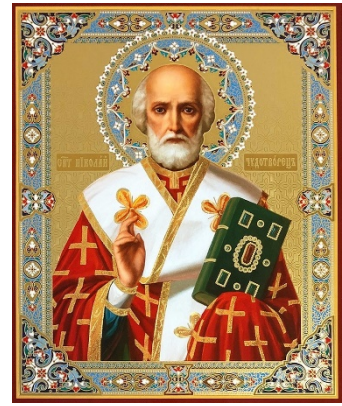


**St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church Monroeville**  
**Weekly Bulletin – December 5th, 2021**

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**24th Sunday After Pentecost**

**Tone 7 Troparion (Resurrection)**

By Your Cross You destroyed death. To the thief You opened Paradise. For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy. And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that You are risen, granting the world great mercy.

**Tone 4 Troparion (Afterfeast of the Entry of the Mother of God into the Temple)**

Today is the prelude of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. The Virgin appears in the temple of God, in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all. Let us rejoice and sing to her: "Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

**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 3 Troparion (Apostles)**

Holy Apostles Philemon, Archippus, Apphia, and Onesimus, entreat the merciful God to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.

**Tone 7 Kontakion (Resurrection)**

The dominion of death can no longer hold mankind captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: "The Savior has come to those in faith; enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!"

**Tone 4 Kontakion (Afterfeast of the Entry of the Mother of God into the Temple)**

The most pure Temple of the Savior; the precious Chamber and Virgin; the sacred Treasure of the glory of God, is presented today to the house of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the Spirit, therefore, the angels of God praise her: "Truly this woman is the abode of heaven."

**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 2 Kontakion (Apostles)**

Let us praise the Apostles of Christ, who illumine the ends of the earth like all-radiant stars: glorious Philemon and dedicated Archippus, Onesimus, together with Mark and Apollos, and the all-wise Apphia. Let us cry to them: "Unceasingly pray for us all!"

**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. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High. (*Ps 91/92:1*)

v. To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (*Ps 91/92:2*)

### **Epistle - Ephesians 2:14-22**

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

### **Gospel - Luke 8:41-56**

And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?' " But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me." Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace." While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well." When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

### **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

- **Posno Soup for Sale! - TODAY** - After church today, Tammies will be selling three different kinds of posno soups: potato, vegetable, and beans and sauerkraut. A bowl of soup along with homemade pogača will be sold for \$3. Soups can also be purchased for take-out for \$8 a quart. Make sure to purchase your soups during this advent season.
- **Church School Wheat Planting - Dec 12 after church** - Please join us after church on December 12th to plant wheat as a pre-celebration for St. Nicholas day and in preparation for The Nativity of Our Lord! We are asking each child to create three containers of wheat each: one to take home, one to give to someone that you know, and one for a parishioner to take home. We look forward to seeing you there!
- **Mediterra Bread is Back! - Pickup today after church!** - Next order deadline is Dec 15 noon for Dec 19 pickup after liturgy. *See flyer for details*
- **Fall Foods Sale** - *See flyer for details*
- **Noodles for Sale!** - Homemade noodle orders are being taken. Fine or wide. 16 oz. for \$10. Ingredients: flour and eggs, Call Pat at 412 372-4239.

*Yes, it's back again at St. Nicholas by popular demand...*



[www.mediterrabakehouse.com](http://www.mediterrabakehouse.com)

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

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



**GOOGLE FORMS.** Orders can be picked-up at the Church Social Hall.

#### ORDER BY NOON

#### PICK-UP 11-30AM-12:30 PM

<i>Wednesday, November 17, 2021</i>	<i>Sunday, November 21, 2021</i>
<i>Wednesday, December 1, 2021</i>	<i>Sunday, December 5, 2021</i>
<b>Wednesday, December 15, 2021</b>	<b>Sunday, December 19, 2021</b>
<i>Wednesday, December 29, 2021</i>	<i>Sunday, January 2, 2021</i>
<i>Wednesday, January 12, 2021</i>	<i>Sunday, January 16, 2021</i>
<i>Wednesday, January 26, 2021</i>	<i>Sunday, January 26, 2021</i>
<i>Wednesday, February 9, 2021</i>	<i>Sunday, February 13, 2021</i>

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, please ask.

- Pecan Raisin
- 8 Grain 3 Seed



# 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*

# **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](mailto:djaniga872@comcast.net) You can also contact Janet Gilbert directly at [jlagsky@romemonuments.com](mailto:jlagsky@romemonuments.com) or 412-823-1900 to purchase your plots. Make sure to mention the 10% offer during your conversation.

Sincerely,  
David Janiga

