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Sunday Divine Liturgy: 9 AM

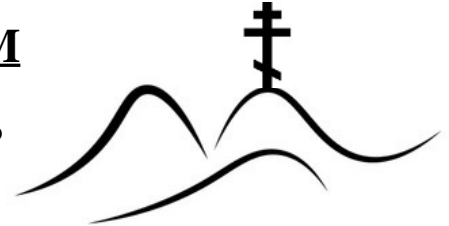
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WELCOME, ALL ST. NICHOLAS FAITHFUL & VISITORS!

For Online Streaming Service: 10 minutes prior to service, visit our website (www.stnicholaschurchnyc.org) and scroll down and press play on our live service feed. If using a smartphone, use our YouTube Channel: "St. Nicholas of Myra Orthodox Church NYC"

At this time, we will livestream only for Lenten services, Saturday evening Vespers & Sunday morning Divine Liturgy.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 2024: Holy Martyr Andrew Stratelates

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 **Gospel:** Matthew 17:14-23 **Troparia:** p 41 (Tone 1)

***THE MARTYR ANDREW STRATELATES AND THE 2,593 SOLDIERS** gave their lives in the 3rd century. It was not in a battle for their bodies that won them victory for Christ, but it was in battle for their souls. They had all fought together against a large Persian army that invaded the Syrian territories. Andrew prayed with his men and they proceeded to victory. However, he was denounced by a few and tortured after trial. After conversion and escape, Andrew and his 2,593 men were trapped in the mountains and killed by the Roman army sent after them.*

HOLY BAPTISM of Davion & Kaden Spontak will take place before Divine Liturgy at 8:30 AM. Come together to pray for them as they are received into God's Holy Orthodox Church!

ANNUAL 9 AM SUMMER HOURS! This is the last Summer Sunday of the year. Normal 10 AM start time resumes next week.

HOLY COMMUNION will be distributed toward the end of Divine Liturgy for all repentant Orthodox Christian faithful who are prepared. *If you would like to make a bread offering for a Liturgy, please see Fr. William.*

BLESSING OF FLOWERS will take place after Divine Liturgy in honor of the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God during last week. Thank you to everyone who brought flowers to be blessed this day!

MIROVANJE (HOLY ANOINTING) & BLESSED BREAD will be offered after Divine Liturgy for all faithful and visitors that morning. *May God grant you all many happy & blessed years!*

SUMMER “DIY” COFFEE HOUR will take place after church services. It is a minimal summer spread, with coffee, drinks, and pre-packaged snacks. Any and all contributions you can bring will help, including any food and drinks you’re willing to bring and share yourself! And may God continue to bless our fellowship!

DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1st:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th - VESPERS, MEAL, & SCRIPTURE @ 6:30 PM: WE’RE BACK! We are resuming Vespers services every Wednesday, now at 6:30 PM, along with a lite meal and some study. We are going to begin following the book Of Water & The Spirit by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann, a study of Holy Baptism of the Orthodox Church. Books will be available.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th - DIVINE LITURGY @ 8 AM, ST. MARY’S CHURCH, 7th STREET
- GREAT VESPERS @ 6 PM**

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 2024:

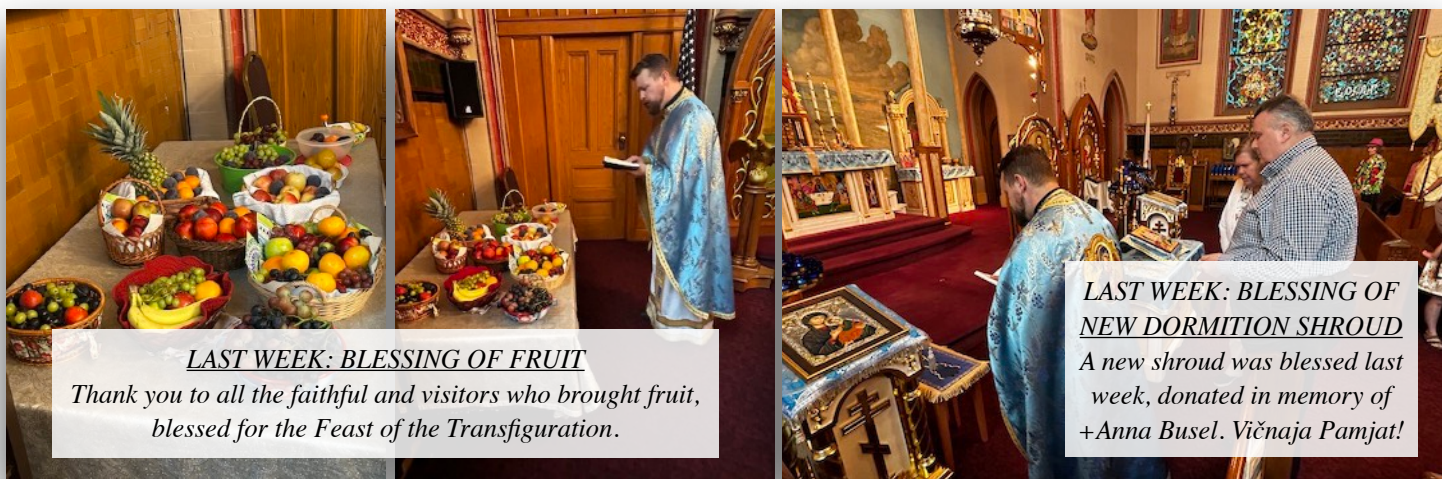
10 AM DIVINE LITURGY: SUMMER HOURS ARE OVER!

CHOIR SUNDAY: The St. Nicholas Choir is specially invited to lead responses during Divine Liturgy. May God grant to our choir members many happy & blessed years! If you would like to join or are interested, make your way to the choir loft today.

PROSKOMEDIA CHILDREN’S SERMON will take place following the reading of the Holy Gospel. At this particular time, all children in the parish will be called forward to participate and at a certain point, to give their names as their particles are offered.

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BLESSING OF STUDENTS & TEACHERS will take place at the end of Divine Liturgy as the school year begins. Bring your backpacks or bookbags for the occasion to also be sprinkled with holy water and blessed!



9/11 PANACHIDA will take place following Divine Liturgy in memory of those who lost their lives in the attacks on September 11th, 2001. This week will be the 23rd Anniversary of the attacks. *May their memory be eternal! Vičnaja Jim Pamjat!*

VENERATION OF THE HAND CROSS & BLESSED BREAD will be offered after Divine Liturgy for all faithful and visitors that morning. *May God grant you all many happy & blessed years!*

COFFEE HOUR will take place after Divine Liturgy in the Main Hall, all are invited downstairs! And a special thank you to everyone who made it possible have coffee hour over the summer, without fail.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WE ARE CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE FLEMINGTON AREA FOOD PANTRY! With the help and arrangement of Elizabeth Krzyzanowski, we are donating our food collection going forward toward the food pantry in Flemington, NY. The parish will continue to make a dedicated push, please look to purchase something extra on your next grocery trip and bring it to our food bin in the #2 Hall.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES PRAYER LIST WAS RESET! There is a birthday/anniversary form in the back of the church for the current church attending and their families. Please fill one out for you and your family to be prayed for in the Divine Liturgy each week when the special occasion comes around. The list was officially reset last Pascha Sunday, May 5th. Submit a copy to the office or hand directly to Fr. William.



SERMON ON THE DORMITION OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS

by St. John of Kronstadt

Let us be happy, beloved brothers and sisters that we belong to the Holy Orthodox Church, worthily and rightly glorifying the Most Holy Sovereign Theotokos on this eminent day out of all the days of the year with special solemnity. There exists on earth many societies and entire governments that do not consider the need nor the obligation to call upon and glorify the Queen of heaven and earth, the Mother of Our Divine Lord Jesus Christ, and other saints and angels; to submissively serve Her lovingly, as the true Mother of God. Sadly in Russia nowadays we have heretics (among us) who actively dishonor the Mother of God, the saints, their icons, their relics and their festivals. O, if only they also unanimously with us glorified the worthy Queen of heaven and earth!

Today the Holy Church solemnly glorifies the honorable Dormition or translation of the Mother of God from earth to heaven. A wonderful translation - she died without serious illness, peacefully. Her soul is taken up in the divine hands of Her Son and carried up into the heavenly abode, accompanied by the sweet singing of angels. And then, her most pure body is transferred by the apostles to Gethsemane where it is honorably buried,

and on the third day it is resurrected and taken up to heaven. You see this on the icon of the Dormition of the Theotokos. On it is represented the life-bearing body of the Theotokos laying on a bier, surrounded by the apostles and hierarchs, and in the center of the icon the Lord holding in His hands the most pure soul of the Theotokos. The translation of the Mother of God is a paradigm of the translation in general of the souls of Christians to the other world.

We say that our dead have “fallen asleep” or “passed away.” What does this mean? This means that for the true Christian there is no death. Death was conquered by Christ on the cross. But there is a translation, i.e. a rearrangement of his condition, i.e. his soul is in another place, in another age, in another world beyond the grave, eternal, without end, that is what is meant by “falling asleep”. It is as if it were a temporary dream after which, by the voice of the Lord and the fearful yet wonderful trumpet of the Archangel, all the dead shall live and come forth each to his place: either to the resurrection of life or to the resurrection of condemnation (John 5:29). This is what the Christian means by translation. We should be ready for this translation, for the day of the general resurrection and judgment, for this indescribable world event, recorded in the Holy Scriptures.

This preparation for the meeting of the heavenly King before the dread judgment seat, after death, is essentially the person's preparation throughout the whole of his life. This preparation means a change in all his thoughts, and the moral change of all his being, so that the whole man would be pure and white as snow, washing clean everything that defiles the body and spirit, so that he is adorned with every virtue: repentance, meekness, humility, gentleness, simplicity, chastity, mercifulness, abstention, spiritual contemplation, and burning love for God and neighbor...

.. And so, ye participants in the Christian feasts, and especially the present feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God, ye who are brightly adorned with every virtue and translated to the heavenly kingdom, to Her Son and God, proclaim to each and every one about preparing their souls to be the dwelling place of the Lord, about continual repentance, and about the incorruptible adornment of Christian virtue. Let your death also be unashamed and peaceful, serving as the pledge of a good answer at the dread judgment seat of Christ. Amen.

(Taken from www.orthochristian.com)



CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE!

May God grant many blessed years to Mary Ann & Richard Bulko, m. Sept. 5, 1964. One Couple, 4 children, 9 grandchildren, countless friends and family, 60 years.





ST. NICHOLAS PARISH PRAYER LIST

For additions or updates, please contact Fr. William directly: fr.william.bennett@gmail.com

CONTINUOUS: Matuska Olga Andrejuk, David Bulko, Kim Busel, Peter & Maria Ceselka, Tony Ceselka, Stephanie Downes, Mary & Tommy Fackovec, Gia Fazio, John Geida, Julius Gontkovsky, Olga Gubinski, Diana Hannan, Todd Henderson, Priest Joseph Hoffmann, Noah Homyak, Aleksandra Horbal, Luke Iera, Magdalena Ilanovska, Jana Johnson-Plutchok, Michael Kerr, Paul Koehler, Joanna Kolaczko, Maria Koneval, Michal Kormanik, Anka Ludwig, Alex & Holly Marchak, Luboš Matlak, Richard McCullough, Stephanie McNellis, Christine Merriam, Sean Merriam, Christine & Rick Martines, Lucia Matišinova, Nadežda Bulikova Petrikova, Deacon Michael Pirich, Gregory Rydzyk, Rastislav Salon, John Salony, Mary Seewald, Paul Sikoryak Sr, Toni Sikoryak, George Sipko, Michael Slavkovsky, Miroslav Strenk, Katherine Tam, Nicholas Timko Sr, Teri Upton, Tim Upton, Marek Vattek, Ann Vislocky, Bill Vislocky, Sandy Wagner, Cathryn Walker, Dennis & Cathy Walsh, and Reader Bob & Debbie Zizik.

CATECHUMENS:

Ricardo Sullivan	Nathan Deutsch
John Stutts	Daniel Lai
Rachel Soh Young Yi	Nathan Mandell

DIOCESAN CLERGY:

Priest David Mastroberte
Priest Luke Mihaly
Protodeacon Emil Gulick

DEANERY CLERGY:

Priest Alexandre Ioukliaevskikh (NY, NY)
Priest David Kossey (Yonkers, NY), for his Health and Salvation
Priest Andrew Gromm (Seaford, NY)

SEMINARIANS: Seamus Murray, Ignatios Leonardo, Nicholas Fong, Nicolas Laliberte, & Alexander Hurtsellers. The newly-graduated Nicholas Worobey, Samuel Loposky, & the Newly-Ordained Priest Timothy Paproski! *That God may grant them many more blessed years, and for more vocations to the Priesthood!*

COLLEGE STUDENTS: May God bless all of our parish college students both near & far, and members of Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF), especially the NYU OCF & Rutgers OCF. *Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita!*

BIRTHDAYS: May God grant many more happy & blessed years to those celebrating their birthdays this week, especially to Matthew Hofmann, Samara Kormanik, & Robert Stack! *Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita!*

ANNIVERSARIES: May God grant many more happy & blessed years to those celebrating their anniversaries this week, especially to Mary Ann & Richard Bulko. *Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita!*

SPECIAL INTENTIONS:

May God bless all of the travelers for the National ACRY Convention this coming weekend. *Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita!*
For the Newly-Wedded Servants of God Samuel & Andjelka Loposky. *Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita!*

O HOLY FATHER NICHOLAS, PRAY TO GOD FOR US!



CHURCH SERVICE & ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Note from Fr. William: If you would like anyone remembered or prayed for during the course of the week or would like someone remembered in a memorial service, please see Fr. William or simply email: fr.william.bennett@gmail.com

SEPT 2024

*Shaded areas indicate days of fasting

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<p>SEPT 1 <i>Baptism of Davion & Kaden</i> <i>Spontak @ 8:30 AM</i> - <u>SUMMER HOURS</u> <i>Divine Liturgy</i> @ 9 AM - <i>Blessing of Flowers</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2 <i>Labor Day</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4 <i>Vespers, Meal,</i> <i>& Scripture</i> @ 6:30 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7 <i>Divine Liturgy</i> @ 8 AM, <i>St. Mary's, 7th St.</i> - <i>Great Vespers</i> @ 6 PM</p>
<p>SEPT 8 <u>END OF SUMMER HOURS!</u> <i>Divine Liturgy</i> @ 10 AM - <i>Responses led by the Choir</i> - <i>Proskomedia</i> <i>Children's Sermon</i> - <i>Blessing of Students & Teachers, Backpacks</i> - <i>9/11 Panachida</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10 <i>Festal Vespers & Divine Liturgy</i> @ 6 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11 <u>BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST</u> - <i>Vespers, Meal, & Scripture</i> @ 6:30 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14 <u>CHURCH NEW YEAR</u> <i>Divine Liturgy</i> @ 8 AM, <i>St. Mary's, 7th St.</i> - <i>Great Vespers</i> @ 6 PM</p>
<p>SEPT 15 <i>Divine Liturgy</i> @ 10 AM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18 <i>Vespers, Meal, & Scripture</i> @ 6:30 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20 <i>Festal Vespers</i> @ 6 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21 <u>NATIVITY OF THE MOTHER OF GOD</u> <i>Divine Liturgy</i> @ 8 AM, <i>St. Mary's, 7th St.</i> - <i>Great Vespers</i> @ 6 PM</p>

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