

**Saint Nicholas Romanian Orthodox Church Shrewsbury Massachusetts**

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**WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
**Sunday September 14, 2025**



*Elevation of the Holy Cross*

*Apostolic Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-24*

*Gospel: John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35*

*All of the Feast*



***Weekly Liturgical Services***

**Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Matins;**

**10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy;**

**11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour.**

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**WEEKLY NEWS**

**THE MYRRH-STREAMING IVERON ICON OF HAWAII** – Thank you to our Mother of God, Fr. Nectarie for visiting us! We thank you all for venerating the icon. We had people coming from, Texas, Main, New Hampshire and New York. Also thank you to our Fathers that served with us: His Grace, Bishop Nicodim, Fr. Nectarie, Fr. Christopher Stamas, Fr. Mark Doku, Fr. Daniel Florean, dcn. Sergiu Concu and sbdcn. Christopher.

**GRAPEVINE PICNIC** – Thank you to our Ladies Auxiliary, to Parish Council Members, to all the sponsors and supporters of our picnic, we thank you all for supporting our community!

**E-RECYCLING DAY - AN ELECTRONICS/WHITE GOODS, ETC. RECYCLING** day is set for Saturday, October 11, from 9 - 2. If you are able and willing to help during the event, please call Stephen Ellis at (774) 275-7919 or email him at [stephenellis6363@gmail.com](mailto:stephenellis6363@gmail.com).

Our local Orthodox Churches have agreed to begin to do some youth activities together. We are calling the group, Orthodox Teens of Central Mass (OTCM). This being said, the first activity that I hope you will participate in will be Bonfire Movie Night! This will take place on Friday, September 12th from 6:30pm-10:00pm at St. George Orthodox Cathedral, 30 Anna Street in Worcester. I have included the flyer attachment on this email. PARENTS, please be mindful that this event is for those in grades 7-12. NO EXCEPTIONS.

## Memorial Service

**MEMORY ETERNAL!** Next Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrated a Memorial Service for Lisa Demake and Lilian Chachi. We would like to thank to George Demake and his sister Elaine for praying and sponsoring the coffee hour in their memmory. Thank you and God bless you all!

## *Dates to remember*

**September 14** - (†) Elevation of the Venerable and Life-Giving Cross

## *NAMEDAYS*

## Weekly Reflection

"He who renounces the cross cannot be worthy of the Lord and become His disciple. The depths of the Divine Being are revealed to the Christian when he is crucified for our Saviour. The Cross is the foundation of authentic theology."

Father Sophronie Sakharov 1896 - 1993

## *A Prayer of Fr. Laurence*

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! O Lord, our God: Whom shall we glorify? Whom shall we praise? And to whom shall we give thanks, if not to you, O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for that terrible instrument of the cross on which your Son was put to death for love of us? Though it was a symbol of shame, he transformed it into a resplendent trophy of victory. As we celebrate its triumph during these days, and contemplate the salvation it purchased for us, help us truly understand its meaning so that we may share in the resurrection it promises. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, with whom you are blest, together with your all-holy, good, and life-giving Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



St. John (19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35)

At that time, the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death. And they came to Pontius Pilate saying, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Take Him yourselves and crucify Him, for I find no crime in Him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law He ought to die, because He has made Himself the Son of God." When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where art Thou from?" But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to Him, "Wilt Thou not speak to me? Knowest Thou not that I have power to release Thee, and power to crucify Thee?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over Me unless it had been given you from above. When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called "The Pavement", and in Hebrew, "Gabbatha." Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." Then he handed Him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led him away, and He went out, bearing His own Cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew "Golgotha." There they crucified Him, and with Him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the Cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. Now standing by the Cross of Jesus were His mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw His mother, and the Disciple whom He loved standing near, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then He said to the Disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the Disciple took her to his own home. After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now fulfilled, said, "It is finished"; and He bowed His head and gave up the spirit. Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him; but when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true.



Council of Eastern Orthodox Churches of  
Central Massachusetts



## BONFIRE MOVIE NIGHT

Friday September 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:30-10PM at

**St. George Antiochian Orthodox  
Cathedral in Worcester**

Join us for our first ever event for  
the Orthodox Teens of Central  
Massachusetts!

Grades 7-12 are welcome!  
\$5 registration fee



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**SAINT GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN  
ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL**

## YOUTH NIGHT

Join us on  
October 4th at  
4:30PM

This Youth Night's theme  
will be St. Helen and  
the True Cross  
\$10 per Child



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## Orthodox FOOD CENTER

A collaboration of the Worcester area Orthodox  
churches; its mission is to distribute food to low  
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# ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 2025**  
**9:00 AM — 2:00 PM**

📍 **St Nicholas Church • Parking Lot**  
**34 Gold Street, Shrewsbury MA**

## What You Can Bring/ Cost to You:

**\$5**  
EACH

Computer Towers, Laptops, DVD Players, VCR's, Small Printers, Stereos, Radios, Alarm Clocks, Speakers, Video Game Consoles, Table Lamps, Fans, Hair Dryers, Curling Irons, Projectors, Paper Shredders, Power Tools, Drills, Cameras, Clocks, Trophies, Frying Pans, Holiday Lights, Other Small Electronics.

**\$10**  
EACH

Small Household Appliances, Vacuum Cleaners/Robots, Toaster Ovens, Ceiling Fans, Floor Lamps, Air Fryers, Electric Grills, Hot Plates, Small Radiators, Keyboard Pianos, Coffee Makers, Ice Makers, Small Garbage Disposal, Sewing Machines, Car Seats.

**\$20**  
EACH

Flat Screen Computer Monitors, Microwaves, Dehumidifiers, Air Conditioners, Water Coolers, Large Printers/Copiers, Leaf Blowers, Chainsaws, Heat Lamps, Artificial Christmas Trees, Fire Extinguishers, Propane Tanks (Empty).

**\$25**  
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TVs up to 26," CRT Monitors, Outdoor Grills, Dorm Sized Refrigerators

**\$30**  
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TVs between 26" and 35," White Goods, Washing Machines, Dryers, Stoves, Dishwashers, Large Appliances, Large Yard Equipment, Treadmills, Exercise Equipment, Snow Blowers, Lawn Mowers, Rototillers, Large Generators, Motors, Water Tanks

**\$35**  
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TVs over 36," Large Refrigerators, Ride-On Lawn Mowers.

**\$40**  
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Projection TVs

**FREE!**

(Cash Donations Appreciated)  
**Bicycles (Reusable), Cell Phones, Keyboards, Tablets, Video Game Media and Accessories, Wires, Cables, Batteries, Chargers, VHS/DVD's.**

**ALL TOWNS WELCOME  
RAIN OR SHINE**

**Questions, Business Clean  
Outs or Event Hosting?**

**Contact:**



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**CASH PREFERRED, VENMO, CHECKS (OVER \$30)**

**HOLY TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS**  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

**Busy week at Holy Trinity!! Our residents enjoy the cool weather  
and look forward to all these stimulating fun activities.**

Yankees v Red Sox (Fenway)  
Games/Jig Saw Puzzles/Cards  
Library Cart  
Current Events  
Paws for People/Maui  
Crafting Corner  
Kindness Projects  
Self-Care Spa  
Word Wizard  
Q & A  
Cards/Board Games Library Cart  
Current Events  
Nature Walk  
TED Talk & Discussion  
Art of Mindfulness  
Exercise  
Short Story Club  
Tea & Cookie Social  
Knitting/Crochet Circle  
Game Night  
w/Anthony!  
Liturgy  
Morning Reflections  
Conversation Circle  
Exercise  
Virtual Travel  
Word Packet  
Catholic Service



Welcome Hour  
Film Club  
Library Cart  
Current Events  
Rosary Group  
Gratitude Wall  
Shout outs & thank you notes.  
Bingo  
Craft  
Wine Social  
Game Night w/Anthony.  
Current Event  
This Day in History  
(Patio/weather allowing)  
National Geographic Documentary  
Mod Podge Craft  
Dominoes/Rumikub  
Movie Matinee  
Expression & Joy Day  
Library Cart  
Current Events  
Exercise  
Poetry & Prose  
Documentary  
Art Studio  
Talent Showcase  
Matinee & Popcorn  
Bingo



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**PICNIC AND MYRRH-STREAMING IVERON ICON OF HAWAII**









## CHURCH BUILDING & GROUNDS

### Our church needs to:

- Purchase and install efficient light bulbs for inside and outside (parking lot), the church
- Repair and install new carpet/tiles in the Holy Altar
- We are currently working with Mass Save Energy Experts to make our entire building more energy efficient
- We need to dig a hole for the Cross Installation, build the frame and the concrete.

All donation and support is welcomed and really appreciated!

Thank you!