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FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

March 5, 2023

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Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 (Epistle)

John 1:43-51 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship.

If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY **Sunday of Orthodoxy;** Martyr Conon of Isauria (†1ST c.); Finding of the Relics of Rt. Blv. Theodore, Prince of Smolensk and Yaroslavl', and his children Ss. David & Constantine, Wonderworkers of Yaroslavl' (†1463); Monastic Martyr Adrian of Poshekhónsk (†1550); Martyr Onesimus of Isauria (†1ST c.); Martyr Conon the Gardener, of Pamphylia (†3RD c.); Virgin Martyr Raïssa of Egypt (ca. †308); Martyrs Eulogius, Eulampius, of Palestine; St. Mark the Faster, of Egypt (†5TH c.); St. Hesychius the Faster, of Bithynia (ca. †790).

READERS: Hours: Marlo PERRY

Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy** - **LIVE STREAM ON ST. NICHOLAS FACEBOOK PAGE**

11:20 am **Sunday School**

11:40 am **Fellowship**

6:30 pm **Pan-Orthodox Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers** Holy Resurrection 5701 N. Redwood Dr., Chicago

Wednesday, March 8

6:00 pm **Presanctified Liturgy**

All Saints Greek Orthodox Church 102 N Broadway St., Joliet, IL

Saturday, March 11 **Memorial Saturday**

9:00 am **Memorial Liturgy**

5:00 pm **Great Vespers**

Sunday, March 12 **2ND Sunday of Lent; St. Gregory Palamas;** Synaxis of the Venerable Fathers of the Kyiv Caves Lavra; Ven. Theophanes the Confessor, of Sigriane (†818); Righteous Phineas, grandson of Aaron (ca. †1500 B.C.); St. Gregory Dialogus, Pope of Rome (†604); Ven. Simeon the New Theologian (†1021).

READERS: Hours: Anna VILCHIS

Epistle: George KLEINERT

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy** - **LIVE STREAM ON ST. NICHOLAS FACEBOOK PAGE**

11:40 am **Fellowship**

6:00 pm **Lenten Vespers**

St. Nicholas Church 4313 18TH Avenue, Kenosha, WI

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sunday, February 26TH, 2023 — Collection

\$939.00

ALTAR CANDLES Today, on Sunday, March 5TH the altar candles are sponsored by the KUCHTA family in memory of Matushka Ruth KUCHTA.

Remember, altar candles are available for purchase.

MEMORIAL SATURDAY For the Orthodox Christian, it is a day for remembering the souls that have departed earth. According to our beliefs, a person does not cease to exist. Rather, they exist as a soul in the spiritual realm when they stop living in their physical bodies on earth. It is thought that prayers on behalf of deceased relatives and friends can alter their eternal status and encourage the forgiveness of sins for a more lenient sentence during the final day of judgment.



MANY THANKS to Anna VILCHIS for hosting today's fellowship hour.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR If wondering when to sign up, there is no wrong time. Great reasons to host include birthdays, wedding anniversaries or memorial anniversaries. Hosting fellowship hour can be a great way to multiply your happiness or divide your sorrow. Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/2023FellowshipHour>

WHAT WE SHOULD DO DURING GREAT LENT Fast as fully as possible. Do not advertise or discuss your fasting with anyone and avoid judging others who may not be fasting. Holy Fathers have referred fasting without prayer as "the fast of the demons" since the demons do not eat according to their incorporeal nature, but neither do they pray.

AMAZONSMILE St. Nicholas Church has been issued a \$98.74 donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile program activity between October 1ST and December 31ST, 2022.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Dn. David HANNEMAN	Tom KOMPARE	Joseph ORLOVICH	Elena PAVLOV	Soldier Sergij MARTYNUK
Kathy HANNEMAN	Susan NICKLAS	Josephine ORLOVICH	Tetiana MAZUR	Stefan KARADJOV
Sevasti BERGSTROM	Sue UNDERWOOD	Duane BRADLEY	Jose FELIX	Toma ANDREEV
Zachary MISSEN	Stevan LUNICH	Emily ROUSONELOS	Alice PISTILLI	

Today Epistle (Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2)

Brethren... 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 might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, 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 the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto 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.

Today Gospel (John 1:43-51)

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Апостол Дня (Евреям 11:24-26, 32-12:2)

Братия... Верю Моисей, придя в возраст, отказался называться сыном дочери фараоновой, и лучше захотел страдать с народом Божиим, нежели иметь временное греховное наслаждение, и поношение Христово почел большим для себя богатством, нежели Египетские сокровища; ибо он взирал на воздаяние. И что еще скажу? Недостанет мне времени, чтобы повествовать о Гедеоне, о Вараке, о Самсоне и Иеффае, о Давиде, Самуиле и (других) пророках, которые верою побеждали царства, творили правду, получали обетования, заграждали уста львов, угашали силу огня, избегали острия меча, укреплялись от немощи, были крепки на войне, прогоняли полки чужих; жены получали умерших своих воскресшими; иные же замучены были, не приняв освобождения, дабы получить лучшее воскресение; другие испытывали поругания и побои, а также узы и темницу, были побиваемы камнями, перепиливаемы, подвергаемы пытке, умирали от меча, скитались в милотях и козых кожах, терпя недостатки, скорби, озлобления; те, которых весь мир не был достоин, скитались по пустыням и горам, по пещерам и ущельям земли. И все сии, свидетельствованные в вере, не получили обещанного, потому что Бог предусмотрел о нас нечто лучшее, дабы они не без нас достигли совершенства. Посему и мы, имея вокруг себя такое облако свидетелей, свергнем с себя всякое бремя и запинаящий нас грех и с терпением будем проходить предлежащее нам поприще, взирая на начальника и совершителя веры Иисуса, Который, вместо предлежавшей Ему радости, претерпел крест, пренебрегши посрамление, и воссел одесную престола Божия.

Евангелие Дня (Иоанна 1:43-51)

На другой день Иисус восхотел идти в Галилею, и находит Филиппа и говорит ему: иди за Мною. Филипп же был из Вифсаиды, из одного города с Андреем и Петром. Филипп находит Нафанаила и говорит ему: мы нашли Того, о Котором писали Моисей в законе и пророки, Иисуса, сына Иосифова, из Назарета. Но Нафанаил сказал ему: из Назарета может ли быть что доброе? Филипп говорит ему: пойди и посмотри. Иисус, увидев идущего к Нему Нафанаила, говорит о нем: вот подлинно Израильянин, в котором нет лукавства. Нафанаил говорит Ему: почему Ты знаешь меня? Иисус сказал ему в ответ: прежде нежели позвал тебя Филипп, когда ты был под смоковницею, Я видел тебя. Нафанаил отвечал Ему: Равви! Ты Сын Божий, Ты Царь Израилев. Иисус сказал ему в ответ: ты веришь, потому что Я тебе сказал: Я видел тебя под смоковницею; увидишь больше сего. И говорит ему: истинно, истинно говорю вам: отныне будете видеть небо отверстым и Ангелов Божиих восходящих и нисходящих к Сыну Человеческому.