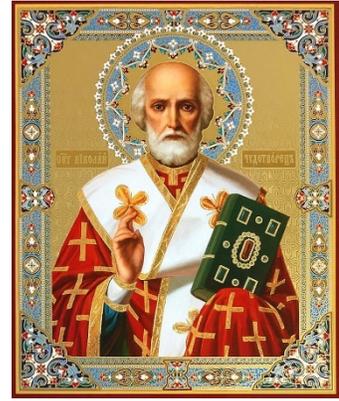


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Forgiveness Sunday

Tone 4 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Your Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!”

Tone 4 Troparion (Church)

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 Kondak (Church)

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 6 Kondak (Triodion)

O Master, Teacher of wisdom, Bestower of virtue, Who teach the thoughtless and protect the poor, strengthen and enlighten my heart! O Word of the Father, let me not restrain my mouth from crying to You: “Have mercy on me, a transgressor, O merciful Lord!”

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4, **Gospel:** Matthew 6:14-21

Alleluia Verses

- v. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High. (*Ps. 91:1*)
- v. To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (*Ps. 91:2a*)

Announcements

- **Upcoming Schedule** - Link here <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/service-schedule/>
- **Bible Study** - No Bible Study - Come to Presanctified!
- **Lenten Services this week** -
 - TODAY - 4:30PM - Lenten Vespers at St. Sava's McKeesport Church - Guest Speaker Fr George Popovich
 - Monday - 6PM - Canon of St. Andrew
 - Tuesday - 6PM - Canon of St. Andrew
 - Wednesday - 6PM - Presanctified Liturgy
 - Friday - 8AM - Presanctified Liturgy
 - Friday - 6PM - Akathist
 - Saturday - 10AM - Divine Liturgy for St Theodore with Blessing of Koljivo
 - Saturday - 6PM - Vespers
- **Lost and Found!** - There are several clothing items hanging outside the hall restrooms. Please visit this area to see if any of these items belong to you or your children. All items remaining by the end of February will be donated to an Orthodox Christian Ministry in Beaver Falls.
- **Help Needed for Fish Fry's!** - Our annual Fish Fry event is set to begin on Friday February 20 and extend seven weeks through Friday April 3. Help is needed for both our preparation day (Thursday evenings) as well as during the Fish Fry events on Friday and especially, after each event on Friday's at 7 PM to assist with hall clean up. Any parishioner that would be willing to assist is asked to see Steve Popovich after church this Sunday February 15. We will hold a very brief meeting to explain when and where help is needed. Please sign up to help....Our Fish Fry's are a terrific fund raiser for the church and it is fun as well. If you will not be at church this Sunday, please call Steve Popovich at 412 327-9197 to volunteer. Thanks Much!!
- **It's PIEROGI time!** - Lent is fast approaching and it's time to start preparing for the annual Fish Fry season. With that comes PIEROGIES! The team will be making pierogies on Saturday February 28th and Saturday March 7th beginning at 9AM on both days. Please come out and help. There is a great need for rollers, cutters, scoopers and pinchers. If you're not available on Saturdays, please offer to help package them on Sundays. These are the only 2 days scheduled. The more volunteers the faster and more productive they can be. If you would like to donate ingredients, please see Elaine V or Sandy M for more information. Thank you
- **House Blessings** - January 26th marks the start of our house blessing season. Everyone is encouraged to participate in this sacred tradition, particularly those who have not had their house blessed in many years. For the house blessings, I have only one simple request: Please remove your pets while we are blessing the house. House blessings are not mandatory, so if you would like your house blessed, please contact me at fr.stefan@stnicholasmonroeville.org or 740 346 5737. For the house blessing, you need a bowl of water (tap water, not holy water), a candle (if you so desire), charcoal, incense, and a censer (optional). If you need to buy any of these things, I highly recommend that you use the link to our diocesan store: <https://www.theodulepress.org>
- **Saint Nicholas Sunday School Children - Donations for our Church** - We will be setting up a plastic container upstairs in the Narthex (near the donation basket), for our church children to donate money. The purpose of this collection container is to teach our Sunday School Children the importance of donating to the church. If they have some extra change, or a dollar, please donate it. At the end of the school year, the money will be presented to St. Nicholas Orthodox Church as a donation from our wonderful children.