

Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

OCTOBER 29, 2006

Epistle Reading

Gal. 1:11-19

BRETHREN, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy.

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.

Kontakion

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.



Gospel Reading

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 he 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 you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one 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 he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he 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 he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he 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 he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he 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.

Wisdom of the Fathers

He puts an end to the woman's fear ... He sets her right, in respect of her thinking to be hid ... He exhibits her faith to all, so as to provoke the rest also to emulation ...

St. John Chrysostom, Homily 31 on Matthew 9
4th Century

From the Bible Wisdom begins when you sincerely want to learn. To desire Wisdom is to love her; to love her is to keep her laws; to keep her laws is to be certain of immortality; immortality will bring you close to God.

The Wisdom of Solomon, 6:17-19

Parish News and Events (www.stnickaa.org)

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 Parish.

Visitor's Please Note

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

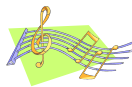
Prosforo will be needed for the Sundays of November 19 and 26 and December 3, 10, 17 and 24..

Fellowship Hour sponsors needed for Nov. 5, 12, 26 and Dec. 3, 10, 17 and 24th.

Church School News

Just a reminder that students need to be in church by 10:00 a.m. for the Divine Liturgy and to proceed to their classroom after Communion. Each student should have received a copy of the requirements necessary for learning the material in their grade level. If they did not receive one, please ask the teacher or visit the web site.

The students in the Church School will be working on a Thanksgiving Food Drive. We are asking each student to donate a canned good or boxed item. More information will follow.



Youth Choir Members

Thank you to Teresa Stokes and our Youth Choir members who add such beauty to our Divine Liturgy. They are:

Angelo Bairactaris, George Bairactaris, Athena Chapekis, Anastasia Gibson, Sophia Gibson, Diana Mayo, Athena Res, Jackie Stokes, Samantha Stokes, Yan Theros, Christian Triantafillopoulos and Katherine Wardner.

Stewardship

Your commitment to the Stewardship Program of this parish is critical to our continued operation and ministries. For those who have not filled out a stewardship card for 2006, or who need to complete a 2005 pledge, please do so as soon as possible. We appreciate your concern.

Philoptochos

Don't forget the **Spaghetti Dinner** Thursday Nov. 2, from 5p.m.-7:30 p.m. Come and enjoy a delicious dinner.

Wreath Sale



Philoptochos is once again sponsoring a wreath sale. The proceeds will benefit Philoptochos Charities. **Orders need to be placed no later than November 19th** and can be picked up on **Sunday, December 3rd from Noon to 3 p.m. 22"**

Grave Wreath with easel - \$17.00; 26" Balsam Fir Door Wreath, \$20.00 and 26" Fraser Fir Indoor/Outdoor Wreath - \$22.00 Order forms are located on the table in the hall or contact Sylvia Kleanthous—734-475-2034.

Special Tray on Sunday, November 5, to benefit the Patriarchate.

Thanks to all who came to help make the Spanikopita. Baklava baking begins Monday, November 13th. We need your help!!!

St. Nicholas Seniors

The Seniors, along with Philoptochos members, are attending the gala matinee performance "White Christmas" at the Fox Theatre in Detroit, on Thursday, November 30th. This is a Broadway adaptation of the Bing Crosby movie. The cost is \$65. This covers the ticket to the performance, the bus ride and driver gratuity. Please pay no later than Wednesday, November 15th. Checks to St. Nicholas Seniors. See Penny Bekiaries, Diane Geczi, or Joan Raphael ASAP if you wish to reserve.

On **Thursday, Nov. 9th** Seniors are invited to watch a Greek movie (English subtitles) at **1:00 p.m. in the Church Hall**. "Politiki Kouzina" involves relationships and events endured by the Asia Minor Greek population in Constantinople. It is sad but also funny!

Coffee and dessert will be served.



The Foundation for Modern Greek Studies
invites you to attend
A FUNDRAISING EVENT to establish a **second**
Chair in MODERN GREEK HISTORY & CULTURE at the **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**
Saturday, November 11, 2006
THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER
GRAND BALLROOM—ATHENAEUM HOTEL
400 Monroe Ave. Detroit, MI 48226

Reception: 6:30 p.m.
Dinner: 8:00 p.m.
Black tie optional

DONOR RECOGNITION
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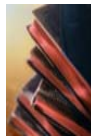
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(Partially Tax-Deductible)
Payable to: Foundation for Modern Greek Studies
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SAT Study Prep

Attention all high school juniors & seniors! If you're planning on taking the PSAT or SAT exams this year, thanks to the generous contribution by Dr. Anthony Kales and the Youth Enrichment Committee, we have available several official SAT study guide books and vocabulary packets for your use. If you are interested, please feel free to contact Demetra Mitropoulos-Rundus (930-1894).

Please Note: The St. Nicholas Dance has been moved to December 2nd. However, the **RAFFLE DRAW will take place on November 12th** during the Social Hour in order to give enough time to the winner to make arrangements for their trip.

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY PICTURES: Please check out our website and link to the Olan Mills site to make your appointment. Slots are still available for November 10-11. If you do not have access to the Olan Mills site, please call Chris Kerry — 734-678-4138 to schedule an appointment.



New At The Bookstore

We have two copies of the hard to find *Best of Greek Cuisine* (Vefa Alexiadou); award winning books from the "God's Design for Sex" series: *The Story of Me* for ages 3 to 5; *Before I was Born* for ages 5 to 8; *What's the Big Deal* for ages 8 to 11 and *Facing the Facts* for ages 11 to 14 years old; *Dear God... Little Letter Prayers for Little People*, a beautifully inspiring children's book.

We have several Bibles for children of all ages: Toddlers, preschoolers, young readers, intermediate readers. Now the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese has published a wonderful Bible for children up to 14 years old. We will be placing orders for this beautiful book.

Browse at the bookstore today.



St. Nicholas Dance December 2, 2006

Join us for an evening of excellent food, fun and fellowship on December 2 at 6:30 p.m. Come prepared to bid at our Silent Auction. We have some interesting and unexpected items for this year's bidding.

Tickets are \$60.00 for adults and \$30.00 for children under 12. Tickets can be obtained by calling Katerina Roumanis at 665-3254 or the Church Office — 332-8200.

Attention College Students

St. Nicholas Ladies Philoptochos cordially invites you to the Annual Fall Student Dinner on Sunday, November 5th at 6:00 p.m. Join us for great food and fellowship. Questions? Call Sandy Engelke at 995-8328.



Box Tops for Education

The Greek School is now registered to receive funds from the General Mills Box Tops for Education Program. We can use the box tops from the General Mills cereal boxes, ziploc bags, snack foods etc. The only thing we have to do is collect the points and send them in. Please contact Koula Pliakas for further information.

THE SUNDAY BULLETIN

October 29, 2006



Orthros 9 AM

Divine Liturgy 10 AM

Church School
Following Communion

Epistle Reading
Gal. 1:11-19

Gospel Reading
Luke 8:41-56

Psaltis
Zannis Res

Choir Director
Jon Wardner

Prosforo
Tasia Roumanis

Fellowship Hour
Tasia Roumanis

Memorial Service
40 Days Ilias Roumanis

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE

CONGRATULATIONS!!

TO FR. NICK AND PRESVYTERA SANDRA ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR SON, HARRY, BORN WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2006

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 29

PARISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Monday, October 30

Bible Study — 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 1

Orthros & Divine Liturgy, SS Cosmas & Damianos—10a.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal—6:00 p.m.-7:15 p.m.
YAL Hang Out Night — 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 2

Spaghetti Dinner—5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Y.E.R.A.C.—7:00 p.m.

Submissions for the Sunday bulletin must be sent to:
office@stnickaa.org by 10 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to publication.

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MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE: www.stnickaa.org