

**ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

SUNDAY, November 7, 2021

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ST. LUKE

WELCOME ALL VISITORS:

On behalf of the Parish Council, Fr. Michael, the Church Staff, and the entire family of St. Nicholas, we would like to welcome all our Visitors who are in attendance today please enjoy our hospitality. If you need any assistance please contact any of the Parish Council members..

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

A 6th month Memorial service will be chanted today in memory of our brother in Christ, Evangelos Fafaleos. May his soul rest in peace and may his memory be eternal.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Monday, November 8: Greek School Classes 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Tuesday, November 9: St. Nicholas "Diamonds" Meeting at the Plateia 1:00 pm
Wednesday, November 10: Greek School Classes: 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Orthodox Bible Study (at Squires Rest) 6:00 pm
Thursday, November 11: Parish Council Meeting: 6:00 pm
Sunday, November 14: Stewardship Sunday Presentation after Church(Grab and Go) Luncheon

LITURGICAL PROGRAM:

Monday, November 8th Morning Service: The Feast of the Archangels "Michael and "Gabriel" Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am.

Monday, Evening November 8: Great Vesper service at the St. Nectarios Monastery at Emmetsburg, Maryland. His Grace Bishop Apostolos of Medeia will officiate along with Clergy and Faithful. The address to the Monastery is 8704 Hampton Valley Road, Emmitsburg, M.D. The Vesper service will begin at 6:00 pm

Tuesday, November 9: Fr. Michael will celebrate the Feast day of St. Nectarios at St. Nicholas and not at the Monastery. Orthros 8:45 am. Divine Liturgy 9:30 am

Tuesday, November 9th, His Grace Bishop Apostolos of Medeia will also officiate the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy for the Name day of St. Nectarios along with Clergy and Faithful of the Metropolis of New Jersey. The service will be at the Monastery.

Friday, November 12: Great Hierarchical Vespers celebrated by His Grace Bishop Apostolos of Medeia 6:30 pm. This service will take place at the Chapel of St. John Chrysostom in our Metropolis Headquarters.

Saturday, November 13: Orthros and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America. This service will also take place at the Metropolis Headquarters. Orthros will begin at 9:00 am.

NOVEMBER 1ST THRU THE 13TH THE LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY WILL BEGIN ACCEPTING FOOD DONATIONS FOR THEIR ANNUAL PHILOPTOCHOS "FOOD" DRIVE. Every year the Philoptochos Society picks a local pantry and donates most of the food items there. They also prepare Thanksgiving baskets for the needy families. This event is always special and well organized by the Philoptochos Society. So please bring in your perishable items to the church and the Ladies will distribute the food to those needy families. God bless all of you who give and support this wonderful event.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

METROPOLIS HOLY UNCTION SERVICE:

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS: At the direction of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, in preparation for the forthcoming Nativity Fast, our Parish is once again hosting the Metropolis Holy Unction Service. This Sacrament will take place on Monday, November 15th at 6:00

pm. All Clergy and Faithful from the surrounding parishes will be in attendance. Everyone is invited and the Ladies Philoptochos Society will host a small reception after the service downstairs in the Large Hall. Please mark your calendars and come to the Holy Unction Service.

UPCOMING MEMORIALS:

Sunday, November 14: The United Chios Society will sponsor a Memorial service in memory of the Brave Men and Women who fought for the freedom and Independence of the Island of Chios. Also they are sponsoring the Artoclasia service for the health and well being of their Officers and Members.

A 40 day Memorial in memory of Apostolos Venetis. A 4 year Memorial in memory of Dimitrios Orfanidis and a Many years Memorial in memory of Evangelos Orfanidis

AXION CHARITY EVENTS PRESENTS: GREEK NIGHT OUT "GLENDI": Join us for a night of Greek Dancing, Family Fellowship and Fun. It's all about the Kefi. When: Thanksgiving Eve- Wednesday, November 24, 2021- Time- 7pm till Midnight. Place Martin's Valley Manson 594 Cranbrook Road, Cockeysville, Md. Prices- \$30.00/Adults- \$20.00/Under 18. For tables/Tickets Call 443-621-0587 or reach us at axioncharityevents@gmail.com. Live Greek Music/Credit cards & Paypal accepted.

ST. NICHOLAS NAME DAY DANCE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH:

Come and join us at our St. Nicholas Name Day Dance/Banquet. This event will take place on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at the Greektown Square (Plateia) 700 Quail St. Baltimore, Maryland. Prices: Adults \$70/Under 12/\$35. Featuring Dimitris Dimoulis and the Apollonia Band. For tickets please call Yianni Sfakianoudis 443-797-3534- Sophia Xouri-240-375-5464- Manoli Theoharis 410-790-7542- Stamatia Ieromonahos 443-742-2424. Doors will open at 8:00 pm and Dinner will be served at 9:00 pm.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD AND CHRISTMAS POINSETTAS:

The Christmas Season always gives us the feeling of giving. During the Holiday spirit we are given the opportunity to send wishes and prayers to one another in the Community by supporting the Christmas Card program. Also we have the opportunity to donate a Christmas Poinsettia to help decorate our beautiful Sanctuary. The cost of the Christmas donation will be \$20.00 and the cost of the Poinsettia will also be \$20.00. If you wish to donate towards these projects please call the church office at 410-633-5020.

NEWS FLASH FROM THE PARISH:

We would like to inform all Parents that have children in Greek School, Sunday School, GOYA, and Hellenic Golden Coins, that they need to fill out and sign a "Stewardship" Pledge Card in order for their children to be registered in our Church organizations. It's sad that we have to enforce these rules but we have parents who bring their children to the church to enjoy our facilities and our events and never think that they need to support their church. Well it just doesn't work that way. We need to understand that it takes a whole Village working together for a common cause. Some people in the parish think that by coming to church and lighting a candle, or buying a raffle ticket, or purchasing a dinner or a dance ticket is the way to go. This is not the way we are supposed to support our Stewardship Program. Four times a year we send out Stewardship Pledge Cards to all our parishioners and the response is always underperforming from our church members. If we go by the UPR (Uniform Parish Regulations form the Archdiocese, it states that a parishioner in good financial standing must be 18 years and older, be current in his/her stewardship and other financial obligations to the Parish. All parishioners must abide by the regulations and cooperate in every way towards the welfare and well being of the Community. So please, when you receive your Pledge Card in the mail, fill it out, sign it with all the information, put your offering that you feel comfortable with and send it to the church office. We have so many young adults and married couples that neglect to participate in the Stewardship Program, but they like using the church facilities for their Sacraments and other activities.

On behalf of the Parish Council and Fr. Michael we would also like to thank all the wonderful and caring parishioners who always support St. Nicholas with their generous and thoughtful donations and obligations towards our Stewardship program. May the Lord always reward you a hundredfold and grant to you and your family abundant health and prosperity.

