

ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

SUNDAY 23, 2022

SIXTH SUNDAY OF ST. LUKE

WELCOME HIS GRACE BISHOP CONSTANTINE OF SASSIMA AS HIS FIRST VISIT TO OUR PARISH:

On behalf of the Members of the Parish Council, Fr. Michael, the Church Staff, and the entire family of St. Nicholas we would like to take this great opportunity to welcome His Grace Bishop Constantine of Sassima, as he makes his first Episcopal memorable and historical visit to our Parish. It's an honor to have His Grace Bishop Constantine celebrate the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with us this morning. It is a blessing and great joy from God that we are able today to spend this memorable day with His Grace Bishop Constantine. His Grace is making his Episcopal visitations to all the Baltimore area parishes before he leaves on October 30th of this month for his new assignment as the Auxiliary Bishop to His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver. There are no words to express how proud we are of him for being elevated to this historical ordination to the Episcopacy, and we pray that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ blesses and protects him throughout his spiritual responsibilities and to grant him Many, Many, years of health and happiness in years to come. May the Lord also reward him for his dedicated service in his new assignment with continued success in his invaluable Diakonia in the Lord's Vineyard. AXIOS, AXIOS, AXIOS. EIS POLLA ETH DESPOTA.

WELCOME ALL VISITORS:

On behalf of the entire Parish, we would like to welcome all visitors who came to worship with us today during the Divine Liturgy. All Visitors are invited downstairs to the Coffee Hour after Church. Please enjoy our hospitality.

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

A 40 day Memorial service will be chanted today in memory of our sister in Christ, Maria Nicolaidis. A 1 Year memorial service will be chanted in memory of our brother in Christ, Konstantinos Mavrellos. May their souls rest in peace and may their memory be eternal.

COFFEE HOUR:

The Coffee Hour today is being sponsored by Nicolaidis and Mavrellos families. We would like to thank both families for their generous offering to the Church in memory of their departed loved ones.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Monday, October 24: Greek School Classes 4:45 pm till 7:45 pm  
Hellenic Golden Coins Dance Practice: 6:30 to 8:00 pm  
Wed, October 26: Greek School Classes 4:45 pm till 7:45 pm  
Thursday, October 27: Hellenic Golden Coins Dance Practice: 6:30 to 8:00 pm  
Sunday, October 30: Greek School Presentation of "OXI DAY" This event will take place after church in the Church Hall.

LITURGICAL PROGRAM:

Tuesday, October 25: St. Demetrios Vesper Service: 6:30 pm Reception will follow. This Vesper service will be at the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church. On behalf of our St. Nicholas Family, we would like to wish our Sister Church "Congratulations" on their Name Day Celebration".

Wednesday, October 26: Great Feast Day of St. Demetrios the Myrrh-Streamer & Great Martyr of Thessaloniki. Orthros- 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am This service will be held at St. Nicholas.

Friday, October 28: Holy Protection of the Theotokos: Orthros- 8:45 am Divine Liturgy- 9:30 am We will also celebrate the "OXI DAY" with a beautiful Doxology service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS: As parents, you have the responsibility to bring your children on time to the Sunday school classes. Religious Education is very important for the spiritual growth and stability for our children. Learning about God, the Church, and their faith gives the children the opportunity to explore new horizons in their life. Parents, we ask you to invest in your children's future by securing a lifetime of

blessings through the blessings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The teachers cannot teach the children if the parents don't bring them to the classroom. We need our parents to focus on their children's attendance, and bring them to the classroom on time. Make sure that your child or children come to church before 10:00 am.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO PARENTS:

Students who are in church by 10:00 am will sit in the front pews until the Holy Gospel and Father Michael's sermon. We will then dismiss the children to their Sunday School Classes. Sunday School classes are from pre-K to tenth grade. We would love to have more volunteers as aides and teachers. We will take volunteers from high school juniors to adults. Please email [stnicholassundayschool@yahoo.com](mailto:stnicholassundayschool@yahoo.com). If you are able to give back to the church in this way. As High school students, we can offer you community service hours for your service.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

ST. NICHOLAS LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY "HARVEST NIGHT OUT":

This Harvest Night Out will take place on Monday, October 24, 2022, at the Liberator's Ristorante 5005 Honego Center Drive Perry Hall, M.D. 21128. 6:00 pm Donation \$40.00 Cash Bar. Proceeds to benefit the Missions of Philoptochos.

GREEKTOWN FALL FEST AND MOVIE NIGHT:

This event is being sponsored by the Greek Town Neighborhood Association. This event will take place at the Plateia on Saturday, October 29th from the hours of 3:00 pm to 10:00 pm. There will be plenty of Food, Fun, Face Painting, Music, Vendors, Trunk of Treating for the Kids and Kids Costume Contest. Please mark this date on your calendars and make sure that you bring the whole family. This will be an exciting event for the Greek Town Neighborhood.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY NOTICE: ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS :

The General Assembly has been scheduled for Sunday, November 13th after Church. Please mark this date on your calendars.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH/ PRESENTATION/LUNCHEON WILL FOLLOW.

SPECIAL NEWS NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS:

We have struggled every year trying to inform all parents that in order to register your child or children to the different organizations of the church, such as GOYA, SUNDAY SCHOOL, GREEK SCHOOL, AND DANCE, all parents are requested to fill out a Stewardship Pledge Card. We have a lot of children that the parents register every year to all the Organizations, but they forget to fill out their financial responsibilities. Please, when you register your child/or children make sure that you fill out a Pledge card also.

STEWARDSHIP NEWS:

If you have not turned in your Stewardship Pledge Card for 2022, we ask you humbly to please turn in your pledge card as soon as possible because the year is almost over. For those who have turned in their Pledge Card we thank you for your support. Four times a year we send out Stewardship Pledge Cards to all our Parishioners, and the response is always underperforming from our church "Stewards". If we go by the UPR (Uniform Parish Regulations) from the Archdiocese, it states that a parishioner in good financial standing must be 18 years and older, and must be current in his/her stewardship and other obligations to the Church. We have so many parishioners , 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. We are asking for those who have not sent in their Stewardship Pledge, to please do so as soon as possible. So on behalf of the Parish Council, Fr. Michael and the Stewardship Committee, we would like to thank all the wonderful and caring parishioners who always every year support St. Nicholas with their generous and thoughtful donations and obligations toward our Stewardship Program. May the Lord always reward you a hundredfold and grant to you and your family abundant health , happiness , and prosperity.