Parish Announcements - Sunday, August 4, 2024

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

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities		
Sunday, August 4	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship	
Monday, August 5	5:00p Festal Orthros 6:00p Festal Liturgy w/ Blessing of First-fruits & Dinner Outing	
Wednesday, August 7	6:00p Paraklesis Service 7:00p Parish Council Mtg	
Friday, August 9	9:30a Homeschool Co-op	
Saturday, August 10	5:00p Great Vespers	
Sunday, August 11	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Back-to-School Blessing & 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!



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 First-fruits 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.

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*).

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
Aug 4 (fast)	Fuller Family	
Aug 11 (fast)	David & Ulli Nelson	30 th Anniversary of Conversion
Aug 18	IN NEED OF HOST	
Aug 25	IN NEED OF HOST	
Sept 1	Nancy Brown & Vera Belic	
Sept 8	IN NEED OF HOST	
Sept 15	IN NEED OF HOST	
Sept 22	IN NEED OF HOST	

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Back-to-School Blessing (with backpacks) - Sunday, August 11

Prior to the beginning of the school year, we will offer a special blessing for all our students and teachers - bring your backpacks with you! Please join us for this occasion on Sunday, August 11 after Liturgy. May the LORD guide, guard, and protect you as you begin your studies anew!

Antiochian Women

SAVE THE DATE for Kh. Ramia's baby shower! It will be held in the church on Saturday, August 24th at 9AM. More information to come, including her registry. Also, if you're seeking some recommended reads for the summer, our AW NAB Religious Coordinator, Kh Kelleylynn Barberg, suggests "Three Prayers" and "The Lightkeeper." Both books will be available for purchase in the bookstore.

Antiochian Men



Diana Wilson - Aug 16

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 August - God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday		Wedding Anniversary
Bryan Yurchak - Aug 6	Kate Salem - Aug 20	Kevin & Nancy Scherer - Aug 10
Elizabeth Carender - Aug 7	Katie Baclig – Aug 25	David & Laura Evans - Aug 13
Daniel Yurchak – Aug 8	SoonMee Townsley - Aug 25	Isaiah & Brea Hale - Aug 30
Nick Pangere - Aug 9	Michael Kravaris - Aug 26	Don & Talitha Lourie – Aug 31
Adnan Haydar - Aug 10	Peniel Rhodes - Aug 29	
Zachary Rhodes - Aug 16	Lindel Townsley - Aug 29	
Dorothy Spector - Aug 16	Gina Waters - Aug 30	

Name's Day

Olivia Rhodes (St. Nonna) - Aug 5	Lindel Townsley (St. John the Baptist) - Aug 29
Nina Lawrence (Dormition) - Aug 15	Aidan Kolokithas (St. Aidan) - Aug 31
Ava Strickland (Dormition) - Aug 15	Aidan Wilson (St. Aidan) - Aug 31