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Bulletin

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Orthodox Church in America

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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2013 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Tone 4. St. John Climacus (of *The Ladder*). St. Martin the Confessor, Pope of Rome (655). Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius of Vilnius (Lithuania—1347). Martyr Ardalion the Actor (4th c.). Martyr Azades the Eunuch and 1,000 Martyrs of Persia (ca. 341).

TROPARIA (Tone 4) When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the joyous message of the 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 1) O dweller of the wilderness and angel in the body, / you were a wonderworker, O our God-bearing Father John. / You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil and prayer, / healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith. / Glory to Him Who gave you strength! / Glory to Him Who granted you a crown! // Glory to Him Who through you grants healing to all!

(Tone 4) In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence, so you won the heights by humility, and riches by poverty, O Holy Father Nicholas, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

KONTAKION (Tone 6) Steadfast Protectress of Christians, Constant Advocate before the Creator; despise not the entreating cries of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you!

The Prokeimenon in the Fourth Tone: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! / In wisdom hast Thou made them all!

v: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, Thou art very great!

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE HEBREWS (6:13-20) Brethren: when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, “Surely I will bless you and multiply you.” And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

Alleluia, Tone 4

v: Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth.

v: For Thou lovest righteousness, and doth hate iniquity.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK (9:17-31)

And one of the crowd answered Jesus, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, “How long has he had this?” And he said, “From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us.” And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible to him who believes.” Immediately the father

of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

Instead of "It is truly meet," All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace: the assembly of Angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child, our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

COMMUNION HYMN Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia!
(3x)

On April 19 we remember Saint Tryphon, Patriarch of Constantinople. He served during the tenth-century reign of Romanus, who ruled the Byzantine or Eastern Empire.

From his early years, Tryphon wanted only to be a simple monk. He chose to live without anything beyond his basic needs, and became known for his even-tempered approach to life. He didn't argue or debate with people and his peaceful nature accepted the events of life as the will of God.

Tryphon is notable among the saints because, unlike many, his life did not end in torture and violence. What did happen to him is more like something that happens often in our own day. He was undermined by dishonest people who cleverly manipulated him, taking advantage of his trust and honesty and trustfulness for their own benefit.

Emperor Romanus had a son, Theophylact, and for some reason was determined to appoint him as Patriarch. But because the boy was so young, Romanus asked Tryphon, by that time a seasoned and respected monk, to serve until the boy was old enough to take the position. Tryphon accepted the appointment, perhaps not knowing the emperor's whole plan, and served as Patriarch for three years.

He became greatly loved by the people, who appreciated his modest way of speaking, his kindness and his simple manner of living.

When Theophylact turned twenty, the emperor was eager to have him become Patriarch, and asked Tryphon to step aside. But the monk could see that the young man wasn't ready, and that to appoint him would be harmful to the Church. So he refused to leave the Patriarchate.

Romanus tried to find a way of accusing Tryphon of some wrongdoing, so as to get rid of him, but there simply wasn't anything he could use. So he turned to a bishop who was willing to gain his favor by taking part in a deceitful plan.

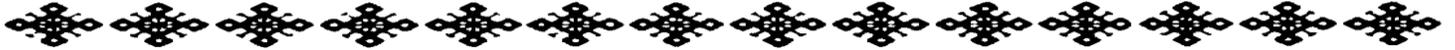
This bishop pretended to be Tryphon's friend, and asked him to write his name and full title as Patriarch on a sheet of paper. The signature was necessary, the bishop told him, to disprove rumors that Tryphon was illiterate and unfit for his high position.

Suspecting nothing, Tryphon did as he was asked. The dishonest bishop took the paper to the emperor, who had him compose and write, above the signature, a statement of resignation. The document was used to depose

Tryphon, despite objections from his many followers. He was sent back to the monastery where he had lived years earlier.

The members of the Church in Constantinople then lived through a difficult period of distrust toward the imperial government and their own leaders. Yet Saint Tryphon's humble acceptance of his unjust treatment was an example of Christlike endurance. The people who loved him learned from it, and those who deceived him were shamed by it. To this day in our churches, the humble monk is honored as no corrupt bishop or devious emperor can ever hope to be.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH & BLESSINGS OF

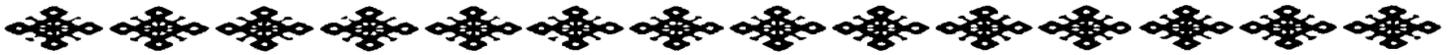
Health & God's Blessings Harold Brock.....	Joe & Dorothy Goodman
Chris, Heather, Raegan; Nadja, Sean & baby; Jeremy, Teri, Hayden, Evdokia, Nick, Cathy & George.....	Lucy Hogg
Health & Blessings for Thomas Panoff on his birthday April, 13.....	Mom & Dad
Special Intention.....	Anna Branoff
Health & God's Blessings Stojan & Mira Prusac, John & Gloria Zelenko, Gladys Edwards, Bosa Kantar, Rosemary Vuckovich.....	Peter & Jo Sredich
Health & God's Blessings Evanka Elieff	Joe & Dorothy Goodman
Congratulations & God's Blessings to Subdeacon Allen & Deborah Adams on the birth of their grandson, Theodore and his parents, Prayers for Peter & Olga Samaras, God Bless Evanka Elieff, Health & Blessings to the sick & shut-ins of St. Nicholas	Anne Smith
Happy Birthday & God's Blessings Anne Smith, Health & God's Blessings John & Gloria Zelenko, Gladys Edwards, Anna Branoff, Linda Branoff, Evanka Elieff.	Rosemary Vuckovich
Safe trip Steve & Jana Branoff and family.....	Anna Branoff
Health & God's Blessings Evanka Elieff.....	Peter & Jo Sredich
Fr. Ilya, Fr. Lawrence, Fr. Joe, Deacon Anthony, David, Anna, Reggie, Evanka, Mira, John & Gloria, Jeanette, Peter & Olga, Bosa, Rosemary, Helen, Dorothy, Diane & Jimmy, Ted & Marlene, Fr. David, Gladys, My family & friends	Joe Tome
Special Intention Diane, Arthur Zambito & family, Nancy, Kenneth & Maggie Laycock, Pat Miculka, Helen & Doug Phillips, Gladys Edwards, Anne Smith, Jeanette Hildreth, Brett w/Cancer, Linda Branoff, Gloria & John Zelenko	Anne Smith
Health & God's Blessings for the Branoff Family.....	Anna Branoff
God's Blessings-speedy recovery and continued good health for Evanka Elieff.....	Her Family
Happy Birthday & God's Blessings Elaine Most, Helen Popoff, Amanda Vázquez, Happy Anniversary & God's Blessings Phil & Barb Brown	Anne Smith
Special Intention.....	Joe Tome
Health & God's Blessings Evanka Elieff.....	Anna Branoff
Angela Bakousidis, Evangelia & Nikolaos Bakousidis	Gerry & Lena Bakousidis
Health & God's Blessings Peter & Jo Sredich, Mira Prusac, Bosa Kantar, Daisy Marvosh, Daisy Karkoski	Rosemary Vuckovich
Happy Birthday & God's Blessings Anne Smith.....	Peter & Jo Sredich
Happy Birthday & God's Blessings Kris Sredich-George, David Houser, Nancy Krigner, Anne Smith.....	Stojan & Mira Prusac

ETERNAL LIGHT

Adelaida, Feodosiy.....	Irina Sivergina
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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR ALL THOSE IN BLESSED REPOSE

Carl Smith-11yrs Blessed Repose, Infant son, Alfred Keeler, Mildred Bladecki, Douglas Oginsky, Olga Elasiwich, Mary & Joe Oginsky and family, Maria Ljiljak, John Bibilikow-1yr, James Russell, Olga Haw, Victor Turtiac (Arlene Timma's Uncle)..	Anne Smith
Memory Eternal-John Bibilikow-1yr.....	Evanka Elieff & Family
John Bibilikow-1yr Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal.....	David, Ashley & Family, Debbie, Ralph & Family
John Bibilikow-1yr Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal.....	Christine, Jerry, Josh & Jennifer
John Bibilikow-1yr Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal.....	Helen Bibilikow
John (Ivan) Bibilikow-1yr Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal.....	Joe & Dorothy
Kotsi Nedanis, Kosta & Eleni Nedanis, Philip Yosheff.....	Gerry & Lena Bakousidis
Blessed Repose Luba Stevens, April 19-3yrs.....	Rosemary Vuckovich
Blessed Repose John Bibilikow-Memory Eternal.....	Anna Branoff
Blessed Repose John Bibilikow-Memory Eternal.....	Peter & Jo Sredich



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all of our friends and visitors to St. Nicholas. Please join us in our fellowship hall for coffee hour.

There will be a 1yr Parastas for the repose of +John Bibilikow following the veneration of the cross. Coffee and pastries are being donated today in John's memory by his family.

OPEN HOUSE to invite the public to come and see our church and ask questions will be held next Sunday, April 21 at 6:00 pm. Please invite someone to come or bring a friend. There will be coffee and sweets following.

CHILDRENS' BASKET RAFFLE The church school children are selling tickets for Children's Baskets. The tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The proceeds will go toward their end of year trip. See any church school student for your ticket.

APRIL HOPE IN A BOX Deodorant is the item needed for the month of April. The deodorant collected will be distributed by the Catholic Charities Community Closet. The Food Van will be here next Sunday, April 21 from 9am until 12 noon.

PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE order forms were included in your March and April bulletins. All orders are due TODAY. If you need an order form there are extras in the parish hall. Please fill out the form and give it to any member of St. Catherine's League.

EASTER EGG HUNT will be held on Sunday, May 19. We are in need of individually wrapped candy and snack to put into the treat bags. Please bring the wrapped candy to church by Wednesday, May 15.

RUMMAGE SALE items are needed. Please bring items to church from May, 7 through May, 17. The rummage sale is a One-Day Super Sale that will take place on Saturday, May 18, from 9 am – 3 p.m. When bringing items in during office hours, please call ahead of time so that we may open the doors for you. Please do not leave items outside.

General weekday schedule for Fr. Matthew

<p><u>Mondays</u> Holy Communion to those in senior care, nursing homes, rehab, hospitals, etc.</p>	<p><u>Tuesday</u> Toledo (if Toledo is Wednesday, Fr. will be in the office on Tuesday)</p>	<p><u>Wednesdays</u> Office: 9 – 3 If you would like to meet with Fr. please call to schedule an appointment.</p>	<p><u>Thursdays</u> Office Closed</p>	<p><u>Fridays</u> Homily preparation Office: 12 – 3 pm. If you would like to meet with Fr. please call to schedule an appointment.</p>
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If you need to speak with Fr. Matthew and he is not at the office, please call him on his cell phone: 810-247-4265. Appointments with Fr. Matthew can also be scheduled outside of regular office hours.

Schedule of services and events for the week of April 14, 2013

Monday, April 15

6:30 pm Compline at St. George

Wednesday, April 17

9:00 am Lenten Hours
 6:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy followed by Lenten Potluck
 Please bring a dish to pass (NO eggs, meat or dairy products)

Friday, April 19

6:30 pm Akathist to the Theotokos

Saturday, April 20

4:30 pm **Akathist Saturday**
 Vespers followed by Confessions

Sunday, April 21

9:30 am **St. Mary of Egypt**
 10:00 am Third Hour
 Divine Liturgy
 Church School
 Food Van 9am – 12 pm

Sunday Offerings for April 7, 2013

<i>Weekly Offering Envelope</i>	\$ 1,090.00
<i>Children's Offering</i>	\$ 0.00
<i>Cemetery Maintenance</i>	\$ 0.00
<i>Charity Envelope</i>	\$ 0.00
Love Inc	\$ 0.00
<i>Diocesan Support</i>	\$ 0.00
<i>OCA Envelope-Missions</i>	\$ 0.00
<i>Candle Fund</i>	\$ 239.00
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	\$ 41.00
<i>Seminarian Fund</i>	\$ 0.00
<i>Loose Offering</i>	\$ 29.00
<i>Kiosk</i>	\$ 47.50
Total Sunday Income April 7, 2013	\$ 1,446.50
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 3,496.10

<i>Actual Income</i>	\$ 48,672.79
<i>Actual Expense</i>	\$ 50,051.74
<i>+/- to date</i>	-\$1,378.95

78 People were in attendance on Sunday April 7, 2013.

For further details, on actual Income/Expenses please refer to the latest St. Nicholas treasures report posted on the bulletin board, next to the conference room in the church hall.