

Parish Announcements - Sunday, November 24, 2024

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

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities	
TODAY, Sunday, November 24	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School, Fellowship, & Inquiring Minds
Sunday, December 1	9:00a Orthros <i>Chrismation of Jackson & Abigail Bliss, & Baron Pianalto</i> 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship

****Fr. Paul Fuller will be out-of-town this week; for pastoral emergencies, call his cell phone: 502-592-9981.
No services during the week. Please check our parish publications for schedule updates.****

Welcome to our Guests

We are grateful that you have joined us for worship of God this morning! While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox Christian guests will be offered holy bread (as a sign of hospitality) in their pew or seat. At the Dismissal, please join us in veneration of the Holy Cross (held by the Priest) and receive additional holy bread at the end of the Liturgy. After service, please join us for food and drink during Fellowship so that we can meet and greet you! Please contact Fr. Paul Fuller (479-379-6220 or saintnicholasar@gmail.com) to schedule a time to meet and learn more about our parish community and the Orthodox Faith.

Inquiring Minds - TODAY, Sunday, November 24

Join us for Inquiring Minds, our monthly Adult Education Class TODAY following Fellowship (approx. 12:30p) for a Q&A session with Fr. Paul. OPEN to ALL, but "required" for inquirers and catechumens!

Volunteers Needed for OLLI Luncheon - Tuesday, December 3

We will host another OLLI class on Tuesday, December 3 from 10-12:30p and offer a Mediterranean meal for approx. 30 attendees. Any volunteers willing to help bring dishes, please contact Kate Salem (ksalem2@cox.net).

Patronal Feast of St. Nicholas - Thursday & Friday, December 5-6

Join us on Thursday, December 6 for Great Vespers at 6:00p followed by Dinner Outing and Friday, December 6 for Festal Liturgy at 9:30a; Bible Study and Homeschool Co-op will still meet afterwards on Friday.

Nativity Fast (Advent Season)

Our season of preparation to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas) continues; we do so through increased efforts of fasting, prayer, and charity. We will offer the Nativity Paraklesis on the following evenings at 6:00p (*please note*): Tuesday, December 3; Thursday, December 10; Tuesday, December 17; Thursday, December 19.

Hierarchal Visit of Bishop NICHOLAS

Our thanks to ALL who joined us this past weekend for the hierarchal visit of His Grace, Bishop NICHOLAS. We had a full weekend of services, discussions, and meals; we appreciated your presence and labor of love! Click [HERE](#) to see more pictures on our Facebook page.

Sacrament of Initiation (Chrismation) - Sunday, December 1

Join us at 9:00a on Sunday, December 1 during Orthros as we offer the Sacrament of Initiation (Chrismation) for Jackson and Abigail Bliss, and Baron Pianalto prior to the Divine Liturgy at 10:00a. Welcome home!

Baby Donation Drive

From November 15 through the end of November, OCLife is sponsoring a donation effort for Evelyn and Anasia Lourie who are both expecting and due soon. Suggested items: diapers, wipes, nursing pads, gift cards, books, or any other practical baby necessities.

Contact Nancy Brown 479-616-8043, nancyjbrown3@hotmail.com.

2024	Names of Host	Commemoration
Nov 24 <i>(Fast)</i>	Stewardship Ministry	Stewardship Sunday
Dec 1	Yurchak Family	
Dec 8	Patronal Banquet	Patronal Banquet
Dec 15	Georgeta Galbraith	1-year Memorial for +Mike Galbraith
Dec 22	Steve & Tina Rieger, Rich Ratliff	Order of St. Ignatius Awareness Sunday
Dec 29	Antiochian Men	Feast of St. Joseph the Betrothed

Nativity Fast Spiritual Discipline

In lieu of our regular discipline of the Psalter Reading Group during the Nativity Fast (Advent Season), we invite ALL our faithful to participate a DAILY PRAYER RULE of the Akathist to Ss. Constantine & Helen, God-crowned Sovereigns & Equals-to-the-Apostles. Print copies of the Akathist service are available at the Church or virtually (link via parish email). We offer this prayer and seek the intercession of Ss. Constantine & Helen who were instrumental in the growth of the Christian Faith and building of churches for 40 days (November 15-December 24). We offer this suggested spiritual discipline as we discern the continued growth and physical needs of our parish community.

Silent Auction Items for Patronal Banquet

We are seeking donations of any new or like-new items, handmade goods, gift baskets, and products from your workplace or business, as well as coupons for goods and services from local businesses. We kindly ask that you consider donating to support our efforts. The deadline for donations is Sunday, December 1. Tax donation form available to be given to any businesses that might be interested in donating products or services for tax deduction purposes. If you would like to contribute, please contact Angelic Nevill (anevill92@gmail.com).

Parish Christmas Card



Be included in our Parish Christmas Card (mailed to our entire mailing list); click image below to issue electronic payment via PayPal (scan QR code) or sign-up on Sundays during Fellowship. \$25 per entry. Contact Elisabeth Cisneros (elcisneros@yahoo.com or 602-625-5622) to sign up.

Outreach Opportunities @ Local Libraries

Fr. Paul will be offering a lecture on Saint Nicholas on **Monday, December 2 at 5:00p** at the Bella Vista Public Library (11 Dickens Place) AND on **Thursday, December 12 at 5:30p** at the Farmington Public Library (175 Cimarron Way). Please invite your neighbors and if able, join us for these local outreach opportunities!

Those Celebrating in November - God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday

Sean Scarce - Nov 1
Azalea Deschler - Nov 2
Rebekah Fuller - Nov 4
Talitha Lourie - Nov 11
Alaina Yurchak - Nov 11
Angelic Nevill - Nov 13
Tina Rieger - Nov 15
Judah Strickland - Nov 17
Rebekah Fenner - Nov 18
Terry Keese - Nov 25

Name's Day

Talitha Lourie (St. Theodota) - Nov 1
Raphael Nelson (Archangel Raphael) - Nov 8
Gabriel Carender (Archangel Gabriel) - Nov 8
Mackenzie Goff (Archangel Uriel) - Nov 8
Michael Baclig (Archangel Michael) - Nov 8
Manoj Virippil (St. Matthew) - Nov 16
Michael Kolokithas (Archangel Michael) - Nov 8
Katie Baclig (St. Katherine) - Nov 25
Michael Kravaris (Archangel Michael) - Nov 8
Katherine Fuller (St. Katherine) - Nov 25
Cory Troy (Archangel Michael) - Nov 8
Kate Salem (St. Katherine) - Nov 25
Derek Waters (Archangel Michael) - Nov 8
Andrew Baclig (Apostle Andrew) - Nov 30
Jeff Jenkins (Archangel Raphael) - Nov 8