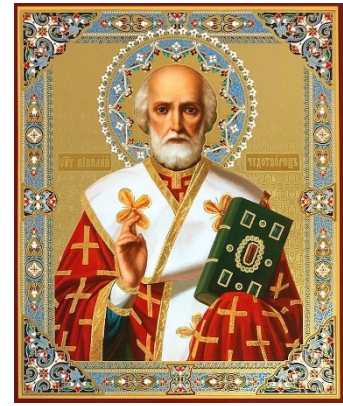


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38th Sunday after Pentecost

Tropar of the Resurrection - Tone 5

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Tropar of the Translation of the Relics of St. Nicholas - Tone 4

The day of the joyous celebration has come; the city of Bari rejoices and with it the whole universe leaps from joy, singing the spiritual songs and psalms. For today, the holy feast, on the occasion of the transfer of the honorable and exceedingly healing relics of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, has shone forth with the radiant rays, like the sun that does not set, driving away the darkness of temptations and calamities from those who faithfully exclaim to thee: "Save us, as our protector, O great Nicholas!"

Kondak of the Prodigal Son - Tone 3

I have recklessly forgotten Your glory, O Father; and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You gave me. And now I cry to You as the Prodigal: "I have sinned before You, O merciful Father; receive me a penitent, and make me as one of Your hired servants!"

Kondak of the Translation of the Relics of St. Nicholas - Tone 3

Your relics, O Saint Nicholas, came out as a star from the east to the west. The sea was sanctified by your journey, and the city of Bari, through you, has received the grace. For working for us, you have appeared as an excellent, wonderful and merciful Wonderworker.

Theotokion – Steadfast Protectress – Tone 6

Steadfast protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator: do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call upon you in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you.

Additional Petitions for Mercy and Help during the Covid-19 Pandemic

For our salvation during the time of this pandemic; for protection and deliverance from the Coronavirus; for the health and recovery of those suffering from this virus; and for the guidance of physicians and those who minister to the afflicted, let us pray to the Lord.

Eternal Lord, God Almighty, in Your ineffable goodness and love for humankind, look upon us who have gathered in Your Holy Name and those who could not be present; be our constant helper and defender at the time of this pandemic and hear our prayer offered with contrition of heart: Compassionate Lord, save, protect and deliver us from the impending threat of the Coronavirus; grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus; and guide the hands of physicians and preserve those who minister to the afflicted, let us all say with all our heart and mind Lord have mercy.

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

“I have the right to do anything,” you say—but not everything is beneficial. “I have the right to do anything”—but I will not be mastered by anything. You say, “Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both.” The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, “The two will become one flesh.” But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit. Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

Alleluia Verses

I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation. (*Ps 88/89:1*)

For You have said: “Mercy will be established forever; My truth will be prepared in the heavens.” (*Ps 88/89:2*)

Gospel - Luke 15:11-32

Then He said: “A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.’ So he divided to them his livelihood. And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living. But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything. “But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.’” “And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ “But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ And they began to be merry. “Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.’ “But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. So he answered and said to his father, ‘Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.’ “And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.’”

Donations

Thank you, beloved parishioners, for your continued love and support during the pandemic!

If you have any questions on how to become an EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) Donor, please contact Jovi Jovanovich at jovanovich23@yahoo.com or visit our webpage at www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/onlinecontribution to safely and securely make an electronic donation.

Announcements

- **Upcoming Service Schedule**
 - Sat. Mar 6 - Soul Saturday - Liturgy and Parastos 10am
- **Fasting in the Pre-Lenten Season**
 - February 21-27: No fasting, all days.
 - February 28- March 7: Normal week.
 - March 8-14: Fasting from meat. Fish, dairy, and eggs permitted all days.
 - March 15: Lent begins
- **Fish Frys** - Fish Fry Fridays are back through April 2nd, 4-7pm. Pre-orders can be placed by calling (412)372-9895. Pickup only. *Please see flyer for menu and prices.*
- **Pierogi Sale Fundraiser – New Flavor Alert: Sauerkraut Pierogi!** Due to popular demand, the Choir will be adding sauerkraut to the mix! Please place your order for sauerkraut pierogies by February 27th! More of an original pierogi person? There is still time to order homemade potato and cheese pierogies! Potato and cheese pierogi orders must be in by March 6th! All pierogies are \$12 a dozen! Pick-Up at the church March 13th & 14th! Can't pick up? No worries! A delivery option will be available on March 13th! Contact Daniella Vranesevic to place your order at daniella.vranesevic@gmail.com or at (724)600-5868
- **Mediterra Bakehouse Breads** – For next pickup date: order by March 10th at noon for pickup March 14th – Lenten breads for sale: \$5 a loaf except \$6 specialty loaves. Pre-orders only. Call Sondra at (412)760-5796 by noon the Wednesday prior. Orders are available after church. All pickups will take place outside on the patio. There is now an online order form option: <https://forms.gle/2bgpuweWMnjgSeEB6> *See flyer for more details.*



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Orders can be picked-up at the Church Social Hall Patio

ORDER BY NOON

February 10
February 24
March 10
March 24
April 7
April 21

PICK-UP 11-30AM-Noon

February 14
February 28
March 14
March 28
April 11
April 25

The following selections will be available for \$5.00 per loaf. **Cash only, please:**

- **Sourdough Round**
- **Rustic Italian Bread**
- **Ciabatta**
- **Paesano**
- **Heartland Grain**
- **Mt. Athos Fire Bread**
- **Rye, seeded or unseeded**

Specialty Bread (\$6.00 per loaf). Specialty Breads may vary on specific dates.

- **Pecan Raisin**
- **8 Grain 3 Seed**



FISH FRY FRIDAY

Every Friday 4-7 pm

Through April 2nd

Fish Dinner	\$11	French Fries	\$3.50
Baked Fish Dinner	\$10	Haluski	\$3
Fish Sandwich	\$9	Cole Slaw	\$1.75
Baked Fish Sandwich	\$8.50	Soup	\$3
Shrimp Dinner	\$12	Pop	\$1
Shrimp ONLY	\$9	Coffee	\$0.50
Scallop Dinner	\$15	Extra Bun	\$1
Scallop ONLY	\$11		
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