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WEEKLY BULLETIN



Sunday November 10, 2024

This Week's News

LUNCHEON –THE NATIVITY FAST begins NO EMBER 10. We take this opportunity to have a luncheon together as a church family on Sunday, November 10 after Liturgy. We will be happy to have you! We will have pasta with meatballs and stuffed cabbage leaves, salad and rolls and for dessert, cannoli. Adults \$20, children meals are \$5.

BAKE SALE AND HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET – NOVEMBER 23rd - We will have pies, scones, sweet bread, biscuits, pitas, everything to get you ready for Thanksgiving and Christmas. There will also be vendors with different things to sell, raffle baskets and if you are hungry, you can get a slice of spanakopita, a bowl of bean soup or chicken noodle soup. You can also take them to go. Please see flyers below.

FAITH MAGAZINE 3/2024: You can find the Faith Magazine for July – September in the link below:
<https://www.mitropolia.us/pdf/2024.11.07.pdf>

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS - Starting this Sunday, November 12, we will start collecting donations towards Christmas presents for our children. Whatever amount of money we collect, it will be used for presents. Please be generous! Last day to donate is Sunday, December 10th.

NEWS FROM THE KITCHEN: Bakers are baking to order. Please submit your holiday orders by this Sunday 11/10. We have spinach, leek and egg/cheese pitas, baklava, kouroubia and koulourakia. Please contact Betty Anderson at: (508) 353-9449 or at the email: bettya16@verizon.net or bettya16@verizon.net

MEMORY ETERNAL

Last Sunday, Nov. 3 we had the 12 years memorial service for Ioan Nica. Adriana, the daughter, her family prayed with the entire church for his soul. May God make his memory eternal!

This coming Sunday, Nov 10 we have a 3 month memorial service for Maria Vornicu, Psa. Claudia's mother. We pray to God to rest her soul with the righteous in Heaven!



The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Apostolic Reading: Ephesians 4:1-7 -

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

(The Parable of the Good Samaritan)

Tone 3 † Resurrection Gospel 9

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

KONTAKION OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ARCHANGELS

Supreme Commanders of the Hosts of the Heavens, we the unworthy, importune and beseech you that by your supplications ye encircle us in the shelter of the wings of your immaterial glory; guarding us who now fall down and cry to you with fervor: Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, as the great marshals of the heavenly hosts on high.





"If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I have become sounding brass and a resounding cymbal. And if I had the gift of prophecy and all mysteries I would know them and all science, and if I had so much faith so that I can move mountains, and I do not have love, I am nothing. And if I give away all my wealth and give my body to be burned, and I do not have love, nothing profits me."

Saint Paul the Apostle 3 – 67

**Happy Birthday! God Grant
You Many More Years!**

- Nov 4** - Nadine Kamilla Shaheen
- Nov 4** - Jacob Datz
- Nov 8** - Gabriela Hortopan
- Nov 13** - Emily Sassine
- Nov 13** - Stephen Ellis
- Nov 20** - Adriana Nica-Buda
- Nov 24** - Cristian Ionete
- Nov 27** - Jusina - Rozi Addum

Let us Pray for the good health

of:

Elizabeth, Rooney, Ekaterina, Psa Ileana, Psa Camelia, Anca, John, Luiza, Margareta, Marius-Nicolae, Viorica, Loredana-Anca, Teodora, Joanne, Deborah-Ann, Fr. Stefan and his son Andrei, Elena, for their helath and for their salvation!
Amin!

Dates to remember:

- November 2** - Staff Food Pantry, 9 am to 12 pm
- November 8** - (†) Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & Gabriel and all the other Bodiless Powers
- November 9** - St. Nektarios the Wonderworker, Bishop of Pentapolis
- November 10** - Luncheon at St. Nicholas
- November 15** - Nativity Fast Begins
- November 30** - St. Andrew the First- Called Apostle

A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! ! Lord our God, the ways of society stress us on all sides, so much so, that we live lives that are not real. We were born in ignorance of who we really are, and our real self still lies hidden from us. We constantly live on edge, trying always to conform to 'them' and all their demands, while trying to function with some pride and self-possession. We need to free the deep mystery that is our true self, but we cannot do this without your help. Show us how, Lord. For you alone can make us holy, O our God, and we give you glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

| Day | Date | Time | Service Type |
|----------|--------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| November | | | |
| Saturday | 2-Nov | 9:00 | Akathist |
| | | 10:00 | Divine Liturgy - Saturday of Souls -Memorial Service for all our loved departed ones. |
| Sunday | 3-Nov | 9:00 | Matins |
| | | 10:00 | Sunday 22 after Pentecost - "The Rich Man and Lazaros". |
| Friday | 8-Nov | 9:00 | Matins |
| | | 10:00 | (†) Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & Gabriel and all the other Bodiless Powers |
| Saturday | 9-Nov | 9:00 | Akathist |
| | | 10:00 | Divine Liturgy - St. Nektarios the Wonderworker, Bishop of Pentapolis. The relics of St. Nektarios will be presented for veneration in our church. |
| Sunday | 10-Nov | 9:00 | Matins |
| | | 10:00 | Sunday 25 after Pentecost - "The Parable of the Good Samaritan". Luncheon before THE NATIVITY FAST begins. |
| Friday | 15-Nov | | NATIVITY FAST BEGINS |
| Sunday | 17-Nov | 9:00 | Matins |
| | | 10:00 | Sunday 26 after Pentecost - "The Parable of the Rich Fool" |
| Thursday | 21-Nov | 8:00 | Akathist |
| | | 9:00 | (†) Divine Liturgy - The entry of the Mother of God into the Church. |
| Sunday | 24-Nov | 9:00 | Matins |
| | | 10:00 | Sunday 30 after Pentecost - "The Rich Ruler & Keeping the Commandments" |
| Saturday | 30-Nov | 9:00 | Akathist |
| | | 10:00 | †) Divine Liturgy - Holy and All-Praised Apostle Andrew the First-Called |

Alegeri prezidențiale •



CONSULATUL GENERAL AL ROMÂNIEI
la NEW YORK



Doamnelor și domnilor,

Stimați prieteni ai Comunității Românești,

Guvernul României organizează, în data de 22, 23 și 24 noiembrie 2024 (primul tur) și 6, 7 și 8 decembrie 2024 (turul II), alegerile pentru Președintele României din anul 2024. Avem rugămintea să participați în număr cât mai mare la vot, pentru că votul dumneavoastră este deosebit de important pentru viitorul României.

Consulatul General al României de la New York asigură toate condițiile necesare bunei desfășurări a acestor Alegeri și vă așteptăm la vot, rugându-vă să citiți cu atenție următoarele informații:

COMUNICAT privind organizarea Alegerilor pentru Președintele României

Consulatul General al României de la New York, în numele Guvernului României, anunță organizarea Alegerilor pentru Președintele României, astfel:

Turul 1

- Vineri - 22 noiembrie 2024: 12.00 – 21.00 (ora locală)
- Sâmbătă - 23 noiembrie 2024: 7.00 – 21.00 (ora locală)
- Duminică - 24 noiembrie 2024: 7.00 – 21.00 (ora locală)

Turul 2

- Vineri, 6 decembrie 2024: 12.00 – 21.00 (ora locală)
- Sâmbătă, 7 decembrie 2024: 7.00 – 21.00 (ora locală)
- Duminică, 8 decembrie 2024: 7.00 – 21.00 (ora locală)
- În fiecare zi din zilele susmenționate votarea se poate prelungi până

la ora 23:59, dacă la sediul secției de votare sau în afara acestuia sunt alegători care așteaptă să voteze.

Cine își poate exercita dreptul la vot în străinătate: toți cetățenii români cu vârsta de peste 18 ani, împliniți inclusiv în ziua alegerilor, cu domiciliul sau reședința în străinătate, precum și cei cu domiciliul/reședința în România, aflați la momentul alegerilor în SUA.

Cine nu își poate exercita dreptul la vot în străinătate: cetățenii români puși sub interdicție printr-o hotărâre judecătorească definitivă, precum și cei lipsiți de dreptul de a alege, ca urmare a unei condamnări definitive.

Actele de identitate pe baza cărora se poate vota: pașaportul diplomatic, pașaportul diplomatic electronic; pașaportul de serviciu; pașaportul de serviciu electronic; pașaportul simplu; pașaportul simplu electronic;



pașaportul simplu temporar; cartea de identitate; cartea de identitate provizorie; cartea electronică de identitate; buletinul de identitate; pașaportul simplu cu menționarea țării de domiciliu; pașaportul simplu electronic cu menționarea țării de domiciliu; pașaportul simplu temporar cu menționarea țării de domiciliu.

• **NU SE POATE VOTA CU TITLU DE CĂLĂTORIE** și nici cu vreun document din cele mai sus enumerate, expirate!

• Ministerul Afacerilor Externe recomandă tuturor cetățenilor români cu documente românești expirate, pierdute sau furate să-și reînnoiască/preschimbe din timp documentele cu care pot vota.

• Fiecare alegător își exprimă votul personal.

• Votul multiplu este interzis.

• Exercitarea votului în numele altui alegător este interzisă.

• Votul exercitat în cadrul procesului electoral este secret.

• Orice control asupra modului în care votează un alegător este interzis.

• Participarea cetățenilor la procesul electoral se face pe baza liberului consimțământ al acestora.

• Nimeni nu are dreptul de a exercita presiuni asupra unui alegător pentru a-l determina pe acesta să participe sau să nu participe la Alegeri sau să indice un anumit candidat sau formațiune politică.

Secțiile de votare la care vă puteți prezenta sunt următoarele:

- New York, New York: Consulatul General al României la New York, 200 E 38th St., New York, NY 10016 (cu intrarea pe 3rd Avenue).
- New York, New York: Institutul Cultural al României la New York, 200 E 38th St., New York, NY 10016 (cu intrarea pe 38th Street).
- Queens, New York: 90-34 139 Street, Jamaica, NY 11435.
- Long Valley, New Jersey: 132 Califon Road, Suite A, Long Valley, NJ 07853.
- Reading, Pennsylvania: 51 West Lawn Avenue, West Lawn, PA 19609.
- Shelton, Connecticut: 183 Howe Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484.
- Boston, Massachusetts: Four Points by Sheraton Wakefield Boston, 1 Audubon Road, Wakefield, MA 01880.
- Victor, New York, 56 Andrews Street, Victor, NY 14564-1262.

Vă mulțumim!

Mihaela-Simona FLOREA,

Consul General

OUR BELOVED SAINTS

Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & the other Bodiless Powers: Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel, & Barachiel



November 8

All the Angels, according to the Apostle Paul, are ministering spirits, - sent forth to minister to them who shall be heirs of salvation - (Heb. 1:14). God set them as overseers of every nation and people, and guides to that which is profitable (Deut. 32:8); and while one Angel is appointed to oversee each nation as a whole, one is also appointed to protect each Christian individually. He commands them to guard them that hope on Him, that nothing should harm them, neither should any evil draw nigh to their dwelling (Ps. 90:10-12). In the Heavens they always behold the face of God, sending up to Him the thrice-holy hymn and interceding with Him in our behalf, seeing they rejoice over one sinner that repents (Esaias 6:2-3; Matt. 18:10; Luke 15:7). In a word, they have served God in so many ways for our benefit, that the pages of Holy Scripture are filled with the histories thereof. It is for these reasons that the Orthodox Catholic Church, wisely honouring these divine ministers, our protectors and guardians, celebrates today the present Synaxis that is, our coming together in assembly for their common feast to chant their praises, especially for the Archangels Michael and Gabriel, who are mentioned in the Scriptures by name. The name Michael means "Who is like God?" and Gabriel means "God is mighty." The number of Angels is not defined in the divine Scriptures, where Daniel says that thousands of thousands ministered before Him, and ten thousands of ten thousands attended upon Him -(Dan. 7:10). But all of them are divided into nine orders which are called Thrones, Cherubim, Seraphim, Dominions, Powers, Authorities, Principalities, Archangels, and Angels.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ARCHANGELS

Supreme Commanders of the Hosts of the Heavens, we, the unworthy, importune and beseech you that by your supplications ye encircle us in the shelter of the wings of your immaterial glory; guarding us who now fall down and cry to you with fervor: Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, as the great marshals of the heavenly hosts on high

St. Nektarios the Wonderworker, Bishop of Pentapolis



November 9

A Saint Nektarius was born in Selyvria of Thrace on October 1, 1846. After putting himself through school in Constantinople with much hard labour, he became a monk on Chios in 1876, receiving the monastic name of Lazarus; because of his virtue, a year later he was ordained deacon, receiving the new name of Nektarius. Under the patronage of Patriarch Sophronius of Alexandria, Nektarius went to Athens to study in 1882; completing his theological studies in 1885, he went to Alexandria, where Patriarch Sophronius ordained him priest on March 23, 1886 in the Cathedral of Saint Sabbas, and in August of the same year, in the Church of Saint Nicholas in Cairo, made him Archimandrite. Archimandrite Nektarius showed much zeal both for preaching the word of God, and for the beauty of God's house. He greatly beautified the Church of Saint Nicholas in Cairo, and years later, when Nektarius was in Athens, Saint Nicholas appeared to him in a dream, embracing him and telling him he was going to exalt him very high. On January 15, 1889, in the same Church of Saint Nicholas, Nektarius was consecrated Metropolitan of the Pentapolis in eastern Libya, which was under the jurisdiction of Alexandria. Although Nektarius' swift ascent through the degrees of ecclesiastical office did not affect his modesty and childlike innocence, it aroused the envy of lesser men, who convinced the elderly Sophronius that Nektarius had it in his heart to become Patriarch. Since the people loved Nektarius, the Patriarch was troubled by the slanders. On May 3, 1890, Sophronius relieved Metropolitan Nektarius of his duties; in July of the same year, he commanded Nektarius to leave Egypt. Without seeking to avenge or even to defend himself, the innocent Metropolitan left for Athens, where he found that accusations of immorality had arrived before him. Because his good name had been soiled, he was unable to find a position worthy of a bishop, and in February of 1891 accepted the position of provincial preacher in Euboia; then, in 1894, he was appointed dean of the Rizarios Ecclesiastical School in Athens. Without seeking to avenge or even to defend himself, the innocent Metropolitan left for Athens, where he found that accusations of immorality had arrived before him.

Because his good name had been soiled, he was unable to find a position worthy of a bishop, and in February of 1891 accepted the position of provincial preacher in Euboia; then, in 1894, he was appointed dean of the Rizarios Ecclesiastical School in Athens. Through his eloquent sermons his unwearying labours to educate fitting men for the priesthood, his generous alms deeds despite his own poverty, and the holiness, meekness, and fatherly love that were manifest in him, he became a shining light and a spiritual guide to many.

At the request of certain pious women, in 1904 he began the building of his convent of the Holy Trinity on the island of Aegina while yet dean of the Rizarios School; finding later that his presence there was needed, he took up his residence on Aegina in 1908, where he spent the last years of his life, devoting himself to the direction of his convent and to very intense prayer; he was sometimes seen lifted above the ground while rapt in prayer. He became the protector of all Aegina, through his prayers delivering the island from drought, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Here also he endured wicked slanders with singular patience, forgiving his false accusers and not seeking to avenge himself. Although he had already worked wonders in life, an innumerable multitude of miracles have been wrought after his repose in 1920 through his holy relics, which for many years remained incorrupt. There is hardly a malady that has not been cured through his prayers; but Saint Nektarius is especially renowned for his healings of cancer for sufferers in all parts of the world.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. NEKTARIOS OF AEGINA

The offspring of Selyvria and the guardian of Aegina, the true friend of virtue who didst appear in the last years, O Nektarios, we faithful honor thee as a Godly servant of Christ, for thou pourest forth healings of every kind for those who piously cry out: Glory to Christ Who hath glorified thee. Glory to Him Who hath made thee wondrous. Glory to Him Who worketh healings for all through thee.

**NOVEMBER 23RD
BAKE SALE & LUNCHEON**



**Bake Sale and Holidays
Crafts Market**

**St Nicholas Church
34 Gold St Shrewsbury MA**

NOVEMBER 23RD, 10 AM - 4 PM

**BAKE SALE:
PITA, SCONES, BREADS, BISCUITS, PIES**

**LUNCHEON:
SPANAKOPITA \$5, BEAN SOUP \$3, CHICKEN
NOODLE SOUP \$3**

**Enjoy Christmas music, raffle
baskets, and vendors!**



**Holiday
Crafts Market**

LOOKING FOR SELLERS, CRAFTERS, AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

St Nicholas Orthodox Church

34 GOLD ST, SHREWSBURY, MA

**NOVEMBER 23RD
10 AM - 4 PM**

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**TO RENT A TABLE,
MAKE CHECKS FOR \$30
TO ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH**



Connect

YOUNG ADULT

DISCUSSION AND MEETING

NOVEMBER 10

6 TO 7:30 PM

Join us for appetizers and fellowship,
reflections and discussion,
and future planning for our Worcester Connect group

St. Spyridon Cathedral 102 Russell Street, Worcester

Social Media site: *Young Orthodox Adults of Worcester*
on Facebook



HAPPY BIRTHDATE NADINE



CHURCH & FACILITY NEEDS

The list below contains **ongoing needs for the Church as well as special needs that may arise.** Any and every offering is most appreciated. If you have any questions, or would like to donate for or towards one of these items, please speak with [Fr. Vasile](#), any member of the Parish Council, or use the [online giving](#) site.

\$25 - Box of Three Kings Charcoal (100 pieces)

\$100 - Beeswax Candles for the Holy Altar

\$200 – Sacramental vine

\$100 – Olive oil for candles

HOLY TRINITY NEWS
November 10, 2024
THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Sunday: NE Patriots Football 1p, Movie Matinee 2:30p
Monday: VETERANS DAY PROGRAM refreshments and entertainer Joe C 2:30p
Tuesday: Coffee & Pastries Social sponsored by St. Mary's 2p
Wednesday: Divine Liturgy: Every Wednesday at 9:30. Art Fun Craft Day, Teatime Social 3p
Thurs: 9-12 Manicures provided by Worcester Tech School, Wine Social and Entertainment
Clyde W. (Saxophonist)
Friday: Culinary Club Tapas & Sangria 2p, Wii Bowling 3p

Veterans Day is a day to honor and remember all who have served in the United States Armed Forces, including those who served in peacetime. In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank LIVING veterans for their service, to acknowledge that their contributions to our national security are appreciated, and to underscore the fact that all those who served – not only those who died – have sacrificed and done their duty.

All of us at Holy Trinity want to Thank you for your service!

Thank you for your sacrifices, for your valor, for the things you carry, for protecting us, and for defending our rights. Thank you to all our veterans for your courage, strength and dedication to keeping us safe.

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Sunday Services: Matins at 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am