

St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church Monroeville

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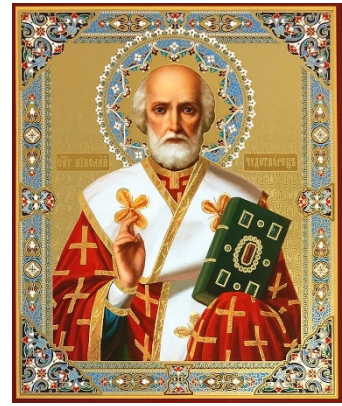
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St. Elias

Tone 8 Troparion (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 4 Troparion (Saint)

An angel in the flesh and the cornerstone of the prophets, the second forerunner of the coming of Christ, glorious Elijah sent grace from on high to Elisha, to dispel diseases and to cleanse lepers. Therefore, he pours forth healings on those who honor him.

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 (Saint)

Prophet Elijah of great renown, seer of the mighty mighty works of God, by your command you held back the rain! Pray for us to the only Lover of 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- 1 Corinthians 3:9-17, **Gospel** - Matthew 14:22-34

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

- **Upcoming Schedule** - Link here <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/service-schedule/>
- **Sunday School Sign-ups** - Please use the link below to sign up for the 2026-2027 Church School year! If you have any questions, email Amy Yurko at ashimonovich@gmail.com
(Sign-ups are for children ages 3 to grade 12)
**Sunday School will begin Sept 13th with a pizza party and open house to meet your teachers!
<https://forms.gle/NXheD8G1aoF5Htw8>
Also, please use the link on the image "Emulating the Saints" Church Camp, if you haven't signed up yet!
- **Emulating the Saints** - St. Nicholas Sunday School Day Camp - August 15th 10AM-1PM - See flyer below
- **St. Petka Kolo Christmas Project in Partnership with Lifeline Chicago** - For the seventh consecutive year, the St. Petka Kolo is partnering with Lifeline Chicago to deliver Christmas gifts to children and young adults of the Vasa Stajic Home in Serbia. The message from Lifeline: "We sincerely appreciate you and your church members once again for assisting with this very special Christmas project. Your generosity brings great joy to so many children, especially those at the Vasa Stajic Shelter. These children come from throughout Serbia, Republika Srpska, and Kosovo and Metohija. Many have been rescued by the Serbian police from situations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation and placed in the shelter, where they receive care, counseling, and rehabilitation while every effort is made to reunite them with their families whenever possible. The Christmas season is one of the most difficult times of the year for these children and young adults. Your kindness and support remind them that they are loved, valued, and not forgotten. On behalf of Lifeline Chicago and those whose lives you will touch, thank you for helping make Christmas a little brighter."
 - The items requested for each child are as follows:
 - sweatshirt
 - pair of sweatpants
 - short-sleeved t-shirt
 - pair of shorts
 - All teenagers wear adult sizes. And like any teenager, they like the popular brands that allow them to fit in and feel like their peers. If you'd like to purchase the above items for a teenager, contact Pam Matejevich for the name, age and size.
- - We will also gladly accept monetary donations which we will use toward the purchase of clothes, backpacks and other items (such as socks, underwear, etc.).
 - Clothes and/or donations should be received by August 9th so that we can prepare them for delivery to Chicago and can be given to Pam Matejevich or Christine Guskiewicz.
 - Email: pam.matejevich@icloud.com
 - Call or text: 724.454.4451

Church Summer Picnic – Sunday August 9th - Under a month until we host the BEST picnic of the summer!!

Things to Know

Picnic Date: Sunday August 9th

Picnic Start time: 1pm

Kids Games: 1:30pm

Face Painting by Creative Face Painting: 2:30pm until 5:30pm

Live Music: 3pm until 7pm by Srpski Sinovi

Volunteer Opportunities - Thank you to everyone who has committed to volunteering to assist during the picnic!! All positions are filled!! If you were late to the party and still want to be part of the fun in assisting during the picnic, we'll always make room! Just let us know. Picnic Clean Up begins at 7:00pm. Please contact Dushan to sign up! The more we have, the easier, and quicker it will be! Join with a friend(s).

High School Students - This is a GREAT opportunity to earn Community Service Hours!! We'll happily complete any school forms to receive credit!

Please contact Dushan Markoff at 724-493-9084 to sign up!

Lamb - If you would like to assist with lamb prep and/or day of the picnic, please contact Nick Jokola at 814-241-4929. Please note that all lamb will be available for pick up between 1pm and 3:30pm on the day of the picnic.

Baked Goods - The Bake Table Coordinators for the annual picnic are requesting our able bakers to assist by providing their favorite baked good. Especially appreciated will be ethnic items such as baklava, strudel, gibanica, nut and apricot horns, apple pita, palachinke, torta, and so forth. Cakes, fruit pies, bar and regular cookies are also appreciated. Please contact Sheryl Lovett (724 331-2770) or Pat Kolar (412 372-4239) if you can bake and let us know what your baked goods will be so that we can avoid too many duplicates. Volunteers will also be needed to assist with the bake table on the day of the picnic. Let us know if you can help. Shifts will be from 1-3 pm, 3-5 pm, 5-7 pm. Baked goods can be dropped off on Saturday, August 8 from 11 am-2 pm or Sunday, August 9 after Liturgy. Just remember "Life is sweeter with a sweet!" And we hope our picnic guests will be desiring to sweeten their day with your sweet.

Bar Donations

Dushan will not be in church this Sunday. Please provide your item(s) to Nick Jokola or Sam Bilak.

We are THANKFUL for those who have donated and/or has committed to donating. If you have committed to donating, please bring your item(s) to church this Sunday! If you're unable to bring your item(s), please contact Dushan Markoff to make other arrangements.

The only item that we are still in need of is 3 bottles of Sokolova Slivo.

Thank you in advance for all your support!

Look forward to hearing from you in assisting to make this year's picnic a success!

Dushan Markoff

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Nick Jokola

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Emulating the Saints

St. Nicholas Sunday School

Summer Day Camp

August 15: 10:30AM-1PM

**Volunteers
needed! —>**



**Please contact
Amy Yurko at
ashimonovich@
gmail.com if you
are interested
in helping.**

Ages 3-18

Posni lunch included

Including Talk with Fr. Stefan for the Parents!

Sign up here by Aug. 1st

<https://forms.gle/aEfYtQAGd4dp95u9A>