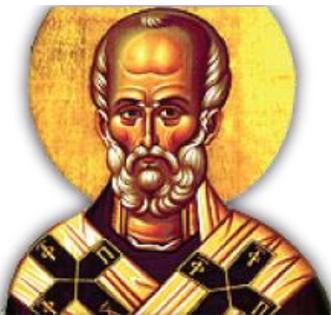


NOVEMBER 5, 2017–Fifth Sunday of Luke

Galaktion & his wife Episteme, the Martyrs of Emesa; Patrobos, Gaios, Hermas, Linos & Philologos, Apostles of the 70



WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

VISIT www.stnickspgh.org TODAY for news and updates about our parish!

CLERGY: Rev. Fr. Christopher Bender and Rev. Dn. Robert Lykos

Father's Cell & Email: 724-630-3483; frchbender@verizon.net

PROTOPSALTIS: Dr. Nick Giannoukakis CHANTER & CHOIR DIRECTOR: Steve Andrews

ORGANIST: Igor Kraevsky ALTAR BOY CAPTAINS: Andreas Paljug & Jacob Kefalos

Questions about our Parish? Email Debbie Sandherr, Office Mgr. at church@stnickspgh.org

SERVICE SCHEDULE: *Winter schedule (Current) Sept.-June, 8:30 a.m. Orthros & 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy; summer schedule July & August 8 a.m. Orthros & 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy*

TO OUR VISITORS & GUESTS: We welcome you to worship today, whether you are an Orthodox Christian or this is your first visit to an Orthodox Church, we are so pleased to have you with us! Although Holy Communion and other Sacraments are offered only to baptized and chrismated (confirmed) Orthodox Christians in good standing with the church, all are invited to receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) from the priest at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. The Antidoron is not sacramental, but is reminiscent of the agape feast that followed worship in the ancient Christian Church. After the Divine Liturgy this morning, please join us in the Church hall for fellowship and refreshments. **Please sign our visitor's book at the back of the church before you leave today, and leave an email address if you want to receive news & announcements from St. Nicholas.**

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18 (p. 100) Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 (p. 100) HYMNS: See pg. 2
PLEASE JOIN US for coffee & fellowship after services, hosted by the **PHILOPTOCHOS**.

IN HONOR OF the feast day of Saints Cosmas and Damianos, Philoptochos is offering a memorial service in memory of their departed members and Artoklasia for the health of their members. A special basket will be passed by Philoptochos to benefit the Patriarchate. Coffee hour is being hosted by Philoptochos.

ON NOVEMBER 12, there will be a 40 day memorial service for Nicholas Beldecos.

THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

- TODAY, November 5:** Godparent Sunday/Church School Open House
- Monday, November 6:** GOYA Boys Basketball-ALL Are Welcome
- Tuesday, November 7:** Open Gym/Young Adult Basketball, 8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 8:** **SYNAXIS of Archangel Michael and all the Angels-** Orthros 9 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.
HOLY UNCTION with anointing at 6:30 p.m. followed by refreshments, sponsored by the ladies of the *Philoptochos*.
Adult Greek School: Beginners, 6:30 p.m., Advanced, 8 p.m.;
GOYA Girls Basketball-ALL Are Welcome, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, November 9:** **ST. NETKARIOS THE WONDERWORKER-** Orthros 9 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.
- Saturday, November 11:** Greek School, 10 a.m.

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Greek Orthodox Cathedral *Godparent Sunday & Church School Open House*

TODAY!

Join your Godchild for Church Worship,
Holy Communion & Church School!

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Tone 5

Orthros Gospel 11

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

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SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY (SMALL ENTRANCE):

*First to be chanted as the priest exits the Altar at the Small Entrance is the Resurrection Apolytikion in Tone 5
(See p. 171 in the Divine Liturgy books.)*

*Then, the usual **Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn)** in Tone 2 is chanted:*

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν (ἢ ὁ ἐν Ἁγίοις
θαυμαστός), ψάλλοντάς σοι Ἀλληλούϊα.

“Come let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us O Son of God, who arose from the dead.
We sing to you, Alleluia.”

*After this, the Resurrection Apolytikion is repeated. Then we hear the hymn for the Patron Saint of our
Church:*

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμνῇ σου, ἢ τῶν πραγμάτων
ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε·
πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

The truth of things have revealed you to your flock as a rule of faith, an icon of meekness, and a teacher of
temperance; for this cause you have achieved the heights by humility, riches by poverty. O Father and
Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Finally, we hear the Kontakion in Tone 4 of the Theotokos:

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδης ἀμαρτωλῶν
δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον
εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering,
Please reject not The prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good;
Your loving help bring unto us, Who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede
And speed now to supplicate, As a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

After the Gospel reading return to page 12 of the Divine Liturgy Book for the remainder of the Service.

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NOTICE FOR ALL ORGANIZATIONS OF ST. NICHOLAS: To organize and prioritize the daily needs of St. Nicholas Cathedral, our maintenance staff has adopted a task-list system, prepared with their input, which allots time for routine, seasonal and unexpected needs of our facilities. Employees are required to submit a check list of tasks accomplished daily to the Office Manager (OM) who, in turn, confirms the work has been completed. **Any additional task requested of the maintenance staff must be scheduled through the OM.** **EXAMPLES INCLUDE:** running errands, emptying deliveries, setting up tables and chairs, taking something to storage, etc. The OM is responsible for all scheduling of help, including extra personnel needed for church functions. We have established a proven labor pool that must be respected & used efficiently. **All organizations are asked to adhere to this policy.**

2017 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex

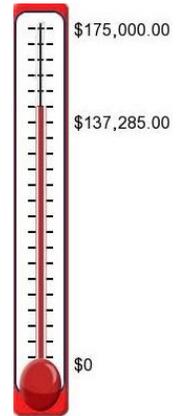
(Just ask a member of Parish Council)

If you have already submitted your 2017 Stewardship Commitment, **THANK YOU!** If not, please take the time to make your financial Stewardship Commitment today and complete the talent portion of the card to enable **OUR** Community to grow and carry on the mission of our faith. Re-dedicate yourself to God by participating in the Divine Liturgy each Sunday and offer your **TIME, Talent and treasure.**

HELP US REACH/ EXCEED OUR GOAL!!

*"As the Father Has Sent Me,
So I Send You"* John 20:21

2017	STEWARDSHIP
Total Stewards	209 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$137,285.00 (GOAL \$175,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$656.87



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From the Church School Desk:

"You Are the Voice of Christ in a Changing World."

Attention all Nounos, Nounas and Special Friends! **TODAY is Godparent/Special Friend Sunday.** Godparents/Special Friends will worship during the Divine Liturgy, receive Holy Communion together and attend Church School to see what their Godchild/Special Friend learns there (and make cards to send to children at Children's Hospital for Make a Difference Day). Afterwards many will attend Coffee Hour sponsored by Philoptochos. It will be the start of a wonderful day together!



"What I did not learn in Sunday School" Adult Education Class! In October, Deacon Robert Lykos started special classes after the Divine Liturgy on various topics for the adults of our beloved parish. The next classes will be in the Conference Room, **TODAY** (Sunday, November 5th) & November 19th.

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Church School is preparing for their Holiday Outreach Projects. We are looking for hats, mittens, scarves, gloves, etc. for **FOCUS' Project Bundle-up**. Thanks in advance for your warm winter accessories and teaching the children the gift of giving.

The Church School children will present their **Christmas Pageant** under the direction of Jenny DeMatteo, Kelly Gary and Aimee Walker on Sunday, December 17, 2017. Please refer to the enclosed practice schedule for further details.

Please volunteer **your** time, talent and treasure to help **our** children.

Yours in Christ, *Miss Michelle*

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PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

- ◆ **Spanakopita Rolls** – Spanakopita rolls are available for sale (\$9 each). They make wonderful appetizers for your holiday parties! Order forms are available in the Narthex.
- ◆ **Vasilopita New Year's Bread** – Volunteers are needed to help mix, roll, bake and wrap Vasilopita on **Thursday, December 7th**. We will be working all day (from 5:00 a.m. into the evening) so please come any time you can. Order forms for Vasilopita are available in the Narthex. If have any questions, please see Nikki Lykos or Alisa Mathews.
- ◆ **Directory Sponsors** – Philoptochos is updating the parish directory. In order to offset the cost of printing the new directory, we are seeking sponsors. If you are interested in sponsoring or placing an ad, please contact Nikki Lykos (412-897-8208) or Michelle Kotsagrelou (412-680-1416).
- ◆ **Food Bank** – The Food Bank supports several of our parishioners and continues to need your support! You can donate by making a check payable to the "St. Nicholas Philoptochos Food Bank" or through United Way by designating the St. Nicholas Food Bank (#3288) through your employers United Way contribution. Questions: contact Elaine Andrianos (412-731-4334) or Denise Daugherty (412-508-1326).



St. Nicholas

Cathedral Ball

Featuring "Ta Filarakia"

Saturday, November 25th

*6 p.m. Cocktail Hour * 7 p.m. Dinner * 9 p.m. Dance*

Dinner and Dance \$60

Children under Twelve \$15

Dance after 9 p.m. \$25

Dinner Choices:

Filet Mignon Medallions ♦ Crab cakes ♦

Vegetable Stuffed Portobello Mushroom Cap

R.S.V.P. by Sunday, November 20th (Tables of 8 or 10)

To St. Nicholas: 412-682-3866 or church@stnickspgh.org

GOYA NEWS

Basketball practice for the GOYA boys is every **Monday** at 7 p.m.

The GOYA girls meet every **Wednesday** at 7 p.m.

PLEASE JOIN US!



SIXTY CLUB NEWS

All payments for Holiday Pops are now **overdue**. Please submit checks for \$40, payable to St. Nicholas Sixty Club, to either Virginia Fekaris or Gus Mastros. **THANK YOU!!**



The Greek Grille

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral

Come, enjoy our outdoor party! OPA!

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Delicious gyros, chicken & pork souvlaki, salad, loukoumades & more!

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JOIN US November 13-17, 2017

Monday-Friday 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.



ECCLESIASTICAL MUSIC MINISTRY AT THE CATHEDRAL



You are cordially invited!

Come and learn Byzantine chant from a world-class instructor, or join our choir and learn to sing the unique and beautiful arrangements composed by our founding choir director!

Our Cathedral is graced by two music ministries grounded in tradition that we hope you will consider participating in:

The first is rooted at the Analogion (the Chanter Bookstand). Our Analogion Ministry, blessed by the volunteer service of Dr. Nick Giannoukakis, invites and welcomes anyone with some musical ability, especially the younger generation, to join and learn the beautiful and 1200 year-old tradition of Byzantine hymnology and chant. Those who faithfully adhere to the ministry will not only have an opportunity to grow musically, but more importantly, will solidify their understanding of Greek, gain an appreciation for the structure of the services, and a better insight into our Orthodox faith and its theology through a comprehension of the hymns. With the exception of the summer months (June-August), the Ministry will focus on the Sunday Orthros and the occasional Vespers, in addition to the evening services of Lent and Holy Week. Between June and early September, the Ministry will also focus on the Holy and Divine Liturgy.

Dr. Giannoukakis, who was distinguished and tonsured as Protopsaltis by Metropolitan Maximos in 1998, and noted to be among the "who is who" of Byzantine Chanters in a historical compendium published in Greece in 1994, is also the only chanter in our Metropolis to hold a certificate and diploma in Byzantine Music from a Greek Music Conservatory. Dr. Giannoukakis, personally-trained by renowned and respected Greek chanters (Constantin Lagouros, Georgios Syrkas, Emmanuel Hatzimarkos), offers music to the highest possible standards of the Great Church of Christ (the Ecumenical Patriarchate) and has successfully trained young and old individuals for more than 25 years. To learn more, and to consider participating, contact Dr. Giannoukakis at ngni@andrew.cmu.edu or at ngianni@pitt.edu. All educational materials are complimentary.

The second is rooted in the rich polyphonic innovations of the late Rudolph Agraphiotis who in the early 1900s, first composed the lyrical Liturgy conducted in our church to this day. Some of the choir members are among those who came together to constitute the first choir directed by Mr. Agraphiotis. Today, the choir is in the very capable hands of Mr. Steve Andrews who directs it as another of our Cathedral's volunteers. The choir can be heard during the Divine Liturgy for most of the year's Sunday services as well as at the services for Holy Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

The Choir invites and welcomes anyone with some musical ability, especially the younger generation, to join. To learn more, and to consider participating, contact Mr. Steve Andrews at beyondfromwithin@comcast.net. Why not join both ministries? As it is written: "He who delights in the Lord, and walks in the Light will not stumble" (From the Doxastikon of the Orthros of the 5th Sunday of Lent).

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G.A.P.A.

Socrates-Daphne Lodge of Pittsburgh

Invites you to attend

CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE

Friday, December 8, 2017 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Fort Couch Road

COCKTAILS AND APPETIZERS – 6 p.m. AND FESTIVE DINNER BUFFET – 7 p.m.

Music by The Filarakia

Featuring Sotiri Tsourekis on the Bouzouki

Performance by

The Grecian Odyssey Dancers

Come and ring in the holiday season with us and don't forget your "kefi"!

Call for reservations by DECEMBER 2, 2017

Becky Bertos, 412-421-9427

Aliki Andrews, 412-833-4596

Chrissa Schultz, 412-343-9585

Dinner and Dance - \$60 Dance only - \$20



The Metropolis of Pittsburgh
Presents
2017 GOYA Fall Retreat

Friday-Sunday
November 17-19

Camp Nazareth
339 Pew Rd. Mercer, PA

ANTIDORON FOR THE WORLD
THE LITURGY OUTSIDE THE LITURGY

With Guest Speaker



Daniel Christopoulos

IOCC US Country Representative
National VOAD Vice Chair
Minnesota VOAD President

Join our GOYA Hurricane Relief Effort!
Make a monetary donation at the retreat
Help with your GOYA's Relief Campaign
Donate IOCC Hygiene Kit Items

Campers and Staff
Register at
pittsburgh.goarch.org

Registration Cost
\$165

Leadership 100
Scholarships available thanks to
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camp@pittsburgh.goarch.org

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Let them praise his name with dancing...

Psalm 149:3

**GREEK FOLK DANCE
FESTIVAL**



hosted by
Archangel Michael

NOVEMBER 11-13, 2017

Do you want to attend any event(s) as an
"Individual if your Parish dance group is not
participating in? You may!!

- Must be chaperoned, if under 19.
Contact gomopfdf@gmail.com for
various opportunities.
- Saturday instructional workshop
featuring dances from Crete, Ikarria,
Pontos and Thrace
- Non-competitive performance by Dance
Troupes on both days
- Saturday Greek dinner/dance with
music by Ta Filarakia, Tickets \$30 or
2/\$50; children under 12, \$10
- Saturday eve Young Adult meet & greet
- Sunday Divine Liturgy with
Metropolitan Savas and Brunch

More info: Pittsburgh.goarch.org
OR gomopfdf@gmail.com



WHO:
CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS

WHAT:
CHURCH SCHOOL BAKE SALE

WHEN:
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017

WHERE:
ST. NICHOLAS BAZAAR

WHY:
CHURCH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

HOW:
BRING 2 DOZEN BAKED GOODS

QUESTIONS:
CONTACT ANNA KUKUNAS 412-967-9154



PROJECT BUNDLE UP



WE ARE LOOKING FOR HATS, MITTENS,
SCARVES & GLOVES FOR FOCUS'
PROJECT BUNDLE UP!

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal Schedule

Sunday, November 19, 2017
During Church School for Nursery-6th Graders

Sunday, December 3, 2017
For 1 hour immediately following the
Divine Liturgy for all children

Saturday, December 16, 2017
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Final Rehearsal for all children

Sunday, December 17, 2017
Christmas Pageant in Church

Questions? Contact Directors
Kelly Gary at 412-741-8567
Or Aimee Walker at 412-398-6094



2018 MAY FOOD FESTIVAL

The good news is that 240 pans of our delicious **Moussaka** were made this past week and set in the freezer for our famous festival in May. **Thank you** to those of you who helped! My **thank you** for completing this task, however, can only go to a few people...because that is all that showed up. Our festival draws more than 28,000 people. We need more than just a handful of people to prepare all the food we need. Cooking resumes in January.





A campaign to burn our mortgage
by December, 2018

**Show your support by donating
and *TOGETHER*
we can reach our goal!**

St. Nicholas Cathedral thanks you for your support.



**SEND YOUR CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
WITH THE 2017 ST. NICHOLAS CHRISTMAS CARD**

*Donation only \$20... You can save money on your Christmas cards
AND help our beloved Cathedral at the same time!*

Name & Address: _____

Your list of names to read (*please print*): _____

Kindly return this form, along with your check and place in the Sunday offering tray or mail to:
St. Nicholas Cathedral, 419 S. Dithridge St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

-All names need to be submitted NO LATER than November 26, 2017-

Christ is born! Glorify Him!



PLEASE HELP US decorate OUR BELOVED CATHEDRAL
with beautiful poinsettias for the Nativity Season.

If you wish, please list the names of your loved ones to be remembered
in the Proskomidi (*Preparation of the Gifts*) at every Divine Liturgy through Christmas.

For the Health of: _____

In Memory Of: _____

Suggested donation:

\$20 OR MORE, payable to St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral (memo: Poinsettias)

-All names need to be submitted NO LATER than December 15, 2017-

Place in the Sunday offering tray or mail to: 419 S. Dithridge St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213