

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church Monthly Newsletter

Diocese of Toledo-Orthodox Church in America

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Services: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Hours 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday- 9:30 am Divine Liturgy adult education 11:15 am

Saturday - 5 pm Vespers followed by Confessions

Holydays: Vespers & Liturgy as announced

“May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.” St. Jude 1:1

OCTOBER 2021

Protection of the Mother of God – October 1

Stichera from Vespers for the feast

O pure Theotokos, fount of wisdom, and great help to those in distress, you are a speedy aid, protectress, and support of the world. We the faithful sing in praise of her who is a sea of compassion, ineffably praising her radiant omophorion: “Rejoice, O Maiden, full of grace, the Lord is with you, granting the world great mercy through you!”

The wondrous Isaiah prophesied: “In the latter days,” said he, “it will come to pass that the mountain of the Lord shall be revealed, and the house of the Lord shall be upon the summit of the mountain.” And of this, O sovereign Lady, we have seen in you the true fulfillment. For the mountains and hills are adorned with churches that bear the many names of your festivals. Therefore, joyfully we sing to you: “Rejoice, O highly favored Maiden, the Lord is with you, granting the world great mercy through you!”

Oh, how marvelous an adornment are you to all the faithful! You are the true fulfillment of the prophecies, the glory of the Apostles and the beauty of the Martyrs, the boast of virginity and the marvelous protection of the whole world. O sovereign Lady, protect with the omophorion of your tender mercy all the people who cry out to you: “Rejoice, O Virgin, full of grace, the Lord is with you, granting the world great mercy through you!”

You are like the divinely planted Paradise, O Theotokos, the place where the Tree of Life was watered by the Holy Spirit. We acknowledge that you gave birth to the Creator of all Who feeds the faithful with the Bread of Life. Together with the Forerunner, entreat Him on our behalf; and by your precious omophorion protect your people from all attacks!

Heaven and earth are sanctified; the Church is radiant, and all the people celebrate, for behold, the Mother of God enters invisibly with the armies of the Angels, the Forerunner, and the Theologian, the Prophets, and the Apostles! She prays to Christ for Christians and entreats Him to have mercy on this land and its people, who glorify the feast of her Protection.

Father Sergei Glagolev, a senior priest, fell asleep in the Lord on September 1, 2021. He was the childhood parish priest of our Archbishop Alexander at St. Innocent Church, Tarzana, CA. These are Father Sergei's words on love at the All American Council -XII July 30, 1999.

Your Beatitude, most respected Archpastors and Bishops, beloved pastors and brothers in Christ: Christ is in our midst!

How good it is on this last day of the last All-American Council of this millennium for us to come together as the brotherhood of archpastors and pastors, to break bread together in "agape" - the meal of love - the logical extension of the Holy Eucharist we have celebrated together "in behalf of all and for all." And may the Council end today with the warm brotherly embrace of one another - having been enabled by the Spirit's grace not simply to know "about" each other, but to know each other more profoundly, perhaps even deeply enough to care.

Yet love - more especially Christian brotherly love - is always a risky business. Love (and this "knowing each other" is akin to love) makes us vulnerable. Love leads us to the Cross. There is no other way to pastor, let alone live the Christian life.

Many years ago, the late Archbishop John of San Francisco sent me as Chancellor of the Western States to confirm on his behalf a young priest as parish pastor. I could see that the parishioners seemed to like the young man, and so I was emboldened to ask one of the men on the Parish Council how the priest was doing during his first year in the parish. The man sighed and said, "Oh, he's alright, I guess, but all he ever talks about is love." What else is there to talk about, I remember thinking, God the Father having delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the Kingdom of the Son of His Love (Col. 1:13). "Owe no one anything except to love one another; for he who loves another has fulfilled the law... love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law" (Rom 13:8,10).

But I knew where that parishioner was coming from: all that talk about "knowing each other, loving one another," made him feel vulnerable. Why not talk about the "rules" - surely, that feels more "religious:" what makes us more "Orthodox," - the rules, you know: when to stand, sit, kneel and cross yourself, what not to eat and when, what text to use, what not to omit, how to dress, for whom you can or cannot pray - you know, the rules.

I invited the same Archbishop John to address the San Francisco Cathedral Sisterhood during one Great Fast - it was his Cathedral, and he knew the women well. He spoke for more than an hour about the meaning of Christian fasting. At the end, a cathedral lady stood up and protested, "But, your Eminence, you have not told us what we can or cannot eat!" With a deep sigh - and yet with a twinkle in his eye, the Archbishop answered, "Dear ladies, don't eat each other." [At this point the clergy all laughed loudly and Fr. Sergei said off the cuff, "It's true, it really happened; you can't make things like this up."] "Above all things," St. Peter says to the newly baptized in Christ, "have fervent love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins" (I Peter 4:8).

I remember reading for the first time the story of the Grand Inquisitor, in Dostoyevsky's Brothers Karamazov while still in seminary in the 1940's. You remember how furious the old Cardinal was over our Lord Jesus appearing in his city and upsetting his rule of law and order with all that sweet talk about beauty, love, and forgiveness. Our Lord answered his accuser's tirade with the *kiss of peace*. In the end, it is not "heresy-cleansing," but beauty that will save the universe. Christ is the Light, and in the beauty of His Light shall we see light.

We are pastors because we are called to be "people-persons." Surely, we love liturgy as life, for in worship we are called into the very glory of Christ's presence. But liturgy and life is also a relationship: to the Holy Trinity, to the Theotokos and all the angels and saints, and not least, a relationship to each other, to those who worship with us and those who do not, those within and without liturgy and life. Having offered up the whole cosmos as an act of love in Christ "in behalf of all and for all," and having called to mind each and all, the faithful respond, "and all mankind!" Here we have to be mindful: I remember years ago how Charlie Brown so succinctly paraphrased a Dostoyevskian phrase: having had enough of Lucy, he cries out, "I love all mankind, it's people I can't stand!" It's easy to love the presbyterium, the Brotherhood; it's the "brother" who's hard to take.

I read recently an excerpt from St. John Chrysostom's Johanne commentary on Our Lord's restoration and commission of St. Peter (John 21). *"Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?"* - our Lord asks St. Peter thrice (thereby absolving the three-times denial). *"Yes, Lord, You know that I love You,"* St. Peter replies thrice. *"Then feed My Lambs. Tend My Sheep. Feed My Sheep."* Of course, Jesus knows Peter loves Him. Chrysostom says Our Lord here speaks of His own love for each and every member of His Precious Body the Church - and those who are yet to come, as well as those who are yet to turn away from their denial - for all, in behalf of all. Our Lord is saying to St. Peter - and thus to all who pastor: Love Me - love My Sheep. Love Me - feed My Lambs. Love Me - tend to My Sheep. Love Me - feed My Sheep. If you love Me, you must love them with My love.

Returning from the reconstruction of St. Catherine's Church of the Orthodox Church in America's Representation in Moscow last month, our delegation stopped briefly in Helsinki for a visit with Metropolitan Leo and the vibrant Orthodox Church of Finland. The Finnish Orthodox woman who was guiding us on the Metropolitan's behalf was giving us some insights into Finnish character. She remarked that Finnish representatives who are sent to Western Europe and North America have to take special courses in small talk and pleasantries because trivial conversation is not part of Finnish national culture. She demonstrated with an anecdote about a Finnish couple who was married for 48 years. One evening the wife burst into tears and could not be comforted. After much prodding by her bewildered husband, she blurted out that on their wedding day, he told her that he loved her, but has never said he loved her ever since. *"Darling,"* said the husband, *"if I ever change my mind, I'll tell you."*

As you know, St. Herman, our first North American Saint, was from Valaamo in Finland (thus he was probably a man of few words). Yet you see how in Christ he adapted to the needs of his Native American people. For the cover of the Akathist of the Canonization of St. Herman of Alaska in 1970, Fr. Vladimir Borichevsky chose a drawing of St. Herman giving cookies he baked to delighted Aleut children. In Christ, he found ways to tell his new American family that he loved them. He showed them that he loved them. Of course, you know that no matter what we do, somebody is going to criticize. Fr. Borichevsky was lambasted. Of all the writings we have about St. Herman, surely baking and giving cookies to delight children hardly depicts the sanctity of the man! It doesn't? The critic completely missed the point, didn't he. Didn't he?

Please, dear brothers, don't wait any longer to tell the flock Christ has entrusted to you, that you love them. Show them that you love them. And when they stray, gather them together, and bring them back to Christ. *"Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me? Then tend to My Sheep."*

I am an old man, and our Lord may not give me another chance to speak to you. Later, when people might ask what I had to say, tell them that all I ever talked about was *love*.

God bless you each and every one.

Pray for me, a sinner.

Thank you for your patience.

Hours Schedule

<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
3 Angelo	7 Lucy	5 Lucy
10 Lucy	14 Alexander	12 Alexander
17 Alexander	21 Calvin	19 Calvin
24 Calvin	28 Angelo	26 Angelo
31 Angelo		

If you are unable to make your assigned reading date, please find a replacement.

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PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE Parish council met in person on Tuesday, September 14 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. The balance sheet has shown an increase of \$7,000 since last month's meeting. God bless everyone who has continued their financial stewardship through this pandemic so that we do not have a deficit. The parish report for the diocesan conference will be in the October newsletter. The back classroom will be cleaned for church school on Sunday, September 19 - helpers are needed. The picnic had 124 paying guests and 6 guests. Everything was donated except the meat. The proceeds went to Father Matthew for his birthday and work during the pandemic. He expressed his gratitude to the parish for this gift. We are planning to do the Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 11. Planning to do workshops for the various cookies, during the day and during the evening. Saint Nicholas feast day will be observed on Sunday, December 5 with Lenten potluck. We plan to participate in the Angel Tree, receiving 50 children's names from Catholic Charities. Church building and grounds - two estimates were received for new gutter shields and eaves troughs for the office, hall, classrooms and will revisit these bids at the October meeting. The two linden trees out front are affecting the roof with leaves, branches, etc. and will have a tree service come to give guidance and estimate on what to do about them. This will be addressed first before the gutters. The playscape has been repainted. The ad for a part-time accounting clerk (6 to 8 hours a week) was prepared by Stephanie Price and will be posted. 105th anniversary is November 6 and 7 with Archbishop Alexander being here for the weekend. We plan to have the dinner catered after Liturgy on Sunday, November 7 and charging only our cost for tickets for the meal. Elections of parish council members, auditor, and delegate to diocesan conference will be on Sunday, November 14.

DIOCESAN CATECHIST & DEACON'S PROGRAM Archbishop Alexander has blessed for our Diocese an online catechist, church school teacher, and diaconal vocations program headed by Fr Silviu Bunta and Fr Bogdan Bucur. *Registration deadline is October 1. If you would like details or to register, please see Fr. Matthew.*

PAMPHLET RACK in the narthex is filled with new pamphlets that the OCA department of evangelization made available in pdf format online for parishes to use. More topics are planned.

PAN-ORTHODOX MOVIE NIGHT October 2nd after Vespers featuring "The Priest".

THE PARISH COUNCIL will meet on October 12th @ 6:30 pm. Please call or email the parish office if you are unable to attend this meeting.

SERVICE DURING INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH October 15 at 6 pm will be a service for parents who have lost an infant at any stage of development - miscarriage, stillbirth, SIDS, disease, abortion, accident, or other causes - and for their infants who have gone into their rest before us.

RIGHT TO LIFE BENEFIT DINNER Thursday, October 14 at The Captains Club at Woodfield, 10200 Woodfield Dr., Grand Blanc, MI. Doors Open 6:00 pm; Dinner/Program 6:30 pm. Special Guest Speaker: Genevieve Marnon, Legislative Director for Right to Life of Michigan. Tickets: Adults: \$35, Students: \$25, Table of Eight \$ 250. Reservations & Information call Fran (810) 694-5097

FALL FESTIVAL October 30th, 6 pm at Assumption.



QUARTERLY STATEMENTS will go out in the mail mid October. Please call the office if you have any questions.

**Parish Report - 58th Diocesan Conference - September 25, 2021
St Nicholas - Burton MI**

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. What is the total number of adult members in good standing (Communicants) in your parish? **156**
(144 household, 243 parishioners total - Communicants and non-Communicants)
2. What is the total number of members in good standing (Communicants) in your parish under the age of 18 years? **16**
3. What is your average attendance at Sunday Divine Liturgy? **39** (Sept 1, 2020 to Aug 22, 2021)
4. Please record the total number of the following services at your parish since the last Diocesan Conference:
Baptisms **2**
Chrismations (separate from the baptismal service) **0**
Weddings **1**
Funerals **10**

MINISTRIES

5. Does your parish have a Church School program? **yes**
6. Does your parish have a Youth Group? **only as part of the church school program**
7. Is your parish engaged in any charitable or humanitarian activities? If so, please describe.
Once a month we prepare and serve the food at the Catholic Charities' North End Soup Kitchen in Flint. We have a continuous collection of non-perishable food and personal items which are given to Catholic Charities. Once a month, we offer \$10 Meijer gift cards for those who come to the parish seeking assistance. We have a designate charity plate and envelope that supports those who may need financial assistance within or outside of the parish.
8. Does your parish make financial donations to any humanitarian agencies or philanthropic ministries? If so, please list them.
International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC)
9. If there are any other parish ministries that you would like to share in your report, please do so here:
The Pan-Orthodox Churches of Genesee County has remained as active as possible during the restrictions: celebrating Presanctified Liturgies, the feast of Annunciation, Lazarus Saturday, a Liturgy at each of the four parishes during Bright Week and Pan-Orthodox Liturgies for the great feasts (excepting Christmas, Theophany, and Pascha). The 9th annual Pan-Orthodox Dormition Monastery fundraiser was held virtually on January 21 with Vespers live from Dormition of the Mother of God Monastery in Rives Junction, Michigan and themed talks by Fr. Gabriel Bilas and Fr Joseph Abud and a final talk from Mother Abbess Gabriella. The annual softball game was cancelled due to weather. The Pan-Orthodox vacation church school was hosted by St. Mary Magdalene Church, Fenton, this year. At the parish we have a choir, readers for the epistle and hours, altar servers, a weekday chanter. Communion brought to the shut-ins on a weekly basis where permitted during the restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
10. Does your parish have a website? **Yes** If so, what is its address? **www.saintnicholasburton.org**
11. Is your parish active on any social media channels? **Facebook, YouTube**

OCA PSP COMPLIANCE

12. Has your parish council/board formally adopted the OCA's Policy, Standards, and Procedures on Sexual Misconduct (PSP), and recorded this in the minutes of one of its meetings? (NOTE: This only needs to be done once.) **Yes**
13. Has your parish implemented the OCA's prescribed screening process for all those with more than an incidental contact with minors? (NOTE: The screening process includes application, interview, criminal background check, and driving history check when applicable) **Yes**

14. Has your parish implemented the general supervision and two adult policy prescribed by the OCA? (NOTE: This applies only to parishes that have programs for children under 18, e.g. church school, youth group, altar boys, etc.) **No**

If no, please explain. **We do not have enough volunteers to have two adults in every classroom. This academic year (2021-2022), however, we are moving to a single classroom that will have at least two adults.**

15. Has your parish given a copy of the Abbreviated PSP to each person with more than an incidental contact with minors, and has each of them signed the written compliance agreement attached to the document? **Yes**

16. Have all required individuals working with youth in your parish taken the mandatory sexual abuse prevention training (they must do so every three years.) (NOTE: Priests and Deacons are also required to take the training) **Yes**

OTHER INITIATIVES COMMENTS

17. Has your parish had any special events or initiatives since the last Diocesan Conference (e.g. pilgrimages, building projects, anniversary celebrations, etc.)? If so, please describe.

We had the outdoor blessing of water on the Sunday after Theophany but without our traditional lamb dinner owing to the restrictions. We celebrated the feast of our outdoor shrine of our Lady of Iveron on the Sunday after Dormition with the traditional outdoor Liturgy in the pavilion and lamb & chicken picnic. This was the largest crowd attending Liturgy and the picnic since the onset of the pandemic in 2020. The entire church and narthex have been painted. We had the most successful Macedonian Golf Open in its 40 year history which supports capital improvements. This coming year it looks as though the funds will be used to replace our aged-out air conditioning system in the church.

18. Is your parish planning any special events or initiatives in the next three years? If so, please describe. **November 6 and 7 we will celebrate our 105th anniversary with a visit from Archbishop Alexander. In the near future the roof on the church will need to be replaced.**

19. What are the three greatest challenges that you believe your parish will face in the next three years?

1- attendance at Sunday Liturgy

2- additional singers who are available for weekday services and additional choir members

3- declining population of Genesee County

20. If you have any other information about your parish that you would like to share, please do so here: **A letter will be sent to all the parishioners at the beginning of the new Church year encouraging everyone to make the sacrifice of time to come to divine worship on Sundays, in particular.**

Report submitted by:

Fr Matthew-Peter Butrie

YOUNG ADULTS Parish council is looking to help our youth, in college and those beginning their careers, remain engaged in their life in Christ, especially during the complexities of the pandemic and the stresses of college life. To do this we need your help. Specifically, we need the contact information (e-mail) for our young adults so that we can reach out to them to link them up with their local Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) or Orthodox church in their area. You can call the parish office 810-744-0070 or have your child, grandchild, or godchild send an email to stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com



105th ANNIVERSARY This year is 105 years since the founding of our parish. Archbishop Alexander will come November 6 and 7 for the celebration. Calvin Conrad and Alexander Gonser will be tonsured Readers before the Pontifical Liturgy on November 7.

St. Nicholas Day Feast will be observed on December 5th with a Lenten potluck.

Cookie Walk will be Saturday, December 11th.

PAN-ORTHODOX SERVICES – OCTOBER 2021

October 1st - 10 am. The Protection of the Theotokos Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas

October 26th – 10 am. Divine Liturgy at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, Grand Blanc

ANGEL TREE Our parish will participate in this program for Christmas as part of our Advent fast helping those in need. We will sponsor 50 children again this year. More details to come.

CONFESSIONS the sacrament of Confession is offered on Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment. Call the parish office 810-744-0070 or e-mail stnicholasburtonmi@gmail.com to make an appointment.

YOUTUBE CHANNEL subscribe to our YouTube channel [Saint Nicholas Orthodox Church Burton](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) to receive notifications of upcoming livestreams for services.

FACEBOOK PAGE Please visit & follow our parish page: www.facebook.com/stnicholasburton

October Coffee Hour Volunteers	
3	
10	
17	Paul Brayon
24	
31	

 HOPE IN A BOX	
October	Soctober
November	Dish Soap & Laundry Soap
December	Towels, Toiletries, Socks & New Toys

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PARISH MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCIL, AUDITORS & LAY DELEGATES

takes place on Sunday, November 14. To vote you must have submitted a pledge card & received Confession and Communion within the past year. Only one vote per person. If you fill out an absentee vote please do not fill out a ballot on November 14. . The nominees are:

Parish Council (3 year term)
(3 will be elected)

- Lena Bakousidis
- Susie Ford
- Michelle Gerzevske (term ending)
- Sharon Jernigan (term ending)
- Michael Serra
- Jennifer Shann

Auditor (3 year term)
(1 will be elected)

- Linda Branoff (term ending)

Lay Delegates - Oct. 2022
Diocesan Conference at St. George Cathedral, Rossford
(2 will be elected)

- Susie Ford
- Joe Tome

- Absentee ballots are available in the office beginning October 29.
- Absentee ballots must be returned by November 12

ST. DIMITRIOS (October 26) The four Orthodox churches of Genesee County will observe the feast of the glorious great-martyr, Dimitrios, the myrrh-streamer, of Thessalonika with the Divine Liturgy on Tuesday, October 26 at 10 am at Assumption Church in Grand Blanc.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, & NAMESDAYS

BIRTHDAYS

2 Ellyn Serra
3 Alyson Wilhelm
7 Jacob Abu-Aita
9 Sarah Neely
13 Allen Adams
14 Cameron Stevens
15 Eugene Akkerman
Stephanie Stikovich
25 Phil Brown
27 David George
Taras Evandenko
29 Bruce Borkovich
31 Jack Todorovsky
Vladimir Pyatenko



ANNIVERSARIES

1 Michelle & Dat Gerzevske (2011)
13 Irina Sivergina & Oleg Dashevsky
17 Peter & Marilyn Branoff (2004)
18 David & Barbara Vuckovich (1986)
20 David & Cortney Batzos (2007)
25 Michael & Ellyn Serra (1986)

NAMESDAYS

3 Dennis Goodman
Dennis Jernigan
4 Bernita Brown
8 Taïsa Akkerman
18 Protodeacon Kerry Luke Gonser
Luke John Borkovich
Luke Shann
20 Diana Mitevski
Diane Broadfoot
Diane Todorovsky
23 James Shann
26 Jack (Dmitri) Todorovsky
John (Dimitrios) Todorovsky
29 Anastasia Pirkovic
Anastasia Tecla Butrie
Anastasia Whittaker
Stacy Jean Binelli
Stacy Brock
Stacy Grousopoulos
30 Milan Stikovich

If your name is missing or has the incorrect information in the birthday, anniversary or namesday list please call the office: (810) 744-0070

MEMORY ETERNAL - CHRIST IS RISEN!

BEVERLY HOUSER fell asleep in the Lord on Saturday, August 21. She is the mother of parishioner Dave Houser and mother-in-law of parishioner Marla Houser. A memorial will be held on Saturday, October 2 at 6 pm at Atherton United Methodist Church, Burton.

STEVEN WALTER MICHALSKY fell asleep in the Lord on Sunday, August 29 in Bay City. He is the son of the late Walter & Dorothy Michalsky. Parastas and burial were from Penzien-Steele Funeral Home, Bay City on Friday, September 3.

GEORGIA NICOLOFF fell asleep in the Lord on Saturday, September 4. She is the sister of the late Nick Zahari Nicoloff and sister-in-law of parishioner Lydia Nicoloff, aunt of parishioners Steve Nicoloff and Vivian Binelli. Services were held on Saturday, September 11 at Reigle Funeral Home/Sunset Chapel by Spirit of Promise church.

Christ God grant blessed repose to His servants Beverly and Steven and Georgia and make their memory to be eternal.

CHARITY MINISTRIES

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN We serve Thursday, October 7th from 9 am to 1 pm.

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting Socks for October. 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.

DAILY INTERCESSION FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

VISITATION TO THE SICK Presently, Fr. Matthew may bring Communion to those who are at home and to some nursing homes. If you would like to be added to this list, please contact the office.

DAILY INTERCESSION FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

The following are our brothers and sisters of St. Nicholas who are currently homebound, suffering from chronic illness, in recovery or in need of special prayers. Please remember them in your prayers and reach out to them with a card, a phone call or a visit! Please call the office to schedule a visit for Holy Communion.

Deacon John Bocek
Linda Branoff
Mary Abu-Aita

Gladys Edwards
Paul Ellis
Bill Haw

Mary Karayanis
Nick Karayanis
Macy Lemmen

Ron Salhany
Bill Tadrack
Wendy Tadrack

To aid in your outreach, here is a listing of the addresses and phone numbers of our Homebound:

Gladys Edwards
Paul Ellis

2 Harbor Dr.
2360 Stonebridge Dr.

St. Clair, MO 63077
Flint, MI 48532

Elias D. Chinonis 18th ANNUAL ASSUMPTION GOLF CLASSIC

Pine Knob Golf Club - Clarkston, MI
Monday, August 23, 2021

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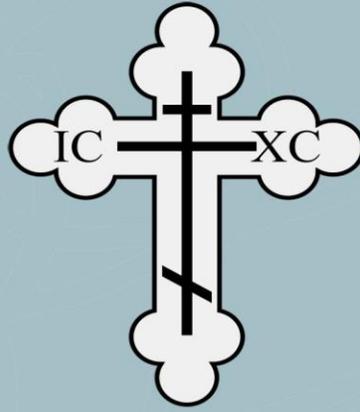
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AHEPA # 371 - Detroit, MI	Hanczaryk, Dr. Michell	Richards, Ken & Kathy
AHEPA # 141 Grand Blanc, MI	Holly Hotel - George & Chrissy Kutenios	Ross Mortgage, Dean Kossaras (NMLS 16253)
Al Bourdeau Ins.	I B Wealth Management - Dimitri Hountalas	Roufos, Vasilios (Bill), Restaurant Bar Realty
Acorn Wealth Advisors - Steven Bliss	Kalamata Greek Grill	Russell, Fr. Jarod-Assumption Grand Blanc, MI
Apollo Family Restaurant	Kalatzis, Athena	S & D Mechanical - Ray Delbridge
Autumn Lounge- Yanni Mavrikos Family	Kostin, Robert, Atty. & Hon. Kelly Kostin	Sharp Funeral Homes
Bograkos, Vera	Kicker's Sports Bar & Grill	Sophia's Bakery - Detroit - Lou Kirkos
Carr, Michael J.	Liberty Family Restaurant - John & Irene Panos	Sophia's Kitchen - Gus & Suzie Naum
Chiros Family, Memory of Tom & Theoni	Lillar, Diana (Panos)	Starline K&B Gallery - Dave Jordan
Christakis, Elpidia - Burrell Realty	Lucky's Steakhouse - Lucky Vasilakis	Stathis, Dino-Chair AHEPA Dist.10 Ed. Found.
Churchill's Food & Spirits	Margaritis, John and Vicki	Steinhoff, Allen and Olga
Cline, Cline & Griffin, PC - Nancy Chinonis, Atty.	McCredie, David Ins. Agency	The State Bank
Costa, John K., AIA	MI Implant Solutions - Jamie Menoutes	Titan Security Systems, LLC
Daughters of Penelope # 242	Nativity of the Virgin Mary - Plymouth, MI	Virkler, Kim & Ginger
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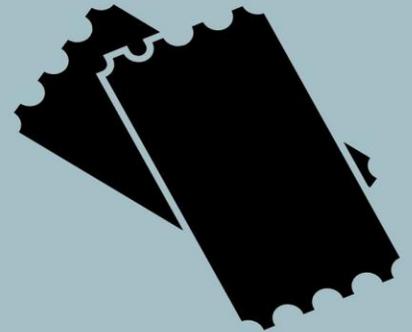
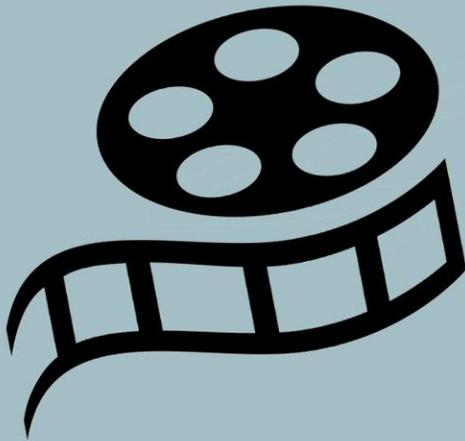
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The Assumption community would like to thank you all for making this event a success.



Pan-Orthodox Movie Night

Hosted @ St. Nicholas



*** Dates Change ***

First Saturday of the Month

- 1) September 11th - Остров (The Island) PG-13
- 2) **October 2nd** - Поп (The Priest) NR
- 3) **November 6th** - Silence R
- 4) **December 4th** - TBD

Vespers @ 5pm with Movie and Refreshments following

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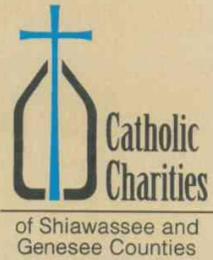
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <i>Fast</i>  <i>Dairy Permitted (no meat)</i>  <i>Wine & Oil Permitted (no meat)</i>  <i>Fish Permitted (no other meat)</i>		<i>Services are streamed on our YouTube channel</i> St Nicholas Burton			1   <i>Protection of the Mother of God</i> 10 am pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy	2 4:30 pm Vespers <i>Please note time**</i> Confessions Movie Night
3 9:30 am Hours 10 am Divine Liturgy Church School	4	5	6   <i>Apostle Thomas</i> 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:15 am adult education	7 <i>Office Closed</i>	8 	9 5 pm Vespers Confessions
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