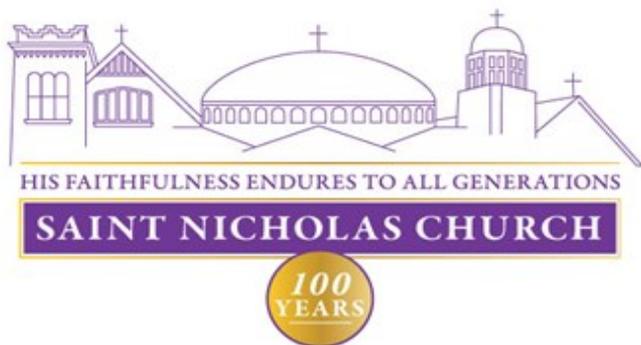


**JOHN CHRYSOSTOM,
ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE &
EIGHTH SUNDAY OF LUKE**

NOVEMBER 13, 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 5)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (TONE 8)

Grace shining forth from thy mouth like fire hath enlightened the universe, and disclosed to the world treasures of uncovetousness, and shown us the heights of humility. But as thou dost instruct us by thy words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede with the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls.

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.

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS (TONE 4)

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

EPISTLE

*My mouth shall speak of wisdom;
and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.
Hear this, all ye people.*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews 7:26-8:2

Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son Who has been made perfect forever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a High Priest, one Who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel
according to St. Luke 10:25-37**

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read?" And the lawyer answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" The lawyer said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

SYNAXARION

(LIVES OF THE SAINTS OF THE DAY)

On November 13 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our Father among the Saints John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople.

Verses

John the golden, having closed up his mouth, as another mouth
hath left us his books.

On the thirteenth the golden lips fell silent.

He was born in Antioch in 347. John became disgusted with Hellenic paganism and turned to the Christian faith as the one, all-embracing truth. He wrote a book, *On the Priesthood*, after which the holy Apostles John and Peter appeared to him, prophesying for him great service, great grace and also great suffering. Thus, John ran from his priestly ordination, but was eventually led back to receive that grace. Emperor Arcadius chose John as Archbishop of Constantinople. But John was so beloved in Antioch that he had to be sneaked out at night to avoid a revolt of the people. He governed the Church at Constantinople for six years with unequalled zeal and wisdom, purging the Church of simony and deposing many bishops who were given to selling the sacraments. He extended the Church's charitable works, wrote a rite for the Holy Liturgy, put heretics to shame, interpreted the Scriptures with his golden mind and tongue and left to the Church many precious books of sermons, still extant. The people glorified him; the jealous loathed him; the Empress twice sent him into exile. He died in exile on Holy Cross Day, September 14, 407, in Comana in Armenia. As he received Communion for the last time, John said: "Glory to God for all things!" Then, his righteous soul entered Paradise.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable martyrs Damaskinos and Damian of the Great Lavra on Athos.

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

HOLY OBLATIONS

For Joanna Khorey and William Hyry on their union in the sacrament of Holy Matrimony. Many years! Offered by Archdeacon David and Jenny Khorey.

For the Health and Blessings of Dieter Zahn today on his 15th birthday and name day with love from Mom, Dad and Evy. May God grant you many years!

For the Health and Blessings of Joshua Bauer on his 15th birthday. May God grant you many years! Love, the Olson Family.

In memory of John (40 days) and Carol (one year) Mason, the parents of Andrea Goodell. May their memory be Eternal!

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
Archpriest Elias

Archbishop JOHN
Subdeacon Peter

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

Joanna Khorey

William Hyry

Dieter Zahn

Joshua Bauer

Attallah Amash

Mary Ann Maloley

Audrey Nicoloff

Ralph Thomas

David Corey

Joe Corey

Dan Abraham

Kevin Mitchell

Michael Ellis

Edward Bucknell

Tony Tran

Sandy Burgoyne

Richard Zahn

Justin Adamec

Joseph Bauer



DEPARTED

NEWLY DEPARTED

Sam Barkett

John Mason

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

Carol Mason