

THE ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH NEWS

St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Church

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Sunday December 7th

26th Sunday After Pentecost

Epistle: Ephesians 5:9-19

Gospel: Luke 17:12-19

O Holy St. Nicholas Pray to God For Us!



Weekly Schedule:

Tuesday 12/9– Divine Liturgy @ 9AM The Conception of the Birth-giver of God by the Righteous Anna

Thursday 12/11 7:15 PM Moleben to St. Nicholas followed by adult class—**Please e-mail me if you plan on attending!!!**

Saturday 12/13 5 PM Great Vespers

Sunday: 12/14 10 AM Divine Liturgy

Tropar Tone 1: Blue book pg. 81 Red book pg. 95-96

Tropar for St. Nicholas-Blue Book pg. 123 Red pg. 139

Kondak For St. Nicholas: Same as above

Kondak Tone 1: Blue Book pg. 81 Red Book pg. 96

Kondak Tone 3: Kondak of Preparation



Today the Virgin is on her way to the cave* where she will give birth in manner beyond understanding* to the Word Who is in all eternity.* Rejoice, therefore, universe, when you hear it heralded.* With the angels and the shepherds, glorify Him Who chose to be seen as a newborn babe * while remaining God in all eternity.

Hymn to St. Nicholas

(Verse 1)

O who loves Ni- cho- las the Saint- ly, O who serves
Ni- cho- las the Saint- ly. Him will Ni- cho- las
re- ceive, and give help in time of need. Ni- cho- las,
Ni- cho- las.

O who dwells in God's holy mansions;
Is our help on the land and oceans.
He will guard us from all ills,
keep us pure and free from sins,
Ni-cho-las, Ni-cho-las.

Ni-cho-las, tearfully we sinners,
Beseech you fervently in our prayers.
Help us in our tribulations,
comfort ev'ry Christian nation.
Ni-cho-las, Ni-cho-las.

**Music + more verses in pew books.
Blue pg. 126—Red pg. 143**

Announcements

George Page's Birthday: God bless all of you for the wonderful gift you gave to the Page family last Sunday. Michael Page emailed me on Monday morning and said "The Church coming to my parents really touched their hearts. My father said it was the best birthday he has every experienced." This is truly an example of the Holy Spirit working in our Parish Family!

Christmas Decorating: Thank you to all who came and helped decorate our Church!

St. Nicholas Day: Festivities in the Atrium after Church!

Confession: We are in a fasting season. Receiving Confession before Christmas is an important thing for each of us to do; so that we have room in the inn of our heart for our new-born Saviour.

Holy Night Supper: December 24th before Christmas Eve Vigil. Please come and bring a Strict Fast food dish! A list of some strict fast dishes you can bring is in the Atrium. You can sign your name next to a dish you would like to bring. If you have any question just ask.

Christmas Play : Practice today! After our visit from St. Nicholas. Please stay a little longer to allow your Children the opportunity to participate in the play.

Christmas Deep Clean: The deep Clean will be on **Saturday December 20th**, in conjunction with the final practice for the Christmas Play. So bring your kids, and while they practice their play, we can all work together to make the Church ready for the Birth of our Saviour!

Advent Lecture Series on ACROD.org: Dec 9 - "The Incarnation: the Hardest Story for the Modern World, and How to Tell It Well" - Very Rev. Fr. Jonathan Tobias —This will be live streamed from the Cathedral in Johnstown at 7pm on Tuesday evening at this link, <http://www.acrod.org/organizations/cathedral/live/>.

Orthodox-Catholic Ecumenical Gathering: This Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation, Clairmont Road, Atlanta. This is a great opportunity to celebrate our united Christian faith and hear Metropolitan Alexios and the Catholic Archbishop Gregory preach on the theme of "Celebrating the Nativity of the Lord in a Broken World." A reception will fol-

Prayer List

Evelyn Melnikoff, Tyler, Maria, Pani Betty Jean Baranik, Fr. James Gleason, Carl Paccio, Cg, Johanna, James, Herbert and Mary Schleining , Patricia James, Anna, Basil, David, Dianna, Denise, Alex, Jason, George, Athanasia, Ethel, Kathy, Lester, Sally, Jack



Through the prayers of St. Elizabeth, the Birth-giver of God and Ever-Virgin Mary, St. Nicholas and all the Saints, may our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ have mercy on us and save us!

