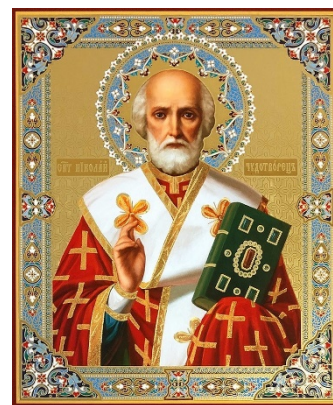


St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church Monroeville
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17th Sunday After Pentecost

Tone 8 Troparion (Resurrection)

You descended from on high, O Merciful One! You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Tone 4 Troparion (Translation of the Relics of St. Nicholas)

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!"

Tone 1 Troparion (Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens)

We the faithful all praise Hierotheus, the disciple of Paul, Hierarch of Athens, the world's teacher and a preacher of the Faith, who revealed to us Christ's Mysteries and poured forth streams of godly doctrine. His life was well-pleasing to God, who is greatly merciful.

Tone 8 Kontakion (Resurrection)

By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your Resurrection, and the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Tone 3 Kontakion (Translation of the Relics of St. Nicholas)

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.

Tone 8 Kontakion (Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens)

Hierarch of Athens, we praise you for you have instructed us in awesome and ineffable things, and you were revealed to be a divinely-inspired writer of hymns. Pray that we be delivered from every kind of sin, so that we may cry to you: "Rejoice, divinely-wise Father Hierotheus."

Tone 6 Theotokion (Steadfast Protectress)

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.

Alleluia Verses

v. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! (*Ps. 94:1*)

v. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! (*Ps. 94:2*)

Epistle - 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the Lord Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Gospel - Matthew 15:21-28

Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed." But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us." But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!" But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs." And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

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.

Announcements

- **Fall Foods Sale** - See flyer for details
- **Doo Wop - Oldies Show - Oct 23, 6:30pm** - See flyer for details and sign-up info.
- **St. Petka Kolo Slava - Oct 24** - The St. Petka Kolo will be celebrating Slava on Sunday, October 24, 2021. Join us for dine in or take out. Menu to include: Chicken Noodle Soup, Sarma, Mashed Potatoes, Variety of Pumpkin Desserts. RSVP to Pam Matejevich by October 17th. Call or text – 724.454.4451, pam.matejevich@icloud.com
- **Junior Choir - First Practice Oct 24** - After being apart for the past 20 months, the St Nicholas Junior Choir is coming back together. The purpose of the Junior Choir is to learn Orthodox Liturgical music in addition to our Serbian folk songs. The choir always participates in the St. Sava program and sings during Liturgy several times a year. In May of next year, they will have the opportunity to sing with other Junior Choirs from across the United States and Canada at the Serbian Singing Festival which is being hosted by our own St. Nicholas Church Choir. Children ages six and up are welcome to join. The first practice will be held on October 24 immediately after Liturgy. For more information, please contact Janice Smargie at 412-780-3271 or email her at jsmargie@msn.com.
- **Diocesan Centennial Celebration - Nov 6-7 - No services at St. Nicholas** - Everyone is encouraged to attend the pan-orthodox hierarchical divine liturgy at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Pittsburgh on Sunday, November 7th starting at 10 am. There will also be services at St. Elijah in Aliquippa on Saturday. See the diocesan website for details: <https://easterndiocese.org/centennial>
- **Scrapbook Crop - Nov 13, 9am-9pm, 11am bake sale** - We are asking our parishioners to help with baking items for the BAKE SALE for the annual Scrapbook Crop that will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021. Items can be dropped off Friday afternoon or early evening or Saturday morning. The sale will start at 11 AM and continue until it is sold out. For those who are unfamiliar with the Scrapbook Crop, we attract people from the community who enjoy the hobby of scrapbooking. They are with us from 9 AM until 9 PM working on their hobby. We serve them three meals, have a basket raffle, a 50/50 raffle, and offer a BAKE SALE. There is much effort that goes into the planning and implementation of this effort and all proceeds benefit St. Nicholas. For additional information or offers of help, contact Tootsie or Lois Harvey at 412.372.8064 or Pat Kolar at 412 372.4239.



FALL FOODS



*The St. Nicholas
Maintenance Committee
has the following items
for sale:*

- Kielbasa (Smoked and fresh)-must place an order
- Apple sauce (organic)
- Sauerkraut (organic)
- Apple pie
- Various fruit jams
- Čvarci (limited)
- Chardonnay (home-made wine)

Soon to come are various garden-based soups.



*See Denny or Sam for
orders*



Doo Wop Oldies Show

October 23, 6:30PM

Doors open at 6:00PM

**St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church
2110 Haymaker Rd. Monroeville PA 15146**

**Chuck Corby and Quiet Storm will open
followed by Pittsburgh Belairs
& closed by Chuck Corby and Quiet Storm**

**Admission: \$10 in advance, \$15 at door
Contact Natalia to register: 724-396-1538**

Or register here:

<https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/events/>

Food and beverages will be available for purchase

For a limited time, Grandview Cemetery is offering a special 6 month offer to just members of our church!!!

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

For those of you who are unaware, I have represented our church on the Grandview Cemetery board of directors for the past three years. All of the board members are volunteers and our job is to run the day to day operations of the cemetery. Grandview is a nonprofit organization that sub-contracts all of their employees.

As some of you may have seen, the Serbian section has recently undergone a major expansion. Approximately 200 new plots have been added. The cemetery board spent a large sum of money to allow for more room in the Serbian section. Now is the time to plan ahead and purchase your final resting place.

I proposed, and The Grandview Cemetery board agreed, that all plots purchased from July 1, 2021 until the end of this year will have 10% of the price going back to our church. This limited offer is an easy way for our church to put additional funds into our accounts. Additionally, during this six month period, plots will be \$600 rather than the new price of \$750. This offer is just for the parishioners of our church who wish to be buried in the Serbian section of the cemetery. Payment must be made in full at the time of purchase to receive the discounted price.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at djaniga872@comcast.net You can also contact Janet Gilbert directly at jlagsky@romemonuments.com or 412-823-1900 to purchase your plots. Make sure to mention the 10% offer during your conversation.

Sincerely,
David Janiga

