

Epiphany of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church

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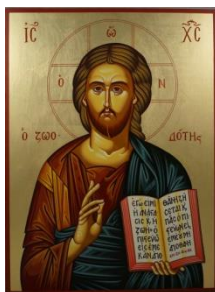
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October 29, 2017 + 21st Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 4

Divine Liturgy	Saturday, 5:30 PM · Sunday, 10:00 AM · Holy Days, 7:30 PM
Confessions	Saturday, 4:30-5:00 PM · Sunday, 9:00-9:30 AM
Collection	Last week: \$2,540.00 . God bless you for your continued generosity.
Sunday Readings	Galatians 2:16-20 + Luke 8:26-39 (<i>Lucan Leap for 23rd Sunday</i>)
Sacramental Needs	Please call Fr. Deacon James 770-993-0973 or 404-227-5401



The Light of the East ...

“Even if we have thousands of acts of great virtue to our credit, our confidence in being heard must be based on God’s mercy and His love for men.”

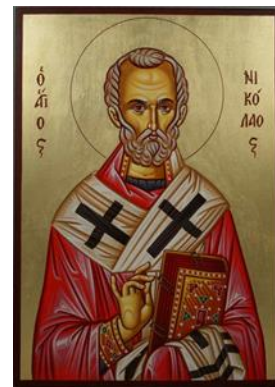
Saint John Chrysostom

Reminder: Time Change this Weekend

Set clocks **back** one hour before retiring on **Saturday November 4**.

Eternal Memory. + Julia Koon, the mother of our parishioner Robert Koon, fell asleep in the Lord Wednesday, October 18. Please remember Julia and her family in your prayers. *May the Lord God grant to his handmaid, Julia, blessed repose and render her memory eternal.*

Adult Education. Fr. Deacon James continues his introduction to the **Pentateuch**, the first five books of the Old Testament, this Sunday, October 29, after the Divine Liturgy. These Scriptures reveal to us the eternal Covenant and relationship which God has with His people. We encourage everyone to join us.



Saint Nicholas Parish Celebration. Mark your calendars for our annual Saint Nicholas celebration. In preparation for the Christmas season, our annual church cleaning and decorating will be **Saturday, December 2**, starting at 9:30 AM. Since the feast of Saint Nicholas falls on a weekday (December 6), our Saint Nicholas celebration and luncheon will follow the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, December 10 at 10:00 AM**.

As is our custom, there will not be a vigil Divine Liturgy on Saturday, December 9 so we all can join in as a parish family for the day’s events. More details about the celebration will be announced in future bulletins.

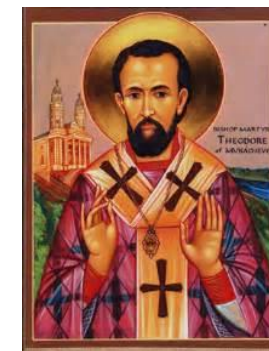
Please consider volunteering to be on the Saint Nicholas planning committee; see Fr. Deacon James for details.

Altar Lamp. During the month of October, the Altar Lamp burns before our Lord in loving memory of +**Edward Yurchik**, husband of Betty Yurchik. *Eternal memory. Vičnaja pamjat’.*

Weekly Bulletin. Remember, the weekly bulletin is published on the parish website. This way, if you are away for a weekend or on vacation, you can still keep up with all our parish activities and announcements. Also, remember to direct your friends to our site to learn more about our parish and the Byzantine Catholic Church. Spread the Good News ... God is among us!

Blessed Theodore Romzha, Bishop-Martyr. Tuesday, October 31 is the feast of our beloved Ruthenian Byzantine Catholic Bishop, Theodore Romzha, martyred at the young age of 36. He is one of the multitude of witnesses to the faith who paid with their lives for their fidelity to Christ and to the Church during the blood-stained 20th century and were victims of the insane ideologies of the Communist regime that sought in violent and treacherous ways to uproot the Eastern Catholic faith from European history.

During these days of violence and open persecution Bishop Romzha offered his prayers and sufferings for the perseverance of his clergy and the faithful. He was sustained by his unshakable confidence in God’s Providence, and deep in his courageous heart he vividly felt the protection of the Blessed Mother. There was no power that could shake up his loyalty to the Holy See. In his mind there was only “one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church,” established by our Lord on the rock of Peter and headed by His Vicar on the earth, the Pope of Rome. For this truth Bishop Romzha was ready to sacrifice his own life. The atheist Soviet authorities were unable to intimidate Bishop Romzha and therefore ordered his merciless murder on October 31, 1947. By his dedicated life Bishop Romzha highly glorified God on earth, and by his heroic death he gave living testimony to his Catholic faith, achieving the crown of martyrs. In him we, and our own Byzantine Catholic Church, gained a powerful Protector in heaven.



Through the prayers of Blessed Theodore, O Savior, save us!

Together in the Holy Trinity ... One Faith, One Church, One Future!