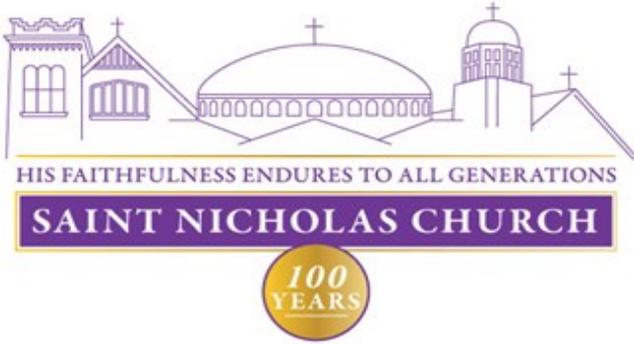


**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST &
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE**

**PAUL THE CONFESSOR,
ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE**

NOVEMBER 6, 2022



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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Thank you for attending today's Divine Liturgy. Please register your visit by completing the guest book and taking a visitor's packet both located on the table in the narthex. We would appreciate getting to meet you, so feel free to join us for refreshments & fellowship in the Cultural Center.

We believe **Holy Communion** to be a sign that in Christ we have all things in common, share an identical faith, and are united fully to the Orthodox Church. Anyone interested in learning more about our faith is encouraged to speak with one of our clergy. Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, & regular confession are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

WHO WE ARE

St. Nicholas Church is a worshipping community living and sharing the Faith Christ gave to the Apostles.

Our parish exists to seek and share Christ's love so that all will find eternal life in Him.

We would love to share more about our Orthodox Faith with you. Our website and our bookstore are great resources to assist you in learning more about us and what we believe! Also, feel free to make an appointment with our pastor.

We trust that you will experience Christ's presence as you worship with us today.



HYMNS AND READINGS OF THE DAY

HYMNS

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 4)

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. PAUL THE CONFESSOR (TONE 3)

Thy confession of the one divine Faith showed thee to the Church to be a new Paul and a zealot among priests, O holy one. The righteous blood both of Abel and Zachary with thee doth cry out together unto the Lord. Righteous Father, intercede with Christ God in our behalf that His Great Mercy may be granted unto us.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. NICHOLAS (TONE 4)

Thy work of justice did show thee to thy congregation a canon of faith, the likeness of humility, a teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Nicholas. Wherefore, by humility thou didst achieve exaltation, and by meekness richness. Intercede, therefore, with Christ to save our soul.

ORDINARY KONTAKION (TONE 2)

O undisputed intercessor of Christians. The mediatrix who is unrejected by the Creator. Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, although we are sinners. Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith. For thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos. Who dost ever intercede for those who honor Thee.

EPISTLE

*O Lord, how magnified are Thy works.
In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, 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.

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel
according to St. Luke 8:41-56**

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou sayest, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said, "Someone touched Me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

SYNAXARION

(LIVES OF THE SAINTS OF THE DAY)

On November 6 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our father among the saints Paul the Confessor, archbishop of Constantinople.

Verses

Paul, boasting in the halter upon his windpipe,
Breaketh the halter with the sounds of his windpipe.
For that Paul confesseth God, he is choked on the sixth.

When Blessed Patriarch Alexander of Alexandria lay on his deathbed, the sorrowing faithful asked him who should succeed him as the chief shepherd of the spiritual flock of Christ. He said: "If you desire a shepherd who will teach you and who will shine with virtues, choose Paul." The people did; unfortunately, this was not accepted by the Arian heretics, nor was it accepted by Emperor Constantius, then in Antioch. Paul boldly preached the true dual natures of Christ God and was known as the second "Apostle Paul." He was soon deposed and fled to Rome with Saint Athanasius the Great. There, Pope Julian and Emperor Constans received them warmly and upheld them in their Orthodox Faith. They saw to it that Paul was returned to his throne, but when Emperor Constans died the Arians raised their heads again, and Patriarch Paul was banished to Cucusus in Armenia. In 351, as Paul was celebrating the Divine Liturgy, the Arians attacked and strangled him with his omophorion.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable Luke of Sicily; and Paul of Corinth, the fool-for-Christ.

By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

WELCOME!

Today we welcome the Very Reverend Gregory Hogg who is celebrating today's Divine Services while Fr. Michael is away serving at the Antiochian Village.

HOLY OBLATIONS

For the Health and Blessings of Dn. Justin on the occasion of his birthday, offered by Melissa, Olivia, and Sam. May God grant you many years!

For the Health and many Blessings of Ann Hoodhood on her 91st birthday, offered by her husband, children, and grandchildren. May God grant you many years! Love your family.

For the Health and Blessings of Sarah Kaufman on the anniversary of her adoption day, offered with love by her mom & dad. May God grant her many years!

For the Health and Blessings of Isabelle La Framboise on the occasion of her 22nd birthday offered by her family. May God grant her many years!

REMEMBER IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS

*Names are added to the Prayer List for one week by offering Holy Oblation
or for up to 40 days in the case of an ongoing serious illness.*

LIVING

Metropolitan PAUL Archbishop JOHN
Archpriest Elias Deacon Justin
Subdeacon Peter

And all the victims of tragedy, violence, and poverty
in Syria, Lebanon, Ukraine, and throughout the world.

Anne Hoodhood	David Corey	Tony Tran
Sarah Kaufman	Joe Corey	Sandy Burgoyne
Isabelle La Framboise	Dan Abraham	Richard Zahn
Attallah Amash	Kevin Mitchell	Justin Adamec
Mary Ann Maloley	Michael Ellis	Joseph Bauer
Audrey Nicoloff	Edward Bucknell	Joshua Bauer
Ralph Thomas		



DEPARTED

NEWLY DEPARTED

Sam Barkett

And all the newly departed victims of tragedy, violence, and
poverty in Ukraine, and throughout the world.