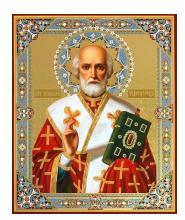
St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church Monroeville Weekly Bulletin – November 26th, 2023

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St. John Chrysostom, The Golden Mouth

Tone 8 Tropar (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 Tropar (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 8 Tropar (Chrysostom)

Grace shining forth from your mouth like a beacon has illumined the inhabited earth; it has disclosed to the world treasures which wealth cannot buy; and has set forth for us the height of humility. Instructing us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede with the Word, Christ God, that our souls may be saved.

Tone 8 Kondak (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 Kondak (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 Kondak (Chrysostom)

You received divine grace from Heaven, and by your lips you teach all men to worship the one God in Trinity, O most blessed Venerable John Chrysostom. We praise you, as is meet, for you are a guide, making divine things clear.

Tone 6 Theotokion

Steadfast protectress of Christians, constant advocat before the Creator, do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in thy 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!

Epistle - Ephesians 4:1-6, **Gospel** - Luke 13: 10-17

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)

Announcements

- Noodles for Sale You can place your orders for Homemade Noodles now. The noodle ingredients consist of flour, eggs and tender loving care! They can be cut Fine or Wide. They come in 16 ounce bags and cost \$10. Call Pat at 412 372-4239 to place your order.
- <u>Christmas Toy Drive:</u> We'll be collecting gently used or new toys for those less fortunate in the local area. It's the perfect time of the year to go through your closets to see what is no longer needed, and rather than throwing toys away, you can donate toward a good cause. Our only ask is that when one donates, please bring the toy(s) in a bag and place on the stage (do not wrap the toy). <u>Collection will go through Sunday December</u> 3rd. If you have any questions, please contact Dushan Markoff at 724-493-9084.
- Holiday Cookie Sale Saturday, December 2, 2023 9AM-12PM: Our lovely baking ladies have been working very hard to prepare for our upcoming Holiday Cookie Sale. To preorder nut rolls, apricot rolls, nut horns, lady locks, and apricot horns, call Sandy at 412-616-2699. All other cookies available on a first come, first serve basis the day of the sale. Doors open at 9am sharp!
 - Nut Rolls are \$16 and Apricot Rolls are \$18
 - o Cookies are \$10/Dozen (Pre-packaged by the 1/2 dozen)
 - o This is always a wonderful fundraiser for our Parish. Please plan to support the event.
- Pan-Orthodox Christmas Concert 12.10.23: Our St. Nicholas Church will be hosting the Pan-Orthodox Christmas Concert on December 10. Choirs from various Orthodox churches in the Pittsburgh area will be participating including our own St. Nicholas Choir. It promises to be an evening of beautiful Christmas and Liturgical music. We hope to see many of our parishioners in attendance for this special event.
- Save the Date Annual Parish Meeting Sunday, December 17, 2023 We will be holding our Annual Parish Meeting, which will include the election of Church Board officers, on Sunday, December 17th after liturgy. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.
- <u>Do you have Grant Writing Experience?</u> The Church Board is looking for any parishioners who have grant writing experience. If anyone can help, please reach out to a church board member.