

*May 1, 2022*

**St. Nicholas Orthodox Church**

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

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**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 1, 2022. ANTIPASCHA. 2nd SUNDAY OF PASCHA – Tone 1. St. Thomas Sunday. Prophet Jeremiah (6th c. B.C.). Ven. Paphnutius, Abbot of Boróvsk (1478). New Martyrs Euthymius (1814), Ignatius (1814), and Acacius (1816), of Mt. Athos. Hieromartyr Makáry (Macarius), Metropolitan of Kiev (1497). Martyr Bata the Persian (4th c.). Rt. Blv. Tamára, Queen of Georgia (13th c.). Ven. Nikēphóros of Chios (1821). “Unexpected Joy” Icon of the Mother of God (1647).**

**FIRST ANTIPHON**

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise! (*Psalm 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!  
(*Psalm 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! (*Psalm 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!  
(*Psalm 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! (*Psalm 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! (*Psalm 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. (Psalm 67:1) Troparion:** 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. (Psalm 67:2a)** Christ is risen...

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

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

### **TROPARIA**

**Tone 7** From the sealed tomb, You shone forth O Life! / Through closed doors You came to Your disciples, O Christ God! / Renew in us, through them, an upright Spirit, / by the greatness of Your mercy, O Resurrection of 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 8** Thomas touched Your life-giving side with an eager hand, O Christ God, when You came to Your apostles through closed doors. He cried out with all: You are my Lord and my God!

**The prokeimenon in the third tone: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power, / His understanding is beyond measure. (Psalm 146:5) v. Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God! (Psalm 146:1)**

**READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE HOLY APOSTLES (5:12-20)** *In those days:* many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

*Alleluia, Tone 8*

*v: Come; let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! (Psalm 94:1)*

*v: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King over all the earth! (Psalm 94:3)*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (20:19-31)** On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then

the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

### **THE HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS**

O most radiant lamp, Theotokos, the honor immeasurable, which is more exalted than all creatures, with praises do we // magnify // you.

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Sion! (*Psalms 147:1*) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**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.

**The holy Gospel according to Matthew 28:16-20(1st Matins Gospel)** Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Amen.

May 1, 2022



### **CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF**

Health & blessings for my family and protection for the people of Ukraine

God's blessings Joe Neely on your graduation from the Police Academy

Robert Naumoff

Friends Barry & Sally Meier, Mr. & Mrs. Nick George & the George family

Congratulations Joe one graduating from the Police Academy

Fr. Don, Fr. Paul, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Robert, Aaron, Milica, Calvin, Angelo, Joan, Peggy, Bob, Angelo, Christine, Dorothy, Irene, Allen, Deborah, Luba, Kosta, Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Christopher, Allison, Jeanette, Kathryn, David, Taras, Ted, Joseph, Marlene, Mary, all the parishioners of St. Nicholas, my family

and friends

Special Intention

Lucy Hogg

Baba

Stephanie Price

Kris & David George

Dad, Mom & Sarah

Joe Tome

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### **CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE**

Loving mother Evangelia Bakousidis (7 yrs.)

Evangelia Bakousidis

Her family

Bakousidis/Batcos family

Sue Goodman (4 yrs. May 2). "I won't be far away, for life goes on. So if you need me, call & I will come. Though you can't see or touch me I'll be near. If you listen with your heart, you'll hear all of my love around you soft & clear."

Ben, Eileen, Dennis &  
Steve Goodman



### **CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**

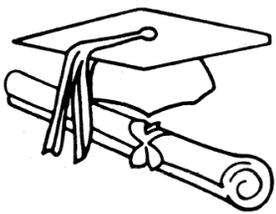
**WELCOME** to all our friends and visitors! Welcome to everyone joining us via our YouTube channel: [St Nicholas Orthodox Church Burton](#). If at the time of the divine services you cannot access the livestream, please check out [St. Mary Magdalene Church](#) [St George Church](#) or [Dormition Monastery](#).

**COFFEE SOCIAL** Please join us after Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome. There is a sign up sheet next to the service window for those who would like to donate donuts & coffee and/or serve.

**MACEDONIAN OPEN GOLF SCRAMBLE** Spring is here and that can only mean one thing, the Macedonian Open is right around the corner. There are a number of ways to get involved. If you can sponsor a sign it is highly encouraged. Donating a gift card, gift basket or cash is also needed. This year's outing will be held on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Flint Elks Golf Club. As has been our tradition, that is the Monday after Father's Day. We encourage everyone to participate in some way.

The Macedonian Open is our biggest fundraiser and we are hoping for an even bigger and better turnout this year. If you have any questions or know of someone who would like to help, please contact Angelo Panoff (angelo.panoff@stifel.com or 810-249-6031), Christine Panoff (capanoff@umflint.edu or 810-232-4868), Linda Branoff (branoff721@aol.com or 810-964-3654), George Branoff (george.branoff27@frontier.com or 810-252-5395) or Chris Nedanis (cned77@gmail.com or 810-877-0889).

**BURTON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE** will be taking place on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. Our parish plans on being represented in the parade and we are hoping we have enough people interested in participating. If you would like to be part of this great opportunity please contact Stephanie Price at 248-396-3899 as soon as possible.



**GRADUATION** It's that time of year again. If you have anyone in your family that will be graduating from High School or College please let us know so that we may put their name in our June bulletin. We will need the following information no later than May, 16<sup>th</sup>. 1) Name of Graduate 2) School they are graduating from 3) If they are graduating with honors 4) Name of the parents and grandparents and 5) Where they will be attending in the fall if they are a high school graduate.

**FUNDS FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES** Anyone who wishes to support International Orthodox Christian Charity's (IOCC) humanitarian response to the Ukraine crisis is asked to pray for all those affected and the people serving them, to share what IOCC is doing in order to spread the word, and to give as they are able financially. Please visit [iocc.org/ukraine22](http://iocc.org/ukraine22) or call 877.803.4622 to make a donation.

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

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

**Today** After Liturgy Paschal egg hunt  
2 pm Prayers at the graves at St. Nicholas cemetery

**Monday, May 2** *Fr. in Toledo*

**Wednesday, May 4**

9:30 am Divine Liturgy  
11:15 am to 12:15 pm Adult ed class will be reading the life of Elder Aimilianos of Simonopetra, father in God to our Archbishop Alexander. It is *Transfigured in the Night: Elder Aimilianos of Simonopetra* by Fr. Maximos Conostas in The Orthodox Word magazine. You may read it [here](#).  
6:30 pm Great Vespers at St. Nicholas Cathedral, Fort Wayne, IN

**Thursday, May 5**

9-11:30 am North End Soup Kitchen  
10 am Archbishop Alexander 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary Pontifical Liturgy at St. Nicholas Cathedral, Fort Wayne, IN

**Saturday, May 7**

**5 pm** [Vespers - streaming on our YouTube channel](#)

**Sunday, May 8** **Sunday of the Myrrhbearers**

9:30 am Hours  
**10 am** [Divine Liturgy - streaming on our YouTube channel](#)

**Offerings for the week April 24, 2022**

Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,974.47
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 3,104.00
	<b>\$ - 129.53</b>

*42 persons in attendance at Unction,  
15 Passion Matins, 9 Royal Hours,  
47 Matins Holy Saturday, 22 Liturgy Holy  
Saturday, 56 Pascha, 57 Agape Vespers*