

September 6, 2015

Bulletin

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

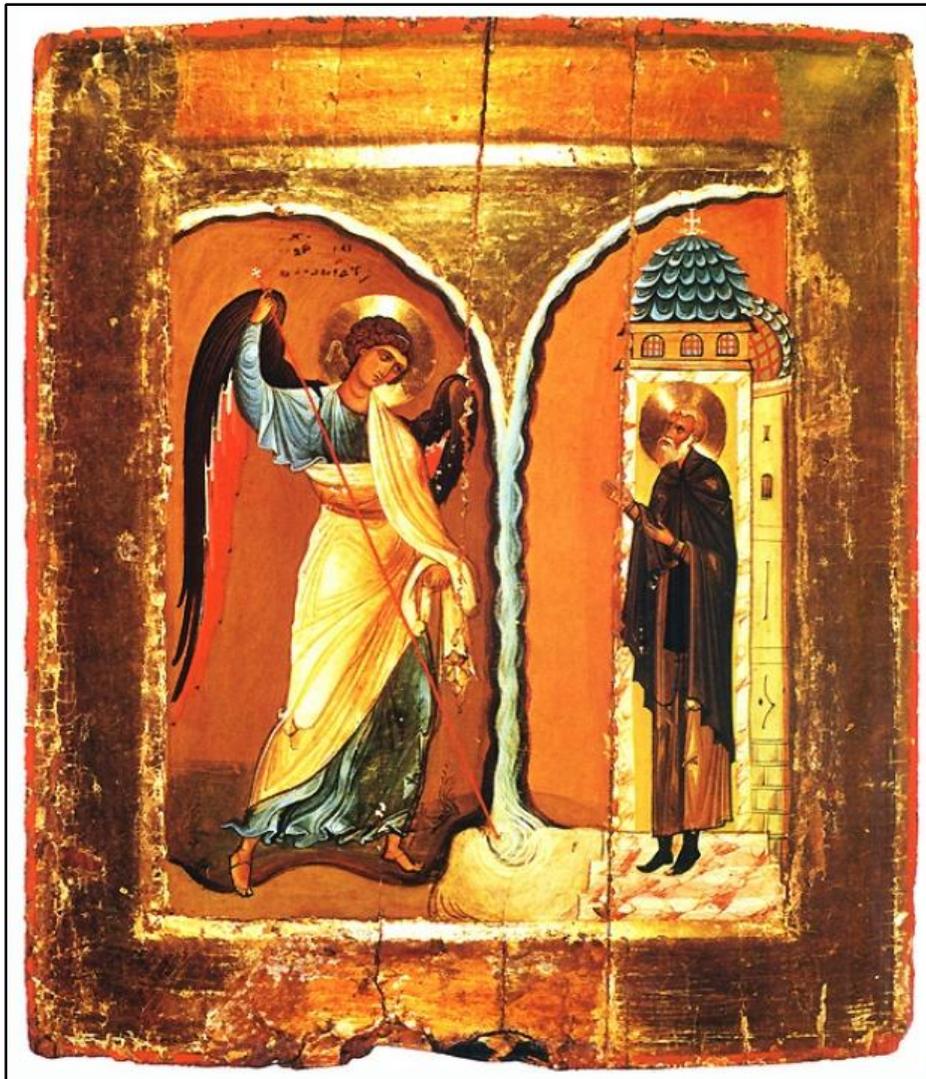
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2015 14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5. Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossæ. Martyrs Eudoxius, Zeno, and Macarius (311-312). St. Archippus (Arkhipp) of Herapolis. Martyr Romulus, and with him many others (107-115). Hiero-martyr Cyril, Bishop of Gortyna (3rd-4th c.). Martyrs Cyriacus, Faustus the Presbyter, Abibas the Deacon, and 11 others, at Alexandria (ca. 250). St. David of Hermopolis in Egypt (4th c.). Hieromartyr Priest Maksym Sandomicz of Carpatho-Rus' (1914).

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 4) By your nativity, O most pure Virgin, Joachim and Anna are freed from barrenness; Adam and Eve from the corruption of death. And we, thy people, freed from the guilt of sin, celebrate and sing to you: the barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the Nourisher of our Life.

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 SECOND EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE

CORINTHIANS (1:21-2:4) Brethren: it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me -- it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

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 READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MATTHEW (22:2-14)

The Lord said to those who came to Him: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, 'Friend,

how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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

**Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossae
Commemorated on September 6**

The Miracle of the Holy Chief Commander Archangel Michael at Colossae. In Phrygia, not far from the city of Hieropolis, in a place called Cheretopos, there was a church named for the Archangel Michael, built over a miraculous spring.

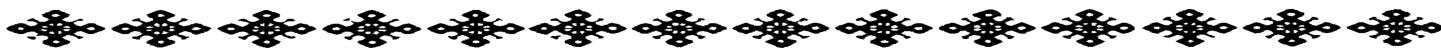
This church was built by a certain inhabitant of the city of Laodicia in gratitude to God for healing his mute daughter. The holy Chief Commander Michael appeared to this man in a dream and revealed to him that his daughter would receive the gift of speech after drinking from the water of the spring. The girl actually did receive healing and began to speak. After this miracle, the father and his daughter and all their family were baptized. In fervent gratitude, the father built the church in honor of the holy Chief Commander Michael. Not only did Christians begin to come to the spring for healing, but also pagans. In so doing, many of the pagans turned from their idols and were converted to the faith in Christ.

At this church of the holy Chief Commander Michael, a certain pious man by the name of Archippus served for sixty years as church custodian. By his preaching and by the example of his saintly life he brought many pagans to faith in Christ. With the general malice of that time towards Christians, and especially against Archippus, the pagans thought to destroy the church in order to prevent people from coming to that holy place of healing, and at the same time kill Archippus.

Toward this end they made a confluence of the Lykokaperos and Kufos Rivers and directed its combined flow against the church. St Archippus prayed fervently to the Chief Commander Michael to ward off the danger. Through his prayer the Archangel Michael appeared at the temple and with a blow of his staff, opened a wide fissure in a rock and commanded the rushing torrents of water to flow into it. The temple remained unharmed. Seeing such an awesome miracle, the pagans fled in terror. Archippus and the Christians gathered in church glorified God and gave thanks to the holy Archangel Michael for the help. The place where the rivers plunged into the fissure received the name “Chonae”, which means “plunging.”

The Chudov (“of the Miracle”) monastery in Moscow is named for this Feast.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Health & God’s Blessings Sophie Stavridis	Dorothy, Debbie, Ralph, Joe & Sarah
Health & Blessings for our Police & Firefighters especially those fighting fires on the west coast	Adams Family
Adelaida, Feodosiy, Oleg, Irina, Nick, Galina	Irina Sivergina
Health & Blessings for Noah as he leaves for school	Deacon Kerry & Kathy

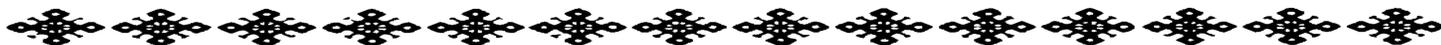
Health & Blessings Sophie Stavridis	Helen Ethington
Anna Branoff.....	Alex & Magda Popoff
For all the refugees traveling to Europe, May God protect them and bless them.....	Adams Family
Fr. Joe, Fr. Moses, Fr. Lavrenty, Deacon Anthony, Aaron, John, Gloria, Laurie, Anne, Walt & Zina, Helen, Dorothy, Phillip, Joseph, Reggie, Stojan & Mira, Bosa, Helen, Ted & Marlene, Fr. David, Gladys, Happy Birthday Sharon Foster, Happy Birthday Zina, all my family & friends	Joe Tome
Happy 18 th Birthday & God's Blessings Joe Neely.....	Baba
Health & Blessings Sophie Stavridis	Sredich Family
Kate Stevens, Congratulations on graduating with a BS in Public Health from U of M-Flint! May God continue to bless you and your family.....	Mom & Dad Adams
Special Intention	Joe Tome
Theodore Wilhelm, Gloria Zelenko, Anne Smith, Joe Tome, Anna Branoff, Jake Kusluski	Adams Family
Birthday Blessings for Joe Neely on his 18 th birthday Sept. 12	Mom, Dad & Sarah

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR ALL THOSE IN BLESSED REPOSE

Peter Popoff	Alex & Magda Popoff
Joe Goodman-Blessed Repose & Memory Eternal	Helen Ethington
Newly Departed Peter Klimkowsky.....	Joe Tome
Norma (Salim) Lazar-1yr Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal	Dorothy & Family
Joe Goodman-Blessed Repose & Memory Eternal	Sredich Family
Uncle Joe 1yr Blessed Repose & Memory Eternal	Nancy, Tom, Danny & Megan

ETERNAL LIGHT AT THE ALTAR

Joe Goodman-1yr Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal	Dorothy & Family
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Welcome all of our friends and visitors to St. Nicholas. Please join us for fellowship, coffee and donuts in our parish hall. Volunteers are needed to help serve coffee and donuts this morning.

CHARITY MINISTRIES

HOPE IN A BOX for the month of September is Bar & Hand Soap. Please place the items in the blue Hope in a Box container located in the parish hall. They will be distributed by Catholic Charities Community Closet.

FOOD DRIVE A list of food items is located next to the Hope in a Box.

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN as a parish we will be serving our brothers and sisters in need a hot meal on the first Thursday of the month from 9 am to 1 pm. **We serve Thursday, October 1. Please use the sign-up sheet at the candle stand to volunteer.** The soup kitchen is located at 735 E. Stewart Ave, Flint.

PARISH DINNER the Rib & Chicken Dinner that was scheduled for Sunday, August 23 has been rescheduled for September, 20. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 10 and under. To purchase your ticket(s) see Sharon Jernigan or Matushka Lisa.

Schedule of services and events for the week of September 6:

Monday, September 6 **Labor Day**
Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8 **Nativity of the Theotokos**
10:30 am Divine Liturgy @ Assumption
Fr. in Toledo

Wednesday, September 9
9:00 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am Adult Education

Saturday, September 12
4:30 pm Vespers

Sunday, September 13
9:30 am Third Hour
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
1yr Parastas +Joe Goodman

Offerings for the week August 30, 2015

<i>Weekly Offerings</i>	<i>\$2,430.00</i>
<i>Estimated Average Weekly Expenses</i>	<i>\$3,634.49</i>
	<i>-\$1,204.49</i>

*85 people were in attendance on
Sunday, August 30, 2015*