

O who loves Nicholas the Saintly
O who serves Nicholas the Saintly
Him will Nicholas receive
And give help in time of need
Holy Father Nicholas



O kto kto Nikolaja l'ubit
O kto kto Nikolaja služit
Tomu svajatyj Nikolaj
Na vsjakij čas pomahaj
Nicolaj, Nicolaj

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May 3, 2015

Sunday of the Paralytic

Epistle Reading: Acts 9:32-42 **Gospel Reading:** John 5:1-15 **Tone:** 3 **Troparian & Kontakian:** pp. 55-56

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN! CHRISTOS VOSKRES! VOISTINU VOSKRES!

*****No Kneeling until Pentecost!*****

We do this in honor of the resurrection. As Christ has Risen, we also rise in prayer.

If you are visiting today, we are delighted that you are here and we hope that you will find a spiritual home among us.

COMMUNION REQUEST: Please state your name as you approach the Chalice for communion.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

There will be a panachida today in memory of +Fr. Protodeacon Joseph and Pani Olga Hotrovich (12th anniversary of repose) given by cousin, Mary Ammirati.

MEMORY ETERNAL: We extend our deepest condolences to Nancy, Bill, and Angela Bentvena after the sudden passing of Joseph, their son and brother. We ask God to give them, and their extended family, the strength to get through this very difficult time.

Vičnaja Pamjat! Eternal Memory!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish John Ceselka, John Ceselka Jr, Danuta Horbal and Kathleen Tutler many happy and blessed years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Gary And Diane Heidenfelder many happy and blessed years!

PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR: JoAnn

Attanasio, Fr. John Birch, Debbie Blue, Maria Ceselka, Tony Ceselka, Mary Fackovec, Fr. John Fencik, Ann Gaydos, Justine Gidicsin, Marge Hildebrant, Neil Ingenito, Helen Karpiak, Deacon Michael Kozar, Sean Merriam, Olga Petrick, Deacon Michael Pirich, Joyce Rusinak, Meagan Sikoryak, Toni Sikoryak, Miroslav Strenk, Miron Timoshuk, Peter Tymus, Lorraine Vira, Victoria Vislocky and Mary Zizik. Contact Kim to add or remove names: k.busel@att.net.



The Gospel today is about the paralytic who waited at the edge of Sheep's pool for 38 years to be healed. It was said that the first person who stepped into the water after an angel came down to stir it was instantly cured. The paralytic never lost faith. Christ instructed the man to get up and walk, and he was healed.

The fresco on the right is one of three ancient Christian icons, found in the Dura-Europos Church in Syria. The estimated date of the fresco is between 233-256AD and is considered the earliest depiction of Christ.

COFFEE HOUR TODAY Due to the Bike Tour, there is no formal coffee hour. Drinks and light refreshments are available for those who want to “do-it-yourself”.

WHAT’S AHEAD AT ST. NICHOLAS

<p>May 24th Blessing of Graves at Mt. Olivet- Liturgy starts at 9:00am so that we can get to the cemetery before the Memorial Day Parade.</p>	<p>May 31st First Holy Confession & Communion Alexander, Elizabeth, Leo and Kevin are working very hard to prepare for their first Holy Confession and Communion</p>
<p>June 14th Eighth grade, High School and College Graduation Party - Join us as we honor our many 2015 graduates.</p>	<p>June 21st Father’s Day Luncheon hosted by the kids of St. Nicholas All men of 10th Street Church are invited</p>

FLOWERS FROM EASTER As the beautiful flowers from Easter begin to wilt, they will be placed on the table in #2 Hall. Please feel free to take them home to plant in your gardens.

On April 26th, Justine Timko was presented a beautiful Theotokos icon bookmark in appreciation of her dedication to the Jr. ACRY and organizing the 2015 Talent Show.



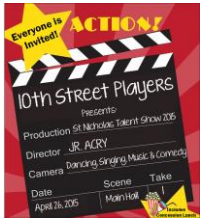
THE VIRTUE OF HOPE

In the Church, we speak frequently of three virtues: faith, hope and love.

Of the three, the virtue of hope seems to receive the least amount of attention. Without it, however, faith and love would never be able to flourish. What is hope? How can we define it? The dictionary definition -- "to desire with the expectation of fulfillment" -- is hardly adequate in a Christian context. Hope is knowing that even at the darkest of moments, God is there to lighten our path. Hope is the confident trust in the Lord that we have which keeps us from falling into the depths of despair. Hope is believing that we are never alone, causing us to call to remembrance Christ's own words: "LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS." (Matthew 28:20) In his letter to the Romans, Paul reminds us of the power of hope in our lives: "Now hope never disappoints, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, Who was given to us." (Romans 5:5) It has been said that hope provides us with the vision of light at the end of a tunnel. That vision, according to the teachings of our Holy Orthodox Church, is the Resurrected Christ. The Apostle Paul says as much when he points out to the Thessalonians that they should not grieve "without hope," for, as he instructs them, " ... if we believe that Jesus died and ROSE AGAIN, even so, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 4:14) May we never find ourselves without hope, for if we do, we will find ourselves without God!
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MOTHER'S DAY CHINESE AUCTION

Justina & Kevin Ryan and Mike & Evelyn Kormanik are hosting a raffle to benefit the senior center/nursing home in Jarabina, Slovakia. The Ryans and Kormaniks have now launched a GO FUND ME page to try to purchase 16 electric hospital beds and/or utilize the monies for a walk-in shower which is badly needed. Please visit www.gofundme.com/seniorsinslovakia/ to read more about and donate to this worthy endeavor.



If you were not in attendance during the Jr. ACRY Talent Show last week, you really missed something very special. We have a very talented group of young people, including John Gidicsin. A complete wrap-up of the event will be in the Mother's Day bulletin, next week, so that we can highlight the many wonderful moments that are now treasured memories. Thank you to all who performed and worked behind the scenes. The show was phenomenal!

April – June, 2015

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
3 Traffic Alert: TD 5-Boro Bike Tour DIY Coffee Hour	4	5	6	7	8	9 Baptism – Madelynn Hofmann daughter, of Danielle & Will Hofmann
10 Mother's Day With Raffle	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Team Tristate	18	19	20	21 Ascension	22	23 Baptism – Emma Josephine daughter of Doreen & Joseph Clemente
24 Mt. Olivet Cemetery Blessings Church begins at 9 DIY Coffee Hour	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Pentecost First Confession/ Communion DIY Coffee Hour	JUNE 1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Team Slovakia & Poland	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 St. Nicholas Graduation Party	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Last Coffee Hour & Bulletin Team Black & White	29	30	JUL 1	2	3	4

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