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St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2012 21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST —Tone 4. Greatmartyr Paraskeva of Iconomium (3rd c.). Repose of Ven. Job, Abbot and Wonderworker of Pochaev (1651). Martyrs Terence and Neonila, and their children: Sarbelus, Photus, Theodulus, Hierax, Nitus, Bele, and Eunice. Ven. Stephen of St. Sabbas' Monastery, Hymnographer (9th c.). Repose of St. Arsenius, Archbishop of Serbia (1266). St. Dimitry, Metropolitan of Rostov (1709). Ven. Nestor, not the Chronicler, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—14th c.). Martyrs Africanus, Terence, Maximus, Pompeius, and 36 others, of Carthage (3rd c.). Hieromartyr Cyriacus, Patriarch of Jerusalem (363). Ven. John the Chozebite (6th c.). St. Neophytus, Bishop of Urbinsk in Georgia (7th c.). Ven. Athanasius the Younger, Patriarch of Constantinople (14th c.).

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 4) Most wise and all-praised martyr of Christ, Paraskeva, by accepting courage and laying aside weakness, you vanquished the devil and shamed the tyrant, crying out: “Come rend my body with your sword and burn it with fire, for I go rejoicing to Christ my bridegroom.” // By her prayers, O Christ God, save our souls.

(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 Fourth Tone: God is wondrous in His Saints, / the God of Israel.
v: Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF SAINT PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (6:1-10) Brethren:
Working together with Christ, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, “At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation.” Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Alleluia, Tone 4

v: Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth.

v: For Thou lovest righteousness, and doth hate iniquity.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE (8:41-56)

And there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus’ feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she

was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher anymore." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

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

On November 1 the Church celebrates the memory of a pair of unmercenary physicians, Saints Cosmas and Damian of Asia Minor.

There are two other pairs of unmercenary saints named Cosmas and Damian, one from Rome and celebrated on July 1, and the other from Arabia and celebrated on October 17. The word "unmercenary" means the same thing for all of them—that they refused payment for their healing work.

The two brothers celebrated on November 1 were raised by their mother Theodora, a Christian whose pagan husband died while the boys were still young. She taught them to be reverent toward God, and encouraged them to study hard to become skilled physicians. She, too, is a saint of the Church and is remembered on this day.

As Cosmas and Damian grew into manhood, they became well-known for their care not only of people but of animals. In their view, all living creatures, being part of God's creation, were worthy of loving care and medical help when it was needed. The brothers knew that their abilities were God's gift, so they determined never to request any payment for what they did.

They applied this principle not only to friends and people they knew well, but to any stranger who needed their assistance. The courteous attention they showed to every person reflected their mother's Christian teaching, and brings to mind the words of Saint Paul that we read today: "Conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer every one" (Colossians 4: 5-6). Paul was encouraging his readers to be effective in spreading the Gospel by being gracious in speech and behavior; Cosmas and Damian did so by representing Christ in their medical treatment, always accompanying it with prayer.

Having agreed to be "unmercenary" in their work, the two men were more strongly bonded even than many brothers are. But the bond was broken, in a sad and curious way, for a period of several years. A very sick woman, deeply grateful to the brothers for having cured her, offered Damian the small gift she could afford: three eggs. She insisted that he accept them "in the name of the Life-Creating Trinity." Damian felt that he could not refuse.

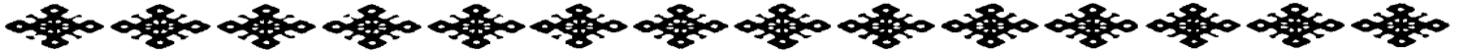
Kontakion - Tone 2

Having received the grace of healing,
you grant healing to those in need.
Glorious wonder workers and healers, Cosmas and Damian,
visit us and put down the insolence of our enemies,
and bring healing to the world through your miracles.

Cosmas was shocked by what seemed to be a breach of their agreement not to accept payment, and he declared, on his deathbed, that his brother must not be buried beside him as they had planned. When Damian died shortly after he did, a big problem arose: where should Damian be buried?

God intervened by giving the power of speech to an animal the two physicians had once treated. The animal assured everyone that Damian had accepted the gift only out of respect for the name of God, and therefore they should not hesitate to bury him next to Cosmas. Happy and relieved, the people did so, and the two brothers were united once again.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH & BLESSINGS OF

Health & God's Blessings John & Gloria Zelenko, Gladys Edwards, Dorothy Goodman, Evanka Elieff, Fred Paul, Nicholas Butrie	Rosemary Vuckovich
Nikolina, Joshua, Bogdan & Milica	Janja Beslac
Special Intention	J. Tome
Health & God's Blessings Dorothy Goodman, Fred Paul, Pam Caszatt, Rosemary Vuckovich	Stojan & Mira Prusac
Health & God's healing for Fred Paul..... Panoff	Angelo & Christine
Archimandrite Ilya, Fr. James, Fr. Lawrence, Deacon Anthony, David, Anna, Helen, Reggie, Dorothy, Fred, Evanka, Bosa, Allen & Deborah, Diane, Christine, Elaine, Walter, Jeanette, John & Gloria, Evdokia, Michael, Ted & Marlene, Fr. David, Gladys, My family & friends	J. Tome
Health & God's healing to Fred Paul, Dorothy Goodman, Evanka Elieff, Goldie Johnson, Gloria Zelenko.....	St. Catherine's League
Dorothy Goodman, Fred Paul, Evdokia & Nick Ponomarenko, Nadja & Sean Berneche, Teri & Jeremy Hogg, Heather, Raegan & Chris Hogg, Cathy & George Suhaj.....	Lucy Hogg
Health & Blessings for Dorothy & Fred	John & Gloria
Health & God's Blessings Dorothy Goodman, Rosemary Vuckovich, Evanka Elieff, Fred Paul, Pam (Baker) Caszatt, Families of Boys Polymeros, Goldie Johnson, Sick & shut-ins of St. Nicholas.....	Anne Smith
Health & Blessings Allen Adams, Linda Branoff, Evanka Elieff, John & Gloria Zelenko, Nick, John Skolnik, Mickey Gonser, Dorothy Campbell, Shirley Lamb, Dorothy Goodman, Fred Paul, Rosemary Vuckovich	Deborah Gonser- Adams
Health & Blessings Baby Lucas Zambito, V. Rev. John W. Govrusik & Matushka Olga, Jerry & Carol Smith, Families of Oginsky, Miculka, Lyon, & Kuptz	Anne Smith
God's Blessings for Rosemary.....	John & Gloria
Health & Blessings Rosemary Vuckovich, Peter Sredich, John & Gloria Zelenko, Fred Paul, Anne Smith.....	Bosa Kantar
Special Intention Diane, Art Zambito & family, Nancy, Ken & Maggie Laycock, Gloria & John Zelenko, Patricia Miculka, Gladys Edwards, Jeanette Hildreth, Brett w/Cancer, Linda Branoff, Anne Smith, Helen & Doug Phillips.....	Anne Smith
Happy Birthday & God's Blessings Taras Evanenko.....	Mom & Dad
Happy Birthday & God's Blessings Krista Burt, Phil Brown, Helen Bibilikow.....	Anne Smith
Health & God's Blessings Nicholas & Margaret Butrie	Neely Family
Health & Blessing for a speedy recovery for Fred Paul, Health & Blessings Nicholas & Margaret Butrie	Peter & Jo Sredich

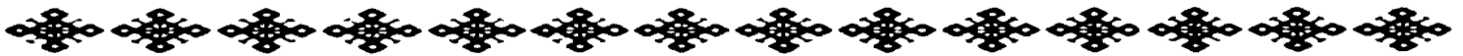
Health & God's Blessings Nicholas & Margaret Butrie Joe & Dorothy
Goodman

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR ALL THOSE IN BLESSED REPOSE

Boyka Polymeros-Memory Eternal St. Catherine's League
John Bibilikow, Mary Lou Brayan, Carl Smith & our son, Olga Elavich,
Polonic Family, Smith Family, Josephine Stecco, Shaker Bracket, Elva Paul,
Andy Marko, Boya (Radakovich) Polymeros-Memory Eternal Anne Smith
Blessed Repose-Boya Polymeros, Mary King Bosa Kantar
Mary Lou Brayan-1yr, Don Ethington-11yrs, Baba (Dragica) Spanovic-15yrs,
Mary King-1yr, Emil Harrison, Boyka Polymeros, Barb Beckett Deborah Gonsers-
Adams
We will miss you Boyka, May God Bless John & Gloria

ETERNAL LIGHT

Peter Popoff Alex & Magda Popoff



ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all of our friends and visitors to St. Nicholas. Please join us in the parish hall for coffee and donuts.

Coffee and pastries are being donated today in memory of Anastasia Stublensky, by her grandchildren Jo Ann Havens & Johnny Kantor.

ALL-AMERICAN COUNCIL The All-American Council to elect a new Metropolitan will be held at Holy Trinity Church in Parma, OH on Tuesday, November 13. Our parish will be represented by Fr. Matthew and Reader Esteban Vazquez.

OCTOBER HOPE IN A BOX toothbrushes and toothpaste are the items needed for the month of October. The toothbrushes and toothpaste will be distributed by the Catholic Charities Community Closet. They are still in need of toiletry items and laundry soap. We now have a large blue box for Hope in a Box items located in the parish hall. Catholic Charities is also in need of empty water bottles and clean (folded) plastic grocery bags. You may place them in the blue Hope in a Box container.

IOCC KITS St. George's Teen SOYO group is collecting individual items for victims of disasters. The items collected will be distributed through the IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities). For more information, see the flier in the parish hall next to the collection box.

YOUTH STEWARDSHIP PROJECT As part of their focus on stewardship, our high school youth are looking to assist parishioners with projects that may require more than one set of hands. Projects such as painting, trimming shrubbery, raking leaves, etc. If you'd like the help of our high school youth, please contact Gabriel Paul at gpaulmg@yahoo.com or the parish office at 810-744-0070.

ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCIL, AUDITORS AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE

As of October 28, 2012, the nominees are:

Parish Council Nominees:

Amir Abu-Aita
Eugene Akkerman
Tom Batzos
David Houser
Joe Oginsky

Auditor Nominees:

Helen Ethington
Arlene Timma

*****Absentee ballots are available in the parish office*****

Ancient Faith Today with Kevin Allen will present *The Orthodox Church—Today and Tomorrow* on Ancient Faith Radio, Sunday, October 28 at 8 pm Eastern. *Ancient Faith Today with Kevin Allen* is the first Orthodox Christian live call-in talk show on internet radio. Listen to the next broadcast on Sunday, October 28, at 8 pm Eastern. The topic will be *The Orthodox Church—Today and Tomorrow* with guest Fr. Josiah Trenham, member of the Secretariat of the Canonical Assembly of Orthodox Bishops of North and South America, will speak about the Orthodox Church today and its standing in the culture. Listen live at 8 pm Eastern on Ancient Faith Radio by pointing your internet browser to www.ancientfaith.com and clicking on the “talk” button. The program will also be available as part of the *Ancient Faith Today with Kevin Allen* podcast.

Schedule of services and events for the week of October 28, 2012

<u>Monday, October 29</u> 9:00 am	<u>St. Anastasia</u> Divine Liturgy
<u>Saturday, November 3</u> 4:30 pm	Vespers followed by Confessions
<u>Sunday, November 4</u> 9:30 am 10:00 am	Third Hour Divine Liturgy Church School 40 day Parastas +Emil Harrison St. Catherine’s League Meeting

Sunday Offerings October 21, 2012

<i>Weekly Offering Envelope</i>	<i>\$ 1,055.00</i>
<i>Children’s Offering</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Cemetery Maintenance</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Charity Envelope</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Diocesan Support</i>	<i>\$ 000</i>
<i>OCA Envelope Missions</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Candle Fund</i>	<i>\$ 257.45</i>
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Seminarian Fund</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Loose Offering</i>	<i>\$ 13.00</i>
<i>Kiosk</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Total Income</i>	<i>\$ 1,325.45</i>
<i>Avg. Weekly Budget</i>	<i>\$3,798.56</i>
<i>+/- Budget</i>	<i>-\$2,473.11</i>

<i>Actual Income</i>	<i>\$180,262.91</i>
<i>Actual Expense</i>	<i>\$150,584.96</i>
<i>+/- to date</i>	<i>\$29,677.95</i>

80 People were in attendance on Sunday October 21, 2012.