

"There is only one way into the Kingdom of Heaven,
and that is the very way that Jesus Christ
went when He lived on earth."

Bishop INNOCENT of Kamchatka, the Kurilian and Aleutian Islands.



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For Metropolitan Boulos,
Archbishop John, and for
their quick release from
captivity and safe return,
let us pray to the Lord.

THE HOLY EPISTLE (1 Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2)

Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care, lest this liberty of yours somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you—a man of knowledge—at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

يَا إِخْوَةَ إِنَّ الطَّعَامَ لَا يُفَرِّبُنَا إِلَى اللَّهِ. لِأَنَّا إِنِ أَكَلْنَا لَا نَزِيدُ وَإِنِ لَمْ نَأْكُلْ لَا نَنْقُصُ * وَلَكِنْ انظُرُوا أَنْ لَا يَكُونَ سُلْطَانُكُمْ هَذَا مَعْتَرَةً لِلضَّعْفَاءِ * لِأَنَّهُ إِنِ رَأَى أَحَدٌ يَأْمَنُ لَهُ الْعِلْمَ مُتَكَبِّراً فِي بَيْتِ الْاَوْثَانِ أَفَلَا يَتَقَوَّى ضَمِيرُهُ وَهُوَ ضَعِيفٌ عَلَى أَكْلِ ذَبَائِحِ الْاَوْثَانِ * فِيهِلِكُ بِسَبَبِ عِلْمِكَ الْاَخُ الضَّعِيفُ الَّذِي مَاتَ الْمَسِيحُ لِاجْلِهِ * وَهَكَذَا إِذْ تُخْطِئُونَ إِلَى الْاِخْوَةِ وَتَجْرَحُونَ ضَمَائِرَهُمْ وَهِيَ ضَعِيفَةٌ إِنَّمَا تُخْطِئُونَ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ * فَلِذَلِكَ إِنِ كَانَ الطَّعَامُ يُشَكِّكَ أَخِي فَلَا أَكُلْ لِحَمَاءٍ إِلَى الْاَبَدِ لِئَلَّا أَشَكِّكَ أَخِي * أَلَسْتُ أَنَا رَسُولاً * أَلَسْتُ أَنَا حُرّاً. أَمَا رَأَيْتَ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ رَبَّنَا. أَلَسْتُمْ أَنْتُمْ عَمَلِي فِي الرَّبِّ * وَإِنِ لَمْ أَكُنْ رَسُولاً إِلَى آخَرِينَ فَإِنِّي رَسُولٌ إِلَيْكُمْ. لِأَنَّ خَاتَمَ رِسَالَتِي هُوَ أَنْتُمْ فِي الرَّبِّ.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Matthew 25:31-46)

The Lord said, "When the Son of man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. Before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and He will place the sheep at His right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at His right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me, I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see Thee hungry and feed Thee, or thirsty and give Thee drink? And when did we see Thee a stranger and welcome Thee, or naked and clothe Thee? And when did we see Thee sick or in prison and visit Thee?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' Then He will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see Thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to Thee?' Then He will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to Me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

قَالَ الرَّبُّ مَتَى جَاءَ ابْنُ الْبَشَرِ فِي مَجْدِهِ وَجَمِيعُ الْمَلَائِكَةِ الْقَدِيسِينَ مَعَهُ فَحِينَئِذٍ يَجْلِسُ عَلَى عَرْشِ مَجْدِهِ * وَتُجْمَعُ إِلَيْهِ كُلُّ الْأُمَّمِ فَيُمَيِّزُ بَعْضَهُمْ مِنْ بَعْضٍ كَمَا يُمَيِّزُ الرَّاعِي الْخِرَافَ مِنَ الْجِدَاءِ * وَيُقِيمُ الْخِرَافَ عَنْ يَمِينِهِ وَالْجِدَاءَ عَنْ يَسَارِهِ * حِينَئِذٍ يَقُولُ الْمَلِكُ لِلَّذِينَ عَنْ يَمِينِهِ تَعَالَوْا يَا مَبَارَكِي أَبِي رَثُوا الْمَلِكَ الْمُعَدَّ لَكُمْ مِنْذُ إِنْشَاءِ الْعَالَمِ * لِأَنِّي جَعْتُ فَأَطَعْتُمُونِي وَعَطَشْتُمْ فَسَقَيْتُمُونِي وَكُنْتُمْ غَرِيباً فَأَوَيْتُمُونِي * وَعُرْيَاناً فَكَسَوْتُمُونِي وَمَرِيضاً فَعَدُّتُمُونِي وَمَحْبُوساً فَأَتَيْتُمُ إِلَيَّ * حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُهُ الصِّدِّيقُونَ قَائِلِينَ يَا رَبُّ مَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ جَائِعاً فَأَطَعْنَاكَ أَوْ عَطَشَانَ فَسَقَيْنَاكَ وَمَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ غَرِيباً فَأَوَيْنَاكَ أَوْ عُرْيَاناً فَكَسَوْنَاكَ * وَمَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ مَرِيضاً أَوْ مَحْبُوساً فَأَتَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ فَجِيبُ الْمَلِكِ وَيَقُولُ لَهُمْ: الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ بَمَا أَنْكُمْ فَعَلْتُمْ ذَلِكَ بِأَحَدِ إِخْوَتِي هؤُلَاءِ الصِّغَارِ فَبِي فَعَلْتُمُوهُ * حِينَئِذٍ يَقُولُ أَيْضاً لِلَّذِينَ عَنْ يَسَارِهِ اذْهَبُوا عَنِّي يَا مَلَاعِينَ إِلَى النَّارِ الْاَبَدِيَّةِ الْمُعَدَّةِ لِابْلِيسَ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ * لِأَنِّي جَعْتُ فَلَمْ تُطْعَمُونِي وَعَطَشْتُمْ فَلَمْ تُسَقُونِي * وَكُنْتُمْ غَرِيباً فَلَمْ تُؤْوُونِي وَعُرْيَاناً فَلَمْ تُكْسُونِي وَمَرِيضاً وَمَحْبُوساً فَلَمْ تَزُورُونِي * حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُونَهُ هُمْ أَيْضاً قَائِلِينَ يَا رَبُّ مَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ جَائِعاً أَوْ عَطَشَانَ أَوْ غَرِيباً أَوْ عُرْيَاناً أَوْ مَرِيضاً أَوْ مَحْبُوساً وَلَمْ نَخْدَمْكَ * حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُهُمْ قَائِلاً الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ بَمَا أَنْكُمْ لَمْ تَفْعَلُوا ذَلِكَ بِأَحَدِ هؤُلَاءِ الصِّغَارِ فَبِي لَمْ تَفْعَلُوهُ * فَيَذْهَبُ هؤُلَاءِ إِلَى الْعَذَابِ الْاَبَدِيِّ وَالصِّدِّيقُونَ إِلَى الْحَيَاةِ الْاَبَدِيَّةِ.

+ SYNAXARION +

It is the Sunday of the Last Judgment known also as Meat Fare Sunday—the lesson of which occurs in today's Holy Gospel. Jesus illustrates to us God's ineffable goodness and His great love for mankind. And so lest some who are lazy should loiter and spend the time appropriate to their salvation in the pursuit of sin, and be suddenly overtaken by death, the divine Fathers decree that on this day the remembrance of the Second Appearance of Christ may be celebrated. The intention is to remind them that, as God is good and loving to mankind, He is also a very righteous Judge Who recompenses each according to his deeds. Our Lord teaches us that when we minister to our brother or sister, we really minister to Him. This brings us righteousness and life eternal. By Thine ineffable love for mankind, O Christ God, make us worthy of Thy devoted voice, number us among Thy righteous ones and have mercy on us. Amen.

New Time for Great Vespers: Every Saturday 5:00pm-6:00pm

St. Nicholas Arabic School for Children — Saturdays 3:00pm-5:00pm

The registration cost covers all the expenses including the supplies: \$25/child - \$40/2 children of same family - \$50/3+ children of same family. Please speak with Hala Zakaib (514-449-0882) or Kh. Rola Wyatt (514-626-6789) or the Church Office (514-270-9788).

Today's Memorial Service is for the departed Servant of God:

* Georgette Zaien Rynn (19th year). Offered by the Family.

ST. NICHOLAS PRE-LENTEN

TURKEY LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2017

TICKETS: \$15/ADULT — \$10/KIDS (6-12)

KIDS 5 & UNDER - FREE

REGISTERED SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS - FREE

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Save the date for our next Parish Fundraising Meal (Post-Lenten)

"St. Nicholas Annual Deli-Night"

Wednesday, April 26 2017 at 6:30pm — \$25/ticket.

Contact: Carol Maker or any member of the Parish Council; or the Church Office.

- ❖ Wednesday, March 1 at 7:30pm— 1st Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 2 at 7:30pm — 1st Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 3 at 7:30pm— 1st Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 4 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 5, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of Orthodoxy” Orthros & Divine Liturgy with indoor Procession of Holy Icons. *Bring your favourite Icon from home!*
- ❖ Wednesday, March 8 at 7:30pm — 2nd Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 9 at 7:30pm — 2nd Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 10 at 7:30pm — 2nd Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 11 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 12, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas” Orthros & Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Wednesday, March 15 at 7:30pm — 3rd Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 16 at 7:30pm — 3rd Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 17 at 7:30pm — 3rd Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 18 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 19, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of the Holy Cross” Orthros & Divine Liturgy with indoor Procession with the Holy Cross. *Bring your Cross from home!*
- ❖ Wednesday, March 22 at 7:30pm — 4th Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 23 at 7:30pm — 4th Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 24 at 7:00pm-10:00pm — “Feast of the Annunciation” Orthros & Divine Liturgy & 4th Akathist Stasis, with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 25 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 26, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of St. John Climacus” Orthros & Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Wednesday, March 29 at 7:30pm — Small Compline with Canon of St. Andrew & Life of St. Mary of Egypt.
- ❖ Thursday, March 30 at 7:30pm — 5th Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Friday, March 31 at 7:30pm — 5th Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, April 1 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, April 2, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt” Orthros & Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30pm — 6th Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, April 6 at 7:30pm — 6th Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, April 7 at 7:30pm — Small Compline “St. Lazarus” with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, April 8 at 10:00pm — Orthros & Divine Liturgy “St. Lazarus”. At 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, April 9, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Palm Sunday” Orthros & Divine Liturgy. Followed by outdoor Procession & Bake Sale. At 7:30pm — 1st Bridegroom Orthros.
- ❖ Monday, April 10 at 7:30pm — “Holy Monday” 2nd Bridegroom Orthros.
- ❖ Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30pm — “Holy Tuesday” 3rd Bridegroom Orthros.
- ❖ Wednesday, April 12 at 7:30pm — “Holy Wednesday” Holy Unction.
- ❖ Thursday, April 13 at 10:30am — “Holy Thursday” Divine Liturgy (Mystical Supper). At 7:30pm — Holy Passion Gospels.
- ❖ Friday, April 14 at 9:00am — “Holy Friday” Paramon. At 7:30pm — Orthros & Lamentations with outdoor Procession and distribution of blessed flowers.
- ❖ Saturday, April 15 at 10:00am — “Saturday of Light” Divine Liturgy. At 10:00pm — Paschal Vigil. Followed by distribution of Blessed Eggs and Late-night reception.
- ❖ Sunday, April 16 at 1:00pm — “Holy Pascha” Agape Vespers with indoor Candle Procession.
- ❖ Monday, April 17 — “Bright Monday” Hierarchal Divine Liturgy with H.G. Bishop ALEXANDER & Montreal Clergy. Details to be confirmed.