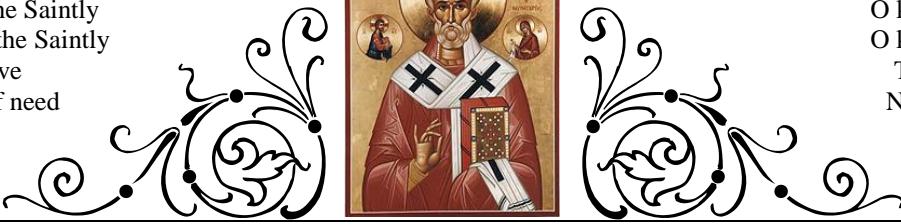


O who loves Nicholas the Saintly
O who serves Nicholas the Saintly
Him will Nicholas receive
And give help in time of need
Holy Father Nicholas



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

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Sunday, September 14, 2014
St. Symeon the Stylite

Epistle Reading: 2 Cor 1:21-2:4 **Gospel Reading:** Matt 22:1-14 **Tone: 5** **Troparian & Kontakian:** pg 45

COMMUNION REQUEST: Please state your name as you approach the Chalice for communion. Since we understand "Communion" to mean *all things in common*, sharing an identical Faith, the reception of the Holy Eucharist is **reserved** only to those who are baptized and chrismated members of the Orthodox Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, a recent confession, fasted from all food/ drink from midnight and arrived on time for Liturgy. Those who are not fully prepared to receive the Holy Gifts, or those who are non-Orthodox, may approach the chalice to receive a blessing only. Please advise of your intention.

SERVICES TODAY We will be having a **Service of Remembrance** for those who perished during the 9/11 tragedy.

SERVICES NEXT WEEK: There will be a 40-day Parastas on September 21st for Anna Derevjanikova (Firerka), mother of Michal, Jan and Mikulas Derevjanik. Vičnaja Jej Pamjat! Eternal Memory! There will be a komašna after Liturgy.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Tony Ceselka, Tatiana Halamova, Danielle Stack Hofmann, Nick Timko and Olga Vanatko many happy and blessed years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Paul & Mary Federico, Michal & Jaroslava Derevjanik and Carlos & Iveta Canjura many happy and blessed years!

PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR: Mary Fackovec, Steven Gaydos, Ann Gaydos, Marge Hildebrant, Deacon Joseph Hotrovich, Neil Ingenito, Helen Karpiak, Deacon Michael Kozar, Mary Lichvarik, Magda Matlak, Sean Merriam, Olga Petrick, Joyce Rusinak, Toni Sikoryak, Mary Strenk, Peter Tymus, Lorraine Vira, and Mary Zizik. Please contact Kim Busel to add and/or remove names:
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Saint Symeon the Stylite



Our venerable and God-bearing Father Symeon the Stylite (c. 390-459) was a monk living in Syria. When he was a youth, he was deeply moved after hearing the Beatitudes, and decided to join a monastery. His desire for fasting and asceticism grew quickly. Symeon was so ardent in his monastic life, he left the monastery to live in an empty well in the mountains. The monks beseeched Symeon to return to the monastery, but he soon left again to continue his extreme asceticism in a mountain cave.

Crowds still came to him to receive healing and to learn more about the Christian faith. Symeon went up to the top of a pillar to live in a little cell, devoted to prayer and fasting. The pillar started at 6-8 feet tall but grew to an estimated 80 feet in the air. It was there that he received the title of Stylite or one who lives on a pillar. He sat or stood in prayer for weeks at a time. St Symeon spent 47 years on the pillar.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

- This year's Kermeš will be November 23rd with info and flyers to be coming out shortly
- Our 90th Anniversary celebration will take place in October of 2015; the board has decided that it will be held in the Main Hall here at St. Nicholas; the specific date is being confirmed with His Grace, Bishop Gregory
- A new security camera system is currently being installed outside and inside the building

COOKIE WALK MEETING – September 28th after Liturgy

Believe it or not, it is time to start a little planning for this year's Cookie Walk! If you were a part of the Cookie Walk last year, we need your help. All ages are welcome, especially the enterprising young stars who were such a big part of last year's events. Please bring your great ideas and love of cookies because we are going to try out several new and exciting recipes and need your opinions. More details to follow.

COFFEE HOUR UPDATE – On the calendar, you will notice a few DIY (do it yourself) coffee hours on the Traffic Alert and a few other dates. On those Sundays, there will not be a formal coffee hour but we will set out the Keurig for coffee and light snacks will be available.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Today is the first day of the Liturgical calendar, the Ecclesiastical New Year (Indiction). The tradition of computing the start of a new year with autumn was common to the lands of the Bible. The summer harvest ended, the crops were stored, and people prepared for a new agricultural cycle. It was a fitting time to begin a new year.

The liturgical year is a pattern of worship, an anchor of support for the life of the Church. Worship has two major aspects:

1) remembrance – the historical remembrance and the re-living of events commemorated and 2) thanksgiving including praise and doxology. The prayers and hymns of the Orthodox Church not only recite the wonderful works of God in creation and history for our salvation but also frequently offer guidance about how to make each year a year of grace, a year of the Lord.

The Liturgical year is characterized by alternating fasts and feasts that are both fixed dates and moveable dates. The most important feast day is the feast of Pascha – the Feast of Feasts. Then, there are the Twelve Great Feasts which commemorate various significant events in the lives of Christ and the Theotokos.

There are four fasting seasons during the year: the most important fast is Great Lent which is an intense time of fasting, almsgiving and prayer. The other three Fasts are the Nativity Fast, The Apostles Fast and the Dormition Fast. The Liturgical year is so constructed that during each of these fasting seasons, one of the Great Feasts occurs, so that fasting may be tempered with joy.

Looking for Sunday School Teachers! Looking for You!

One of the wonderful things that is happening at St. Nicholas Church is that we have so many children, we need more Sunday School teachers! It's wonderful because there is room for you!

Some reasons you should consider teaching:

The students are delightful: They will enrich your spirit, expand your horizons and grow your faith - you need them in your life and they need you!

The lessons are compelling: They will challenge your thinking, give you new ways of sharing your faith, and deepen your own relationship with Christ.

You promised: As a member of the Orthodox Church, we vow to guide and nurture our children by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to become faithful members of His church? Volunteering to lead Sunday School is a terrific way to make good on this vital promise.

Please see Dawn if you are that special person who wants to teach, encourage, instruct, praise, guide & inspire.

It takes a big
heart
to help shape
little
minds.

CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE DORMITION – August 31st

There is an ancient tradition in the Church to Bless flowers and herbs at the end of the Liturgy on the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos. The beautiful flowers around the Dormition Icon and the Icon of the Blessed Mother were arranged by Lauren Tymus. Blessed flowers were given out to all parishioners by Lauren Tymus and Katelynn Hofmann.



BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN – September 7th



ANNIVERSARY BLESSING – Sept.7th



Blessing of John & Olga Rosina –
56th Wedding Anniversary

CHUCKLE FOR THE DAY

Ms. Terri asked her Sunday School class to draw pictures of their favorite Bible stories. She was puzzled by Kyle's picture, which showed four people on an airplane, so she asked him which story it was meant to represent. "The Flight to Egypt," was his reply. Pointing at each figure, Ms. Terri said, "That must be Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus. But who's the fourth person?" "Oh, that's Pontius - the pilot!"

"RECOMMENDED BY YOU" ORTHODOX WEBSITES: People have been emailing me websites about Orthodoxy that they have found interesting and thought others may enjoy. Here are two.

www.orthodoxmom.com *I'm just another Orthodox mom trying to get it right and enjoying life's perfect imperfections along the way.*

www.ancientfaith.com/video/sistervassa This site was recommended during Lent this year but it is worth viewing again as Sister Vassa has added several new installments over the summer.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST AT ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH & THE DIOCESE

NOVEMBER 7-9 – St. Nicholas Church Women’s Woodloch Weekend -

Leave the kids, the job, the laundry ... and come to Woodloch Resort for the weekend, Fri, November 7th - Sun, Nov 9th, to spend time with some of the fabulous women of 10th Street! There is a beautiful, award winning spa on the Woodloch grounds, walking paths, and other fabulous things to see and do. Or, as we did last year, just relax with friends, and laugh. There is a sign-up sheet in the Main Hall. See Justine Timko if you are interested.

PERTH AMBOY EVENTS:

September 21st - ST JOHNS FAMILY DAY

MEGA TRICKY TRAY

Sunday September 21, Doors Open at 1:00PM

Tricky Tray begins at 2:00PM

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ROCKAWAY EVENT:

October 3-4th – Sts Peter & Paul Church

YOUTH LOCK-IN

The theme is, "By this all men will know that you are my disciples..." Jn 13:35. Over the course of the night there will be a learning session on serving others through Christ. There will be food, a campfire, an akathist, and even a fundraising project that each young adult can take back to their church!

YOUTH LOCK IN @ Sts. Peter & Paul



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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
14 Start of the Liturgical Calendar Year Commemoration 9/11 Memorial Service Team: The A Team	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Nativity of the Theotokos Parastas after Liturgy: Anna Derevjanikova Komašna	22	23	24	25	26	27 Elevation of Cross
28 Cookie Walk Planning Meeting Team 2	29	30	OCT 1	2	3	4
5 Traffic Alert: MS Bike Race DIY Coffee Hour	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Protection of the Mother of God	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Halloween Costume Party	27	28	29	30	31	NOV1
2 Traffic Alert NYC Marathon DIY Coffee Hour	3	4	5	6	7 Women's Woodloch Weekend (tentative)	8 Women's Woodloch Weekend (tentative)
9 Women's Woodloch Weekend (tentative)	10	11	12	13	14	15

16 CW Dough Preparation Day	17	18	19	20	21	22 Cookie Walk Baking – Stack home
23 Annual Kermes	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
30 Dough Making/Rolling	DEC1 Nativity Fast Begins	2	3	4 Entrance of the Theotokos	5	6
7 Hall Preparation, Dough Rolling & Cookie Baking	8	9	10 Baking at Church	11 Baking at Church	12 Baking at Church	13 6th Annual Cookie Walk
14 6th Annual Cookie Walk	15	16	17	18	19 Wonderworker St. Nicholas	20
21 St. Nicholas Day Luncheon	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 DIY Coffee Hour	29	30	31	JAN1	2	3
4	5	6 Vigil of the Nativity of Christ	7 Nativity of Christ	8	9	10

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