## Saint Nicholas Romanian Orthodox Church Shrewsbury Massachusetts

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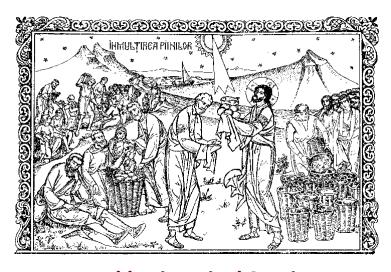
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# **WEEKLY BULLETIN**Sunday August 3, 2025



The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Apostolic Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-17
Gospel: Matthew 14:14-22
(Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand)
Tone 7 † Resurrection Gospel 8



## Weekly Liturgical Services

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Matins; 10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy; 11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
SEPTEBER 6 & 7 2025
PICNIC

#### **WEEKLY NEWS**

**GRAPEVINE PICNIC** – Saturday & Sunday, September 6 & 7, 2025 starting 12:00 P.M. you are invited to join us for our excellent ethnic food, pastries, fellowship and music.

Bounce house, Taekwondo demo, free soccer class and more will make your glorious.

Bring a friend! Sponsors and Donations are welcome! See flyer below!

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL – The dated for vacation church school changed from 21-23 August to 14-16 August due to a church event conflict.

FROM THE KITCHEN: No experience necessary!!! The bakers are bake pita Tuesday, August 05 and on Saturday, August 09. Please join us at 9:30 for an enjoyable morning. Contact Betty Anderson at (508) 353-9449 or bettya16@yerizon.net

MUSTARD SEED MEAL - Looking ahead - our next meal for the Mustard Seed is scheduled for Friday, August 15. A sponsor is needed to underwrite the \$500 cost of the meal. This is a beautiful way to honor the life of a loved one who has fallen asleep. If you have it in your heart to contribute, please contact Betty Anderson (508) 353-9449.

#### DORMITION FAST - AUGUST 1st - 14th UPCOMING SERVICES

August 1 - 6:00 Paraklesis

August 6 – 9 am Matins; 10 am Divine Liturgy; 6:00 pm Paraklesis

August 8 - 6:00 Paraklesis

August 13-6:00 Paraklesis

August 14th - 6:30pm Great Vespers at St. Mary's Albanian Orthodox Church

August 15-9:00 am Matins/Akathist; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy



#### Dates to remember

August 1 - Dormition Fast Begins

August 6 - Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Aug 14, 15, 16 - VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL - Date changed

August 14 - 6:30pm Great Vespers at St. Mary's Albanian Orthodox Church

August 15 - The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary

August 29 - Beheading of the Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John

Sept 6 & 7 - ST. NICHOLAS ANNUAL PICNIC

#### **NAMEDAYS**

#### **August 8 - The Holy New Martyr Triandaphyllos**

Rose Armida Salerno

#### August 15 - The Falling Asleep of the Most Holy Theotokos

Maria Blanchard

Mary Cocaine

Maria Dumitriu

Monika Maria Durmillari

Maria Kalpidou

Maria Prelipcean

Nancy Maria Tsongalis

Marietta Zaruha

## **Weekly Reflection**

"For as every mother gives her children simple existence, so also the Mother of God gives happy existence to all;"

Saint Theophanes of Nicaea 1300 – 1380

## A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! Your works are many-fold indeed, O Lord, for in wisdom you wrought them all! Yet, your incomparable power and brilliant wisdom are now here so manifest as in the woman whom you chose to be the mother of your Son. As we gather here this evening to celebrate her passing from this earthly life, we give you thanks for her readiness to accept your will, for she received your word with faith and kept it. Give us, also, such a readiness to perceive your will and fulfill it, that we may enjoy a glory like hers. For you deserve all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!

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#### MATTHEW 14:14-22

At that time, Jesus saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish. "And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.



## SAINT NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

34 GOLD STREET | SHREWSBURY, MA

**GRAPEVINE** 

## **PICNIC**

September 6 & 7 From 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm





- Romanian Chicken Skewers
- Authentic Romanian Bites (Mititei)
- Pork Sausage
- Rice, Corn on a cob
- Cabbage salad
- Watermelon

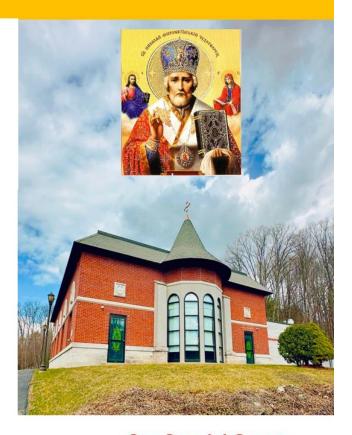


- Hotdogs
- Chips
- Watermelon



Scan me to register and pay online.

Please RSVP by September 1st



Our Special Guest IULIANA ROATA



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St. Mary's Assumption Albanian Orthodox Church Join Us as We Celebrate e Feast Day of Our Chur XC Dormition of he Theotokos

GREAT VESPERS & BLESSING OF LOAVES Thursday, August 14, 2025 at 6:00 pm

HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY
with His Grace Bishop Nikodhim
Friday, August 15, 2025 at 9:30 am (Orthros 8:30 am)

Lenten refreshments will follow the vesper service

Please bring a pastry or dessert to serve to our guests

from other Orthodox churches



#### **CHURCH BUILDING & GROUNDS**

### Our church needs to:

- Purcess and install efficient light bulbs for inside and outside (parkinglot), the church
- Repair and install new carpet/tiles in the Holy Altar
- We are curently working with Mass Save Energy Experts to make our entire building more energy efficient

All donation and support is welcomed and really appreciated! Thank you!