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Every **Saturday** in our Cathedral there is a *Vigil* at 5:00 PM (English and Slavonic). *Divine Liturgy* in English is at 9:00 AM and in Church Slavonic – at 10:45 AM on **Sunday**. We also have Akathist in Georgian at 1:00 PM.

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call Lisa Morris in the church office between 9:00-2:00 Tuesday-Friday (202)-333-5060, or to leave a message press 10 at menu, e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org or pick up a form in the basement of the church on the bulletin board. Notices must be submitted no later than Thursday for the following Sunday.

March 24, 2001
Sunday of Orthodoxy,
Tone 1

Readings

Matins Gospel: **John 20:19-31**;
Liturgy Epistle: **Hebrews 11:24-36, 32-12:2**;
Gospel: **John 1:43-51**.

Schedule of Services

Next Week*

- 24 Sunday 19:00 Vespers @ St Sophia
- 25 Monday 10:00 Annunciation to the Theotokos [E]
- 27 Wed. 19:00 Presanctified Liturgy [E]
- 29 Friday 19:00 Presanctified Liturgy [S]
- 30 Saturday 10:00 Liturgy [E, S]
- 30 Saturday 17:00 Vigil [E, S]
- 31 Sunday 17:00 Divine Liturgy [E]
- 31 Sunday 10:45 Divine Liturgy [S]
- 31 Sunday 13:00 Akathist [G]



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Fast Days

Great Lent until May 5th. According to the Church rules, during this period, we should abstain from meat, milk, eggs and sexual relations.

+++ VISITORS +++

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral!

We are glad to have you worship with us today.
Please join us downstairs for our coffee hour.

* E=English, S=Church Slavonic, G=Georgian, **O.C.** – Old Calendar.

Troparions & Kontakions

Troparia (Tone 1): When the stone had been sealed by the Jews; while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure Body; Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind.

Sunday of Orthodoxy (Tone 2): We venerate Thy most pure image, O Good One, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ Our God. Of Thy good will Thou wast pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh and deliver Thy creatures from bondage to the enemy. Therefore with thankfulness we cry aloud to Thee: Thou hast filled all with joy, O our Saviour, for Thou didst come to save the world.

Forefeast (Tone 4): Today is the prelude of joy for the universe! Let us anticipate the feast and celebrate with exultation: Gabriel is on his way to announce the glad tidings to the Virgin; he is ready to cry out in fear and wonder: Rejoice O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Sunday of Orthodoxy (Tone 8): No one could describe the Word of the Father; but when He took flesh from you, O Theotokos, He accepted to be described, and restored the fallen image to its former state by uniting it to divine beauty. We confess and proclaim our salvation in word and images. Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Forefeast (Tone 8): You are the beginning of salvation for all of us on earth, Virgin Mother of God. For the Archangel Gabriel, God's minister, was sent from heaven to stand before you to bring you joy: Therefore, we all cry to you: Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

Prokeimenon Tone 4: Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our Fathers and praised and glorified is Thy name forever! Verse: For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us!

Alleluia Tone 4: Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called on His name. Verse: They cried to the Lord and He heard them.

Communion Hymn: 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.



Romans 13:11—14:4

By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they may obtain better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth... And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise. God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and let the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking into Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Matthew 6:14-21

For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Announcements

TODAY'S ADULT EDUCATION: Colette Kalvesmaki will be giving a presentation today in the church library, on icons including preparation, technique and production. All are welcome to attend.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY: His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius will be the speaker at the Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers tonight at St. Sophia Cathedral. This year the Orthodox Church in America sponsors the Panorthodox vespers. We encourage your attendance at this Panorthodox service

NOTICE: Please observe neighborhood parking regulations when parking for weekday services. We are not exempt from following the guidelines because we are attending church and the police will ticket inappropriately parked cars! Remember, you may only park on both sides of Edmund Street on Sunday mornings between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

CHOIR DIRECTOR SEARCH: Father Constantine has appointed a search committee to begin the process of bringing a new choir director to St. Nicholas Cathedral. We are fortunate to have many talented individuals at the Cathedral who will direct services after Professor Boldireff leaves us effective March 28, and who have volunteered to assist in any way they can during the search. Please contact Candice Johnson, Council President, with any questions or suggestions regarding the search.

ALL AMERICAN COUNCIL AD BOOK: The 13th All American Council of the Orthodox Church in America will be held this summer in Orlando Florida. The theme of the ad book is the 25th Anniversary of Primatial Service of His Beatitude Metropolitan Theodosius. The church will be putting together a list of parishioners from the Cathedral who would like to be listed. The rates are as follows: Benefactor Listing: \$50.00; Memorial Listing: \$30.00; Patron Listing: \$25.00. If you would like to place a listing please fill out a form available at the Candle Counter and send it along with a check made out to St. Nicholas Cathedral to the Cathedral offices (or you may turn it in at the candle counter).

R CLUB: The R Club will meet on March 26th at 7:30 pm. Newcomers are always welcome.

LENTEN POT LUCK MEALS: A sign up sheet has been placed on the downstairs bulletin board — please sign up to take responsibility for set up and clean up for one of the meals. We will be having pot luck meals following the Presanctified liturgies on Wednesdays and Fridays throughout Lent. Everyone attending the Liturgy is invited to bring a Lenten dish to share and join the meal. Please note: There will be NO meals following the Saturday morning Liturgies.

PUSSYWILLOWS: Thank you to those who have dropped off Pussywillows! If you have some in your yard, please cut them for use on Palm Sunday. (You may drop them off at the annex during office hours or on Sundays.)

AGAPE CANISER: \$46.68 was retrieved from the Agape canister on March 9, 2002. Thank you St. Nicholas for your continued generosity.