

St. Nicholas Cathedral  
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August 16, 2009

**Afterfeast of the Dormition  
 Feast of Icon "Not Made by Hands"  
 Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Most Blessed Jonah  
 Archbishop of Washington  
 Metropolitan of All America and Canada**

**Schedule of Services**

|           |        |    |          |   |
|-----------|--------|----|----------|---|
| Wednesday | August | 19 | 9:00 am  | Liturgy (O.C.) <i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i> |
| Friday    | August | 21 | 7:00 pm  | Vigil (G)   |
| Saturday  | August | 22 | 10:00 am | Liturgy (G)                                       |
| Saturday  | August | 22 | 5:00 pm  | Vigil (E, S)                                      |
| Sunday    | August | 23 | 9:00 am  | Liturgy (E)                                       |
|           |        |    | 10:45 am | Liturgy (S)                                       |
|           |        |    | 1:00 pm  | Prayer (G)  |

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian, OC=Old Calendar

**\*\*\* VISITORS \*\*\***

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

**"...those who have given their lives for their homeland..."  
 Memory Eternal.  
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**Bulletin Messages**

**St Nicholas Coffee Hour**

| Date        | Restrictions | Host                             |
|-------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| 16 August   | None         | Nina Shafran & Robert Tyszchenko |
| 23 August   | None         | Jim and Rosalie Luster           |
| 30 August   | None         | Bill & Lidia Kosar               |
| 6 September | None         | Irina Burgener                   |

**St. Nicholas Cathedral FESTIVAL 2009**

October 17 – October 18

YES! It's that time again. We are looking for volunteers to help make this festival extra special for everyone as we celebrate our diversity in the common bond of Orthodox Christians.

As many of you have heard we are trying to show our neighbors just how ethnically rich and welcoming to all our parish is and the inclusivity of the Orthodox Church in America by having different food kiosks. So far we have Russian, Georgian, Serbian and American. We have plenty of room for other groups. If you would like to feature your ethnic dishes, great! Please let me know as soon as possible so we can allocate space.

Sweet tooth experts are needed for the bakery table and if there is anyone out there who can make a mean cup of espresso - we need you too.

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We will be selling ads for our brochure. The ads for the Festival will cost:

**\$35 for 1/3 page      \$55 for 1/2 page      \$100 for full page**

This advertizing is an excellent way to bring in extra revenue at a time of great need in our Cathedral. These can be business ads or personal ads, for example you may want to wish someone a happy birthday or anniversary, you can have an ad that welcomes the Metropolitan to Washington or wishes him good health. So ask your friends, neighbors and business people in your area. Every little bit helps. Remember, the more ads we sell, the more money we will have for repairs to the Cathedral. Suggestions are gratefully accepted but mostly we need your elbow grease to help set up, break down and everything in between. Give us a call and we'll find you a job that needs your abilities.

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White Elephant Sale. Okay, we're giving you another opportunity to clean your house. We WILL NOT accept old books, text books, records, electronics, clothing or anything that is chipped, broken or dirty. It is important that you was any glasses, dishes, etc that you are donating. Yes, we will take CLEAN handbags, belts and scarves and of course jewelry, costume or real. We really need volunteers to help set up and sell at the sales tables. We will begin collecting items at the beginning of October.

Please call Irina Burgener at 301-933-9043 or write to [iburgen@gmail.com](mailto:iburgen@gmail.com)

**Sunday School EARLY REGISTRATION starts TODAY, 08/16!**

Our children from ALL services are invited to participate in weekly Orthodox Christian Education classes during the school year. Classes start on 09/13, so be sure to sign-up your children, ages 3-18! A registration table will be set up downstairs during coffee hour after BOTH the English and Slavonic liturgies. \*Enter to win a \$50 gift certificate to the Cathedral bookstore by registering before 08/30!

**Troparion (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.

**Troparion (Tone 2):** We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God. Of Your own will You were pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh to deliver Your creatures from bondage to the Enemy.

Therefore with thanksgiving we cry aloud to You: "You have filled all with joy, O our Savior, by coming to save the world."

**Troparion (Tone 1):** In giving birth, you preserved your virginity! In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos! You were translated to life, O Mother of Life, and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death!

**Kontakion (Tone 1):** As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Thyself. Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished! Adam exults, O Master! Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage, and cries to Thee: Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ.

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

**Kontakion (Tone 2):** Uncircumscribed Word of the Father as we behold the victorious image of Your true incarnation, not made by hands, but divinely wrought in Your ineffable and divine dispensation towards us, we honor it with veneration!

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

**Kontakion (Tone 2):** Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercession. For being the Mother of life, she was translated to life by the One who dwelt in her ever virginal womb!

**Prokeimenon (Tone 1): Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.**

**Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!**

**Epistle: 1 Cor. 4:9-16:** Brethren, I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

**Alleluia (Tone 1):** God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me. Verse: He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ, with David and his seed forever.

**Gospel: Matt. 17:14-23:** And when they came to the crowd, a man came up to him and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came

out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day." And they were greatly distressed.

**Also Gospel: Luke 9:51-56, 10:22-24:** When the days drew near for Him to be received up, He set his face to go to Jerusalem. And He sent messengers ahead of Him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for Him; but the people would not receive Him, because His face was set toward Jerusalem. And when His disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to bid fire come down from heaven and consume them?" But He turned and rebuked them.

All things have been delivered to me by my Father; and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and any one to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." Then turning to the disciples he said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it."

**Hymn to the Theotokos:** The angels, as they looked upon the Dormition of the Virgin, were struck with wonder, seeing how the Virgin went up from earth to heaven! The limits of nature are overcome in you, O Pure Virgin: for birthgiving remains virginal and life is united unto death! A virgin after childbearing and alive after death! You ever save your inheritance, O Theotokos.

**Communion Verse:** Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings! Alleluia....

**Thanksgiving Prayer After Communion:** We give thank, Lord our God, for letting us share in the holy Mysteries You have given us for the benefit, sanctification, and healing of our souls and bodies. O Master of all things! Let them provide us with faith that cannot be shaken, with love that does not pretend, with wisdom that is complete, with healing for our souls and bodies, with a sure defense against adversary, with a willingness to observe all You have given us, and, finally, with the right answer at the judgment seat of your Christ. For You make us holy, and we render glory to You – to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever and unto ages of ages.

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**St. Nicholas Community Outreach:** An unintended oversight correction: The servers at last Sunday's Christ House Shelter were Elizabeth and Rachel Cowgill. They are our youngest members, serving at the Shelter for the last three years. Both are very dedicated, very helpful and their involvement is really appreciated.

**Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) Agape Canister:** The OCMC Agape Canister this week brought in **\$39.20!** Thank you for donating through the OCMC to share Christ with the world; your donations are a living witness to the fullness of the Gospel. Continuing the work of the Apostles themselves, may we all be given the strength to answer the call issued by Christ on that day to "...go and make disciples of all nations." (Matt. 28) For more information on the Agape Canister Program, contact Betty Slanta at [slanta@verizon.net](mailto:slanta@verizon.net) or visit <http://www.ocmc.org>.