



Welcome!

Whether you're searching for a new church home or just visiting, we're glad you're with us today. If you have a prayer request, are looking for more information about the Orthodox Faith, would like to join our parish, or would like to speak with Fr Thomas, we invite you to fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the offering basket as your offering today. We want to get to know you! God bless you!

This Week

- Saturday, November 10**
NO GREAT VESPERS
- Sunday, November 11**
9:15 am Adult Education
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Church School after Communion



To our Visitors: Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians who prepare themselves by prayer and fasting. Non-Orthodox visitors are welcome to come forward to venerate the cross and receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the conclusion of the service.

Archpriest Thomas Soroka, *Rector*
Deacon Luke Loboda, *Attached*
Mat. Janet Mihalick, *Choir Director*

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

McKees Rocks/Pittsburgh, PA
OrthodoxPittsburgh.org
November 4, 2018

Announcements

➤ **Fr Thomas** will be traveling to Belgorod, Russia this week. For any pastoral emergencies, please contact the rectory at 412-299-3942 and appropriate arrangements will be made.

➤ **Parish Christmas Card Project:** This year's project will run from now until Noon on December 2. We are asking everyone to participate by making a \$10 donation to have your/your family's name listed on the card. Cards will be mailed to parishioners and sister parishes in early December. **100% of this year's proceeds will benefit the new St Nicholas community meal ministry to be held at our parish on the last Saturday of the month beginning in January 2019** (formerly named "Welcome to the Table." See Jan Widel or Marsha Wasilko today!

➤ **Christmas Cards:** Lovely boxed Orthodox Christmas cards are now available for sale. See Jan Widel or Marsha Wasilko.

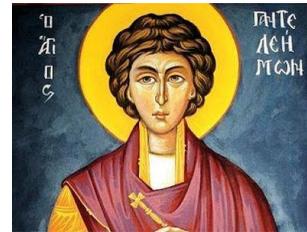
➤ On Saturday, November 17 at 4:00 pm, Fr Thomas will make a presentation for our parishioners entitled, **"The Unity of the Orthodox Church and the Ukrainian Dispute."** In it, he will review the structure and principles of unity in Orthodoxy and the current crisis between the Churches of Constantinople and Russia over the issue of the Church in Ukraine. The presentation will be held in the church and all are welcome.

➤ This year's **St Nicholas dinner will be held on Sunday, December 16**, coinciding with an archpastoral visit from Archbishop Melchisedek and our annual Yolka (Christmas program). With gratitude to the Sisterhood, there is **no charge** for the dinner and all are urged to attend.

Prayers

➤ **Ill and infirm:** *Known to be Hospitalized; (None). Home:* Georgiann Robes. Heidi Lewis (40 days). *Shut in, Rehabilitation, or Nursing Home:* Olga Bednar, Garnette Kerchum, Olga Tryszyn, Mary Zapp.

➤ **From Mat. Nancy K. Mell and Gregory Mell** for the departed servant, Dn. Joseph Mell; for the health of family. **From Charles A. Wasilko** for the health of (sisters) Doris & Marsha. **From Lily** for the health of Sergie, Ala and Nina. **From Mat. Joni Soroka** for the health of Elizabeth and Jane; for the victims & families of the Pittsburgh synagogue tragedy. **From Alexandria Tirpak** for the health of my family; special intentions. **From John & Olga** for the health and salvation of our family and Anatoly & Galina Vilkov. **From Nancy Pravlochak** for the health of the Pravlochak family. **From Marsha Wasilko** for the health of the Wasilko family. **From Doris Wasilko** for the health of the Wasilko family.



Thank you

➤ to **Matushka Nancy Mell and Greg Mell** for donating all November donor categories: bulletin (\$60), holy bread (\$50). Communion wine (\$40), altar candles (\$25), and incense (\$10) in blessed memory of Deacon Joseph Mell.

➤ to **those who manned the beverage booth** at the Slavic Food Fest. Dn Luke Loboda (chair), Rick Porter, Aaron Pease, Brendan Mathers, Matthew Reed, Nathan Graff, and Erik Wenger.

St Nicholas Church will strive to glorify God through Orthodox Christian worship, sincere love and care for one another, and service to those in need around us.

Today in Church School

Today's lesson: The Apostle Paul's Journeys

Questions to ask/review:

- How many journey's did Paul take?
- What was the purpose of his journeys?
- Describe some of Paul's experiences.
- Give examples of how Paul shared the Gospel with people.
- Give examples of miracles done by Paul.
- Who were some of Paul's companions? What roles did they play?
- When did Paul write many of his epistles? To whom?

Suggested Activities at home:

- Read bedtime stories from Paul's journeys in Acts 13-14 & 16-28.
- Follow his journeys on your world map or globe.
- Make a small sailboat out of popsicle sticks and shipwreck it in a puddle or creek. -Paul was, by trade, a tentmaker; make a tent from a sheet and spend the night (indoor tent!).
- Prayer: Lord, let me live my whole life and every minute for You, as Paul did.



Hymns and Readings for Today

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Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 6

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb;
the guards became as dead men.
Mary stood by Thy grave,
seeking Thy most pure Body.
Thou didst capture hell,
not being tempted by it.
Thou didst come to the Virgin granting life.
O Lord who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee!

Troparion of St Nicholas Tone 4

You appeared to your flock as a rule of faith,
an image of humility, and a teacher of abstinence.
Because of your lowliness heaven was opened to you!
Because of your poverty riches were granted to you!
O holy Bishop Nicholas,
pray to Christ our God to save our souls.

Kontakion of the Resurrection Tone 6

When Christ God the Giver of Life
raised all the dead from the valleys of misery with His
mighty hand,
He bestowed resurrection on the human race.
He is the Savior of All, the Resurrection, the Life, and
the God of all.

Kontakion of the Theotokos Tone 6

Steadfast protectress of Christians,
constant advocate before the creator,
do not despise the cry of us sinners,
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who
call on you in faith.
Hasten to hear our intercessions and to intercede for
us, O Theotokos
For you always protect those who honor you.

Prokeimenon (Psalm 27:9) Tone 6

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

Epistle of the Sunday (Eph 2:4-10)

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great
love with which He loved us, even when we were
dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ
(by grace you have been saved), and raised us up
together, and made us sit together in the heavenly
places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He
might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His
kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you
have been saved through faith, and that not of

yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest
anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God
prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Gospel of the Sunday (Luke 8:41-56)

And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he
was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at
Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for
he had an only daughter about twelve years of age,
and she was dying.

But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a
woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who
had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could
not be healed by any, came from behind and touched
the border of His garment. And immediately her flow
of blood stopped. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?"
When all denied it, Peter and those with him said,
"Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and
You say, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said,
"Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going
out from Me."

Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden,
she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she
declared to Him in the presence of all the people the
reason she had touched Him and how she was healed
immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of
good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in
peace."

While He was still speaking, someone came from the
ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your
daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But
when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do
not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well."
When He came into the house, He permitted no one
to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father
and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for
her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but
sleeping." And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she
was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the
hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her
spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He
commanded that she be given something to eat. And
her parents were astonished, but He charged them to
tell no one what had happened.

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