Parish Announcements - Sunday, July 28, 2024

Announcement requests (due by Monday at noon) may be sent via email to saintnicholasar@gmail.com

| Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities | | |
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| Sunday, July 28 | 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship | |
| Wednesday, July 31 | 6:00p Paraklesis Service | |
| Friday, August 2 | 9:30a Homeschool Co-op | |
| Saturday, August 3 | 5:00p Great Vespers | |
| Sunday, August 4 | 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship | |

Weekly Offering during the Divine Liturgy

Each Sunday during the Divine Liturgy, we pass baskets as an opportunity for ALL those present to support the ministry offered by our parish community. To contribute electronically via PayPal, please access the QR Code. Many thanks!



Homeschool Co-op on Fridays

Our weekly homeschool co-op meets on Fridays beginning with Morning Prayers at 9:30a and lasts until 12:30p. To participate or learn more, please contact Gina Waters (480-682-8878 or gwaters034@gmail.com).

Dormition Fast & Paraklesis Service

During the first two weeks of August (1-14), we participate in a fasting season of preparation for the Feast of the Dormition (Falling Asleep) of the Theotokos. We offer a beautiful liturgical service during this period called Paraklesis, which means "supplication" as this service supplicates the Virgin Mary. **We will offer this service on Wednesday**, **July 31**, **August 7**, **and Monday**, **August 12**.

Great Feast of the Transfiguration - Monday, August 5

Join us on Monday, August 5 as we celebrate (by anticipation) the Transfiguration of our Lord with Festal Orthros at 5:00p and Festal Liturgy at 6:00p followed by Blessing of Grapes and Dinner Outing.

Community Garden & First-Fruits Blessing - Monday, August 5

As we celebrate the Great Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord on Monday, August 5, we will offer a blessing for our Community Garden & First-fruits after the Festal Liturgy. Please bring any fruit baskets with you to be included.

Great Feast of Dormition of the Theotokos - Wednesday, August 14

Join us on Wednesday, August 14 as we celebrate (by anticipation) the Dormition of the Theotokos with Festal Orthros at 5:00p and Festal Liturgy at 6:00p followed by Dinner Outing.

Holy Oblation & Fellowship HOSTS NEEDED

IN NEED OF HOSTS for Holy Oblation & Fellowship on Sundays to sign-up. Contact Kate Salem (402-430-9989 or ksalem2@cox.net) for the holy oblation (holy bread) AND Denise King (501-442-8460 or dl0118@yahoo.com) to sign-up for Fellowship. Suggested options listed below:

- 1. Host a Light Fellowship (individual family or several) by bringing some of the suggested items below.
- **2.** Sponsor a Light Fellowship for \$100 (*suggested* amount). With enough notice, our Hospitality Ministry members will get the food/drinks with your monetary donation.
- 3. Host a light meal in celebration of a special household commemoration bringing by whatever food/drinks you'd like to provide.

| 2024 | Names of Host | Commemoration |
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| Jul 28 | Steve & Tina Rieger, & Talitha Lourie | |
| Aug 4 (fast) | Fuller Family | |
| Aug 11 (fast) | IN NEED OF HOST | |
| Aug 18 | IN NEED OF HOST | |
| Aug 25 | IN NEED OF HOST | |
| Sept 1 | IN NEED OF HOST | |
| Sept 8 | IN NEED OF HOST | |

Hosts NEEDED for Fellowship on Sundays; contact Denise King (DL0118@yahoo.com OR 501.442.8460) to sign-up.

Church School Teachers Wanted

The church school year has come to an end and it is now time to prepare for next year. We are excited to announce that we will be having church school every week next year! This will tremendously benefit our children, but it cannot happen if we do not have the help of enough volunteers to run the program. If you are interested in teaching Sunday school, being a classroom helper, or substitute teacher, please reach out to Gina Waters at (480) 682-8878 or gwaters034@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting our children and the future of our parish.

Antiochian Men



Our next men's breakfast will be Saturday, August 17 at 9:00a at the parish house. These are potluck breakfasts, so everyone is encouraged to bring some food to share. We are in need of volunteers for several things including (1) organizing large fundraising events for our parish, (2) helping with lawn care on the church property, (3) managing the church website, and (4) assisting with live streaming the services.

Please reach out to Michael Baclig at (479) 372-7097 if you are interested in volunteering to help with any of these needs. We are also still collecting voluntary dues for our AMEN Chapter. Dues are \$10 per person and can be paid using the donation envelopes in the narthex of the church or via PayPal using this QR code.

Those Celebrating in July & August - God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday

Janna Strickland - Jul 29 Aly Wicker – Jul 30 Bryan Yurchak - Aug 6 Elizabeth Carender - Aug 7 Daniel Yurchak - Aug 8 Nick Pangere - Aug 9 Adnan Haydar - Aug 10 Zachary Rhodes - Aug 16

Dorothy Spector - Aug 16

Diana Wilson - Aug 16 Kate Salem – Aug 20 Katie Baclig - Aug 25

SoonMee Townsley - Aug 25 Michael Kravaris - Aug 26 Peniel Rhodes - Aug 29

Lindel Townsley - Aug 29 Gina Waters - Aug 29

Name's Day

Olivia Rhodes (St. Nonna) - Aug 5

Lindel Townsley (St. John the Baptist) - Aug 29

Wedding Anniversary Bob & Nancy Brown - Jul 30

Mike & Leela LeGare - Jul 30

Kevin & Nancy Scherer – Aug 10

David & Laura Evans - Aug 13

Don & Talitha Lourie - Aug 31

Isaiah & Brea Hale - Aug 30

Nina Lawrence (Dormition) - Aug 15 Ava Strickland (Dormition) - Aug 15

Aidan Kolokithas (St. Aidan) - Aug 31 Aidan Wilson (St. Aidan) - Aug 31