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Bulletin

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The Gospel according to Saint John 21:15-25

(11th Matins Gospel)

So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.” He said to him again a second time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Tend My sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep. Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish. This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, “Follow Me.” Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, “Lord, who is the one who betrays You?” Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, “But Lord, what about this man?” Jesus said to him, “If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me.” Then this saying went out among the brethren that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, “If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you?” This is the disciple who testifies of these things, and wrote these things; and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST —Tone 5. Synaxis of the Holy Unmercenarys. Martyr Galaction and his wife, Epistemis, at Emesa (3rd c.). Repose of St. Jonah, Archbishop of Novgorod (1470). Apostles Patrobus, Hermes, Linus, Gaius, and Philologus, of the Seventy (1st c.). St. Gregory, Archbishop of Alexandria (9th c.).

TROPARIA

(Tone 5) 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) 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) Protection of Christians never failing, Mediatrix before the Creator, ever constant. Do not despise the voice of prayer of sinners, but in your goodness come to help us who faithfully call upon you. Hasten to entreat, hurry to pray, O Theotokos, interceding always for those honor you.

The Prokeimenon in the Fifth Tone: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever.

v: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly.

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE GALATIANS (6:11-18) *Brethren:* See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Alleluia, Tone 5

v: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

v: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (16:19-31) At that time Jesus said to His disciples: "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

COMMUNION HYMN Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

A Prayer of St. John of Damascus before Holy Communion

O Lord and Master Jesus Christ, our God, who alone hath power to forgive the sins of men, do thou, O Good One who lovest mankind, forgive all the sins that I have committed in knowledge or in ignorance, and make me worthy to receive without condemnation thy divine, glorious, immaculate and life-giving Mysteries; not unto punishment or unto increase of sin; but unto purification, and sanctification and a promise of thy Kingdom and the Life to come; as a protection and a help to overthrow the adversaries, and to blot out my many sins. For thou art a God of mercy and compassion and love toward mankind, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

**Another Prayer of St. John of Damascus
before Holy Communion**

I stand before the gates of thy Temple, and yet I refrain not from my evil thoughts. But do thou, O Christ my God, who didst justify the publican, and hadst mercy on the Canaanite woman, and opened the gates of Paradise to the thief; open unto me the compassion of thy love toward mankind, and receive me as I approach and touch thee,

like the sinful woman and the woman with the issue of blood; for the one, by embracing thy feet received the forgiveness of her sins, and the other by but touching the hem of thy garment was healed. And I, most sinful, dare to partake of thy whole Body. Let me not be consumed, but receive me as thou didst receive them, and enlighten the perceptions of my soul, consuming the accusations of my sins: through the intercessions of Her that, without stain, gave Thee birth, and of the heavenly Powers: for thou art blessed unto ages of ages. Amen.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Health & God's blessing to Michael Panoff on his birthday Oct. 29 th . God Bless Dennis, Sharon & Charlie Jernigan with many Healthy & Happy years. Thank you Dennis	Love, Mom & Dad Connie Maxim
Health & blessings for Ruth & Calvin Conrad. Good healing for Conrad after surgery. God's Blessings.	Dorothy Goodman Kuma Bosa
Kuma Mira Prusak~Special Birthday Fr. Tom, Fr. Gabriel, Deacon Anthony, Aaron, Reggie, Allen, Deborah, Joann, Gloria, Luba, Kosta, Jimmy, Laurie, David, Helen, Anna, Walt, Zina, Nicolai, Dorothy, Michael, Nicolai, Allison, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Jeanette, Nicholas, Margaret, Joseph, Gladys, my family and friends	Joe Tome Joe Tome Kuma Bosa Sredich family
Special Intention Pray for health for Kuma Mira Prusak & Kuma Bosa Blessings for Health & Happy Birthday Bosa November 10 th Health & God's Blessings to Calvin Conrad for successful knee replacement Surgery on Oct. 30 th . Debbie Neely~Happy Birthday. Health & God's Blessings Blessings for health & Happy Birthday, Mira Prusac God's blessings & birthday wishes for Taras Evanenko on October 27, 2017	Angelo & Christine Panoff Mom Sredich family Val Evanenko

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Memory Eternal Blessed Repose Lydia Dobrofalovna	Val Evanenko
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WELCOME to all our friends and visitors. Please join us for fellowship in the Hall.

COFFEE HOUR  Volunteers are needed to help serve coffee and donuts for the month of November. Please see the sign-up sheet outside of the kitchen.

ANGEL TREE PROGRAM -NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN Our parish is participating in this program for this

 Christmas. The Angel Tree is in the parish hall, 50 children's names are on the tree. Gift range is between \$20 and \$30. Attach the provided gift tag which has the child's name & code number to the gift. (Gift bags are preferred). Please return the gifts by December 10th. If there are any questions, please see Lucy Hogg.

OUR CHARITY MINISTRIES

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting **BLANKETS & COATS** for the month of November. Place the items in the blue box in the hall. Catholic Charities Community Closet will distribute the items.

FOOD DRIVE Place non-perishable food items in the other blue box in the hall

HELP FOR PUERTO RICO To assist Fr. Esteban's family in Puerto Rico TODAY we will:

- 1- Have a raffle of several items including a pearl necklace and earring set.
- 2- Have a luncheon on Sunday, November 5: sloppy joes, coleslaw, chips and cookie.

All proceeds from both events will go to Fr. Esteban's Family. Please be generous!

ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCIL, AUDITORS, AND LAY DELEGATES

The annual elections will take place today following the Divine Liturgy.

Parish Council Nominees (3 need to be elected)

Calvin Conrad Shari Nicoloff
Susan Ford

Auditor Nominees (2 need to be elected)

Mary Batzos Joseph Tome
Christine Panoff

2018 Diocesan Conference Lay Delegate Nominees (1 will be elected)

Joseph Tome

2018 All-American Council Lay Delegate Nominees (1 will be elected)

Joseph Tome

2018 PLEDGE CARDS have been mailed out. If you have not received yours by Nov. 10th contact the parish office by phone 744-0070 or email stnicholas1916@att.net so that we may get a pledge card to you. Please fill out and sign your pledge card even if you don't know the amount of your pledge yet. Remember in order to be considered a member here at St. Nicholas you must return a signed pledge card. We would like for them to be returned by December, 1. **DO NOT** send your 2018 pledge back with the card or it will be credited to 2017.

DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT You will find in your box of offering envelopes one marked "Diocesan Assessment." Each parish in the Diocese is assessed \$35 per pledging adult. We have been paying this directly out of our Sunday offerings, presently \$5,320 per year. If every adult will make the \$35 assessment above and beyond their regular pledge, our parish will save \$5,320 per year. If you have not yet turned in your envelope, please do so as soon as possible.

2017 CHRISTMAS GREETINGS If you would like to have your name(s) included on the annual Christmas greetings list please call the office no later than December 11.

HOLIDAY ROLLS & STUFFED CABBAGE SALE at St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church. Baked nut, poppy seed, apricot, & prune rolls (\$10 each) are available Wednesdays 2-6 pm, November 8th – November 29th. Stuffed Cabbage orders are now being taken (2 lb. container; \$12). Pick up is Wednesday November 15th 2-6 pm. For more information or to place an order call 810-659-4887.

Weekly Schedule:

Tuesday, Nov. 7 Father Matthew in Toledo

Wednesday, Nov. 8

9 am Divine Liturgy
11 am Adult Formation
2 pm-6 pm St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church Holiday Rolls Sale

Saturday Nov 11

5 pm Veterans Day
 Vespers



Sunday, Nov. 12

9 am Choir Practice
9:30 am Third Hour
10 am Divine Liturgy
 Church School

Offerings for the week October 29, 2017

Weekly Offerings	\$2,911.00
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$4,034.03
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80 people were in attendance on Sunday, October 29, 2017

“Our life and our death depends on our neighbour. If we win over our brother or sister, we win over God. If we scandalize our neighbour, we sin before Christ.”
St. Anthony the Great, of Egypt