

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  
Nikolaj, Nikolaj

## ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Divine Liturgy: 10 am**

**Rev. Fr. William Bennett**

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**October 2, 2016**

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday After The Exaltation of the Cross,**

**Martyrs Trophimus, Sabbatius, and Dorymedon, & Martyr Zosimas the Hermit of Cilicia**

**Epistle Reading: Galatians 2:16-20 Gospel Reading: Mark 8:34-9:1 Tropar & Kondak: p 46, p 96**

### **WELCOME, ALL ST. NICHOLAS FAITHFUL & VISITORS!**

**PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR:** Priest John Baranik, Anna Benyo, Walter Bubniak, Ernie Canovas, Maria Ceselka, Tony Ceselka, Priest Vasyl Dovgan, Mary Fackovec, John Geida, Priest James Gleason, Michael Halama, Magdalena Ilanovska, Helen Karpiak, Betty Kormanik, Priest Elias Kozar, Pani Ann Kozar, Anna Mamrillova, Holly Marchak, Luboš Matlak, Sean Merriam, Deacon Michael Pirich, John Salony, Toni Sikoryak, Pani Donna Smoley, Miroslav Strenk, Miron Timoshuk, Lorraine Vira, Victoria Vislocky, & Mary Zizik. For the newly-Married servants of God, George & Sarah Ellis! Contact Fr. William to add or remove names: [fr.william.bennett@gmail.com](mailto:fr.william.bennett@gmail.com)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita! Let us all wish many more happy & blessed years to Nicole Sikoryak, Michael Korchak, Peter Wan, Leo Rael, Albert Vira, Jr., Martha Ceselka, Veronica Ceselka, & Marin Petricha!

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita! Let us all wish many more happy & blessed years to Robert & Merka Stack, Michael & Barbara Macaluso, John & Tanya McAusland, and Dn. Gregory & Tammy Benc!

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** – Today has been declared College Student Sunday, honoring Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) on college campuses everywhere. There will be a special collection following the Gospel reading to aid in OCF's efforts.



**Saint Zosimas the Hermit of Cilicia** was alive in the fourth century. The Governor of Cilicia, named Dometian, was at the time hunting

with his own servants throughout the mountains. At a certain point in their journey, they came across an elder that was conversing with all the animals around him. At the sight of the hunters, the beasts ran away. By then, the Governor and his servants feared they were encountering a powerful sorcerer. They asked him who he was and why he dwelt among the creatures, at which Zosimas replied "I do not live in the wilderness because I work sorceries. I am a Christian, and I cannot bear to dwell in the city with unbelievers. And so I went into the wilderness, preferring to dwell with beasts rather than with evil men, the enemies of my Lord Jesus Christ." Deeply offended, the Governor (who often tortured Christians) arrested Zosimas and tortured him. Zosimas was then hung from a tree upside down and mocked, told to call to himself one of these beasts he called a friend. Indeed he did, a terrible lion, who only arrived to alleviate his friend. At this and the terror of the torturers, Zosimas gave up his spirit.

***O Holy Martyr, pray to God for us!***

## TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **EXALTATION OF THE CROSS**

Tuesday, Sept. 27th was the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. Flowers around the Cross were donated by Stephanie Salony in memory of Ivan Bulik.

**ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING TODAY** – There will be a meeting today after Divine Liturgy. Please grab a cup of coffee and head up to #2 Hall.

### **LOTS OF LUCK CALENDARS**

ACRY Lots-Of-Luck Calendars have arrived! They are \$25.00 each. Please see Dawn Krzyzanowski if you are interested in one. Checks should be made out to "Lots-O-Luck Calendar Fund".

**COFFEE HOUR:** There will be a coffee hour provided by the Kitchen Cousins today.

### **LOVE YOUR MORNING COFFEE?**

We could use your help. The coffee reserves are getting low. Please consider donating a can of your favorite coffee.



## NEXT WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **DIOCESAN SOBOR – Oct. 9-12th**

The XXIII Diocesan Council-Sobor will be held at Christ the Saviour Cathedral in Johnstown. The event is being hosted by the Johnstown Deanery with His Grace, Bishop Gregory of Nyssa, presiding. Fr. William will be attending.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP**

Over the summer, Cristian worked very hard to clean the windows in the Main Hall. Paul Sikoryak provided the dry cleaning services and last Sunday, a team reinstalled the sheers. Thank you to Cristian, Paul, Michal and Jarka Derevanik, Kathy & Magda Matlak, Robert & Merka Stack and Mike Tymus.

## **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

The food pantry has asked St. Nicholas Church members to collect the following items so they can combine them with other donations to provide complete meals to about 150 families:

- Appetizers:** **Boxed crackers**, like Ritz, Triscuit,  
**Meal Prep:** **Spices** (cinnamon, dried parsley, garlic & onion powder, pepper, paprika)  
**Main Meal:** **Pineapple or mixed fruit** in fruit juice, not syrup  
**Dessert:** **Ready-made frosting** - vanilla or chocolate frosting only.

All food donations are greatly appreciated. If anyone would like to make a monetary contribution towards this effort, please give your donations to Bob Zizik. He will be more than happy to do the shopping!

## **FULL SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### Week of October 2<sup>nd</sup> – October 8<sup>th</sup>

**SUNDAY, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Divine Liturgy, 10 AM**  
**Wed, October 5<sup>th</sup> – Daily Matins, 8 AM**  
**Fri, October 7<sup>th</sup> – Daily Matins, 8 AM**  
**Sat, October 8<sup>th</sup> – Divine Liturgy, 9 AM**  
- **Great Vespers, 6 PM**

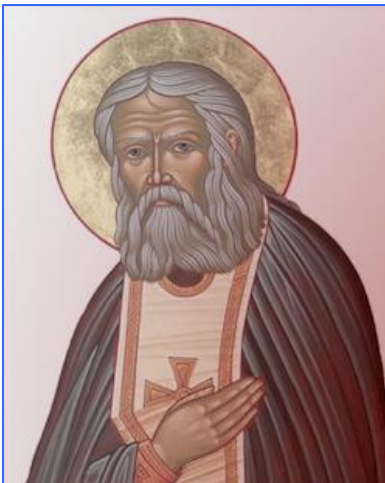
### Week of October 9<sup>th</sup> – October 15<sup>th</sup>

**SUNDAY, October 9<sup>th</sup> – Divine Liturgy, 10 AM**  
**Fri, October 14<sup>th</sup> – Divine Liturgy, 9 AM**  
- **POKROV, Feast of the Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God**  
**Sat, October 15<sup>th</sup> – Divine Liturgy, 9 AM**  
- **Great Vespers, 6 PM**

### Week of October 16<sup>th</sup> – October 21<sup>st</sup>

**SUNDAY, October 16<sup>th</sup> – Divine Liturgy, 10 AM**

**Note from Fr. William:** If you would like anyone remembered during the course of these Divine Services or would like someone remembered in a memorial service, please see Fr. William or email him at [fr.william.bennett@gmail.com](mailto:fr.william.bennett@gmail.com)



To receive and be aware of the light of Christ within, it is necessary to withdraw from outward things, as far as this can be done.

St. Seraphim of Sarov

### **IMPORTANT NOTE TO eBulletin Subscribers**

Starting next week, the weekly bulletin email is going to look a little different. St. Nicholas Church will be using Constant Contact to provide email service. The email will be from [connect@stnicholaschurchnyc.org](mailto:connect@stnicholaschurchnyc.org) and listed as coming from St. Nicholas of Myra Orthodox Church.

This change makes it possible for emails to be sent by both Fr. William and Kim Busel to allow for travel schedules and event commitments (ie Cookie Walk!).

To date, there are approximately 225 eBulletin subscribers. Are you one? If not, please consider joining. The list will also be used to communicate important church announcements that happen in between bulletins. To join the list, please email [k.busel@att.net](mailto:k.busel@att.net) to have your name added.



# ASSEMBLY OF CANONICAL ORTHODOX BISHOPS

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## OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**2016 College Student Sunday Encyclical  
October 2, 2016**

*"Come and See"*

Beloved Clergy, Godly Monastics, and Blessed Faithful,

We greet you with joy as we announce the date for **College Student Sunday**, benefiting **Orthodox Christian Fellowship**. To support the incredible efforts of our students, College Student Sunday will be the first Sunday of October, running in conjunction with OCF's Orthodox Awareness Month. This year, the date falls on **OCTOBER 2**.

Orthodox Christian Fellowship continues to provide students with opportunities to encounter Christ and grow in their Orthodox faith through their growing network of on campus OCF chapters led by talented students, clergy, and lay advisors as well as through programs such as regional retreats, College Conference, Real Break, and the Summer Leadership Institute.

OCF continues to make every effort to connect new freshmen to campus chapters and local parishes through the **First Forty Days Initiative**, which involves extensive effort from our student leaders and spiritual advisors to contact every incoming freshman within their first forty days on campus. We wholeheartedly pray for and strongly encourage your support of these noble efforts by ensuring that the contact information for your parish's graduating high school seniors be sent each and every year to the OCF National Office for dissemination to our dedicated local chapters!

Additionally, with the greatest sincerity and earnestness, we encourage your committed financial support of this fundamental ministry which functions **completely on the contributions of caring Orthodox faithful like yourselves**.

We are asking that a special collection be taken on College Student Sunday in support of the good work of OCF, and we encourage the entire faithful--clergy, parents, grandparents, godparents, aunts, uncles, and friends of our treasured college students--to be generous in your offering of support to this ministry on their behalf. If for some reason October 2 is not a good date for your parish, please make the collection on the Sunday before or after. Donations may be sent to the OCF National Office at 50 Goddard Ave., Brookline, MA 02445 or online at [www.ocf.net/donate](http://www.ocf.net/donate).

May our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ who calls all of us to contribute to the ministry of His Church guide and strengthen all of our cherished and blessed Orthodox college students.

+Bishop Gregory of Nyssa - [bishopgregoryofnyssa@gmail.com](mailto:bishopgregoryofnyssa@gmail.com)

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Dearest St. Nicholas faithful,

*Glory be to Jesus Christ! Slava Isusu Christu!*  
*Glory be forever! Slava na Viki!*

Beloved parish family, a full year has come and gone! September 20<sup>th</sup> marked one year since Pani Ileana and I arrived to this 10<sup>th</sup> Street neighborhood and were immediately beseiged with helping hands to our new home. Since that time, we have seen *only* helping hands and a certain zeal to accomplish great things in God's name.

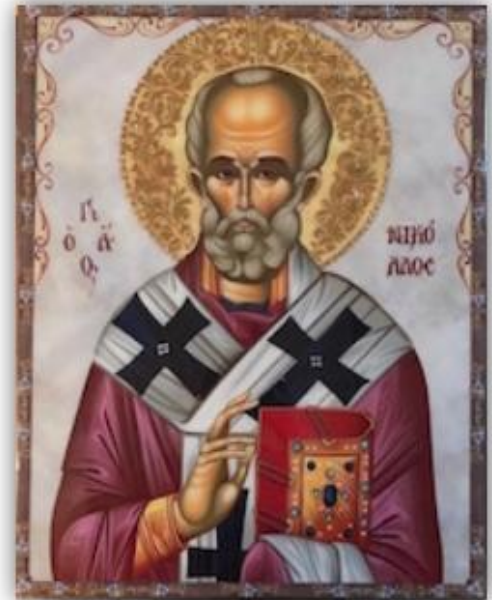
This much is apparent: The presence of God in His Church is very real, not least of all among our own St. Nicholas community. I have seen our Lord working among our own people, as much as you have, if not more. With His presence among His children comes a greater responsibility on our part to grow in His presence, and on that, I give our parish family a singular mission going forward: *To grow the presence of God in our community.* Let us seek out all the ways we can fulfill this mission together; creatively, obediently, with sacrifice and with joy, pouring out with love and God's limitless grace for one another.

My Pani and I could not have chosen a greater Saint than our own St. Nicholas to 1) show our gratitude to you after a full year for the gift of your love, for which you asked nothing in return, and 2) to mark the beginning of our mission (and commitment) to grow the presence of God in our community. St. Nicholas's own presence is most precious among saints, for his very presence conveys the presence of God, Himself. It is the same calling for every one of us: that we might convey God's presence through our own actions, as members of His Holy Church.

May the blessed presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, His Heavenly Father, and the all-Holy Spirit remain at work within our hearts! May we also be so blessed to remain a part of this parish family for many more happy and blessed years!

With love in Christ,

Rev. Fr. William Bennett



**A LOOK AT WHAT'S AHEAD –**  
**Tentative Jr. ACRY Calendar**

- Oct. 30** – Costume Parade & Halloween Party
- Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>** – Talent Show practice/Pizza Party  
Possible FUN sleepover at St. Nicholas
- Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>** - JR ACRY Talent Show
- Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>** – Rolling Dough/ Christmas Caroling
  
- Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>** - Decorating the Main Hall
- Dec. 10-11<sup>th</sup>** →COOKIE WALK
- Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Caroling
- Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>** - St Nicholas Day Luncheon (Sunday)
  
- Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Ice Skating (tentative)
- Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>** – Bingo (last day before Lent)
- Mar. 10-12<sup>th</sup>** Woodloch Weekend
- March 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>** - Beginners Pisanky Class
- May 26-29** – Bowling Tournament (Rockaway)

**Sunday, November 6th**



**Jr. ACRY  
TALENT  
SHOW**

**GOT  
★TALENT**

Please see Justine Timko if you would like to perform in the show.  
All ages are welcome!

**Hope to see you at the show!**




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This year's Annual DDD appreciation dinner for the NY/NJ Deanery will take place on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at Snuffy's in Scotch Plains, NJ:

Cocktails @ 4 PM – Dinner @ 5 PM

Donations are to be made out directly to the "Distinguished Diocesan Donors," mailed to:



*Diocesan Chancery  
312 Garfield Street  
Johnstown, PA 15906*



*Please inform Fr. William of any donations made in order to keep track of our progress as a parish.  
Donations of a minimum \$100 are encouraged.*

**OCTOBER - DECEMBER, 2016**

\*Shaded areas indicate days of fasting

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
2 Altar Society Meeting Kitchen Cousins	3	4	5 <i>Daily Matins, 8am</i>	6	7 <i>Daily Matins, 8am</i>	8 <i>Liturgy, 9am Great Vespers 6pm</i>
9 Diocesan Sobor, Johnstown Slovakia & Poland	10	11	12	13	14 <b>Pokrov – Feast of Protection of the Mother of God</b> <i>Divine Liturgy, 9am</i>	15 <i>Liturgy, 9am Great Vespers, 6pm</i>
16 DDD dinner Black & White	17	18	19 <i>Daily Matins, 8am</i>	20	21 <i>Daily Matins, 8am</i>	22 <i>Liturgy, 9am Great Vespers, 6pm</i>



OCT 23 Board Meeting Traffic Alert: MS Bike Tour DIY Coffee Hour	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Costume Parade & Party Altar Society	31	NOV1	2	3	4	5 Talent Show Practice & Jr. ACRY sleep over
6 Jr. ACRY Talent Show DIY Coffee Hour Daylight Savings Ends "Fall Back"	7	8	9	10	11	12  Cookie Walk Preparation – Stack House
13 Cookie Walk KICK-OFF Mtg. Team Koneval	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Annual Kermeš	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26 Cookie Dough Prep
27 Cookie Prep DIY Coffee Hour	28 Nativity Fast Begins	29	30	DEC1	2	3
4 Hall Decoration Dough Prep Team Tristate	5 Baking - Afternoon	6 Baking – All Day	7 Baking – All Day	8 Baking – All Day	9 Baking – am Plating - pm	10 Cookie Walk 11 - 4
11 Cookie Walk 12-3	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 St. Nicholas Day Luncheon	19 Feast of St. Nicholas	20	21	22	23	24
25 DIY Coffee Hour	26	27	28	29	30	31

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