

The Legendary Saint Nicholas

The absence of the “hard facts” of history is not necessarily an obstacle to the popularity of saints, as the devotion to St. Nicholas shows. Both the Eastern and Western Churches honor him, and it is claimed that, after the Theotokos, he is the saint most pictured by Christian artists. And yet, historically, we can pinpoint only the fact that Nicholas was the fourth-century bishop of Myra, a city in Lycia, a province of Asia Minor.

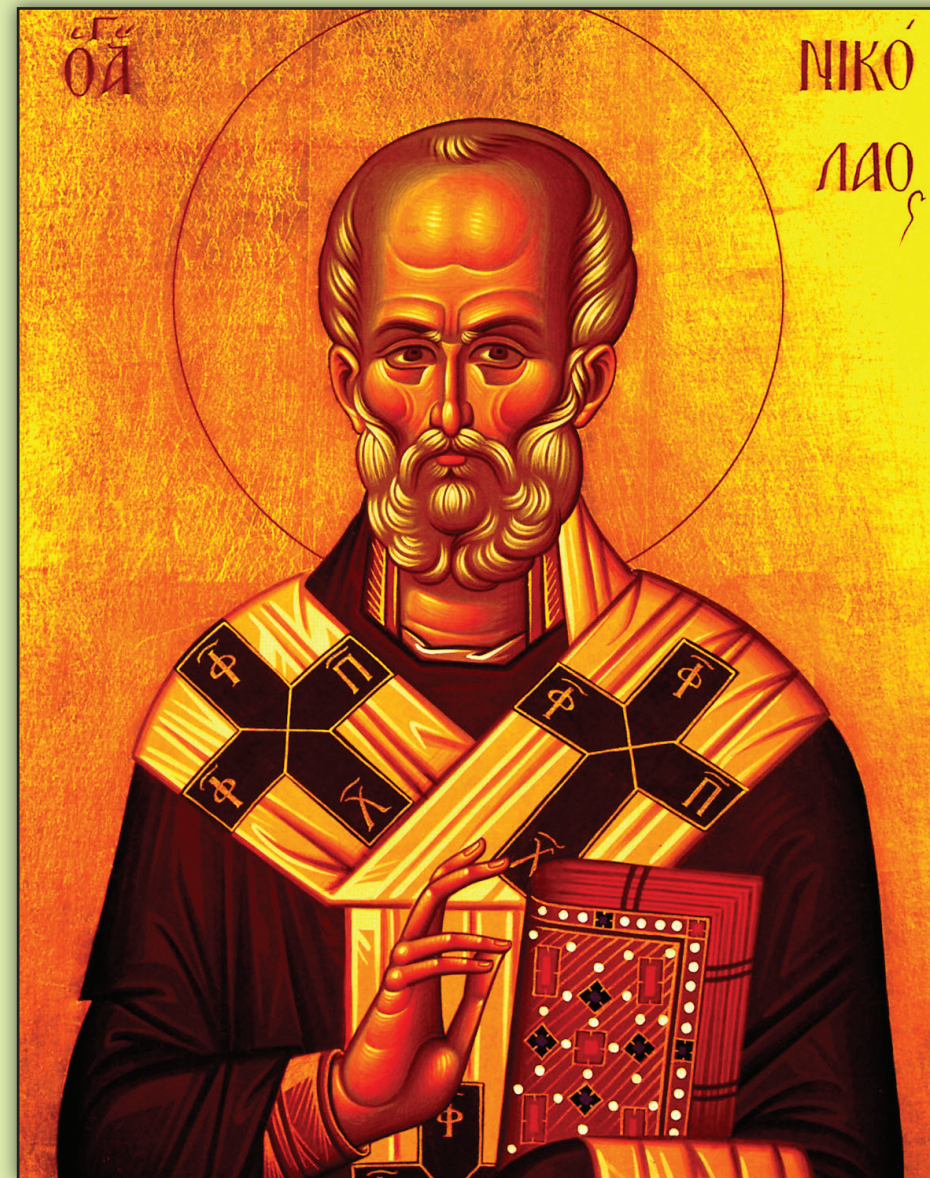
As with many of the saints, however, we are able to capture the relationship which Nicholas had with God through the admiration which Christians have had for him – an admiration expressed in the colorful stories which have been told and retold through the centuries.

Perhaps the best-known story about Nicholas concerns his charity toward a poor man who was

unable to provide dowries for his three daughters of marriageable age. Rather than see them forced into prostitution, Nicholas secretly tossed a bag of gold through the poor man’s window on three separate occasions, thus enabling the daughters to be married. Over the centuries, this particular legend evolved into the custom of gift-giving on the saint’s feast. In the English-speaking countries, St. Nicholas became, by a twist of the tongue, Santa Claus – further expanding the example of generosity portrayed by this holy bishop.

The critical eye of modern history makes us take a deeper look at the legends surrounding St. Nicholas. But perhaps we can utilize the lesson taught by his legendary charity, look deeper at our approach to material goods in the Christmas season and seek ways to extend our sharing to those in real need.

TENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE



Icon of Saint Nicholas -- December 6th

ST. GEORGE ROMANIAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

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Schedule for Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Vespers: 6:30 p.m.

Day of Feast: 10:00am and 6:30 p.m.

Confessions: See calendar or at any time by request.

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December 5, 2021

10th Sunday after the Holy Cross

27th Sunday after Pentecost

This Sunday: Epistle Colossians 1:12-18

Gospel Luke 13:10-17

Next Sunday: Epistle Colossians 3:4-12

Gospel Luke 14:16-25

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday 12/6

No Liturgy

Tuesday 12/7

8:00am Divine Liturgy: For all the clergy of the Eparchy of St. George

Wednesday 12/8

8:00am Divine Liturgy: For those who have asked us to pray for them

Thursday 12/9

8:00am Divine Liturgy: For those who love us and hate us

Friday 12/10

8:00am Divine Liturgy: +Ana Hotiu

Saturday 12/11

No Liturgy

Sunday 12/12

10:00am Divine Liturgy

Parastas for Virgil Stroia

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All scheduled services will be held and can be viewed and prayed with at <https://stgeorge.click2stream.com/>. Make sure to click on the volume to unmute at the bottom right hand corner.

Coffee hour in the Large hall! Thank you!

Sunday Collection: November 28, 2021

Loose	\$4.00
Sunday envelopes	\$1,805.00
Disaster Relief	\$50.00
Christmas	\$150.00
Candles	<u>\$66.00</u>
Total	\$2,075.00

Someone lit a candle and prayed for you last Sunday:

In memory of all Zagan Family Members	The Zagan Family
+Husband Dan Cseak and Family	+Natalie Cseak
+All family members and angel +Trisha	Del and Sandy
H/S All family members	Del and Sandy
Special intention for family	Doru Jacobs
H/S Ann and Max	Anonymous
Special Intention	Anonymous
Special Intention	Anonymous
Special Intention	Anonymous
H/S Fr. Ovidiu, P-sa Gabriela, Ileana and Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S Theresa and Tony Orlando Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S George and Maria Marcu and Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S Suzie Dragos and Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S Johnnie, Adrian Lazar and Family	Mircea Cristea
In memory of +Husband John	Suzie Dragos
H/S of all Family	Suzie Dragos

Right Iconostasis Candelabrum for December 2021 is donated by **Harry and Kathy Walsh** in memory of the **Savage and Walsh Families: +Gerald and +Doris**.

Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum for December 2021 is donated by **Del and Sandy Schock** in loving memory of **+Trish Schock**, daughter for her birthday on December 2.

Prescura for 2021: Amparo Adkins, Annie Collins, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Mariana Greavu, Nancy Maciag, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Virginia Rogers, Kathy Walsh, P-sa. Patricia Wendt, Dodi Zbuka and P-sa. Gabriela Marginean

Announcements

“For a synodal Church (journeying together)”. Please pray the prayer to the Holy Spirit for us to understand what He wants for us as individuals and a member of the Body of Christ, the Church. Prayer cards are on the table in the narthex. Talk with someone in the Chancery if you would like to be part of this important celebration in the Church.

There will be **no colinda – caroling** this year.

The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling **poinsettia's** for decorating the church. The cost is \$10. Envelopes are on the narthex table. Return you envelope to Psa. Gabriela or Kathy Walsh.

This week, we are asked to support the special collection in support of the **Clergy Retirement Fund**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Every cent is used for this eparchy’s clergy. Thank you!

Parish events:

CANCELED - St. Nicholas Dinner on December 5.

This year for the Giving Tree, pastoral council decided to support the **Domestic Violence Project**. The following items are needed. **Please return to St. George Cathedral by December 19**. They do not need to be wrapped. Thank you for your support of this worthy cause at the Christmas season!

- Socks
- African American Hair Care
- toilet paper
- diapers (size 3+ please)
- pull-ups
- baby wipes
- paper towels
- pillows
- bedding (any size)
- blankets
- pet supplies
- Batteries
- Journals
- Adult coloring books
- Any personal care items

There are plans for a **New Years Eve party** for parishioners and close friends. It will start at 8:00pm and BYOB. \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. Let Ann know if you plan to attend.

To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊

The Ten Commandments were the subject of Miss Dixie's Sunday school lesson for 5 and 6-year-olds. After explaining "Honor thy father and thy mother," Miss Dixie asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?"

Without missing the beat, little Cindy answered, "Thou shalt not kill."

Word of Life

"Jesus calls each of us to 'care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible' (EV 87). ...The encyclical *The Gospel of Life* recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the 'least of these' in our world's estimation."

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life

May God help us prepare the way of the Lord
by acting with tenderness and compassion,
especially toward the most vulnerable among us;

Let us pray to the Lord, Lord have mercy.

Happy Birthday! La mulți ani!!

Grace Mary Fein – December 6th

Raissa Marie Polnik – December 7th

Romulus Mihalteanu – December 10th

Advertising Opportunity – business card size:

outside businesses - \$50 per month or \$450 per year

cathedral businesses - \$20 per month or \$150 per year

This is a good opportunity to know the talent in our parish and to grow your business!



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	Mon 12/6	Tue 12/7	Wed 12/8	Thu 12/9	Fri 12/10	Sat 12/11	Sun 12/12
	Christmas Fast - Common abstinence (unless otherwise noted)						
	Grace Mary Fein's	Raissa Marie Polnik's	Abstinence	Conception of St.	Bernard and Valerie	Ven. Father Daniel	Scarlett Lynn Putt's
	+Rev. Dr. Ioan Vanca	+Rev. Dr. John T. Filip	Ven. Father Patapius.		Romulus Mihalteanu's		11th SUNDAY AFTER
	+St. Nicholas of Myra Dispensation (Harti)	H. Father Ambrose of			Abstinence		St. Spyridon the
					Menas, Hermogenes		
8am		Liturgy: For all the clergy of the Eparchy of St. George 8am - 9am	Liturgy: For those who have asked us to pray for them 8am - 9am	Liturgy: For those who love us and hate us 8am - 9am	Liturgy: + Ana Hotiu 8am - 9am		
9am						Small hall in use 9am - 12pm	
10am							Divine Liturgy 10am - 11:30am
11am							Parastas for Virgil Stroia 11:15am
12pm							Coffee: John, Matthew, Mike and
1pm							Large hall rental - breakfast with Santa 1pm - 4pm
2pm							
3pm							
4pm							
5pm							
6pm							Carpathian Men's club meeting Cathedral Small Hall 5:30pm - 8pm
7pm							