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WEEKLY BULLETIN
Sunday June 16, 2024



Happy Father's Day!!!

75th ANNIVERSARY - If you have **PICTURES, STORIES, DOCUMENTS OR ANYTHING** related to our church history, please share them with us. Let us make this church event remarkable!

JUNE 16 – Last day for Sunday School! Enjoy your vacation! I would like to thank to our teachers: Daniel Shaheen, Gina Skaff, Cristina Iusco & Julia Aileni for their effort and dedication!

MUSTARD SEED MEAL - Looking ahead - our next meal for the Mustard Seed is scheduled for Friday, June 21st. We thank to Daniel and Gheorghina Shaheen for sponsoring this event in the memory of Gheorghina's beloved mother Mariana Heletea 2 years. If you have it in your heart to contribute, you can offer whatever amount you can afford. Please contact Betty Anderson (508) 353-9449.

NO LITURGY ON SUNDAY JULY 7 - There is **NO Divine Liturgy** on Sunday, July 7th. Fr. Vasile is attending the **Metropolitan Congress in Olmsted Falls (Cleveland) OH.**



The Seventh Sunday of Pascha

Apostolic Reading: Acts 20:16-34; 28-36

Gospel: Gospel: John 17:1-13

(Of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council)

Tone 6 † Resurrection Gospel 10

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb. And the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ASCENSION

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

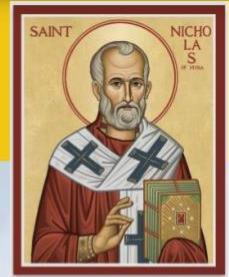
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE 23RD 2024

ST. NICHOLAS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

34 GOLD STREET | SHREWSBURY, MA



Please Join us on

Sunday June 23rd

As we are celebrating the

75th Anniversary

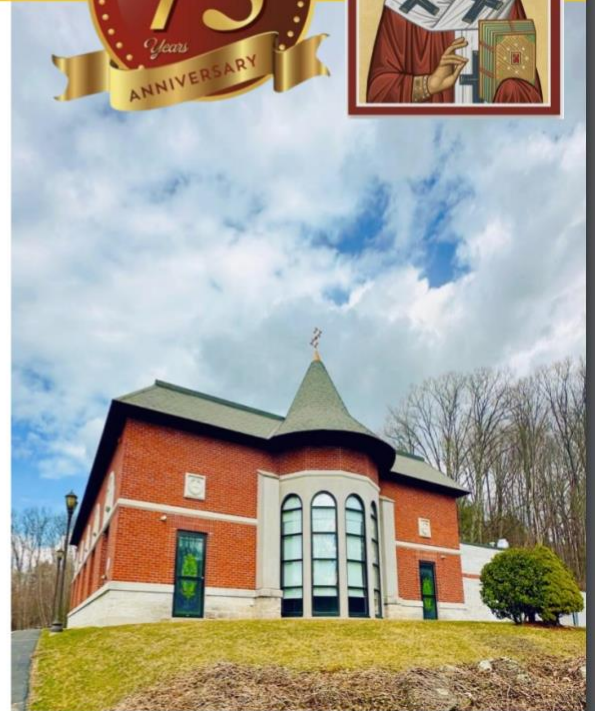
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After the Holy Liturgy

from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm



Ask us about the 75th
Anniversary cross
project.



We ask for your support by placing an acknowledgment in the

Program Booklet

Giving Categories

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| • Diamond | \$2,000 | Includes 2 full special pages & acknowledgments. |
| • Platinum | \$1,000 | Includes 2 full pages. |
| • Gold | \$500 | Includes 1 full page. |
| • Silver | \$250 | Includes half page. |
| • Patron | \$100 | Single-entry line |

Ticket Prices

Adults	\$ 60
Children (12 under)	\$ 20

FOR TICKETS & PROGRAM BOOKLET

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Romanian Buffet

12pm Cheese Fruit, Pepperoni & Crackers Display

Italian antipasto with warm rolls

Salta beof, fasole batuta, mezeluri, branzeturi si cascaval

1pm Dinner

- Fresh fruit;

- Mediterranean chopped salad with fresh herbs vinaigrette.

Entrees:

- Mititei;

- Peppercorn garlic roasted NY sirloin;

- Francais chicken breast.

Vegetable:

- Rice pilaf and steamed veggies medley.

Dessert:

Chocolate mousse cake.



Special Guest Iuliana Roata

Iuliana is a performing artist and an active member of the Romanian Diaspora in New England, originally from Vatra Dornei, Romania.

Iuliana has been an ambassador of the Romanian culture and heritage at various International Festivals in New England, including the Performance Arts of New England Cultural Events, Romanian National Day in Boston, and The Romanian Day on Broadway. Iuliana has collaborated with the Romanian televisions such as National TV, ETNO, TVR Iasi and TRV Mures and the Romanian Radio Stations in the Romanian diasporas from around the world, not only to share her traditional folk music but also to promote and share the way Romanian communities take pride in their Romanian origins.



FROM THE HEART OF OUR LADY'S AUXILERY PRESIDENT

For the last few days, I kept thinking of what a big event this 75th Anniversary is! A handful of people put their hard work and desire to have “a house” of prayer, “a house” where you can worship, find GOD, find people with the same faith as you, and find peace.

Memory eternal and may God rest their souls and bodies until His second coming!

Over the years, this church and community, like many others, went through a lot, but somehow , with God’s grace, we made it, so now we can celebrate 75 years of existence, of faith, of community!

I came to this church, I believe 7 years ago, after moving houses and I was looking for a place where I could bring my child, where my child could learn and grow into the faith I grew up.

I grew up in ROMANIA, and church and traditions were a big part of my childhood. My parents’ house is across the street from the church, and I grew up by waking up to bells, Christmas and Easter, and any other holiday in between. Every single one of us, in this church and community could have a similar story of our childhood. Once you grow up in church and in this faith, you carry it with you all your life.

I had conversations with people who, for a while, they stopped attending church, but somehow they found their way back, and what a relief that was for them. You carry your faith over years, oceans, people, and somehow you always come back to it. Somehow, we always remember that there is a place, the Church, that will always take us back.

Bad and ugly and sad or good and faithful and happy? There is a place, the place where we all belong in sadness or happiness!

I came here 7 years ago or so, in hope that Anna, my child, will grow in faith, will have a place where she can always call “her church”, where she can have friends with the same faith, and where, when I’m not going to be on this earth anymore, she can come and find maybe new friends, new people who, I’m sure, will lend a hand or a shoulder.

This is faith, this is love, this is serving God through people and for people but ultimately for god's glory.

Through ups and downs, through good and bad, I'm so grateful for the people in this church, for Fr. Nick and Fr. Vasile and with God’s help, with faith and dedication, we will make it to the 100th Anniversary!
If not for us, we have to fight the good fight for our children!

In God, with love for all of you,
Cristina Iusco Branco



"The moment the neighborliness was revealed to Siluan, an unusually high state of mind was imparted to him. He began to pray for the whole of Adam as for himself. We are all little cells of the great body of all mankind. Through us the cosmic life is passing, even the one above the cosmos, the divine one. And we must prepare ourselves to understand this, because then we will become, in part, like Adam before the fall, and we will begin to carry within ourselves the whole humanity, the whole Adam, as something unitary, built by God."

Father Sophronie Sakharov
1896 - 1993

Happy Birthday! God Grant You Many More Years!

June 1 - Tcaci, Olga
June 6 - Joseph Addoum
June 7 - Daniel Shaheen
June 13- Carolina Ionete
June 16 - Sofia Cebotari

Let us Pray for the good health of:

Elizabeth, Rooney, Ekaterina, Psa
Ileana, Luiza, Andrew, Margareta,
Marius-Nicolae, VioricaLoredana-
Anca, Teodora, Joanne, John,
Deborah-Ann, Rebeka, Fr. Stefan
and his son Andrei, Elena, Anca,
Marius Nicolae for their helath and
for their salvation!

Amin!

Dates to remember: June 2024

Thu, June 13 - Ascension of the Lord
Sat, June 22 - Saturday of the Dead
Sun, June 16 - Vacation Church School
Sun, June 23 - Pentecost
ST. NICHOLAS 75TH ANNIVERSARY
Mon, June 24 - Apostles Fast Begins
Tue, June 29 - Peter and Paul, the Holy Apostles
Sun, Jun 30 - Synaxis of the Twelve Holy Apostles

A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! Praise to you, eternal, loving God and Father, O you who loved us before we were even conceived: Today, the gates of heaven, the eternal portals, are lifted high, because your only Son, the king of glory, enters in. As we celebrate his glorious return to the right of your majesty, we pray that you will draw us ever closer to him, so that, faithful to him at all times, we may rise above the difficulties of this earthly life to enjoy the glory of eternal life. Receive our spiritual worship, and prepare us for the descent of your All-Holy Spirit in the days to come. For you deserve all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



Day	Date	Time	Service Type
June			
Sunday	2-Jun	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Fifth Sunday after Pascha (The Sunday of the Samaritan Woman)
Sunday	9-Jun	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Sixth Sunday after Pascha (The Sunday of Man Born Blind)
Thursday	13-Jun	9:30	Akhatist
		10:00	(†) The Holy Ascension
Sunday	16-Jun	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Seventh Sunday after Pascha Fathers of the 1st Council (Lord's Prayer)
Sunday	23-Jun	9:00	Matins
		10:00	(†) Holy Pentecost
Mon	24-Jun	9:30	Akhatist
		10:00	(†) Holy Trinity. Nativity of the Forerunner John the Baptist. Apostles Fast Begins
Sat	29-Jun	9:30	Akhatist
		10:00	(†) St. Peter and Paul, the Holy Apostles
Sunday	30-Jun	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The First Sunday after Pentecost. The Sunday of All Saint. Synaxis of the Twelve Holy Apostles

CONGRATULATION TO OUR CHAMPION JAMES SASSINE

James competed to National Gymnastics in Texas two weeks ago and he has got second place on High Bar.
Congratulations!

His parents Assaad and Gina and sister Emily are very proud of him as we all are!



HOLY TRINITY NEWS

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THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Sunday: **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!** Ice Cream Sundae Social Friends and Family Welcome 2pm-3:30pm
Monday: Paws For People Maui Visit 10am
Patio Time with Music 4pm
Tuesday: Coffee and Pastry Social 2pm
Wednesday: Ice Coffee Bar 2pm
Patio Time with Fun Facts 3:30pm
Thursday: Resident Cookout Fun & Entertainment with Randy 11:30am-1:30pm
Friday: Wine Social and Patio Time 3pm

Anyone is welcome to stop by and take part in our activities. If you have any questions or plan to stop by for an activity, please contact Isabelle Bouchard, at 508-852-1000.

Divine Liturgy: Every Wednesday at 9:30 am. All are welcome to attend and visit with the residents!

June is Men's Health Month!

One in two men are diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime compared with one in three women. Women are 100% more likely than men to visit the doctor for annual exams and preventative services.

Recognizing and preventing men's health problems are not just a man's issue because of its impact on wives, mother's, daughters, and sisters. Men's health is truly a family issue.

- **Eat Healthy!** Start by taking small steps like saying no to super-sizing. Eat many different types of healthy foods to get all the vitamins and minerals you need. Add at least one fruit and vegetable to every meal.
- **Get Moving:** Play with your kids and grandkids. Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Keep comfortable walking shoes handy at work and in the car for a daily walk. Choose activities that you enjoy staying motivated.
- **Make Prevention a Priority:** Many health conditions can be detected early with regular checkups. Regular screenings may include blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose, prostate health and more.

Peace of mind for you, a fulfilling life for your loved one.

Let Holy Trinity be your partner in senior care. Call us today at 508-852-1000 to schedule a personalized tour and discover how we can enrich your loved one's golden years.

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Sunday Services: Matins at 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am