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St Amphilochius, Bp. Of Iconium

Rt. Blv. Great Prince Alexander Nevsky

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

METROPOLITAN JONAH,

ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON & NEW YORK

V. Rev. Constantine White, Dean

Rev. Valery Shemchuk, Associate Pastor

Sunday Lessons

Next Week – Tone 7: Eph. 2:14-22; Luk. 13:10-17

Schedule of Services

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| Thursday | 27 November | 9:00am | Liturgy (E,S) |
| Saturday | 29 November | 5:00 pm | Vigil (E, S, G) |
| Sunday | 30 November | 9:00 am | Liturgy (E) |
| | | 10:45 am | Liturgy (S, G) |
| | | 1:00 pm | Prayer Service (G) |

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian

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.

Sponsorship of the Bulletin: If you are interested in sponsoring the Sunday Bulletin, please contact the church office, (202)-333-5060, ext.10, for the dates you want. Immediate payment is not required, but advance reservations are needed. The donation is \$20 a week; \$80 a month (English); \$15 a week; \$60 a month (Russian). *Sponsors for the Russian bulletin are greatly needed!*

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call the church office and leave a message - press 10 at menu, or e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org. Notices must be submitted no later than **Wednesday** for the following Sunday. *****Please note change in email address for messages!*****

***** VISITORS *****

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral! We are glad to have you worship with us today.

Please join us downstairs for coffee hour following Liturgy!

...those who have given their lives for their homeland...” Memory Eternal.

St. Nicholas Cathedral – the National War Memorial Shrine

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This week bulletin is sponsored in memory of Julia Bolkovitina, who passed away 15 years ago. Memory Eternal.

Sunday, November 30th after both Liturgies archimandrite Daniel (Byantoro) from Indonesia will give a talk about the Orthodox missionary work in Indonesia.

The Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America is requesting donations of gift cards to support married seminarian families at St. Tikhon's Seminary and St. Herman's Seminary. For a seminarian family at St. Tikhon's, please provide Target and/or Kohl's gift cards. For the seminarian families at St. Herman's, please provide Wal-Mart and/or Safeway gift cards. We would like to provide these gift in time for St. Nicholas Day. As such, please leave your donation of gift cards at the candle counter no later than November 30. Also, if you wish, you can make a monetary donation and we will purchase the gift cards. Thank you for your generosity. --Nation's Capital "R" Club

Come to St. Nicholas Day Celebrations! We will hold our annual Feast for St. Nicholas on Saturday, 6 December. There will be Liturgy, starting at 10:00 AM. Immediately following the Liturgy, we will have a special Lunch (suggested donation \$10/person, kids free) -all Lenten, of course. Craft making, preparation of Christmas stockings for the Elderly and Infirm of the Parish, a raffle for several prizes with proceedings going to a parishioner in need and a surprise visit from St. Nicholas himself! To complete our preparations for the Feast Confession will be available in the Church after Lunch. Parishioners we need your help!! We need people to oversee the crafts (7-at least) and we need help making and serving the food! Please contact Colette Kalvesmaki (202) 636-9486, paraskeve@gmail.com for help with the crafts; for help with the food Marina McGuigan, (703) 333-2706, marina.mcguigan@cox.net and for help with the Elderly Claire Noble Claire Nobles, clairesophia@verizon.net Hope to see you all there!

Work on the campaign for the church expansion. Six teams of parishioners have been meeting in the evenings and on weekends to review the current list of parishioners for accuracy, and data entry work to organize this data has begun. Katya Haines is chairing the Communications subcommittee, and hopes to have something in each week's bulletin to keep you all up to date on the progress of the campaign. She invites you all to contact her with any questions or ideas regarding PR or communications for this project. Her email address is khaines@novell.com, and her telephone number is (703) 283-0796. She also welcomes the help of anyone who has experience in, and is interested in helping with, the design of the web site.

Troparia (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 (Tone 4): Today is the prelude of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. The Virgin appears in the temple of God, in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all. Let us rejoice and sing to her: Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation!

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

Kontakion (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.

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

Kontakion (Tone 4): The most pure Temple of the Savior; the precious Chamber and Virgin; the sacred Treasure of the glory of God, is presented today to the house of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the Spirit, which the angels of God do praise. Truly this woman is the Abode of Heaven!

Prokeimenon (Tone 6): O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Verse: To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O My God, be not silent to me.

Epistle: Eph. 2:4-10: Brethren: 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.

Alleluia (Tone 1): He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in shadow of the heavenly God! Vs. He will say to the Lord, "My Protector & my Refuge; my God in Whom I trust!"

Gospel: Luke 12:16-21: The Lord told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Hymn to the Theotokos: The angels beheld the entrance of the Pure One and were amazed! How has the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies? As you are a living Temple of God, let no impure hand touch you, O Theotokos! But let the lips of all believers sing, constantly magnifying you in joy with the angelic salutation: Truly you are above all creatures, O Pure One!

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heaven, praise Him in the highest. : I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Stewardship Committee is putting together one last fund raiser for this year. It has been decided that in the spirit of the holiday season the choir will sing Christmas carols during the December 14 festival free of charge! However, we still need volunteers to provide crafts, items for a lottery, baked goods, etc. Let's make this a joyous event by having everyone participate! Please call or email Irina Burgener at 301-933-9043 or iburgen@gmail.com

The Sunday School is planning a bake sale Sunday, Dec. 7th, the day after St. Nicholas Feast Day to sell cookies the children decorated. We would welcome any other treats that Parishoners have baked to sell at the bake sale (which you can take directly into the basement Sunday Morning). Please let me know if you are interested in helping -contact Colette Paraskeve@gmail.com Also, we still need some help baking the sugar cookies to be decorated for St. Nicholas Day Dec. 6th. If you would like to volunteer for this please contact George Evanisko George.Evanisko@USPTO.GOV Thank You!