

St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church, Monroeville

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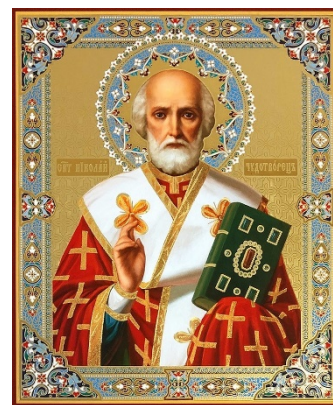
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Church New Year

Tone 5 Troparion (Resurrection)

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

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 2 Troparion (Feast/Saint)

O Creator of the universe, Thou didst appoint times by Thy power; bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord. Preserve in safety Thy rulers and cities: and through the intercessions of the Theotokos, save us!

Tone 5 Kondak (Resurrection)

You descended into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty, resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man, and we cry to You: “O Lord, save us!”

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 4 Kondak (Feast/Saint)

O Creator and Master of time and the ages, Triune and Merciful God of all: grant blessings for the course of this year, and in Thy boundless mercy save those who worship Thee and cry out in fear: “O Savior, grant blessings to all mankind!”

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 - 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4, Hebrews 13:7-16, **Gospel** - Matthew 22:2-14, Matthew 5:14-19

Alleluia Verses

v. I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation. (*Ps. 88:1-2*)

v. For You have said: Mercy will be established forever; Your truth will be prepared in the heavens. (*Ps. 88:3*)

Announcements

- **Upcoming Schedule** - Link here <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/service-schedule/>
 - **Reminder - Summer Schedule** - June through August, Sunday liturgy at **9:30am**
- **Breakfast available Sunday** - Back by popular demand, the maintenance group will have breakfast sandwiches available after church.
- **Children's Toys at Candle Stand** - Please collect your child's items from the candle stand in the back of the church by September 14th. They will be removed after liturgy if not claimed.
- **Women's Retreat** - The Federation of Circles of Serbian Sisters is excited to open registration for their second annual Women's Retreat! Click the link in the [flier](#) to register and find all about the weekend activities. If you have any questions, please contact Alexis at 412.965.5602! We hope to see many of our Monroeville ladies at the retreat!
- **Sunday School** - Children in Preschool to Grade 12, please join us for the first day of Sunday School after Communion on September 7, 2025. After meeting your teachers and classmates, we will go back upstairs for a "Blessing of the Backpacks." Please feel free to bring your backpack to church that day to be blessed for the school year. After Liturgy, join us downstairs in the Church Hall for FREE Pizza and Drinks!
- **St Nicholas Church Annual Cookie Sale - Save the Date!** - Thank you to everyone that helped with nut rolls last week. We have 2 more sessions needed to reach this year's goal:
 - Saturday September 27, 2025 - beginning at 9:00AM
 - Saturday October 18, 2025 - beginning at 9:00AM
- If you are able to come and help out, even if it's for an hour or two, please do. NOTE: Nut and apricot rolls, nut horns and lady locks orders will be taken beginning November 1st. Contact Elaine (412-916-2063) or Sandy (412-616-2699) for more information.
- **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: We encourage you to advise family members, neighbors as well as friends. \$8.00/lb. Place your order with any of the CMG members
 - Smoked or unsmoked kielbasa
 - Sweet or spicy Italian sausage
 - Breakfast sausage
 - Serbian hamburgers
- **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.