

May 14, 2023

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Diocese of Toledo - Orthodox Church in America • 2143 S. Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519

Served by: Fr. Matthew-Peter Butrie - Rector, mobile: 810-247-4265 & Protodeacon Kerry Luke Gonser

Website: www.saintnicholasburton.org Church: 810-744-0070 e-mail: stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com

Welcome! We are honored that you have joined us in our celebration of the Lord's resurrection this day.

If you are a first-time visitor to our parish, we invite you to sign our guest book in the vestibule. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Matthew, Deacon Luke, or with one of the ushers.

For our friends present with us who are not Orthodox Christians, please note that we have specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion. We ask that you refrain from going to Communion until you have spoken with Fr. Matthew after the Liturgy and understand our discipline and piety regarding this sacrament and its implication for responsibility towards and membership in the Orthodox Church. The bread offered at the end of the service is available to all.

If you are an Orthodox Christian from another parish who has prepared in accordance with your discipline, and have a blessing from your home priest to do so, we invite and encourage you to partake of Holy Communion. **Again, welcome!**

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023 5th SUNDAY OF PASCHA – 4. The Samaritan Woman. Martyrs Isidore and Myrope of Chios (251). Ven. Isidore, Fool-for-Christ, Wonderworker of Rostov (1474). St. Nikéetas, Bishop of Novgorod, Recluse of the Kiev Caves. Martyr Maximus (ca. 250). Ven. Serapion of Egypt (5th c.). St. Leontius, Patriarch of Jerusalem (1175). First opening of the Relics of St. Tikhon of Zadonsk (1846).

FIRST ANTIPHON

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise! (*Psalms 65:1*)

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

Say to God: How awesome are Your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies cringe before You!

(*Psalms 65:1*) **Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!**

Let all the earth worship You and praise You! Let it praise Your name, O Most High! (*Psalms 65:3*)

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

SECOND ANTIPHON

God be bountiful to us and bless us! Show the light of Your countenance upon us and have mercy on us!

(*Psalms 66:1*) **O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!**

That we may know Your way upon the earth, and Your salvation among all nations! (*Psalms 66:2*)

O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Let the people give thanks to You, O God! Let all the people give thanks to You! (*Psalms 66:3*)

O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God, Who for our salvation willed to be incarnate of the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, Who without change became man and were crucified, O Christ our God, trampling down death by death, Who are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: save us!

THIRD ANTIPHON

Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His face. (*Psalms 67:1*)

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

As smoke vanishes so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire. (*Psalms 67:2a*) Christ is risen...

So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad. (*Psalms 67:2b-3*) Christ is risen...

This is the day which the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! (*Psalms 117:24*) Christ is risen...

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 8 In the middle of the feast, O Savior, / fill my thirsting soul with the waters of piety as You cried to all: / "If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink!" // O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to You!

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 8 You descended into the tomb, O Immortal; You destroyed the power of Death. In victory You arose, O Christ God, proclaiming "Rejoice!" to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Your apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

The prokeimenon in the third tone: Sing praises to our God, sing praises; / Sing praises to our King, sing praises! (*Psalm 46:6*) *v.* **All the nations, clap hands, raise a great shout to God in a voice of rejoicing.** (*Psalm 46:1*)

THE READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (11:19-26,29-30) *In those days,* those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Alleluia, Tone 4

v: **And draw and prosper and reign, on account of truth and meekness and righteousness..** (*Psalm 44:4*)

v: **You loved righteousness and hated lawlessness.** (*Psalm 44:7*)

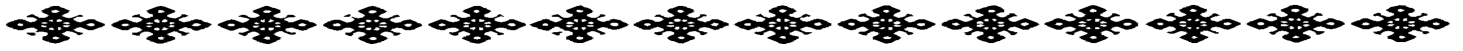
THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (4:5-42) At that time Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Every one who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he." Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city, and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him. Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has any one brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

THE HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS The Angel cried to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, O Pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead! Rejoice, all ye people! Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem! The Glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! Be radiant, O Pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection of your Son!

COMMUNION HYMN Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality! Alleluia! (x3)

IN PLACE OF "WE HAVE SEEN THE TRUE LIGHT..." Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

May 14, 2023



CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

In honor of the ordination of our beloved shepherd Fr. Matthew (28 yrs. today)

Mulți ani trăiască!

Feodosiy & Oleg

God's blessing for good health to our son Christopher Panoff

Good health to our whole family

Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Milica, Calvin, Angelo, Joan,

Peggy, Bob, Angelo, Christine, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Kosta,

Mira, Bosa, Linda, Christopher, Allison, Jeanette, Kathryn, David, Ted,

Joseph, Marlene, Mary, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family

and friends

Special Intention

Patche and Angelo & Helen Popoff

Connie

Irina Sivergina

Mom & Dad

Mom & Dad

Joe Tome

Joe Tome

Magda Popoff

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Adelaïda

My mother Violet Economou (5 yr.) Memory Eternal

Blessed Repose to our grandsons Andrew & Matthew

Blessed Repose for Cathy Card Miller

Blessed Repose~Memory Eternal Evanka Elieff (8 yrs. May 19)

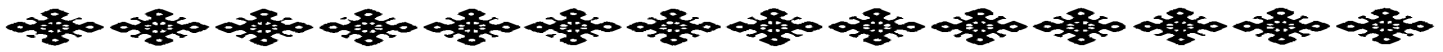
Irina Sivergina

Bill Economou

Baba & Dedo

Angelo & Christine

Her family



CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN! WELCOME to all our friends and visitors and those joining us via our YouTube channel: [St Nicholas Orthodox Church Burton](#). If at the time of the divine services you cannot access the livestream, please check out [St. Mary Magdalene Church](#) [St George Church](#) or [Dormition Monastery](#).

CANDLESTAND: Christine Panoff **HOURS:** Alexander Gonser **READER:** Angelo Panoff

COFFEE SOCIAL Please join us after Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome. There is a signup sheet next to the service window for those who would like to donate and/or serve in the coming weeks.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHURCH SCHOOL - End of the school year recognition today.

ADULT EDUCATION meets does not meet until Wednesday, June 7.

INQUIRERS'/CATECHUMENS' CLASS led by our parish catechist, Reader Alexander Gonser, takes place on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy. Feel free to join in and let other inquirers know about these classes introducing the Orthodox faith.

ARCHBISHOP ALEXANDER will visit us for Vespers on Saturday, June 10 and Divine Liturgy on Sunday, June 11 to present Protodeacon Luke (Kerry) with the *kamilavka* and Reader J. Joseph Tome with the Order of St. Romanos.

GRADUATIONS. If anyone in your family is graduating from High School or College please let us know so they can be recognized in our June newsletter. **We need the following information no later than May, 17:** 1) Name of Graduate 2) School they are graduating from 3) If they are graduating with honors 4) Name of the parents and grandparents 5) Where they will be attending in the fall if they are a high school graduate.

GAME NIGHT May 20 after Vespers. Join us for a fun evening of fellowship, pizza & playing board games. A free will offering will be collected which will be used to sponsor other social activities. Stephanie & Ian Price are hosting the event so you can contact Stephanie at (248) 396-3899 if you have any questions or to R.S.V.P. You don't have to R.S.V.P. but it would be helpful. They will also bring the games but you are welcome to bring your own.

SPRING CLEAN UP was very productive! Thank you to everyone who participated.

BURTON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE on Monday, May 29. Our parish will participate in the parade and we still need a trailer and people to join in the procession & to help fill bags of candy. If you would like to be part of this great opportunity, please contact Stephanie Price at 248-396-3899 as soon as possible. There is also a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. When signing up please note if you want to walk in the procession or would like to ride in a vehicle. We will meet in the church parking lot at 11:45 am on the 29th. Seating will be available for those who want to watch on the sidelines.

HAM DINNER Thank you to the Bakousidis family for preparing the delicious dinner, those who brought desserts, and everyone who assisted in any way with the preparation and clean-up. The net income from the dinner was \$841.50.

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE June 10-11 Archbishop Alexander will visit. *Finances* - Quickbooks (non-profit) program - the license will have to be renewed at a cost of approximately \$200. *Church School* - end of the year is Sunday, May 14. Little crafts are planned to be at church through the summer for our little ones to take home. Michelle Gerzevske will be our parish contact person for the pan-Orthodox Vacation Church School which is hosted by St George Church on Saturday, August 12. In July tentatively will be a meeting to plan the church school lessons for the 2023-2024 school year. *Outreach* - May 20 - family game night. May 29 Burton Memorial Day Parade - please sign up to join us. *Fundraising* - July bbq is canceled. Car show tentatively planned for August. *Charity* Atherton School District will provide us with the number of students in need so we can determine how many backpacks we can provide. The charity plate for May and June is going towards this service project. June 1 is next North End Soup Kitchen. *Church Building and Grounds* - The clean up on May 6 went very well, many people came to help, with work being done on the courtyard garden, trimming of brush, painting of pavilion and picnic tables. A big thank you to everyone who helped! Bell tower - motion approved to paint the bell tower, dome on bell tower and dome on church for approximately \$5,000 +/- . Lawn mowing price increased. Fertilizing of the lawn will take place. Wiring from the lamb rotisserie to the garage - materials will cost approximately \$500. Thanks to Timothy Wiles who dug the trench for the wiring. *Old business* - still looking for a trailer with sides for the Burton Memorial Day Parade. *New business* - Philip Bakousidis resigned from parish council. Christopher Taylor, who received the next highest number of votes, will fill out the rest of the term. Because Pascha is May 5, 2024, the four Orthodox parishes in the county have banded together to order lilies that will be ready for Pascha. Orders had to be placed now and our parish ordered 24 triple plants. Next meeting is Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30 pm.

MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF SCRAMBLE The Macedonian Open committee & St. Nicholas appreciates everyone who has already donated money for signs & golf. It is very helpful to get the information for both of these as soon as possible. It keeps us more organized and signs are more expensive for us to print closer to the event, so we need that information as soon as you decide on signs. Money can wait if necessary. Please get gift cards to us as soon as you can also in the amounts of \$20-\$25 (Visa gift cards, Meijer, Dunham's, Gas Cards, Restaurant cards, or any establishment you frequent.) Monetary gifts are always helpful & appreciated. See Christine Panoff if you have any questions or payments. Fliers are available in the fellowship hall and on our website.

BACKPACKS & SCHOOL SUPPLIES for students in need in Burton will be purchased with donations collected in the Charity Plate in May and June.

MAKE YOUR FAITHFUL GIVING EASY AND CONVENIENT WITH GIVELIFY Go to the [website](#) and on the home page click on the box **Give now with Givelify** which will walk you through the donation process; this is a secure site. (2.9% + \$0.30 of your donation goes to Givelify as a fee). **If you do not wish to donate online, you may write a check to St. Nicholas Orthodox Church and send it to the parish address: 2143 S Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519.**

OFFICE HOURS are Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9-3.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS While Father Matthew is out of town May 15 to May 30, please contact **only for emergencies** Father Peter Bistolarides (Assumption 810-771-4611), Father Gabriel Bilas (St Mary Magdalene 810-750-1401) or Father Joe Abud (St George 810-732-0720).

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, May 17

No Divine Liturgy, No Adult ed class

Saturday, May 20

5 pm [Vespers - live-streamed](#) *No Confessions*

Sunday, May 21

Blind Man

9:30 am Third & Sixth Hours

10 am [Divine Liturgy - live-streamed](#)



Offerings for the week May 7, 2023

Weekly Offerings	\$ 4,020.03
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 3,104.00
	\$ 916.03

76 persons in attendance on May 7