

Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, August 14, 2005

Epistle Reading:

St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:10-17

BRETHREN, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispos and Gaius; lest any one should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any one else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

Kontakion

In the Immaterial Spirit, the whole world hath been mystically adorned upon the glorious memory; and it doth cry to thee joyously: Rejoice, O Virgin, thou boast of the Christian race. - Translation by Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Brookline, MA

Resurrectional Apolytikion

By means of Your Cross, O Lord, You abolished death. * To the robber You opened Paradise. * The lamentation of the myrrh-bearing women You transformed, * and You gave Your Apostles the order to proclaim to all * that You had risen, O Christ our God, * and granted the world Your great mercy. - Translation by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 14:14-22 8th Sunday of Matthew

At that time, Jesus saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

Apolytikion of the Church

The truth of your manner of life manifested you to your flock as a rule of faith and an icon of gentleness and a teacher of self-control. By humility, therefore, you acquired the things on high, and riches through poverty. Father Holy Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God, entreating that our souls be saved.

Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Ναοῦ

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας διδάσκαλον ἀνέδειξέ σε τῆ ποίμνῃ σου, ἢ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια, διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτίσω τῆ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῆ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Parish News and Events

Trisagion Service today is offered for:

Leah Tsarbopoulos (6-month) and Konstantinos Papanastasopoulos (6-month)
May their memories be eternal.

Prosforon

will be needed for the Sunday of October 9th. Please contact the Church Office if you would like to offer the Prosforon. Thank you.

Fellowship Hour Sponsors

are needed for all of the Sunday's in September, the 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th.

If you would like to offer the fellowship hour, please contact the Church Office. Thank you.

Our Saint Nicholas Parish Website

Visit our Saint Nicholas Parish website to register for Greek School today!

If you are physically unable to attend Church Service in person, you are now able to watch the Divine Liturgy live from your home or anywhere in the world. We now have the service at: www.stnickaa.org on our Parish home page.

Welcome Visitors!

Please fill out the form on the notepads in the pews and put it in the collection tray so we may welcome you to our community.

Visitors Please Note

Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians. Visitors are welcome to receive the Antidoron (Blessed Bread), which is distributed at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

- **Monday, August 15** Dormition of the Theotokos: Orthros/Divine Liturgy — 10:00am
- **Wednesday, August 17** Choir Practice — 7:00 pm
- **Friday, August 19** YAL Movie Night — 8:00 pm
- **Thursday, August 25** Saint Nicholas Parish Chili Cook-off — 6:30 pm

The Summer Survival Program

will continue for only two more weeks. See the poster in the hallway if you would like to sign up (by yourself or with others). The purpose of the program is to ensure payment of our summer bills. We have almost covered the entire summer. Thank you to everyone who has offered their stewardship to this program!

Meijer Community Rewards

Our community will begin participating in the Meijer Community Rewards project. If you shop at Meijer, and sign up for a rewards card (absolutely NO FEE involved), 4% of all the purchases made by our parishioners who have signed up comes back to us.

Philoptochos Events

IOCC is the Philoptochos Community Care Ministry for the months of June, July and August. IOCC is the Pan-Orthodox humanitarian organization that brings essential aid around the world and is based solely on need. Donations are being accepted at this time. Please look for a letter requesting your support in this month's July/August newsletter. "Save the date" for the Philoptochos Yassou Golf Outing on Sunday, September 18, 2005.

Orthros & Divine Liturgy now begin thirty minutes earlier: 9:00 am & 10:00 am

Saint Nicholas Parish Chili Cook-off!

Bring your best chili recipe for a chili cook off for the entire St. Nicholas family on Thursday, August 25th. *Everybody* is encouraged to bring some chili! There will be activities for the young people and great food for all!

Our Saint Nicholas Community Thanks

George Kokkales who has generously offered his lawn company to cut our grass during the summer month of August. We are grateful and appreciative of the time and effort he has spent as stewardship to keep our grounds looking great. Thank you!

Saint Nicholas Seniors

The Saint Nicholas Seniors are planning a luncheon cruise on the Detroit Princess Riverboat for Wednesday, August 31st. We will leave from the Church at 10:15 am and return by 2:30 pm The cost is \$55 per person which includes: the boat trip, meal and transportation.

Make your NON-REFUNDABLE check payable to: Saint Nicholas Seniors — NO LATER THAN SUNDAY AUGUST 21. Questions? Call, Penny Bekiars: 662-6606 or Joan Raphael: 483-0923.

Saint Nicholas Parish Bookstore

recommends books on spiritual growth, family life, culture, and history. For teenagers and young adults, we recommend: *Lives of the Saints; 365 Meditations for Teens; 365 Meditations for Young Adults; Brave Like a Saint.* We also carry music on: Rachmaninov's Vespers; The Three Tenors; Carols from Eastern Europe; and many CD's.

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Small Vigil Candles in Church

Please feel free to place a small vigil candle in the holders on the solea. However, if you do, please do not come up to the solea if the priest is turned towards the people or during the Epistle or Gospel readings. *Also, once the priest begins censing just prior to the Great Entrance, no more candles are to be brought up to the solea since we are preparing ourselves for the consecration of the gifts. Thank you.*

Saint Nicholas Young Adults

Our Saint Nicholas Young Adults have been busy this summer! We are participating in many activities with Father Nick here at Saint Nicholas, including, but not limited to: softball, basketball, soccer, and/or volleyball games, bible studies and more! For more up to the minute information on these and other upcoming Young Adult summer activities, please visit our Saint Nicholas Parish website often at:

www.stnickaa.org

Please come and join us for: Fellowship (Koinonia) Worship (Liturgia), Witness (Martyria), and Service (Diakonia)!

Commemorative Trees

are still available to be sponsored in "memory of" or "for the health of" a loved one. If interested, please contact Michael Challis at: 734/971-6186 or email him at: mdchallis@aol.com

Hospital Visits

are an essential part of the priestly ministry. If you are sick or if a loved one is sick and would like to have a visit from Father Nick, please do not hesitate to call the office.



8th Sunday of Matthew

Protopsaltis	Zannis Res	Orthros	9:00 am
Choir Director	Jon Wardner	Divine Liturgy	10:00 am
Prosforon	Despina Eleftheriou	Gospel Reading	Matthew 14:14-22
Fellowship	Gregorios and Maria Papaefthymiou	Epistle Reading	St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:10-17

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