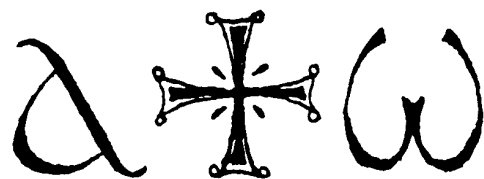


Epistle: TIMOTHY, my son, you have observed II Tim. 3:10-15 my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: The Lord said this parable, "Two men Luke 18:10-14 went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Please remember the following people in your prayers: Gabriella & Viroel Andrews, Constantine Evangelinos, Toni Kovalcheck, Angelica Stageman, Katina Eleni Hoffman, Deryl Deveau, Helen Camp, Bridget Smith, Rosaleen Baldwin, John Underhill, Daniel and Cristinel Dima, Jackson Bafile, Brian Melzian, Constantine Vintzel, Ryan Roberts, Charles Hall, Leo Ortino, Paul Contos, Larry Gregg, Sophia Kappas, Janet Christ, Alice Litinas, Thelma Steers, Evan Arhangelos, Katerina Stavros, Alex Brooks, Katherine Sakaly Brown, Nick & Mary Prepouses, Pamela Kiningham, Panagiota Zarkadoulas, Christian, Nikki Afendulis, Christopher Mitropoulos-Rundus, Richard Ladouceur, Angela Anagnos Koustoumbardis, Katina Aretakis.



Resurrectional Apolytikion
 Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate * with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born * for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. * For in His goodness He was pleased * to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, * and to raise up those who had died, * by His glorious Resurrection.
 -Translation by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

Apolytikion of the Church
 The truth of thy deeds has led thy flock to believe in thee, as a canon of faith and as a holy image of gentleness and as a teacher of temperance. Thou hast therefore acquired through thy humility the greatest heights and riches through poverty. Father and hierarch Nicholas intercede with Christ our God entreating that our souls be saved.

For the Memorial
 "O Lord, rest the soul of your servant. Forgive whatever wrong she has committed in life. There is no one sinless, except you. Give rest to those who have fallen asleep."

Kontakion
 Let us flee from the boasting of the Pharisee and learn through our own sighs of sorrow the humility of the Publican. Let us cry out to the Savior, "Have mercy on us, for through You alone are we reconciled." - Translation by Narthex Press

Wisdom from the Church Fathers

But all the same since he made his soul contrite, and called himself a sinner; which indeed he was; he surpassed the Pharisee, who had both fastings to tell of and tithes; and was removed from any vice. ... Because even if he was removed from greed of gain and robbery, he had rooted over his soul the mother of all evils -- vain-glory and pride.

St. John Chrysostom, CONCERNING LOWLINESS OF MIND.
 4th Century

Flower Committee
 The Flower Committee is asking for donations to purchase flowers for the decoration of the Church during Great Lent. Please contact Labrini Lagos or the church office if you are interested in donating funds.

Parish News & Events

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.
Visitors 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.

Stewardship
 Stewardship is our response to God’s grace and moves us from grace to gratitude. Just as we love because God first loved us (I John 4:14), we give because God first gave to us. The question of the Psalmist “What shall I give to the Lord in return for all His benefits towards me?” (Ps 116:2), is answered in every liturgy when the celebrant calls us to “offer ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.”

Stewardship is not about calculations or portions or percentages. It can’t be reduced to a number of hours of service or dollars offered. Stewardship is a way of life. As Orthodox Christians, we are called to a new way of seeing things – a new way of life. Our stewardship is obedience to the greatest commandment to “love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.” We are called to bring others to commit their lives to Jesus Christ in such a way that leads to the joy of knowing Him personally and profoundly.

Church Directory
 The layout of the new Church Directory, which traditionally includes pictures of our ministries, is nearly complete. Ministry leaders, please email or give pictures from your ministry to Chris Kerry (chriskerry49@gmail.com.) by February 18th. so that your ministry is represented in our new directory.

Lost and Found
 Recently, a pair of prescription glasses were found in the kitchen, a heart pin in the hallway and a child’s ring in the classroom. Also, there are coats, scarves and hats left in the exo-narthex cloak room. Please check if any belong to you. Finally, someone accidentally took Christo Kitromelides’ coat in early December and Athina Koukoumtzis’ red coat last Sunday. Please make sure you have the correct coat when you leave. Call the church office if you have mistakenly taken someone’s coat. Thank you.

Philoptochos
 We have more Spanakopita for sale. Contact Diane Geczi or Toula Prokos, if you are interested.

Events this Week		
Sun., Feb. 13	1:00 p.m.	Strategic Planning meeting
Mon. Feb. 14	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	1:00 p.m.	Senior Valentine dessert
	7:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Tues., Feb. 15	8:00 p.m.	OCF - Michigan Union
Wed. Feb. 16	10:30 a.m.	Senior Exercise Class
	7:30 p.m.	YAL
Fri., Feb. 18	11:00 a.m.	Senior Exercise Class
	7:30 p.m.	Metropolitan Ware

His Excellency Metropolitan Kallistos Ware of Diokleia, author of “The Orthodox Church” and “The Orthodox Way”, will be visiting the Metropolis of Detroit for a series of discussions throughout the Detroit area February 17-20, 2011. Join us for the evening presentation “Why Follow Christ” by Metropolitan Kallistos Ware this Friday at 7:30 p.m. here at St. Nicholas! Don’t miss this unique opportunity to meet this world-renowned Orthodox Christian theologian and scholar. Book signing and reception to follow.

Seniors
 Please sign up today to attend the Valentine Dessert tomorrow, Monday, Feb. 14th at 1 pm here in the Church Hall. Details are on the poster board. Please sign up today so we can plan accordingly.

SAVE THE DATE
 Robert Krantz, author of “Falling in Love with Sophia,” will be coming to St. Nicholas to speak during a luncheon on April 30, 2011. This event will be open to all and sponsored by the Philoptochos.

SAVE THE DATE
 The 2011 Ya’ssou Greek Festival is quickly approaching. Save the dates, Friday through Sunday, June 3, 4, 5.

Fellowship sponsors needed for February 27 and March 13.. **Prosforo** needed for March 13, 20, 27. Please call the church office if you are interested. Thank you.

Mosaic Project
 Mike Kapetan will not be working on the Mosaic Project this Saturday, the 19th, but will resume the following Saturday.

Bookstore Notes

We have many books and pamphlets on all aspects of the Greek Orthodox faith, as well as icons and home altar goods. Also, look for our beautiful blue and white reusable shopping bags with our church's name.

NEW AT THE BOOKSTORE: Guide To The Divine Liturgy, a new book with the Divine Liturgy, in English and Greek on the right hand page and simple, concise explanations on the left. It is intended for all ages and especially for parents and their children. We also recently have gotten in The Orthodox Study Bible, Culture and Customs of Greece and Falling in Love With Sophia.

With the visit of Metropolitan Kallistos Ware to our parish February 18th, you may want to check out some of his books in our bookstore. Bishop Ware is a world renowned Orthodox Christian theologian and scholar. The following review was made by Roland Walls, of the "Fireacres Chronicle" in regards to The Orthodox Way: "Everyone following the way of Christ will find here a sure guide...I have never, in reviewing a book, felt such a powerful desire to have the wealth to present each reader with a copy." We have copies of the following classic works of the Metropolitan: The Orthodox Way, The Orthodox Church, The Art of Prayer, The Jesus Prayer, and The Inner Kingdom. Stop in and browse today.

We would like to thank the community for supporting the bookstore. Your support has allowed us to contribute \$1,000 to the church.

Reminders—Church Etiquette

It is important for everyone to follow the direction of the ushers.

Seniors —if you are unable to stand or kneel for a period of time, please remain seated

No one is to enter the church when 1) the priest is facing the people, 2) censuring, 3) preaching, 4) when the Epistle and Gospel are being read. Please make every effort to arrive ON TIME.

Talking During Services It is inappropriate to greet people and converse with them during services. Not only is it disrespectful towards God, it is rude towards others who are trying to worship.

Young Children If a child is restless or wants to play, take him or her quickly and quietly out of the church, just long enough to settle them down, then return to the Liturgy. Follow the rules for entering late: not during readings, sermons or entrances. It is disruptive to others who are trying to worship.

OCF will meet this Tuesday, February 15 at 8:00 p.m.

GOYA News

Our next GOYA Bible Study will be held next Sunday, Feb. 20 at 4:00 p.m. Our next GOYA Bible study/meeting and activity will be held Sun. March 6 at the home of Laura Kokkales. The Detroit Diocese Lenten GOYA retreat will be held right here at St. Nicholas on Saturday, March 5 beginning at 11:30 a.m. and concluding at 6:00 p.m. Details will be forthcoming.

The **CrossRoad** summer institute, now in its eighth year, welcomes sixty high school juniors and seniors annually to participate in a ten-day Orthodox Christian program developed to help them discover answers to the many questions they have about their future and how it relates to their faith. The program will be held on the campus of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology in Brookline in June and July. More information is available at crossroad.hhc.edu.

Church School News:

Oratorical Festival topics are available on the website or by contacting Dr. Vicki Kiningham at 734 429 8127 or rkiingh@umich.edu.

HOPE/JOY

Our next meeting for HOPE and JOY will meet Sunday, February 20, instead of February 13. Please note the day change.

AHEPA NEWS

Any high school senior interested in the District or Local Chapter #195 Scholarship for 2011, should e-mail Dr. Kleanthous at c.kleanthousmd@sbcglobal.net their full name, address, phone number and e-mail as soon as possible.

Currently, only two individuals have submitted their applications. College students also need to be AHEPANs and Maids of ATHENA to apply. Contact Dr. Kleanthous for more information.

Strategic Planning Meetings

The Strategic Planning process for our church has already begun. Please join Father Nick as he leads the discussions on the state of our community. Your input is vitally important. The church hall discussions will be held in our social hall and occur on the following dates:

Today at 1:00 p.m., Sun., Feb. 20 at 4:00 p.m., Sun., Feb. 27 at 1:00 p.m., Sun., March 6 at 1:00 p.m.

Please participate in this process so that our community may continue to move forward, always blessed by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Orthros

9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

10:00 AM

Epistle Reading

II Tim 3:10-15

Gospel

Luke 18:10-14

Creed

English

Psaltis

Zannis Res

George Smyrnis

Choir

Dr. Jon Wardner

Prosforo

Mary Hays, Bob Tsarbopoulos

Trisiagnon

Garifalia Tsarbopoulos- 6 yrs

Artoclasia

Tsarbopoulos and Hays families in honor of St. Haralambos

Fellowship Hour

Mary Hays and Bob Tsarbopoulos

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee Triodion Begins

**Saints and Feasts Commemorated today:**

Martinianos the Righteous
Aquila & Priscilla the Apostles
Eulogios, Patriarch of Alexandria
Symeon the Myrrhbearer of Serbia

Metropolitan Kallistos Ware

Friday, February 18 7:30 p.m.

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