

St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church, Monroeville

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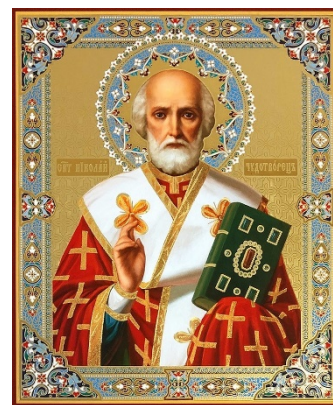
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Saint Tikhon, Bishop of Amathus in Cyprus*

Tone 2 Troparion (Resurrection)

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You slew hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of life, Christ our God, 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 3 Troparion (Tikhon)

God called you to the sacred priesthood / as a worthy servant of the Holy Trinity. / You shone forth with the grace of godliness / strengthening the Church by many miracles. / Righteous Tikhon, entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

Tone 2 Kondak (Resurrection)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with You, and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

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 3 Kondak (Tikhon)

Through your ascetic labors, you shone forth, O beloved of God, / and received from on high the power of the Comforter / to destroy the idols of delusion, / and to save people, / to cast out demons and to heal the sick. / Therefore, venerable Tikhon, / we honor you as a friend of God.

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 - Romans 5:1-10, **Gospel** - Matthew 6:22-33

Alleluia Verses

v. May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (*Ps. 19:1*)

v. Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call! (*Ps. 19:9*)

**For life of the saint, see <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2025/06/16/101738-saint-tikhon-bishop-of-amathus-in-cyprus>*

Announcements

- **Upcoming Schedule** - Link here <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/service-schedule/>
 - **Reminder - Summer Schedule** - June through August, Sunday liturgy at **9:30am**
- **Pierogi Luncheon** - Today following liturgy, there will be a Lenten Pierogi luncheon with potato pierogis and a salad. A donation of \$8 is suggested.
- **From the Church Maintenance Group** - The outdoor grilling season has begun and it's prudent to be prepared by having meat specialties within the freezer. The Church Maintenance Group is taking orders for the following meat products:
 - Smoked or unsmoked kielbasa
 - Sweet or spicy Italian kielbasa
 - Breakfast sausage
 - Serbian hamburgers
 - We encourage you to advise family members, neighbors as well as friends. \$8.00/lb. Place your order with any of the CMG members.
- **Tammies: Enrollment Open for the 2025-2026 Season** - We are looking forward to new & returning performers to join us for the 2025-2026 Season! The schedule, tuition and other information, plus the link to the ENROLLMENT FORM, can be found here: [2025-2026 St Nicholas Tamburitzans Enrollment](#). We kindly ask for sign ups to be completed by 7/31/25. Please reach out to Amanda Formato, 412-980-8944 amandabilak@gmail.com, should you have any questions.
- **Patio Wall Commemorative Plaques**
- The St. Nicholas men's club, "Klub Karadjordje" is taking reservations for purchase of our beautiful commemorative plaques. Only 27 remaining for sale. What better way to honor or commemorate your family, kumovi, or friends and support your church at the same time. Order today for spring/summer installation. For purchase information contact Steve Popovich 412-327-9197.
- **Important Outreach**
- Parishioners who know of an ill, homebound member, or caregiver to an ill person from the St. Nicholas Parish and would like them to receive a "Get Well" or "Thinking of You" card from the parish, please call Tootsie at 412-372-8064. We thank you for your help in this important matter.
- **Church Picnic** - Thank you to those who have offered to volunteer, contribute to the bar and for those working on seeking Sponsorships from our community! We are off to a nice start and are excited to keep the momentum going. We still have some goals to meet and we hope you can help us reach them.
- **Sponsorships**
- We are still seeking sponsorships to help offset our picnic expenses. We invite you to extend our reach beyond the church walls and engage with people and businesses outside those of our congregation. This is not an effort that can be made alone or by a small group of people. We are encouraging all parishioners to reach out to local businesses, friends, and family members to encourage them to support our church's annual picnic. To help make an impact, we are asking each of you to reach out to 10 people. The updated letter and flyer are available here:
[Sponsorship Letter](#)
[Sponsorship Form](#)
- Please reach out to Danica with any sponsorship questions 412-607-7528 or popovich.danica@gmail.com.

Church Picnic

Information & Volunteers - Church Picnic Information: Come join us for a day full of fun and fellowship with great food & drinks while kicking back to the sounds of Srpski Sinovi!! Things to Know:

Picnic Date: Sunday August 10, Picnic Start time: 1pm

Music: Srpski Sinovi 3pm-7pm, Kids Games: 4pm, Lamb by the Pound: pre-order only - by July 31; details coming soon!

Volunteers - We are roughly 2 months away from our Annual Summer Picnic! As your excitement builds, the Picnic Committee is diligently planning behind the scenes to prepare for this event. More information will be announced in the coming weeks. This week we are focusing our attention on Volunteers, which are a crucial part of our picnic's success, and we need YOUR help to fill the openings! Thank you to those who have already volunteered! The shift times are 1p-3p, 3p-5p, 5p-7p, then clean up. Below is the list of areas and how many people are needed. Please contact Dush (724-493-9084) or Danica (412-607-7528) to sign up. We look forward to you being a part of this year's picnic team!

- Kitchen; 5p-7p (5 people)
- Bussers; 1p-3p (2 people), 5p-7p (1 person).
- Lamb prep/set up – Saturday August 9th at 10am!! 2 people needed.
- Sunday Kitchen Prep @ 8:30am; 2 people needed.
- Clean up; 7 people needed!

High School Students - This is a GREAT opportunity to join your fellow parishioners, have some fun, and maybe learn a new skill all while earning Community Service Hours!! We'll happily complete any school forms to receive credit!

Baked Goods - We are looking for bakers to help fill our Homemade baked good table! This year, we will be featuring an ethnic section. To help highlight this area and introduce our guests to these delicious delicacies, we are looking to have some authentic baked goods like: Apple Strudel, Gibanica, Palačinke, and Torta. Not to fret, we'll still have a variety of non-ethnic baked goods as well! Last year we had a great variety and are aiming for the same this year. We hope our amazing St. Nicholas bakers will continue to add to this assortment of sweet goodness! Remember, our goal is to avoid duplicates...except for the most popular items, of course! Contact Pat Kolar today so we can update our list and plan accordingly. Pat can be reached at 412-372-4239 or patkolar@verizon.net to lock in your delicious efforts

Bar Donation - Please see the list of items below that we are requesting for the bar. Our only ask is BEFORE you purchase any item that is on this list, please contact Dushan Markoff to ensure that the item you intend on donating is still needed. This will prevent us from receiving too much of one item and not enough of another. We will not accept any item that is not listed.

Item	Quantity Needed	Item	Quantity Needed
Coors Light - 30 pack of 12 oz cans	6	Yuengling - 24 pack of 12 oz cans	5
White Claw - 12 Variety Pack 12oz cans	4	Slivo - Sokolova	6
Regular Crown Royal 750mL Bottle	4	Seagram's VO 750mL Bottle	4
Tito Vodka 750mL Bottle	6	Captain Morgan Original Spiced Rum 750mL Bottle	5
Tanqueray Gin - 1.75L	1	Coca-Cola - 24 pack of 12 oz cans	5
Barefoot Wine - 1.5L Riesling	3	Sprite - 24 pack of 12 oz cans	3
Diet Coke - 24 pack of 12 oz cans	4		

Monetary Donations - We are accepting cash donations, or you can make a check payable to St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church (include in the memo that it is for the church picnic). Please submit to Danica.

Note: if you plan to donate \$100 or more, please complete our Sponsorship form at the bottom of our Picnic event page: <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/events/2025-summer-picnic/>

Thank you for considering a donation and helping us to solicit Sponsorships from our Communities outside of the church. This will all go towards reducing our operating costs, which will increase our profit for the picnic and ultimately benefit our church!

Sincerely, Your Church Picnic Committee