

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023 – SECOND SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

Commemorated today: Leontios, Hypatios, & Theodoulos the Martyrs of Syria

TONE 1

ORTHROS GOSPEL 2



WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!

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

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CHANTER: Steve Andrews

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Steve Andrews

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Our Sunday worship schedule: June 18 – August 30: Orthros 8:15 a.m. & Divine Liturgy 9:30 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>

A WARM WELCOME to our newest member of St. Nicholas Cathedral, *DONNA KEFALOS*, who was received into the Orthodox Church through the Sacrament of Chrismation on Sunday, June 11, 2023, with the name "Christina." Anne Kefalos was her sponsor. May God grant her many years!

TODAY: FATHER BENDER'S RETIREMENT LUNCHEON.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all our fathers, grandfathers, Godfathers, and all those who serve to help nurture the next generation. We are grateful to you and love you for all you are and all you do. May God bless you always!

THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS

- Monday, June 19, 2023: Parish Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 20, 2023: Basketball Open Gym 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs. – Tues. June 23-27: Father Bender Away

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TODAY'S SPECIAL HYMNS AND READINGS:

As the clergy exit the Altar at the Small Entrance, the Resurrectional Apolytikion in Tone 1 is chanted:

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 do the powers of heaven cry 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. [SD]

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτὴρ, 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 οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε φιλόανθρωπε.

*Next, we hear the usual **Eisodikon** (Entrance Hymn):*

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen 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 this, the apolytikion for St. Nicholas, our patron saint, is chanted:

The truth of things has 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. Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποίμνῃ σου, ἡ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε· πρόσβενε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Finally, the usual Kontakion for this season is chanted:

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 protect now and ever those who honor you. [SD]

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 πρεσβειάν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

TODAY'S EPISTLE READING: Rom. 2:10-16. Brethren, glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus. [RSV]

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING: Mt. 4:18-23. At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people. [RSV]

2023 Philoptochos Father's Day Honorees

All Fathers & Friends of St. Nicholas

Anonymous

Glenn Andrews

Justin Andriotis

Theodore Andrianos

Elaine Andrianos
Nikos P. Andrianos

Eugene Andriotis

Vasie-Leigh, Rosie & Justin
Andriotis

Father Anastasios Athanasiou

Pamela Bertos

Harry Athanasiou

Pamela Bertos

Father Christopher Bender

Pres. Filitsa Bender
Sophia & Maria Bender
St. Nicholas Church School
St. Nicholas Greek School

Archdeacon Euripides Christulides

Denise & Bridgette Daugherty

Nick Contis

Stamatia Lykos

Yianni Coutris

Perry & Tulla Velisaris

George Darakos

Taki, Argy, Toula, Demetri & Harry
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Dimitri Daskalakis

Taki, Argy, Toula, Demetri & Harry
Darakos

Kyriakos Davides

Alexandra Davides

Demetri Ellis

Patricia DiNatale & Melissa Bennett

John Frentzos

Tommy, Kalliope & Antoni Kristian

Chris Geronimos

Ted Hages

Michael Gregory

Alexandra Gregory

James Hages

Ted & Nicholas Hages

John Jennings

Constance Paras Jennings

Foster Kartsotis

Patti McKee

Nicholas Kleissas

Amy Kleissas

John Kristian

Tommy, Kalliope & Antoni Kristian

Deacon Robert Lykos

Yoanna & Stamatia Lykos
Perry & Tulla Velisaris

Jim Machin

Nicholas Hages

Nicholas Malachias

Nick & Zoe Lardas

Nicholas Mastros

Helen Mastros

Brian Nelson

Tyson, Tyrann & Tyra Nelson
Brooke Walker

Robert G. Panagulias
Dean Panagulias

Orestes Paras
Constance Paras Jennings

Mark Peterson
Patti McKee

George Plastiras
Maria Janik

Gene Rakoczy
Taki, Argy, Toula, Demetri & Harry
Darakos

Steven Roman
Michelle Kotsagrelos

Gus Stamoolis
Christina, Catina, Connie, Panayiotis
& Sophia Stamoolis

R.J. Thieneman
Carol & Peter Tsudis

Peter Tsudis
Carol Tsudis

Yianni Velisaris
Perry & Tulla Velisaris

Perry Velisaris
Tulla Velisaris
Yoanna & Stamatia Lykos

Jason Walker
Brooke & Drew Walker
Tasso Whipple

Tasso Whipple
Tyra Nelson

Peter Yannopoulos
Drew Walker

2023 Philoptochos Father's Day Memorials

All Fathers & Friends of St. Nicholas

Anonymous

Dr. Emmanuel Amurgis

Michelle Kotsagrellos

Fr. Evangelos Andreou

Mitzie Andrews

Maria Janik

Demo Andrews

Mitzie Andrews

Maria Janik

Theodore Andrews

Steve Andrews

Constantine Andriotis

Eugene, Vasie-Leigh, Rosie & Justin
Andriotis

Nick Athens

Mitzie Andrews

Maria Janik

Harry Bender

Fr. Chris & Pres. Filitsa Bender
Sophia & Maria Bender

George Bertos

Pamela Bertos

James T. Chames

Eugene, Vasie-Leigh, Rosie & Justin
Andriotis

George Christ

Martha Kartsotis

George Chronis

Dee T. Chronis

Elaine Vitsas

Paul Chronis

Elaine Vitsas

Bob Cochran

Peter & Carol Tsudis

Bill Cominos

Elaine Vitsas

Constantine A. Contis

Alexandra Davides

John G. Contis

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Perry & Tulla Velisaris

James Craig

Becky & Nevin Craig

Gus Dakis

Alexandra Gregory

Harry Darakos

The Darakos Family

William Darakos

The Darakos Family

Ron Richards Daugherty

Denise & Bridgette Daugherty

Sotirios Diacoyanis

Virginia Fekaris

James Dordas

Becky & Nevin Craig

Peter Flocos

Martha Kartsotis

Patti McKee

Tom Frentzos

Tommy, Kalliope & Antoni Kristian

Charles Garbinski

Melissa Bennett

Michael Geanopoulos

Michelle Kotsagrellos
Georgette Nelson
Aimee Walker
Stacey Whipple

Victor Greco

The Bedel Family

George Gregory

Alexandra Gregory

Peter Gregory

Alexandra Gregory

Eleftherios Hages

Jim & Linda Hages

Anastasios Hatzivasiliou

Fr. Chris & Pres. Filitsa Bender
Sophia & Maria Bender

Edward Henry Holliger III

Sophia Panagis

George Kefalos

Anne Kefalos

Nick Kefalos

Anne Kefalos

Gus Kleissas

Amy Kleissas

George Kotsagrellos

Michelle Kotsagrellos
Georgette Nelson
Aimee Walker
Stacey Whipple

Tasso Kotsagrellos

Estair Kotsagrellos
Michelle Kotsagrellos
Georgette Nelson
Tyra, Tyson, & Tyrann Nelson
Aimee Walker
Brooke & Drew Walker
Stacey Whipple
Tasso & Faith Whipple

William Kozy Sr.

Joanne Mandros Kozy

Chris Lardas

Anne Kefalos

James N. Lardas

Nick & Zoe Lardas

Dimitrios Lykos

The Lykos Family

George Lykos

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Achillis Malanos

Amy Kleissas

George P. Mandros

Joanne Mandros Kozy

Athanasios Markopoulos

Greg & Electra Markopoulos

Anthony Morrison

Helen Mastro

Nicholas Theodore Pallas

Tara A. Pallas-Sheetz

Theodore Pallas, Sr.

Tara A. Pallas-Sheetz

Nickolas Pandeladis

Cathy Pandeladis

Sotirios N. Papandreas

Elaine Andrianos

John Paras

Constance Paras Jennings

Russel Paras

Constance Paras Jennings

John Pehenakis

Dee T. Chronis

Gust Petinos

Alice Lardas Gary

George Raftis

Alexandra Gregory

Spiros Raftis

Denise & Chris Raftis

Ronnie Paras Regan

Constance Paras Jennings

Father Sarantos Serviou

Greg & Electra Markopoulos

Marinos Sfamenos

Denise & Bridgette Daugherty

H.R. Sheetz

Tara A. Pallas-Sheetz

Haralambos Stoyias

The Lykos Family

Emanuel Supertzi

Peter Tsoukalas

Procopis Supertzi

Peter Tsoukalas

Paul Telakis

Dee T. Chronis

Elaine Vitsas

Othello Teramana

Sophia Panagis

Dan Thimoleas

Denise Daugherty

Fotis Tsoukalas

Peter Tsoukalas

John Tsoukalas

Peter Tsoukalas

Poti Tsoukalas

Peter Tsoukalas

Nicholas Tsouris

Anne Kefalos

Theodore Tsouris

Anne Kefalos

Angelo Tsudis

Peter & Carol Tsudis

Arthur Velis

Mitzie Andrews

Maria Janik

Yianni Velisaris

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Martha Kartsotis

Patti McKee

Louis G. Vitsas

Martha Kartsotis

Patti McKee

Joseph Wimmer

Demetri & Irene Ellis

Gus Xilas

Denise & Chris Raftis

Leo Xyftis

Cathy Pandeladis

George Zaras

Denise & Chris Raftis

Gus Zozos

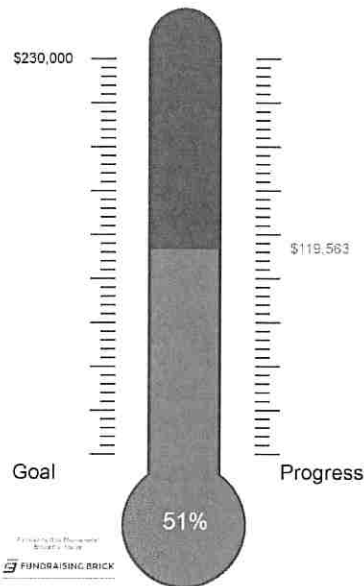
The Lykos Family

Names listed were received by June 13, 2023. We apologize for any misspellings or omissions.

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	235 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$119,563.00 GOAL (\$230,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$742.63

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, 412-944-4961.

GOYA NEWS

Coffee Hour Trays Needed – Have extra glass/plastic trays laying around, please donate them to be used during coffee hour on Sundays. We need to replenish our supply. Please bring them to the church office.

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.

June 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
18 2nd Sunday of Matthew Orthros 8:15 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. <hr/> Fr. Christopher Bender's Retirement Luncheon 12:00 Noon	19 Parish Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20 Open Gym 7:00 p.m.	21	22	23	24
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FR. BENDER AWAY						