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14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 (Epistle)

John 3:13-17 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship and fellowship. We are delighted to have visitors worshipping with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services.

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

TODAY Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora, and Nymphodora, at Nicomedia (305-311)

9:40 am Hours

10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship with Refreshments

6:00 pm Catechumen / Bible Study Class. Today topic: "Orthodox Church Etiquette" (inside the church)

Thursday, September 13 Eve of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

6:30 pm Vespers Liturgy

Saturday, September 16

5:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, September 17 Martyr Sophia and her three daughters: Faith, Hope and Love at Rome (ca. 137)

9:40 am Hours

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

6:00 pm Catechumen / Bible Study Class. Topic: "Steps to become an Orthodox Christian"

110th Anniversary of St. Nicholas We look forward to welcoming His Grace Bishop PAUL, Bishop of Chicago and the Diocese of the Midwest, clergy and guests at our Anniversary celebration weekend.

Saturday, September 23rd

Greeting of Bishop PAUL at 4:45PM
Vespers at 5:00PM with the blessing of the restored historical icons on our Iconostasis.
Light finger food social hour to follow.

Sunday, September 24th

Greeting of Bishop PAUL at 9:20AM
Divine Liturgy at 10:00AM with ordination of Subdeacon Dave Hanneman to the Holy Diaconate.
Potluck lunch to follow..

125th ANNIVERSARY OF ORTHODOXY IN CHICAGO on September 30, 2017 at Lane Tech Auditorium

FELLOWSHIP HOUR Please check your schedule and see when you can take your turn! A sign up sheet is hanging up on the hall bulletin board for next months coffee hour rotation.

**GOD BLESS YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROUS &
RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP!!!**

PASTORAL MINISTRY Call (815) 725-4742 or (630) 559-5785 to register as a parishioner, to initiate instruction in the Faith, to schedule sacraments, visitation, etc.

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MANY THANKS GRABAVOY & HOLWEY families for hosting this mornings Fellowship.
 Zina MARTYNYUK along with Mike & Iryna BAKER for renovating our altar chairs.
 Deb COOK & Fr. John MATUSIAK for completing "The Icons of St. Nicholas Church" book
 Mike BAKER for installing two baby changing stations in our hall bathrooms.

ALTAR CANDLES Last Sunday, September 3rd, Georgine PLATKO sponsored the altar candles in memory of Steve PLATKO our departed choir director. On Sunday, September 17th the candles will be sponsored by the KLINES for Cheri & Lou on their 52th Wedding Anniversary and Christina & Jeff on their 25th Wedding Anniversary. Please remember, altar candles are available for purchase.

WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS PARISH:

Dr. Andrew & Valerrie HAUG and their 3 children: Jovan, Zachary and Luke, all from Naperville
 Valentina & William BLEGEN from Joliet
 HADZHULA Sergej & BENTSAR Iryna from Homer Glen

ATTENTION PARENTS! The diocese of the Midwest's Youth Department wants to hear your thoughts and impressions about the spiritual formation of your children! Complete this short 6-question anonymous survey <http://bit.ly/mw-parent-survey2017> (before Sunday, October 1).

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

MaryAnn MAGERKO	Tom KOMPARE	Juliana MATUSIAK	Lou KLINE	Colin HEGARTY	Georgia PATTEN
Nancy JOVANOVIK	Nick COSTA	Mtshka Barbara КОПКА	Luke BOLDT	Valeriya HEGARTY	Charissa HOLWEY

If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, please let me know.

MANY YEARS... Happy Birthday to Tim THOMASON on September 6th, Walker WHALEN on September 12th, Marlo PERRY on September 13th, Fr. John KUCHTA on September 14th and Toma ANDREEV on September 14th.
Happy Anniversary to Cheri & Lou KLINE (52 years) and Christina & Jeff KLINE (25 years)

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

Today Epistle (2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4)

Brethren... Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

Today Gospel (John 3:13-17)

No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved

Апостол Дня (2-е Коринтян 1:21-2:4)

Братия... Утверждающий же нас с вами во Христе и помазавший нас есть Бог, Который и запечатлел нас и дал залог Духа в сердца наши. Бога призываю во свидетели на душу мою, что, щадя вас, я доселе не приходил в Коринф, не потому, будто мы берем власть над верою вашею; но мы споспешествуем радости вашей: ибо верую вы тверды. Итак я рассудил сам в себе не приходить к вам опять с огорчением. Ибо если я огорчаю вас, то кто обрадует меня, как не тот, кто огорчен мною? Это самое и писал я вам, дабы, придя, не иметь огорчения от тех, о которых мне надлежало радоваться: ибо я во всех вас уверен, что моя радость есть радость и для всех вас. От великой скорби и стесненного сердца я писал вам со многими слезами, не для того, чтобы огорчить вас, но чтобы вы познали любовь, какую я в избытке имею к вам.

Евангелие Дня (Иоанна 3:13-17)

Никто не восходил на небо, как только шедший с небес Сын Человеческий, сущий на небесах. И как Моисей вознес змию в пустыне, так должно вознесу быть Сыну Человеческому, дабы всякий, верующий в Него, не погиб, но имел жизнь вечную. Ибо так возлюбил Бог мир, что отдал Сына Своего Единородного, дабы всякий верующий в Него, не погиб, но имел жизнь вечную. Ибо не послал Бог Сына Своего в мир, чтобы судить мир, но чтобы мир спасен был чрез Него.

FOR OVER 110 YEARS SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH HAS BEEN SERVING THE ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN FAITHFUL IN JOLIET AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS.