

**St. Nikolai Orthodox Mission of Alliance in conjunction with Orthodox Campus Fellowship,
University of Mt. Union Dewald Chapel**

Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am.

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18th Sunday after Pentecost / Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council



Tone 1 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure ^body,
You rose on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world.
The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:
“Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Your ^Kingdom!//Glory to Your dispensation, O Lover of mankind!”

Tone 8 Troparion (Fathers)

You are most glorious, O Christ our God!
You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.
Through them You have guided us to the true Faith.//
O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

Tone 4 Troparion (St. Nikolai)

In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence; your humility exalted you; your poverty enriched you. Hierarch Father Nikolai, entreat Christ our God that our souls may be saved!

Tone 1 Kontakion (Resurrection)

As God, You rose from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Yourself.
Human nature praises You as God, for death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master!
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to You://
“You are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

Tone 6 *Kontakion* (*Fathers*)

The Son who shone forth from the Father was ineffably born,
two-fold in nature, of a woman.

Having beheld Him, we do not deny the image of His form,
but depict it piously and revere it faithfully.

Thus, keeping the True Faith,// the Church venerates the icon of Christ Incarnate.

Tone 1 *Prokeimenon*

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You!

v: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

Tone 4 *Prokeimenon* (*Song of the Fathers*)

Blessed are You, O Lord God of our Fathers and praised and glorified is
Your Name forever!

Epistles: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Hebrews 13:7-16 (*Fathers*)

Tone 1: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

v: God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me..

v: :He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever.

Tone 1 (*Fathers*)

v: The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

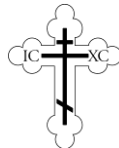
Gospels: Luke 7:11-16 (*18 Sunday A.P.*); John 17:1-13 (*Fathers*)

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!



Today the Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25). The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine Porphyrogenitos. The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because “no man has seen God at any time” (John 1:18)

Doing Great Things In The Name of The Lord. Recently the Metropolitan Council of the Orthodox Church in America convened for their Fall meeting with a retreat on stewardship led by the Very Rev Dr Robert Holet, a priest of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in the USA. His recent book is titled “The First and Finest: Orthodox Christian Stewardship as Sacred Offering.”

He acknowledged that the response to the topic “stewardship” is often an inward groan. “Oh no, we have to hear about money again.” But Father Robert deftly lifted stewardship out of the money category and placed it in the big picture of how each of us relates to Jesus Christ. “It starts with how each of us responds to Christ and why.” He kept bringing us back to the parable of the loaves and fishes. We think we have too little to feed the crowds, but like the disciples we are still told, “You give them something to eat.” And if we do that, the Lord will unexpectedly bless those who receive what little we have to give. And he will bless us too.

To start this kind of life of stewardship it’s useful to begin by doing: do some small service for the sake of others in the name of Christ. “This is often enough to crack open each person’s giving spirit. People have to see God at work in their own lives. That He can multiply what little they think they have to offer. And when they see this, then everything becomes possible.”

When we give of ourselves, no matter how great or how little, so long as we offer freely without reservation, from the depth of our heart, the Lord can do great things that defy human logic and ultimately He will bless us for our faithfulness. Indeed, God blesses us with opportunities to accomplish great things in His Name; “Freely you have received, freely give.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS requested

For The Health and Salvation of:

Candi (friend of John and Lynette Baier)

Wendy (friend of Lana Baier)

Jim (Cousin of Fr. David)

George Borojevich (brother of Wally and Debby)

Ava Cooper (infant who is undergoing surgery for heart defects)

Mother Ana

Nanci Stradley (Pancreatic Cancer)

Dawn Shaheen

Sharon Budd (Teacher from Perry, injured when rock thrown from overpass)

Patricia Kosivich, friend of and helper to Mother Ana

Father Joe Cervo

Doreen Wishnok (friend of the Krupko’s who is battling breast cancer)

George Ralich, (Dan’s father who is in Cleveland Clinic following emergency surgery)

Katie (Granddaughter of Father Stevo Rocknage, St. Sava Church in McKeesport, who is battling a rare genetic disease)

For The Repose of the Souls of:

+Emily Waseman (with Parents and family)

+Zora Penovich (with Bob and family)

+Bertha (Friend of Jaga Radosevic)

+Proto Milan Zubenitsa (newly departed Kum of Father Dragan)

+Helen Mieloff (Friend of Jaga Radosevic)

+D-Na Cracium (Friend of Corbin and Georgie Washington)

+Mark Bolan

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19:

Due to Homecoming events at the University of Mount Union on October 19, we are unable to hold Divine Liturgy in the Dewald Chapel on that date. The Council has decided to accept the invitation of the Baiers to have Divine Liturgy at their Lake house (2495 Belfort Avenue, Louisville, Ohio 44641) on October 19. We will have a pot luck picnic following

Divine Liturgy. Please see Cathy Krupko to sign up for a dish. We plan to roast a lamb that day! Please join us for Divine Liturgy and fellowship!

COFFEE HOUR:

Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 5 was provided by Dan Ralich. Thank you!!!

Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 12 will be provided by Wally and Debbie Borojevich

Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 19 will follow Divine Liturgy at the Baier Lake House. Sign up for a covered dish! Please see Cathy or Tom Baier if you would like to help.

DONATIONS:

Please note, any special donations will be added directly to our building fund unless otherwise specified by the donor. God bless all who have generously donated to and support our mission.

BUILDING PROJECT:

We are finalizing plans to begin phase one construction of our mission building project. If you have not made a commitment and would like to, please discuss this with either Father Joe or Deacon James by email or phone and/or by making your check payable to St. Nikolai Orthodox Mission of Alliance. May God Bless all donors for their support of our Mission and purpose in celebrating Orthodoxy.

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

We will be taking a special collection to send to Father Stevo Rocknage to assist financially with medical expenses for his granddaughter Katie, who is battling a rare genetic disease. Below is a link to an article about Katie. Please make your check payable to our mission and we will send one check.

All proceeds will go towards continuing Katies care as well towards Castleman's research.”

If you are interested in reading the full article, here is the link:

<http://www.crowdrise.com/katiesfightagainstcastlemandisease/fundraiser/milevarepasky>

CHOIR PRACTICES:

Choir Practice will be held at the Gresh Home on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Please join us.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

Debby Borojevich – 14th

Deacon James Gresh – 16th

Raymond Krajci – 18th

Tom Krupko - 27th

Amy Catania – 30th

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES:

David & Kim Krajci – 22nd

Tom & Cathy Krupko – 23rd

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