

# Parish Announcements – Sunday, March 23, 2025

Announcement requests (due by Monday at noon) may be sent via email to [info@stnicholasar.org](mailto:info@stnicholasar.org) (NEW EMAIL)

<b>Schedule of Liturgical Services &amp; Activities</b>	
Sunday, March 23 <i>(Adoration of the Holy Cross)</i>	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship
Monday, March 24	6:00p Great Vespers
Tuesday, March 25 <i>(Great Feast of the Annunciation)</i>	6:00p Festal Liturgy & Dinner Outing
Wednesday, March 26	6:00p Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & Potluck Meal <i>(hosted by St. John Church in Rogers – 1740 9<sup>th</sup> St)</i>
Friday, March 28	9:30a Bible Study & Homeschool Co-op  6:00p Akathist Service
Saturday, March 29	9:00a Men's Breakfast  5:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, March 30 <i>(Commemoration of St. John Climacus)</i>	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship

## 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 [saintrnicholasar@gmail.com](mailto:saintrnicholasar@gmail.com)) to schedule a time to meet and learn more about our parish community and the Orthodox Faith.



## Parish Paschal Card

Be included in our Parish Paschal Card (mailed to our entire mailing list); scan QR code to issue electronic payment via PayPal or sign-up on Sundays during Fellowship. \$25 per entry. Deadline is Monday, April 7. Contact Jackson & Abby Bliss ([jacksonbliss13@gmail.com](mailto:jacksonbliss13@gmail.com) or [abbyfae626@gmail.com](mailto:abbyfae626@gmail.com)) to sign up.

## Fellowship on Sundays in 2025 – NEW FORMAT

Beginning in 2025, we will be hosting a Parish Potluck on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month and offering light fare the other Sundays. Families/households may still “HOST a Sunday” and provide food OR donate \$150 to sponsor a Sunday. To help out with our Hospitality Ministry or to sign-up to host/sponsor a Sunday, please contact Denise King ([DL0118@yahoo.com](mailto:DL0118@yahoo.com) or 501-442-8460). We would still appreciate volunteers to regularly bake the holy bread. To participate and help us get a rotation in 2025, please contact Kate Salem ([ksalem2@cox.net](mailto:ksalem2@cox.net)).

## Liturgical Schedule for the Great Feast of Annunciation – Monday, March 24 & Tuesday, March 25

Join us as we celebrate the Great Feast of the Annunciation: Monday, March 24 – Great Vespers at 6:00p; Tuesday, March 25 – Festal Liturgy at 6:00p followed by Dinner Outing.

## Teen SOYO Virtual Lenten Retreat – Saturday, April 5

The diocesan retreat for Teen SOYO is April 5 at 7:00pm. While it will be hosted virtually, youth are invited to join us at the parish house after Vespers that evening to tune in and have some hangout time. We'll be having snacks!

### Rearranging Chairs/Pews & “Standing” Area

To accommodate the many people joining us for our liturgical services (thanks be to God!), we are going to be removing some rows of chairs and pews to allow for a larger “standing” area. Please utilize this area, so we can fit more people in the building. Please follow instructions from our Ushers. Any questions/comments, feel free to contact Fr. Paul – thank you!

### Creative Arts Festival

We encourage ALL our youth to participate; scan QR code to learn more. Any questions, please contact our Church School Director, Gina Waters (gwaters034@gmail.com).



### Holy Week Service Books Available for Purchase

The bookstore has received a supply of service books that include all services of Holy Week through Agape Vespers. Stop by to view them. Supplies are limited.

### 2025 Stewardship & Membership Forms



Please prayerfully consider what you are willing and able to financially contribute to the operation and functioning of our growing parish community to support its various ministries and services! This is an annual responsibility of everyone in our parish; **please submit by December 29, 2024**. Printed copies available in the Narthex OR access the online form by scanning the QR code. Also in 2025, for those willing and able please consider contributing towards our Building Fund (suggested amount of \$100 monthly, but please contribute as able). This is in ADDITION to Stewardship.

**We are planning to recognize the birthdays, anniversaries, and Name’s Days of our faithful in 2025. This information is requested on the stewardship & membership form.**

### Stork Report - Rhodes Family

“Baby” Rhodes, son of Zachary and Olivia and little brother of Ruben and Peniel, was born on Saturday, March 15, weighing in at 7lbs 8oz and standing tall at 21in. Well-wishes warmly welcomed via email: therhodes17@gmail.com. May God grant many years to the newborn baby and his family!

### Stork Report - Wilson Family

Isaac Curtis Wilson, son of Seth and Diana and little brother of Aidan, was born on Tuesday, March 18, weighing in at 7lbs 15oz and standing tall at 21in. Well-wishes warmly welcomed via email: swilsonatu@gmail.com. May God grant many years to the newborn Isaac and his family!

### Those Celebrating in March – God Grant You Many Years!

#### *Birthday*

Kevin Scherer – Mar 2	Aidan Kolokithas – Mar 18
Riley Arnold – Mar 4	Erik Lawrence – Mar 19
Oliver Nevill – Mar 6	Genevieve Deschler – Mar 20
Jackson Bliss – Mar 8	Derek Waters – Mar 28
Brittany Fenner – Mar 13	Dominic Silva – Mar 30
Charlie Nevill – Mar 13	Kota Waters – Mar 30
Evan Kolokithas – Mar 14	

#### *Wedding Anniversary*

Derek & Gina Waters – Mar 5

#### *Name’s Day*

Pat Teague (St. Patrick of Ireland) – Mar 17  
Evan Kolokithas (Annunciation) – Mar 25  
John Bailey (St. John Climacus) – Mar 30

### “Journey to Fullness” Video Series



This video series (16 videos approx. 17 minutes each) is recommended for all of our newcomers, inquirers, and catechumens. We hope this will be a valuable resource for you as you learn more about Orthodoxy Christianity. It is accessible through a private link to our parish’s YouTube channel. To access the video series, please scan the QR code.