

**SUNDAY, September 15 – Sunday after Holy Cross**

*Saint of the day: Nikitas the Great Martyr*

**Third Mode · First Eothinon**



**WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!**

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***Our Sunday worship schedule: 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 is prepared 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.

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## TODAY:

- ❖ **COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY** – Join us in our Cathedral Hall after Liturgy
- ❖ A second basket will be passed today to benefit Hellenic College Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology – our seminary in Boston.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

- Monday, September 16: Parish Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.; YAL Basketball 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 18: YAL Volleyball 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 21: First Day of Greek School 10:00 a.m.  
(followed by Agiasmos and Ice Cream kick-off party)  
Sacrament – Wedding 3:30 p.m.
- Sunday, September 22: GOYA Carwash

The church beautification committee is preparing to purchase new items for the church, including: new hanging oil lamps for the iconostasis, altar cloths, a tabernacle and candle set for the altar, panel icons for the narthex and candlesticks for the ceremonial table (or replating the existing ones). Plans also include installing a *synthronon* with new chairs and iconography for the altar, and cleaning and restoring the iconostasis. The committee is communicating with iconographers and consultants about potentially adding additional iconography within the church. Further details about this last project will be forthcoming. If you would like to contribute towards the cost of these items or projects, please see either Fr. Eleftherios or any member of the committee: Deacon Robert Lykos, Rob Day, Alex Davides, Amy Hogg, Peter Krelis, Carol Tsudis, or Tulla Velisar.

## TODAY'S HYMNS AND READINGS

*For the second Antiphon, the following festal variation is chanted along with the corresponding verses:*

**Σ**ῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ σαρκὶ σταυρωθεὶς, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

**S**ave us, O Son of God, who were crucified in the flesh. We sing to You, Alleluia.

*The Festal Hymn for the Feast of the Cross in first mode is chanted twice for the Small Entrance:*

**Σ**ῶσον, Κύριε, τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς βασιλεῦσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος, καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

**S**ave, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth.

*At the Small Entrance, the usual Entrance Hymn is chanted.*

*Following the Small Entrance, Resurrection Hymn of the week in third mode is chanted:*

**Εὐφραίνεσθω** τὰ οὐράνια, ἀγαλλιᾶσθω τὰ ἐπίγεια, ὅτι ἐποίησε κράτος ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, ὁ Κύριος· ἐπάτησε τῷ θανάτῳ τὸν θάνατον· πρωτότοκος τῶν νεκρῶν ἐγένετο· ἐκ κοιλίας ᾄδου ἐρρύσατο ἡμᾶς, καὶ παρέσχε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

**L**et the heavens be glad. Let the earth rejoice exceedingly. For the Lord has shown strength with his arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead. Out of the belly of Hades, He has rescued us, and to the world He has granted the great mercy.

*Then, the Festal Hymn for the Feast of the Cross is repeated (see above).*

*We then chant the Apolytikion hymn for our patron, St. Nicholas, in fourth mode:*

**Κ**ανόνα 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· πρόσβενε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**T**he 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 chant the festal Kontakion (for the Holy Cross), in the fourth mode:*

**Ὁ ὑψωθεὶς ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ** ἐκουσίως, τῇ ἐπωνύμῳ σου καινῇ πολιτείᾳ τοὺς οἰκτιρισμούς σου δώρησαι, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός· εὐφρανὸν ἐν τῇ δυνάμει σου τοὺς πιστοὺς βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, νίκας χορηγῶν αὐτοῖς κατὰ τῶν πολεμίων· τὴν συμμαχίαν ἔχοιεν τὴν σὴν, ὄπλον εἰρήνης, ἀήττητον τρόπαιον.

**You** who were lifted on the cross voluntarily, O Christ our God, bestow Your tender compassions upon Your new community to which You gave Your name. Cause our faithful emperors to be glad in Your power, granting them the victories against their adversaries. And for an ally, Lord, may they have You, peace as their armor, the trophy invincible.

**Today's Epistle Reading** (*Sunday After the Cross*):

The reading is from Paul's Letter to the Galatians (2:16–20)

**Α**δελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπιστεύσαμεν, ἵνα δικαιωθῶμεν ἐκ πίστεως Χριστοῦ καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, διότι οὐ δικαιωθήσεται ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πᾶσα σὰρξ. εἰ δὲ ζητοῦντες δικαιωθῆναι ἐν Χριστῷ εὐρέθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοί, ἄρα Χριστὸς ἁμαρτίας διάκονος; μὴ γένοιτο. εἰ γὰρ ἂ κατέλυσα ταῦτα πάλιν οἰκοδομῶ, παραβάτην ἐμαυτὸν συνίστημι. ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμῳ ἀπέθανον, ἵνα Θεῷ ζήσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταύρωμαι· ζῶ δὲ οὐκέτι ἐγώ, ζῆ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ Χριστός· ὁ δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκί, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῆ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ.

**B**rethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. [RSV]

**Today's Gospel Reading** (*Sunday After the Cross*):

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (8:34–38; 9:1)

**Εἶ**πεν ὁ Κύριος· ὅστις θέλει ὀπίσω μου ἀκολουθεῖν, ἀπαρνησάσθω ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀράτω τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἀκολουθεῖτω μοι. ὃς γὰρ ἂν θέλη τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ σῶσαι, ἀπολέσει αὐτήν· ὃς δ' ἂν ἀπολέσῃ τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ψυχὴν ἕνεκεν ἐμοῦ καὶ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, οὗτος σώσει αὐτήν. τί γὰρ ὠφελήσει ἄνθρωπον ἐὰν κερδήσῃ τὸν κόσμον ὅλον, καὶ ζημιωθῆ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ; ἢ τί δώσει ἄνθρωπος ἀντάλλαγμα τῆς ψυχῆς αὐτοῦ; ὃς γὰρ ἐὰν ἐπαισχυνθῆ με καὶ τοὺς ἐμοὺς λόγους ἐν τῇ γενεᾷ ταύτῃ τῇ μοιχαλίδι καὶ ἁμαρτωλῷ, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπαισχυνθήσεται αὐτὸν ὅταν ἔλθῃ ἐν τῇ δόξῃ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀγγέλων τῶν ἁγίων. Καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι εἰσὶ τινες τῶν ὧδε ἐστηκότων, οἵτινες οὐ μὴ γεύσονται θανάτου ἕως ἂν ἴδωσι τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐληλυθυῖαν ἐν δυνάμει.



**T**he Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power." [RSV]



**GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA  
ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL**

Prot. No. 273/2024

**Archepiscopal Encyclical for the Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
The Feast of the Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-giving Cross**

September 14, 2024

To the Most Reverend and Right Reverend Hierarchs, Pious Priests and Deacons, Monks and Nuns, Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils, Honorable Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Members of Leadership 100, Day and Afternoon Schools, Philoptochos Societies, Youth, Greek Orthodox Organizations, and entirety of the Christ-loving Plenitude of the Sacred Archdiocese of America:

*The Cross is exalted today, and the cosmos is sanctified... (Exapostilarion)*

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Today, we celebrate the Discovery of the True Cross upon which our Lord Jesus Christ was crucified. For centuries, it had lain hidden beneath the rubble and devastation that the Roman armies had inflicted upon Jerusalem and Her surroundings. Until the mission to the Holy Land of Saint Helen, mother to the holy Emperor Constantine, who ended persecution against Christians and called the First Ecumenical Council.

The finding of this sacred relic is the cause for our Feast today, the Universal Exaltation of the Holy and Life-giving Cross. Throughout the Sacred Archdiocese of America and around the world, the Cross of the Lord will be lifted up with fragrant basil, and faithful Orthodox Christians will fall down before it, just as they did at its first Elevation, when Saint Makarios, Archbishop of Jerusalem, raised on high the Cross that granted the miracle of resurrection. But as in the days of Saint Helen, before the Cross can be exalted, it must first be discovered.

So, where is the Cross to be found today? Is it only present in the precious fragments that are ensconced in reliquaries around the globe? In truth, the discovery of the Cross is available to every Christian who seeks to follow the example of our Lord's self-sacrificial love. The Cross is buried in our hearts through Baptism, and lies deep within us, waiting to be revealed by our thoughts and intentions, by our words, and by



our actions. Its discovery transforms a human being into a self-aware child of God, who then raises up the Cross in their own lives and shares in the divine plan of sanctifying the cosmos.

This is the daily work and calling of the devout men and women studying at our beloved Hellenic College & Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, and today is their special Feastday. Let us all make every effort to support them and all those who labor at our precious Theological School, so that the Holy and Lifegiving Cross may manifest more and more in our own lives, and throughout the world.

With paternal love in Christ,

† ELPIDOPHOROS  
Archbishop of America



# ST NICHOLAS Byzantine Youth Choir

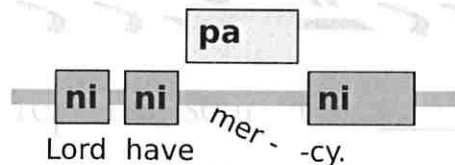
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- \* Online lessons with audio recordings and videos



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HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
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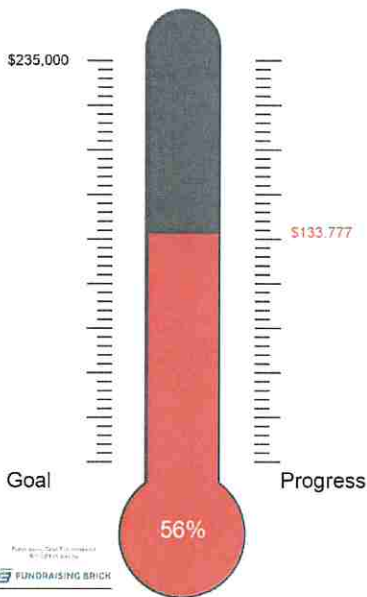
## 2024 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex.

*(Just ask a member of Parish Council)*



Visit our website to fill out a Stewardship Card for 2024 or to donate

<https://stnickspgh>.



<u>2024</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	246 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$ 133,777.00 GOAL (\$235,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$801.06

## 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.



## GOYA Technical Support



During coffee hour, people may bring laptops, Cell phones, tablets etc. !

Some would like to complete an assignment, finish up a work slide, watch a cooking video, and more!

Stop by the goya table during coffee hour with any electronic you are having difficulties with and have a goyan help you out!

## SIXTY CLUB NEWS

Time for 2024- 2025 dues; \$15.00 per person, payable to St. Nicholas 60 Club. Please contact Helen Waskoskie, 3843 Newton Court Murrysville, PA 15668 or Argie Stuart4601 Bayard St., Apt 205, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.



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# BOOKSTORE

## Updates

*Sunday, Sept. 15*

Stop by our table on Community Fellowship Sunday to see what our bookstore has to offer.

Prize raffle and giveaways!

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*Saturday, Sept. 21*

Back to Greek School Open House Event

Καλώς ήρθατε πίσω στο Ελληνικό σχολείο!  
Καθίστε για παρέα, καφέ, και  
να δείτε τι έχουμε να προσφέρουμε.

Pre-order special titles for the holidays.

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Sundays after Divine Liturgy



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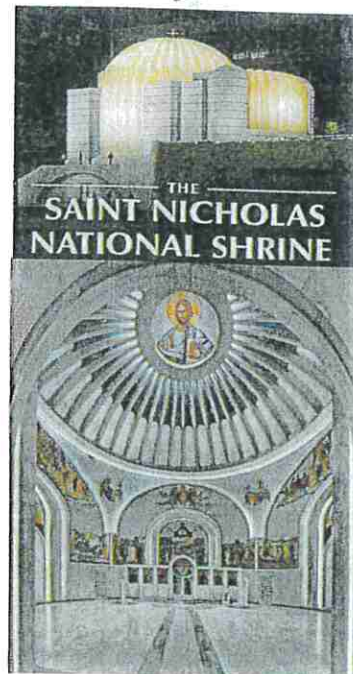
\$25 per person deposit due by 8/20/24  
Balance due by 10/1/24  
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- \* 2 Nights lodging
- \* 2 Breakfasts
- \* 2 Dinners, including a lovely dinner in Astoria, Queens
- \* Tour of the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church & National Shrine
- \* Visit & Tour the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America National Headquarters
- \* Free time to visit the National 9/11 Memorial
- \* Free time in Manhattan
- \* Tour of Upper Manhattan
- \* Tour of Lower Manhattan
- \* Ferry to Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island with audio tour
- \* Souvenir gift
- \* Luggage handling
- \* Taxes and meal gratuities
- \* Motorcoach transportation

9/11  
MEMORIAL



See reverse side for tentative itinerary

Cancellation insurance is available & highly recommended; see reverse side for details.

### FOR INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS CONTACT:



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# NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

## 3 Days - 2 Nights

*The sample itinerary described below is approximately like the one your group will be following during your stay with WHITE STAR TOURS. However, the exact times, days, and destinations may vary for your group.*

- Day 1** A 7:00 a.m. departure from St. Nicholas Cathedral has you traveling to New York City with a lunch stop on your own along the way. At approximately 2:00 pm, you will arrive in Manhattan to meet your local guide for **tours of Upper Manhattan** (the Lincoln Center, United Nations, Fifth Avenue, Harlem, St. John Divine Cathedral, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Central Park, and Rockefeller Center) and **Lower Manhattan** (famous buildings and colorful districts such as Soho, Little Italy, Chinatown, the Garment District, the Financial District, and Ground Zero). After the tour, check into your hotel with time to relax and freshen up before departing for 6:00 pm dinner in the New York City area. After dinner, return to your hotel for a relaxing evening.
- Day 2** Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at your hotel (7-9 am), then board your motor coach to depart at 9:00 am for Manhattan for the opportunity to visit and **tour the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of American National Headquarters** which was founded in 1921. After your visit, you will travel to Lower Manhattan for a noon arrival at the **St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church & National Shrine** for a brief introduction to this extraordinary church ... truly a sight to behold. At 12:30 pm, you will attend the **Paraklesis Service**. Following the Service, you may wish to visit the **9/11 Memorial** which is within walking distance to the Church. At approximately 3:00 pm, you will travel to Astoria, Queens for the opportunity to shop at the newly opened **Titan Greek Food Store**. Your day will end with a delicious 6:00 pm dinner at one of the Greek restaurants (TBA) in Astoria. At approximately 8:00 pm, you will depart to return to your hotel for a restful evening.
- Day 3** After breakfast at your hotel (7-9 am), check out and depart at 9:00 am for Lower Manhattan's Battery Park to board the Statue Cruise Ferry to Liberty Island to visit the **Statue of Liberty** and the **Statue of Liberty Museum**. Following your visit, you will re-board the ferry to cruise to **Ellis Island**, a landmark which symbolizes America's immigrant heritage. The Museum is designed as a self-guided museum with three floors of audio/visual displays and exhibits detailing the history of the immigration process from 1912 to 1954. Your enhanced visit will include an **audio tour** through this historic Main Building while allowing you to vividly relive the immigrant experience through first hand immigration accounts. You will also have the opportunity to see the **Wall of Honor** which lists the names of the immigrants that arrived on Ellis Island. Enjoy lunch on your own at either attractions. Re-board the ferry to return to Battery Park and continue home with fond memories of your trip to New York City.

**THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING WHITE STAR TOURS TO BE A PART OF YOUR TRAVELS!**

#### TRIP CANCELLATION PROTECTION

*Cancellation protection is encouraged for medical emergencies that may occur. The **Enhanced option must be paid within 14 days** from the day the first deposit for the trip is paid to the organization and/or group leader. There is an additional Enhanced upgrade - **Cancel for Any Reason**. Cancellation must be made no later than 48 hours prior to your scheduled departure, conditions, limitations, and exclusions do apply. These plans are only valid for trips booked through White Star Tours. To purchase the protection, please contact NTA/AON Insurance via their website at <https://nta.aontravelprotect.com> and provide the **Tour Operator Location #386097**.*

# GREEK SCHOOL

The first day of **Children's Greek Language Classes** for the 2024 – 2025 school year will begin at 10 a.m. **on Saturday, September 21.** All the teachers are joyfully awaiting seeing the children. New activities are planned to take place this year. We ask that children accompanied by their Parents report directly to their class. An Aghiasmo Service will be done near the end of class with Rev. Fr. Eleftherios Constantine. The Annual Ice Cream Social will take place following the Aghiasmo Service.

Registration will take place on Sunday, September 1 or by mailing the form and payment to the church. Children's classes from Pre K (4year olds) through 7<sup>th</sup> are on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To begin First Grade Level Greek, children are to be in First grade or higher in their American School.

**Adult** Greek Classes will start on the first week of October. They will be held on weeknights for one and a half hours. There are three classes—Beginners, Intermediates, and Advanced, all taught on the same evening.

For more information or to register as a new applicant, e-mail Maria at [mstamoolis@verizon.net](mailto:mstamoolis@verizon.net)

**ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL  
GREEK LANGUAGE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR CHILD  
2024 - 2025**

*Yearly Tuition for Children*

1 student=\$250; 2 students=\$450; 3 students=\$675; 4 students=\$900  
Make checks payable to **St. Nicholas Cathedral** with Greek School in the memo.

Child's LAST NAME (English&Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child's First Name (English &Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ primary CELL \_\_\_\_\_  
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 FATHER'S NAME (English & Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
 MOTHER'S NAME (English & Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
 School District Child Attends \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Age	Grade American School	Name Day	Birthdate	Grade Greek School

Any food allergies? Please list \_\_\_\_\_

IN case of EMERGENCY *Εν ώρα ΑΝΑΓΚΗΣ* Please give the names of relatives or other persons that could be reached. Children will be taken to Children's Hospital.

Emergency Name \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Name \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Volunteering – Your Help is Needed!**

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| <p>___ serving on Greek School Committee</p> <p>___ with Costume fitting</p> <p>___ with St. Nicholas Bazaar</p> <p>___ with Christmas Caroling in nursing homes</p> <p>___ with copying</p> | <p>___ Substituting</p> <p>___ March 25<sup>th</sup> Luncheon</p> <p>___ with Greek Language Festival</p> <p>___ with Bake Sale</p> <p>___ being a teacher's assistant</p> |
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**ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL**  
**GREEK LANGUAGE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR ADULT**  
**2024 - 2025**

Please select

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Advanced

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Memo: Greek School

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Please print

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you had previous Greek lessons? \_\_\_\_\_

If so where \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to learn Modern Greek? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Registration Form  
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral  
Church School**

**Parent's Names**

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**Address**

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**Phone Numbers**

**Home** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell** \_\_\_\_\_

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**May we call you to volunteer for one of our projects?**

**Substitute Teacher** \_\_\_\_\_

**Oratorical Festival** \_\_\_\_\_

**St. Nicholas Bazaar** \_\_\_\_\_

**Communion Breakfast** \_\_\_\_\_

**Christmas Pageant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Easter Egg Hunt** \_\_\_\_\_

**Snacks** \_\_\_\_\_

**Outreach Projects** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday!**

# *Church School Schedule*

## *2024-2025*

Sunday, September 15, 2024		Church School Begins with Agiasmo
Sunday, November 3, 2024		Godparent Sunday
Sunday, December 1, 2024	No Classroom Attendance	Thanksgiving Break
Sunday, December 8, 2024		St. Nicholas Bazaar
Sunday, December 22, 2024		Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 29, 2024	No Classroom Attendance	Christmas Break
Sunday, January 5, 2025		Church School Resumes & Vasilopita Cutting
Sunday, February 9, 2025		Church School Open House
Sunday, March 9, 2025	Participation in Procession	Sunday of Orthodoxy
Saturday, April 12, 2025	Saturday of Lazarus	Communion Breakfast/Retreat/Palm Making
Sunday, April 13, 2025	Classroom Attendance	Palm Sunday
Sunday, April 20, 2025	No Classroom Attendance	Easter Sunday
Sunday, May 4, 2025	No Classroom Attendance	Food Festival
Sunday, May 18, 2025	No Classroom Attendance	Commencement



You are cordially  
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**FIRST  
ARCHPASTORAL  
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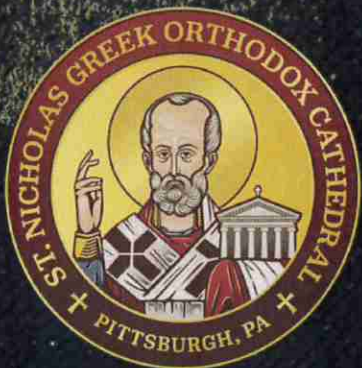
**SUNDAY**  
**6 OCTOBER**

St. Nicholas  
Greek Orthodox Cathedral  
419 South Dithridge Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

**Orthros: 8:15 a.m.**  
**Followed by Hierarchical  
Divine Liturgy**

A Celebratory luncheon will be  
hosted in the Cathedral Hall  
following the services

For more information,  
kindly contact the  
Cathedral Office at  
412-682-3866



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**CALL FOR COOKIE TABLE CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**FOR ARCHPASTORAL VISIT LUNCHEON**

As part of the Archpastoral Visit Luncheon honoring His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, we will be hosting a traditional Pittsburgh Cookie Table following the services on Sunday, October 6. We kindly request donations of cookies, pastries, cakes, and pies to showcase this beloved tradition.

Please bring your desserts:

- **Unplated:** Saturday, October 5, between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- **Plated:** Sunday, October 6, before the luncheon.

For questions or additional information, contact Linda Hages at 412-523-7938 or Alex Davides at 412-956-6325.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
**FOR ARCHPASTORAL VISIT LUNCHEON**

We are seeking volunteers to assist with preparations for the Archpastoral Luncheon. Help is needed:

- **Set-up:** Saturday, October 5
- **Service and Clean-up:** Sunday, October 6.

If you are able to help, please contact Michelle Kotsagrellos at 412-680-1416.

**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**  
**FOR ARCHPASTORAL VISIT LUNCHEON**

Since the Archpastoral Visit Luncheon will be offered gratis, we are seeking sponsors to help underwrite the costs associated with the luncheon. Any additional funds raised will go to support camp scholarships. If you are interested in supporting this important event, please contact Michelle Kotsagrellos for more information at 412-680-1416.

# SUPPORT GOYA MISSION WALK FOR GUATEMALA



*On October 13, 2024, St. Nicholas GOYA will participate in a walk through Oakland supporting the vital work of the mission trips in Guatemala.*

## **Money raised from this event will be used for:**

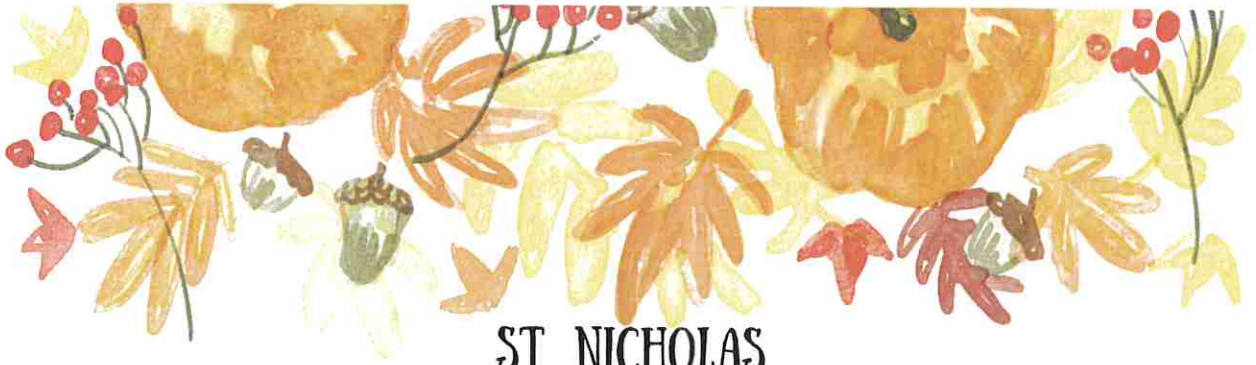
- Building hospitals
- Establishing a seminary
- Translating liturgical/ theological books
- Sewing vestments/ other liturgical coverings
- Providing parishes with icons/ liturgical utensils
- Assisting less fortunate members of the church
- Supporting other mission teams

## **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

You can help by making a donation. Please make checks payable to Holy Cross Mission Fund and give to a GOYA member or mail to:

St. Nicholas GOYA  
419 S. Dithridge Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

If you have any questions,  
please contact the chairs of this  
event, Marialena Bouzos, at  
[bouzosmarialena@gmail.com](mailto:bouzosmarialena@gmail.com) or  
Demetri Darakos at  
[demetri.darakos@gmail.com](mailto:demetri.darakos@gmail.com)



ST. NICHOLAS

JOY-HOPE-LITTLE ANGELS

# FALL FESTIVAL

FRIDAY OCTOBER 18, 2024  
6:00 P.M.



*Whatever you do, do everything for the  
glory of God. 1 Corinthians 10:31*

LOCATION: ST. NICHOLAS PARKING LOT

DECORATE YOUR TRUNK AND PASS OUT A TREAT  
PIZZA AND A CRAFT PROVIDED

PLEASE WEAR YOUR FAVORITE DISNEY, STORYBOOK, SUPERHERO  
CHARACTER OR ATHLETE COSTUME.

REFRAIN FROM WEARING COSTUMES WITH WEAPONS.

RSVP TO STAVROULA DORIS AT [STAV828@GMAIL.COM](mailto:STAV828@GMAIL.COM)



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# GREEK-TOBER



*Come and enjoy*  
a taste of Greece with gyros, kebabs,  
bougatsa, loukoumades and more!

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> THRU  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>**

**11 A.M. – 9 P.M.**

***OUTSIDE – UNDER THE TENT!***

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# SEPTEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15 <b>Sunday after Holy Cross</b>  Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.  <b>COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY</b>  <b>First Day of Church School</b>	16 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m.  <b>YAL Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	17	18 <b>YAL Volleyball</b> 7:00 p.m.	19	20	21 <b>First Day of Greek School</b>  <b>Greek School</b> 10:00 a.m.
22 <b>1st Sunday of Luke</b>  Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.  <b>GOYA Car Wash</b>	23 <b>YAL Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	24	25 <b>The Falling Asleep of St. John the Evangelist and Theologian</b> <i>(in anticipation)</i> Orthros 6:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m.	26	27	28 <b>Metropolis of Pittsburgh Clergy-Laity Assembly at Holy Cross in Mt. Lebanon</b>  <b>Greek School</b> 10:00 a.m.
29 <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Of Luke</b>  Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.	30 <b>YAL Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.					