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Every **Saturday** in our Cathedral there is a *Vigil* at 5:00 PM (English and Slavonic). *Divine Liturgy* in English is at 9:00 AM and in Church Slavonic – at 10:45 AM on **Sunday**. We also have Akathist in Georgian at 1:00 PM.

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call Lisa Morris in the church office between 9:00-2:00 Tuesday-Friday (202)-333-5060, or to leave a message press 10 at menu, e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org or pick up a form in the basement of the church on the bulletin board. Notices must be submitted no later than Thursday for the following Sunday.

**Veneration of the
Cross**

**April 7, 2002
Tone 3
Readings**



Matins Gospel: **John 21:15-25;**
Liturgy Epistle: **Hebrews 4:14-5:6;**
Gospel: **Mark 8:34-9:1.**

Schedule of Services

Next Week*

- 10 Wed. 19:00 Presanctified Liturgy [E]
- 12 Friday 10:00 Presanctified Liturgy [S]
- 13 Saturday 10:00 Memorial Liturgy [E, S]
- 13 Saturday 17:00 Vigil [E, S]
- 14 Sunday 17:00 Divine Liturgy [E]
- 14 Sunday 10:45 Divine Liturgy [S]
- 14 Sunday 13:00 Akathist [G]

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Fast Days

Great Lent until May 5th. According to the Church rules, during this period, we should abstain from meat, milk, eggs and sexual relations.

+++ VISITORS +++

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral!

We are glad to have you worship with us today.

Please join us downstairs for our coffee hour.

* E=English, S=Church Slavonic, G=Georgian, O.C. – Old Calendar.

Troparions & Kontakions

Troparia (Tone 3): Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm! He has trampled down death by death! He has become the first-born of the dead! He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted the world great mercy!

Cross (Tone 1): O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Grant victory to all Orthodox Christians, over their adversaries; and by virtue of Thy Cross, preserve Thy habitation.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kontakion - Cross (Tone 7): Now the flaming sword no longer guards the gates of paradise; it has been mysteriously quenched by the wood of the Cross! The sting of death and the victory of hell have been vanquished; for Thou, O my Savior, didst come and cry to those in hell: Enter again into Paradise.

Trisagion: Before Thy Cross, we bow down in worship, O Master and Thy Holy Resurrection, we glorify. Three times

Prokeimenon (Tone 6) Cross: 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!

Alleluia (Tone 1) Cross: Remember Thy congregation which Thou hast gotten of old. Verse: God is our King before the ages, Who hath wrought salvation in the midst of the earth.

Hymn to the Theotokos: All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace, the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a child – our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

Communion Hymn: The light of Thy countenance is signed upon us, O Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.



Hebrews 4:14-5:6

Seeing that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest taken from among men is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness. Because of this he is required as for the people, so also for himself, to offer sacrifices for sins. And no man takes this honor to himself, but he who is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: “You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.” As He also says in another place: “You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.”

Mark 8:34-9:1

And he called to him the multitudes with his disciples, and said to them, “If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.” And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power.”

Announcements

Metropolitan Theodosius to Retire!

Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America announced this week that His Beatitude will be granted retirement from the office of Metropolitan following the first session of the Thirteenth All American council on July 21st, 2002. For more information please see the letter enclosed in today's bulletin and the article on the bulletin board downstairs or visit the OCA website at www.oca.org.

All American Council Ad Book: The 13th All American Council of the Orthodox Church in America will be held this summer in Orlando Florida. The theme of the ad book is the 25th Anniversary of Primatial Service of His Beatitude Metropolitan Theodosius. The church will be putting together a list of parishioners from the Cathedral who would like to be listed. The rates are as follows: Benefactor Listing: \$50.00; Memorial Listing: \$30.00; Patron Listing: \$25.00. If you would like to place a listing please fill out a form available at the Candle Counter and send it along with a check made out to St. Nicholas Cathedral to the Cathedral offices (or you may turn it in at the candle counter).

Orthodox Women in Healing Ministries: will meet on April 9th at 7 p.m. at St. Nicholas Cathedral's church hall. Jeanne Rift of Holy Cross Hospital's Parish Nursing Program will give a presentation on "Parish Nursing". Sponsored by Therapia Psychotherapy Services. For more information please call, 301-231-3826. All are welcome to attend.

Lenten Pot Luck Meals: We will be having pot luck meals following the Presanctified liturgies on Wednesdays and Fridays throughout Lent. Everyone attending the Liturgy is invited to bring a Lenten dish to share and join the meal. *Please note: There will be NO meals following the Saturday morning Liturgies.*

PASKHA PREPARATION DAY: The annual Sunday School Pascha Preparation activities will take place on Lazarus Saturday, April 27th. After Liturgy (10:00am) there will be a small luncheon downstairs with the activities taking place immediately afterwards and will continue until 2:30pm to allow time for cleanup before vespers. Father Constantine will be available to hear the students' confessions during this time. We need six adult volunteers to help monitor the activities. We also need food contributions and volunteers for cleaning up. If you feel you could help us out, please call Mat. Nina White (301) 279-5586 or Kathy Siljegovic (703) 836-6165. This is open to everyone so please come and join us.

Agape Canister: \$32.01 was retrieved from the Agape canister on March 30, 2002. Thank you St. Nicholas for your continued generosity.

Dormition Guild: The meeting scheduled for April 13 has been postponed until after Pascha.