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GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

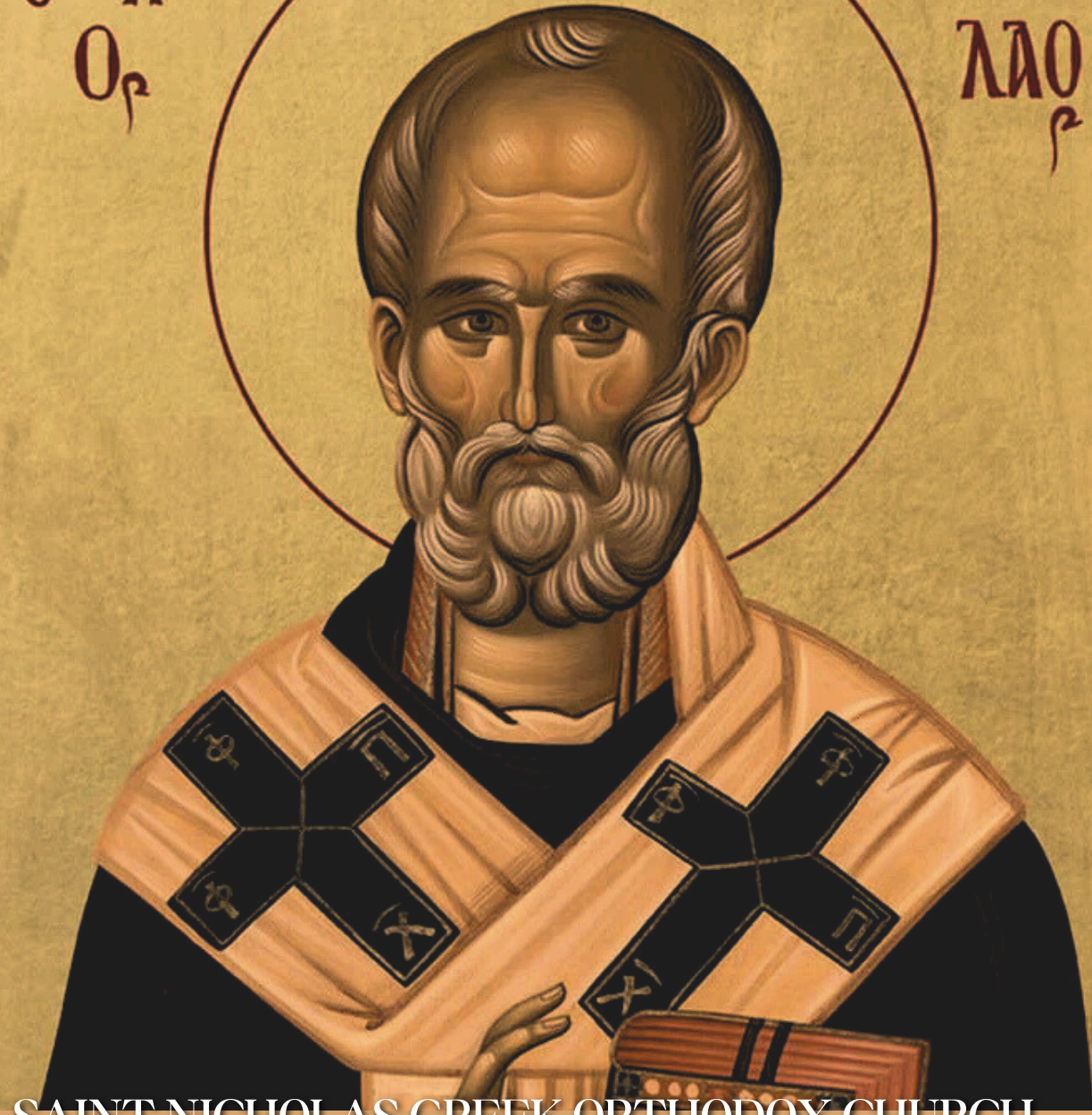
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MARCH 22, 2026

SUNDAY OF ST. JOHN CLIMACUS

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## MEMORIAL

DIANA ALEXANDER +40 DAYS

FLOWERS AND CANDLES FROM HER LOVING FAMILY  
COFFEE SOCIAL HOSTED BY THE ALEXANDER FAMILY

## 40 DAY BLESSINGS

HENRY JAMES MAZUR  
SON OF JOSEPH AND MEGAN MAZUR

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## Today: Sunday, March 22 - Sunday of St. John Climacus

Orthros 8:45 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School

**Monday, March 23** - Book Study/KCC 11:00 a.m.

Great Compline 6:00 p.m.

Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m.

Orthodoxy 101 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 24**

Argonauts Coffee Social/KCC 11-2:00 p.m.

Opa! Dance Practice/Big Hall 6:30 p.m.

Great Vespers at the Annunciation Downtown Detroit 7:00 p.m.

AHEPA Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 25 - Annunciation**

Orthros 8:45 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Greek School 4:30 p.m.

Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m.

Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m.

Lenten Meal & Lecture following Paraklesis Service

Speaker Fr. Mark Sietsema 7:15 p.m.

**Thursday, March 26**

Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, March 27**

Akathist Hymn 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, March 28**

Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.

**COME BAKE WITH US FOR Opa!FEST:** Everyone is welcome, and no experience needed! Please help us prepare the following foods for Opa!FEST (even if you only have a few hours), your help is essential to our success.: We will be preparing Galaktoboureko on April 18 starting at 9:30 am. Please call/text if you have questions or if can help, and see flyer for details: **Katherine Stefanou 248-561-7599** or **Helen de Avila 630-710-1700.**

**Opa!FEST DATES:** Please note, our annual festival is the weekend of June 12th and plans are well underway. Many hands make for light work - please sign up to volunteer! [Opafest@stnicholastro.org](mailto:Opafest@stnicholastro.org)

## Parish Announcements

**PASSING THE TRAY TODAY!:** We will be passing a tray today to assist the Great Works of Holy Trinity Monastery in Smiths Creek, Michigan. As you can see on the scenic postcard clipped to your Bulletin, our Monastery is a hidden oasis of spiritual strength within an easy one hour drive of our parish. They are a resource to our entire Metropolis worthy of our support as they support us by their prayers, so please donate to champion the work of the Monastery. We are planning a Parish Visit in October to share in their hospitality, and we will present our donation at that time. Stay tuned for details about the visit!

**Last Lenten Lecture & Meal!** Please join us for our last Lenten Lecture & Meal this Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. In place of pre-sanctified Liturgy (due to the Feast of the Annunciation Liturgy celebrated earlier in the day), there will be a Paraklesis (Healing) Service at 6pm, followed by meal and lecture. This week, we welcome Fr. Mark Siestsema with Holy Trinity Lansing who will speak to us on Healing from Anger. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the St. Nicholas Philoptochos for providing this week's meal.

**ATTENTION ARGONAUTS:** Nominations are now open for the 2026 Argonauts Board. Any member in good standing may nominate themselves or another member. Forms are available in the church office or by contacting George Perakis at 586-246-5651. Deadline for nominations is April 14. Elections will take place at the April 16 luncheon.

**Help Us Improve Our Parish!** The Parish Council is always looking for ways to better serve our parish community, and your input can make a real difference. Do you have an idea, suggestion, or concern that could help strengthen our parish? We would truly like to hear from you. A suggestion box is located outside the parish office in the main hallway across from the Karmanos Community Center. Please take a moment to share what is on your mind, your thoughts and ideas help us continue building a welcoming and vibrant parish community. Anonymous suggestions are welcome. Your voice matters. Online Suggestion Box/Survey coming soon! Help us improve our parish!

**ST. NICHOLAS GOLF LEAGUE:** We are looking for new golfers to join our St. Nicholas Golf League. We meet on Mondays at 3:00 pm at Sylvan Glen Golf Course in Troy. If interested please contact Joann Kefalas: 248-766-9492 or [jmkgreek@gmail.com](mailto:jmkgreek@gmail.com).

**METROPOLIS OF DETROIT SUMMER CAMP (MDSC):** We are in need of staff for all weeks except Week 1. If you are 18 or older, and can give a week of your time and talents to the camp, we need you!! Parents, included. Please contact us at [gomdsc@gmail.com](mailto:gomdsc@gmail.com) for more information or visit us at: [gomdsc.org](http://gomdsc.org)

**ST. NICHOLAS FOCUS DETROIT DAY:** Please join us to help prepare, and serve meals for FOCUS DETROIT on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 10-2. Sign up at: [pc\\_president@stnicholastro.org](mailto:pc_president@stnicholastro.org). We are looking for a minimum of 10 volunteers!

**2026 ST. NICHOLAS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION NOW OPEN!** Attention high school seniors or college students pursuing graduate or doctorate degrees, the St. Nicholas Scholarship application cycle is now open. Please find applications in the Narthex, by the office, or at [stnicholastro.org](http://stnicholastro.org). Completed applications are due by or before Friday, May 1, 2026. Scholarship presentations will take place on Sunday, May 17.

**YAL + ADULT MARRIAGE WORKSHOP:** The Metropolis of Detroit is pleased to welcome Dr. Philip Mamalakis, Professor of Pastoral Care and Josh Ensley, LMFT for a 2-day Marriage Retreat on May 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. For more information and registration details, please go to link or see flyer in Narthex:  
<https://www.detroit.goarch.org/w/detroit-young-adult-adult-marriage-retreat>



### SMALL ENTRANCE

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

**Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.**

### APOLYTIKIA

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

**You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a threeday burial, to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!**

Ταῖς τῶν δακρύων σου ῥοαῖς, τῆς ἐρήμου τὸ ἄγονον ἐγεώργησας, καὶ τοῖς ἐκ βάθους στεναγμοῖς, εἰς ἑκατὸν τοὺς πόνους ἐκαρποφόρησας, καὶ γέγονας φωστὴρ, τῇ οἰκουμένῃ λάμπων τοῖς θαύμασιν, Ἰωάννη Πατὴρ ἡμῶν ὅσιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**With the rivers of your tears you made the barren desert bloom; and with your sighs from deep within, you made your labors bear their fruits a hundredfold; and you became a star, illuminating the world by your miracles, O John, our devout father. Intercede with Christ our God, for the salvation of our souls.**

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.

**A Standard of firm belief and an icon of gentleness, of self-control an instructor, you were revealed to your sacred flock, by the reality of your deeds, for this reason you acquired, by humility, heaven's heights, and by poverty riches, Father and Great Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God, to sanctify and save our souls.**

### KONTAKION

Τῇ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, ὧς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, Ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἄλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἴνα κράζω σοι· Χαίρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

**O Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you Triumphant anthems as the tokens of my gratitude, Being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have power unassailable, From all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud: Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.**

# EPISTLE READING

Pray and return to the Lord Your God.

Verse: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Hebrews 6:13 – 20

Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore to himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise.

Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us.

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

Εὔξασθε καὶ ἀπόδοτε Κυρίῳ τῷ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Στίχ. Γνωστὸς ἐν τῇ Ἰουδαίᾳ ὁ Θεός, ἐν τῷ Ἰσραὴλ μέγα τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.

Εβρ. 6:13 – 20

Ἀδελφοί, τῷ Ἀβραάμ ἐπαγγελιάμενος ὁ Θεός, ἐπεὶ κατ' οὐδενὸς εἶχε μείζονος ὁμόσαι, ὥμοσε καθ' ἑαυτοῦ, λέγων· ἢ μὴν εὐλογῶν εὐλογήσω σε καὶ πληθύνων πληθυνῶ σε· καὶ οὕτω μακροθυμήσας ἐπέτυχε τῆς ἐπαγγελίας. ἄνθρωποι μὲν γὰρ κατὰ τοῦ μείζονος ὀμνύουσι,

καὶ πάσης αὐτοῖς ἀντιλογίας πέρας εἰς βεβαίωσιν ὁ ὄρκος· ἐν ᾧ περισσώτερον βουλόμενος ὁ Θεὸς ἐπιδειξάτω τοῖς κληρονόμοις τῆς ἐπαγγελίας τὸ ἀμετάθετον τῆς βουλῆς αὐτοῦ, ἐμεσίτευσεν ὄρκῳ, ἵνα διὰ δύο πραγμάτων ἀμεταθέτων, ἐν οἷς ἀδύνατον ψεύσασθαι Θεόν, ἰσχυρὰν παράκλησιν ἔχωμεν οἱ

καταφυγόντες κρατῆσαι τῆς προκειμένης ἐλπίδος· ἦν ὡς ἄγκυραν ἔχομεν τῆς ψυχῆς ἀσφαλῆ τε καὶ βεβαίαν καὶ εἰσερχομένην εἰς τὸ ἐσώτερον τοῦ καταπετάσματος, ὅπου πρόδρομος ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν εἰσηλθεν Ἰησοῦς, κατὰ τὴν τάξιν Μελχισεδέκ ἀρχιερεὺς γενόμενος εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.

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# GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:17 – 31

At that time, a man came to Jesus kneeling and saying: “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.”

And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, “How long has he had this?” And he said, “From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us.” And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible to him who believes.” Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!”

And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again.” And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, “He is dead.” But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately,

“Why could we not cast it out?” And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting.” They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise.”

Μάρκ 9:17 – 31

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἄνθρωπός τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ γονυπετῶν αὐτῷ καὶ λέγων· διδάσκαλε, ἤνεγκα τὸν υἱόν μου πρὸς σε, ἔχοντα πνεῦμα ἄλαλον. καὶ ὅπου ἂν αὐτὸν καταλάβῃ, ῥήσσει αὐτόν, καὶ ἀφρίζει καὶ τρίζει τοὺς ὀδόντας αὐτοῦ, καὶ ξηραίνεται· καὶ εἶπον τοῖς μαθηταῖς σου ἵνα αὐτὸ ἐκβάλωσι, καὶ οὐκ ἴσχυσαν. ὁ δὲ ἀποκριθεὶς αὐτῷ λέγει· ὦ γενεὰ ἄπιστος, ἕως πότε πρὸς ὑμᾶς ἔσομαι; ἕως πότε ἀνέξομαι

ὕμῳν; φέρετε αὐτὸν πρὸς με. καὶ ἤνεγκαν αὐτὸν πρὸς αὐτόν. καὶ ἰδὼν αὐτὸν εὐθέως τὸ πνεῦμα ἐσπάραξεν αὐτόν, καὶ πεσὼν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἐκυλίετο ἀφρίζων. καὶ ἐπηρώτησε τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ· πόσος χρόνος ἐστὶν ὡς τοῦτο γέγονεν αὐτῷ; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· παιδιόθεν. καὶ πολλάκις αὐτόν καὶ εἰς πῦρ ἔβαλε καὶ εἰς ὕδατα, ἵνα ἀπολέσῃ αὐτόν· ἀλλ' εἴ τι δύνασαι, βοήθησον ἡμῖν σπλαγχνισθεὶς ἐφ' ἡμᾶς. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ τὸ εἶ δύνασαι πιστεῦσαι, πάντα δυνατὰ τῷ πιστεύοντι. καὶ εὐθέως κράζας ὁ πατὴρ τοῦ παιδίου μετὰ δακρύων ἔλεγε· πιστεύω, κύριε· βοήθει μου τῇ ἀπιστίᾳ. ἰδὼν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι

ἐπισυντρέχει ὄχλος, ἐπέτιμησε τῷ πνεύματι τῷ ἀκαθάρτῳ λέγων αὐτῷ· τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἄλαλον καὶ κωφόν, ἐγὼ σοὶ ἐπιτάσσω, ἐξελθε ἐξ αὐτοῦ καὶ μηκέτι εἰσέλθῃς εἰς αὐτόν. καὶ κράζαν καὶ πολλὰ σπαράξαν αὐτόν ἐξῆλθε, καὶ ἐγένετο ὡσεὶ νεκρός, ὥστε πολλοὺς λέγειν ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς κρατήσας αὐτόν τῆς χειρὸς ἤγειρεν αὐτόν, καὶ ἀνέστη. Καὶ εἰσελθόντα αὐτόν εἰς οἶκον οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἐπηρώτων αὐτόν κατ

ἰδίαν, ὅτι ἡμεῖς οὐκ ἠδυνήθημεν ἐκβαλεῖν αὐτό. καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τοῦτο τὸ γένος ἐν οὐδενὶ δύναται ἐξελεῖν εἰ μὴ ἐν προσευχῇ καὶ νηστείᾳ. Καὶ ἐκεῖθεν ἐξελθόντες παρεπορεύοντο διὰ τῆς Γαλιλαίας, καὶ οὐκ ἤθελεν ἵνα τις γνῶ· ἐδίδασκε γὰρ τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς ὅτι ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδίδοται εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων, καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ ἀποκτανθεὶς τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται.

# Easter Announcements

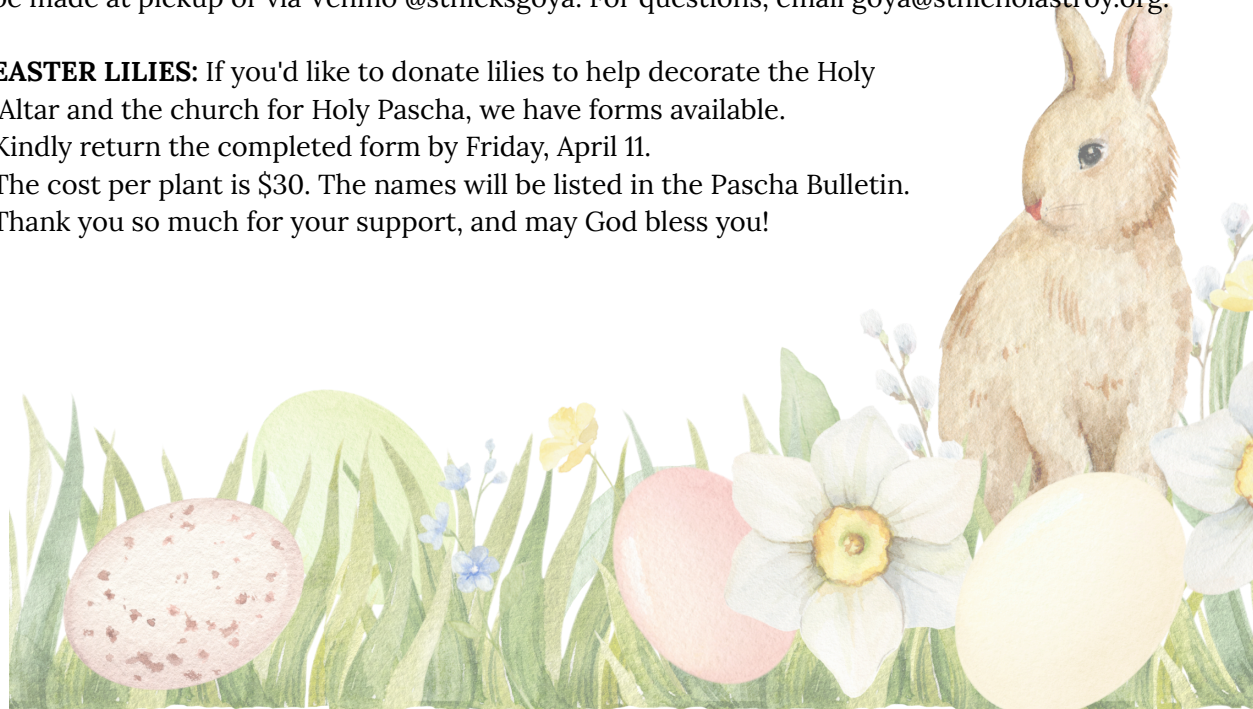
**JOIN US FOR THE PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON ON APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>!** Please share a beautiful traditional fish luncheon with us, and hear Dr. Albert Rossi share his expertise on Becoming a Healing Presence. Children are welcome to enjoy a kid's meal for the luncheon, and babysitting will be provided at no charge during the lecture. For more information, contact [SpiritualLife@StNicholasTroy.org](mailto:SpiritualLife@StNicholasTroy.org), or Helen de Avila at 630-710-1700. To reserve your seats, contact Betty Kosmas at 248-330-4694 or Tasia Stavropoulos at 248-613-7812.

**BOOKSTORE** : Now Available! - Red egg dye for Pascha eggs is now available in the bookstore along with many other items to assist you throughout your Lenten journey. Stop in after Divine Liturgy today.

**J.O.Y.:** Please join us on Saturday of Lazarus, April 4, 2026, following the Divine Liturgy, as we gather to make palm crosses in preparation for Palm Sunday. A light breakfast will be provided by the St. Nicholas J.O.Y. Ministry. All are welcome, and we hope to see you there as we share fellowship and help prepare for this special feast day.

**St. Nicholas G.O.Y.A.** is holding a Tsoureki Sale! To place an order, please include the number of loaves you'd like and choose a pickup date: Palm Sunday (4/5) or Good Friday (4/10). Payment can be made at pickup or via Venmo @stnicksgoya. For questions, email [goya@stnicholastro.org](mailto:goya@stnicholastro.org).

**EASTER LILIES:** If you'd like to donate lilies to help decorate the Holy Altar and the church for Holy Pascha, we have forms available. Kindly return the completed form by Friday, April 11. The cost per plant is \$30. The names will be listed in the Pascha Bulletin. Thank you so much for your support, and may God bless you!



## ST. NICHOLAS WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS FOR SUBMITTING THEIR 2026 STEWARDSHIP CARD

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### WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINES:

Please remember to submit weekly bulletin items for the following Sunday. Please email requests to: [office@stnicholastroy.org](mailto:office@stnicholastroy.org) by Tuesday, March 29 for Sunday, March 24 bulletin and E-blast.

### ECHO DEADLINE

Please have all ECHO items turned in NO LATER than the 10th of every month. Please send information to Maggie at [echo@stnicholastroy.org](mailto:echo@stnicholastroy.org), in the subject, please type ECHO ITEMS.

Please make sure all submissions have been spell-checked and grammar-checked before submitting to the parish office.

**THE NINA GEORGE YOUTH MINISTRIES FUND** was established earlier this year to fund and support the Parish's various youth ministries.

The purpose of the NG Fund is to provide an accessible source of money to be used to: (1) promote and grow Youth Ministries; (2) encourage participation in Youth Ministry events, activities and programs; and/or (3) support the various charitable endeavors initiated by Youth Ministries.

Any ministry interested in requesting funds should contact [NinaGeorgeFund@StNicholasTroy.org](mailto:NinaGeorgeFund@StNicholasTroy.org) to complete the request form.

### COFFEE SOCIAL-CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

The following schedule is for the remaining months. Thank you in advance for your participation and help. November: Argonauts, December: Philoptochos, January: Sunday School, February: Greek School, March: Daughters of Penelope, April: Golf League, May: AHEPA, June & July: Philoptochos/Parish Council, August: Young Families & J.O.Y., September: G.O.Y.A., October: Choir

FELLOW PARISHIONERS: EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER OF ONE OF THE ABOVE ORGANIZATIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND JOIN IN THE FELLOWSHIP OF SERVING WITH THESE GROUPS. ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME!

# BECOMING A HEALING PRESENCE



## PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON & LECTURE APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup> 2026

### SPEAKER: DR. ALBERT ROSSI

Dr Rossi is a Professor at St. Vladimir's Seminary, serves as the Seminary's resident Clinical Psychologist, and is a former member of the SCOBA Commission on Contemporary Social and Moral Issues. He has written widely on the topic of healing including authoring two books *Becoming a Healing Presence* and *All is Well*. Dr Rossi has a bi-weekly podcast on Ancient Faith Radio titled *Becoming a Healing Presence*.



### LUNCHEON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIVINE LITURGY

Traditional Palm Sunday Fish Lunch, Coffee, & Dessert \$25  
Kids 6-12 years old \$10 | Kids 5 and under are free  
Babysitting provided during this lecture. Email below to reserve babysitting.

Please write Palm Sunday Luncheon in the memo on checks

LUNCHEON REGISTRATION & TICKET SALES

## ST. NICHOLAS TROY

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Limited Seating  
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# MARCH 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Sunday of Orthodoxy Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Sunday School/ Icon Procession FOCUS Detroit Meal Prep	2 Book Study 11:00 a.m. Great Compline 6:00 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00p.m. Orthodoxy 101 7:00 p.m.	3 Argonauts Coffee House/KCC 11:00 a.m. Opa! Dance Practice/ Big Hall 6:30 p.m.	4 Greek School 4:30 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal & Lecture 7:15 p.m.	5 Helping Hands/Loving Hearts 3:45 p.m. Choir Practice/ Choir Loft 7:00 p.m.	6 Opa!FEST spinach and cheese pies making/ Big Kitchen 9:00 a.m. 2nd Salutations to the Holy Theotokos 7:00 p.m.	7 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.
8 Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Philoptochos GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/KCC following Divine Liturgy	9 Book Study 11:00 a.m. Great Compline 6:00 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m. Orthodoxy 101 7:00 p.m.	10 Argonauts Coffee House/KCC 11:00 a.m. Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	11 Greek School 4:30 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal & Lecture 7:15 p.m.	12 Argonauts Luncheon 12:00 p.m. Choir Practice/ Choir Loft 7:00 p.m.	13 3rd Salutations to the Holy Theotokos 7:00 p.m.	14 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.
15 Sunday of the Holy Cross Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	16 Book Study 11:00 a.m. Great Compline 6:00 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m. Orthodoxy 101 7:00 p.m.	17 Argonauts Coffee House/KCC 11:00 a.m. Opa! Dance Practice/ Big Hall 6:30 p.m.	18 Greek School 4:30 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal & Lecture 7:15 p.m.	19 Argonauts Board Meeting 11:00 a.m. Choir Practice/ Choir Loft 7:00 p.m.	20 4th Salutations to the Holy Theotokos 7:00 p.m. G.O.Y.A.Lock-in	21 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m. Choir Reharsal/KCC 11:00 a.m.
22 Sunday of St. John Climacus Orthros 8:45a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	23 Book Study 11:00 a.m. Great Compline 6:00 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m.	24 Argonauts Coffee House/KCC 11:00 a.m. Opa! Dance Practice/ Big Hall 6:30 p.m. Great Vespers at the Annunciation Downtown Detroit 7:00 p.m. AHEPA Meeting 7:00 p.m.	25 Annunciation Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Greek School 4:30 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m. Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal & Lecture 7:15 p.m.	26 Choir Practice/ Choir Loft 7:00 p.m.	27 Akathist Hymn 7:00 p.m.	28 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.
29 Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt Orthros 8:45a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Sunday School	30 Book Study 11:00 a.m. Great Compline 6:00 p.m. Adult Greek School 7:00 p.m.	31 Argonauts Coffee House/KCC 11:00 a.m.				