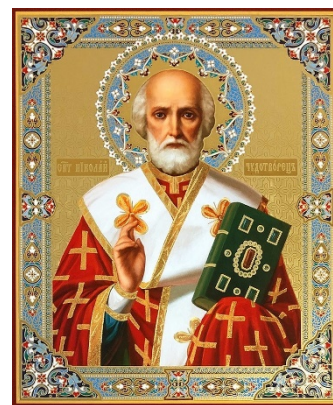


**St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church Monroeville**  
**Weekly Bulletin – April 18th, 2021**

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**Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt**

**Tropar of the Resurrection - Tone 4**

When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the Apostles: Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!

**Tropar of the St. Mary of Egypt - Tone 8**

The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Mother, for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. By so doing, you taught us to disregard the flesh for it passes away; but to care instead for the soul, for it is immortal. Therefore your spirit, O holy Mother Mary, rejoices with the angels.

**Kondak for St. Mary of Egypt - Tone 3**

Having been a sinful woman, you became through repentance a bride of Christ. Having attained angelic life, you defeated demons with the weapon of the Cross. Therefore O most glorious Mary, you are a bride of the Kingdom.

**Kondak of the Resurrection - Tone 4**

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

**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 - Hebrews 9:11-14**

But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation. He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

### **Alleluia Verses**

v. Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth! (*Ps 44/45:5*)

v. For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity. (*Ps 44/45:8*)

### **Gospel - Mark 10:32-45**

Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again." Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask." And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able." So Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John. But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

### **Hymn to the Mother of God (*Instead of It is Truly Right*)**

All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace: the assembly of Angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child – our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

## 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](mailto:jovanovich23@yahoo.com) or visit our webpage at [www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/onlinecontribution](http://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/onlinecontribution) to safely and securely make an electronic donation.

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## Announcements

- **Confessions** - Please come for confessions before Holy Wednesday. Contact Fr. Stefan if you would like to schedule confession.
- **Holy Week, Pascha, and Bright Week Schedule** - Please check the service schedule on the website for the Paschal season service schedule. Please note, the Paschal liturgy will be served as part of the Paschal vigil beginning at 11pm on Holy Saturday evening, as is traditional. **There will be no separate liturgy later in the morning on Sunday.**
- **Service Participation** - The Holy Week and Paschal services include many opportunities for participation. If you would like to help read at the services, please contact Popadija Marina at [marina.djoric.19@gmail.com](mailto:marina.djoric.19@gmail.com) Open to all ages!
- **St. Nicholas Serbian Tamburitza Concert** - Please join us for the Tammie Concert after Liturgy on May 16th! *See flyer for details.*
- **Easter Foods** - Easter Foods are now available. Call Denny to order at (412) 417-3167. *See flyer for more details.*
- **Mediterra Bakehouse Breads - Last one!** – Just a reminder that orders for Mediterra Bread need to be made by Wed. 4/21/21 at noon for delivery after Divine Liturgy Sunday, April 25th. Calls can be made to Sondra at (412) 760-5796 or orders placed at <https://forms.gle/R4Uxd4owKKWtCJ5m7> We would appreciate your helping us to “grow” this effort by telling family, friends, and neighbors about the Mediterra Breads; all proceeds benefit St. Nicholas. *See flyer for more details.*
- **Church Heating** - Due to the HVAC maintenance, which Glory to God has begun, the heating in the Church will be off until its completion.
- **Service Schedule** - Please check our website calendar for the service schedule: <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/service-schedule/>



## MEDITERRA BAKEHOUSE BREADS

www.mediterrabakehouse.com

**NOW** at St. Nicholas Serbian Eastern Orthodox Church,

If you have tried these breads, you'll want to come back for more. If you haven't, we hope you will soon.

These artisan breads are ordered by Wednesday noon for availability at St. Nicholas on *Sundays* after Divine Liturgy. These breads are Lenten.

All breads need to be **PRE-ORDERED** by calling Sondra at **(412)760-5796** or going online to <https://forms.gle/xBA35iRvNh6hwtSt8>

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

### ORDER BY NOON

April 21

### PICK-UP 11-30AM-Noon

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



FOR YOUR HOLIDAY  
PREPARATIONS

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# EASTER FOODS

(STOCK UP FOR  
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SMOKED KIELBASA (WITH  
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SOUR HEADS (FOR SARMA)

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PLJESKAVICE (SERBIAN BURGERS)

For Mediterra Bread Orders, call  
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Order deadline dates:

April 21

Delivery dates:

11:45 AM

April 25

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# Grab your lawn chair and Join Us on the Patio....

The pandemic has interrupted many important events in our lives. Our children have also experienced these interruptions. The Tammies begin practicing every Monday evening in September to prepare for their annual concert in May. This was still the case even during the mandated lockdown last spring. Even though the kids weren't practicing together in the church hall, they were practicing through Zoom. Our kids and their dedicated instructors never gave up hope. The kids were in their basements, bedrooms and living rooms continuing to practice even though we realized that a traditional concert would not be possible.

This past September also brought uncertainty. The only way the kids could practice was once again through Zoom. We had many families who decided that even if their children would be learning virtually, it was worth their time and effort. We had two in-person practices in the fall before the pandemic seemed to escalate forcing us to once again change our plans. It wasn't until the end of February that our kids started meeting in-person once again with the hope of being able to perform what they have learned.

With positive cases on the downward trend, the number of people being vaccinated on the rise and the restrictions on the number of people being able to gather increasing, the St. Nicholas Serbian Tamburitzaans are pleased to invite all of you to join us on the patio immediately following Divine Liturgy on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> for a short performance. Please join us as we honor the graduating seniors from last year and to support our children who ALWAYS persevered in the face of adversity and NEVER gave up on their love of our Serbian culture.

Food will also be available for take-out. All proceeds will benefit the HVAC system. Pre-orders ONLY so that we know how many to prepare for. Call, text or email Alexis with your orders @ 412.965.5602 OR [djanig872@comcast.net](mailto:djanig872@comcast.net)

**Dinner will include (\$15):**

**½ Roasted Chicken  
Parsley Potatoes  
Fresh Green Beans  
Salad**

**Apple strudel will also be available for purchase.**

**All orders are due by Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**We hope that you will join us on the patio on May 16<sup>th</sup> to support our children's hard work and dedication!**