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St Nicholas the
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November 26, 2006

Ven. Alypius the Stylite

St. Innocent of Irkutsk

Nativity Fast: November 15th – December 24th

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

This Week – Tone 7 Eph. 2:14-22 – Luke 13:10-17

Next Week – Tone 8 Eph. 4:1-6 – Luke 18:18-27

Schedule of Services

Saturday	Dec.	2	5:00 pm	Vigil (E,S,G)	General Confession (E)
Sunday	Dec.	3	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy (E)	
			10:45 am	Divine Liturgy (S)	
			1:00 pm	Akathist (G)	

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian, ASL=American Sign Language

General Confession in English is held on the first and third Saturdays of the month.

General confession in Russian is held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

*** VISITORS ***

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral! We are glad to have you worship with us today.
Please join us downstairs following liturgy for our coffee hour.

**The November bulletins are donated in memory of Aggie Loboda.
May her memory be eternal.**

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call the church office between 10:00-2:00 Monday – Friday (202)-333-5060, or to leave a message press 12 at menu, or e-mail the church at officeassistant@stnicholasdc.org. Notices must be submitted no later than **Wednesday** for the following Sunday.

Troparion (Tone 7): By thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy!

Tropar – (Tone 4): Thy just works have shown Thee to thy flock as an example of faith, an image of meekness and a teacher of abstinence. By humility Thou didst achieve exaltation, and by meekness, riches. O Father Bishop Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

Kontakion (Tone 7): The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers! Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry: the Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

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

Kondak – (Tone 3): You revealed yourself in Myra as a priest, O Holy One, for you fulfilled the gospel of Christ by giving up your life for your people and saving the innocent from death. Therefore you are blessed as one well instructed in the grace of God.

Now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Steadfast Protectress (Tone 6): Steadfast Protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator, despise not the cry of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith, hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you.

Prokeimenon (Tone 7): The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace! Verse: Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord.

Epistle: Eph. 2: 14-22: Brethren, He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the Cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.

And He came & preached peace to you who were afar off & to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers & foreigners, but fellow citizens with the

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saints & members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles & prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in Whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Alleluia (Tone 7): It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to Thy Name, O Most High. Vs. To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night.

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17: At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over & could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him & said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight & glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come & be healed on them and rest on the Sabbath day." The Lord then answered him & said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath." And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia!

Bulletin Messages

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!

Today following each liturgy a collection will be taken for the OCA Charity Appeal.
We thank you for your generosity.

Short-term Orthodox Mission opportunities through the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) have been finalized for 2007. Mission Teams will travel abroad for 2-4 weeks witnessing the Gospel of Christ through education, youth camp coordination, construction, and healthcare. Please **share in a journey of**

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faith by volunteering to serve on an OCMC Orthodox Mission Team. For more information or to download an application visit www.ocmc.org/teams.php.

Nation's Capital R Club 2007 Dues: It's time again for R-Club dues. Dues this year are \$40.00 per person (no married couple discount), which breaks down to \$30.00 National, \$5.00 for the Colonial District and \$5.00 for local Chapter; Student dues are \$10.00. - Dues may also be sent to John Slanta, Treasurer, Nation's Capital R Club, 6610 Cypress Point Road Alexandria, VA 22312.

Inquiry Class Schedule changes: Classes will resume on Saturday December 3rd. Newcomers are always welcome to attend. Classes meet in the church annex on Saturday afternoons at 3:30. For more information please contact the church office.

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

- **November 29, Choir Rehearsal @ 7:30pm**
- **December 6, Feast of Saint Nicholas, Divine Liturgy 10 am**
- **December 9, Children's Liturgy followed by St. Nicholas Craft Day sponsored by the Sunday School**
- **December 13, Feast of St. Herman of Alaska, Divine Liturgy 10 am**
- **December 17, 8:30 AM Chrismation of Kenneth Mitchell**
- **December 17, Fr. Eugene Vansuch on Stewardship**
- **December 24, single Divine Liturgy at 9am with ordination to the Diaconate for Subdeacon Sergius Miller and to the Subdiaconate for Reader Brian Patrick Mitchell.**

St. Juliana's Guild of St. Mary's Orthodox Church presents "In the Footsteps of the Magi: offering our spiritual gifts to Christ." Sat. Dec. 9th, 9:00am -2:30pm, Falls Church, VA, Cost: Free Will Offering. Our parishioner, **Daria Virvan**, will be one of the presenters. See bulletin board for more info.



R Club Outing: Next Sunday ya'll are invited to join the Nation's Capital R Club in a walk at the zoo! Meet at the Panda House (at the National Zoo off Connecticut Ave NW) at 1 pm for a walk through the Panda House and a chance to see the panda cub before he is shipped off to China next summer.

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Candle Counter and Greeter Schedule

<u>November</u>	<u>Candle Counter</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
26	Tom Downey (E) Svetlana Grenier (S)	Eija Pehu & Susanne Somersalo
<u>December</u>		
3	Gillian Butler (E) Ludmila Falsafi (S)	J D Thomas & Matt Tingstrom
6**	Lisa Morris/Paul Patton	
10	Caroline Jarboe (E) Olga Liefert (S)	Elizabeth Manchuk & Sharon Osmolovsky
13**	Lisa Morris/Paul Patton	
17	Daria Virvan (E) Mila Medina (S)	Tekla Virvan & Lola Beno
24	Amal Morcos (E) Victoria Shalaginova (S)	Gillian and Lesya Butler
25**	Tom Downey & John Rusinko	
26**	Lisa Morris	
31	John Rusinko (E) Svetlana Moser (S)	Nina Shafran & Robert Tyszcenko
	*Single Liturgy	** Weekday Liturgy

St. Nicholas coffee hour volunteers

Schedule for hosts after the first Divine Liturgy

Date	Restrictions	Host
26 November 2006	FAST	Gillian Butler
3 December 2006	FAST	Susanne Sumersalo & Eija Pehu
10 December 2006	FAST	Irina Burgener

The Agape Canister received \$15.14 for November 15th. Thank You

For inclement weather updates for the Cathedral this winter, please tune in to WTOP News Radio. Please note that WTOP is now broadcasting from 103.5 FM, 820 AM and at WTOPNEWS.COM.

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Today's bulletin is sponsored by Nina Shafran in honor of her parents, V. Rev. Paul and Matushka Mary Shafran, who celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary on 11/27/06.
May God grant them Many Years!

This week's bulletin is donated in loving memory of Milan, Stanko, and Vera Kocic. Memory Eternal!

ADOPTED SEMINARIAN CHRISTMAS GIFT - I will solicit donations for the Gregory Parker Family gift check from Sunday 5 November through Sunday 10 December. Please turn in your check to me or to the candle counter in an envelope addressed to A. Lutov/Outreach Alaska. Make check payable to: St. Nicholas Cathedral with memo "Alaska Seminarian." Read about our new seminarian family in the Annual Meeting Reports and watch the bulletin board for bio and photo. Thanks for your generous support.
-Andrea Lutov/Outreach Alaska rep



St. Nicholas Day @ St. Nicholas Cathedral Saturday, December 9, 2006



A day of family fun – suggested donation \$5.00 per person.
Proceeds to benefit the OCA Christmas Stocking Project.
Starting with Divine Liturgy at 9:30am and capping off with a visit from St. Nicholas from 1-2pm with photo opportunities.
Gift corner will be open for your Christmas shopping.
Further information can be found on bulletin board.
For any additional information contact Colette Kalvesmaki (202) 636-9486.

Christmas Stocking Project: It's that time of year again for the Annual Christmas Stocking Project of the Humanitarian Aid division of the Orthodox Church in America (OCA)! Each year over 15,000 Christmas Stockings are sent to indigent children throughout the world. Some of the countries the OCA has sent to are Serbia, Romania, Mexico and the US (Hurricane Katrina victims). If you will not be attending the St. Nicholas Day Celebration, but would like to contribute to this worthwhile project, please drop a check in the donation box with a notation in the memo section: Christmas Stocking Project. Cash donations should be placed into an envelope clearly marked: Christmas Stocking Project and placed in the donation box. Thank you for your generous assistance with this project.

Thank you to those who responded to our request for Pledges!
Only 88 families have responded so far! Are you one of them? If not, please consider sending in a pledge.

We need your support!

Pledge forms are available at the candle counter.

**...those who have given their lives for their homeland..." Memory Eternal.
St. Nicholas Cathedral – the National War Memorial Shrine**

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