a Word document. Provide a copy for the person you interviewed and send a copy to:

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh Department of Greek Education,  
5201 Ellsworth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15232, also email a copy with the pictures separately not in the word document to [mstamoolis@verizon.net](mailto:mstamoolis@verizon.net)

Student interviewers are from 4th - 12th grade. Awards given to students who display thoroughness and hard work.

**Deadline to register is April 7, 2023. Deadline for submission is April 18, 2023.**  
**For information e-mail Maria Stamoolis, [mstamoolis@verizon.net](mailto:mstamoolis@verizon.net).**





# **ATTENTION:**

**ALL CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

**Communion Breakfast**

**&**

**Palm Making**

**Saturday, April 8, 2023**

**(Following the Divine Liturgy in the Small Hall)**

**Remember there is  
Church School on  
Palm Sunday,  
April 9, 2023!**

# PALM SUNDAY FAMILY LUNCHEON

Two black fish are shown swimming in opposite directions. The fish on the left is swimming towards the left, and the fish on the right is swimming towards the right. Both fish have a white stripe along their side and a white eye. There are three white bubbles above the left fish and four white bubbles above the right fish.

**Reservations Required. Deadline Sunday, April 2**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ Children x \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Please join us for our annual

# Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 16, 2023

Following the Agape Service

If you wish to help,  
please bring one dozen pre-filled plastic eggs on Sunday  
and drop them off in the Narthex before Church.

ALL PARISHIONERS are welcome to join the fun for coffee, juice, and donuts after the service!

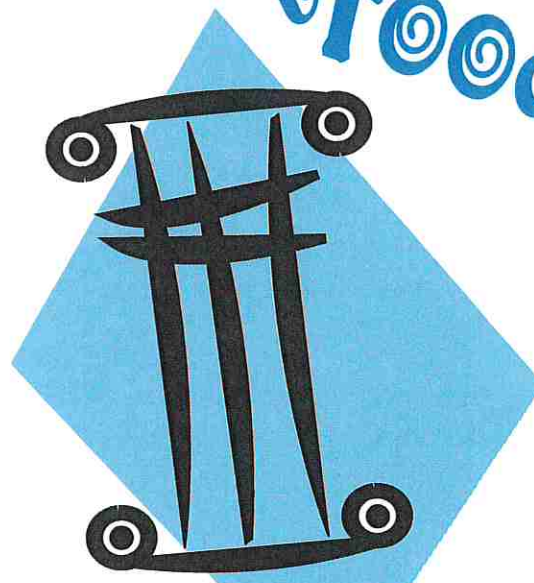
Questions: Call Michelle Kotsagrellos (412) 680-1416



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St. Nicholas Cathedral • 61<sup>ST</sup> Annual

## Greek Food



## Festival

Sunday, May 7 - Saturday, May 13

Delicious Greek Food • Luscious Sweet Pastries • Lively Greek Music  
Entertainment by our St. Nicholas Dancers

Sunday: Noon to 8 pm • Monday thru Thursday: 11 am to 8 pm  
Friday: 11 am to 9 pm (music till midnight) • Saturday: 1 pm to 9 pm

*Dine In or Take-Out*  
[www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org)



St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral

**2023 GREEK FOOD FESTIVAL  
ADVERTISING CONTRACT**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**AD DEADLINE APRIL 7, 2023**

Ad Size	Color
Full Page/ 4.5w x 7.5h	\$700
Half Page/ 4.5w x 3.75h	\$400
Quarter Page/ 4.5w x 1.8750h	\$250
Patron/ listing	\$50

For repeat customers, please indicate below if you would like to use the same ad as last year.

☐

Use same ad as previous year

Please make check payable and mail to St. Nicholas Cathedral. ☐ Check enclosed ☐ Bill me

Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please print or attach ad copy, or email ad file in a **JPEG** format to: **foodfestadbook@stnickspgh.org**

Date Received:

Check Number:

Receipt Number:

**Give a little--Help a lot!**



# *Spaghetti Luncheon*

**Sunday, April 23, 2023**

Adults \$15 Children under 12 \$10

**TAKE OUT OR DINE IN**

Dine in menu includes pasta, salad, desserts and coffee

Take out includes salad and pasta only

Call for info or reservations

Keli 412-337-1297

Lisa 412-600-1240

Carrie 412-680-0210

Consider making a donation if you cannot attend

All proceeds go to offset costs for  
St Nicholas' children to attend CAMP NAZARETH!

**ST. NICHOLAS WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL OF OUR 2023  
GRADUATES  
MAY 21<sup>st</sup>!**

Please fill out this short questionnaire and submit to church office via email, fax (412-683-4960) or mail (419 S. Dithridge Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213) by May 15, 2023.

Thank you!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Month of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Or

University/ Graduate School: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*Please email a recent photo to [church@stnickspgh.org](mailto:church@stnickspgh.org) so that we can include in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Awards and Honors:

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Activities:

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Future Plans:

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# **ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL 2023 GOLF OUTING**

**Registration/Lunch Buffet 11:00**

**Shotgun Start 12:30**

**Cocktails 5:30**

**Dinner/Auction/Prizes 6:00**

Golf Foursome \$750 Individual \$200

Tee and Prize sponsorships available

***Monday, May 22, 2023  
Shannopin Country Club***

**For Reservations and Sponsorships  
412-421-0294/Bellios216@gmail.com**



Cathedral Restoration Project

Donation and Pledge Form

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Pledged \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Options

Paid in Full \_\_\_\_\_

Initial Payment \_\_\_\_\_ Your plan for additional payments \_\_\_\_\_

Donations can be by check or made on-line with credit card. From the St. Nicholas web site, [www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org), go to the "Giving" tab and click the "Donate" pull-down. This will transfer you to the on-line giving form. Select Ceiling Fund on the Fund pull down menu.

A construction board with signatures of all donors will be installed as part of the new ceiling. All donor family members can sign it. The board will be available at the church from mid-November through the end of December.

Engraved commemorative pavers are also available at the sizes below. These pavers will be added to the granite circle in our green space. Please indicate if you are interested in a paver and you will be provided with additional information.

\_\_\_\_ 8" x 4" Paver at \$1,250

\_\_\_\_ 8" x 8" Paver at \$2,500

\_\_\_\_ 12" x 12" Granite at \$5,000 (pieces that make up the center cross)

\_\_\_\_ 42" x 15" Exterior Granite Ring at \$25,000 (pieces on either side of the Bible verse)

# April 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
						1 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
2 St. Mary of Egypt Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	3 GOYA Volleyball Practice 7:00 p.m.	4 Open Gym 7:00 p.m.	5 Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m.	6	7	8 Lazarus Saturday Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
9 Palm Sunday Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  Palm Sunday Luncheon  1 <sup>st</sup> Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	10 Holy Monday  2 <sup>nd</sup> Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	11 Holy Tuesday  3 <sup>rd</sup> Bridegroom Service 7:00 p.m.	12 Holy Wednesday  Holy Unction & Anointing 3:00 p.m.  Orthros 7:00 p.m. Anointing (only) with Holy Unction will follow service.	13 Holy Thursday Vespers Divine Liturgy of St Basil  9:30 a.m.  Service of the Holy Passion 6:30 p.m.	14 Great and Holy Friday Royal Hours 9:00 a.m.  Great Vespers 2:30 p.m.  Lamentations Service 7:00 p.m.	15 Great and Holy Saturday Vespers Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.  Vigil Service 10:45 p.m.  Resurrection Service & Paschal Liturgy 11:45 p.m.
16 GREAT & HOLY PASCHA  Vespers of Agape 1:00 p.m.	17 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.  GOYA Volleyball 7:00 p.m.	18 Open Gym 7:00 p.m.	19	20	21	22  Greek School 10:00 a.m.
23 Thomas Sunday & Great Martyr George  Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  Camp Nazareth Spaghetti Luncheon	24 GOYA Volleyball Practice 7:00 p.m.	25 Open Gym 7:00 p.m.	26	27	28	29  Greek School 10:00 a.m.
30 Myrrh-bearing Women  Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.						