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WEEKLY BULLETIN **Sunday December 07, 2025**



The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Apostolic Reading: Ephesians 6:10-17

Gospel: Gospel: Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

(Jesus Heals the Woman with Osteoporosis)

Tone 1 † Resurrection Gospel 4



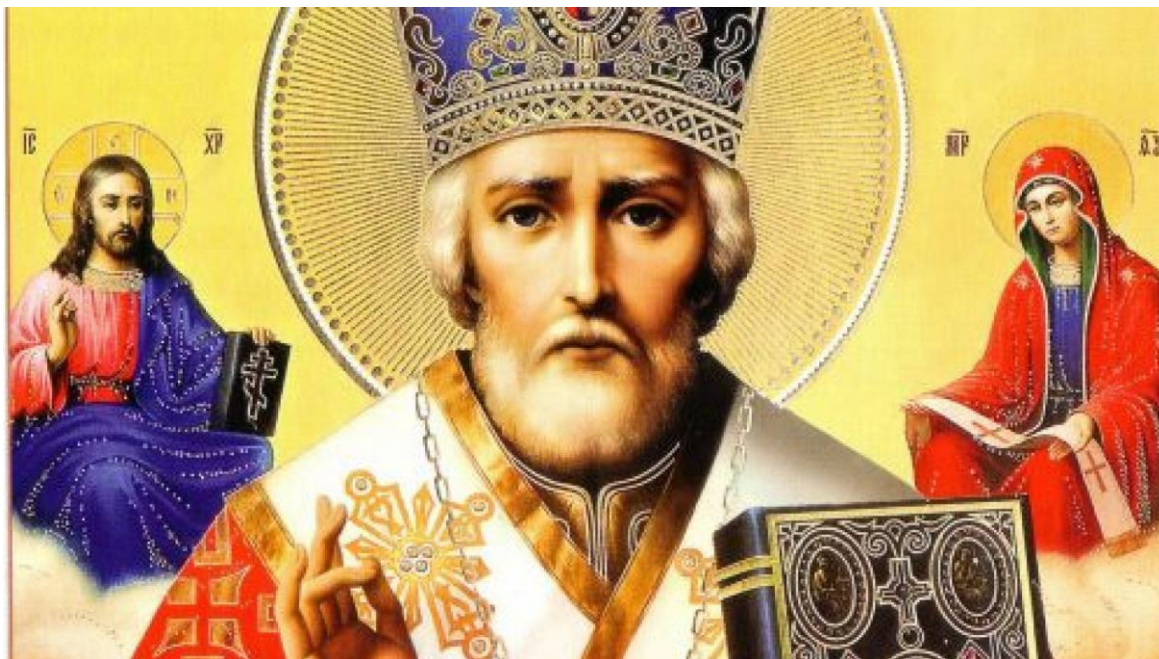
Weekly Liturgical Services

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

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy;

Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra

DECEMBER 06



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are pleased to announce the holy celebration of our patron saint, Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra. We warmly invite all clergy and faithful to join us in this sacred and joyous occasion.

This day is dedicated to both spiritual and community celebrations, where the faithful will have the blessed opportunity to venerate the Relics of Saint Nicholas and Saint Nektarios of Aegina.

We are planning to bless the new Cross installed at the one of the sides of our parking lot and take a picture with our entire parish for posterity. We will also hold our annual Bake Sale and Holiday Market.

As this event is also the primary fundraiser for our parish, we deeply appreciate your continued support in strengthening our church and community.

We look forward to celebrating this holy and beloved event together, in faith and fellowship!

THE FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

December 5 - 6:00 pm – Great Vespers - Refreshments will follow;
December 6: 9:00am Matins; 10:00am Divine Liturgy; 6:00 pm – Vespers;
December 7: 9:00 am – Matins; 10:00 The Divine Liturgy; 12:00 Brotherly
Agape/Luncheon, BAKE SALE AND HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET

WEEKLY NEWS

BAKE SALE AND HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET – December 7 from 12 am to 05 pm - We will have pies, scones, sweet bread, biscuits, pitas, everything to get you ready for and Christmas. There will also be vendors with different things to sell, raffle baskets and if you are hungry, you can get a slice of spanakopita, a bowl of bean soup or chicken noodle soup. You can also take them to go.

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS NEEDED for the coming weeks. Please speak with Betty Anderson or Cristina Iusco if you would like to sponsor one.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!

Dec 1 - Sophia Morris
Dec 4 - Irli Ilie Durmillari
Dec 5 – Athina Ellis
Dec 6 - Nikolla Endriko
Dec 8 - Monika Maria Durmillari
Dec 9 - Michael Anthony Prizio
Dec 15 – Dan Manescu
Dec 25 – Stefan Hortopan

NAMEDAYS

December 6 St. Nicholas the Wonderworker of Myra in Lychia
Nicole Soumela Apostola; Rev. Nicholas Apostola; Nicholas Belishta; Metropolitan Nicolae; Rev. Fr. Nicolae Simion Nicholas George Soter; Nicholas Tonna
December 12 St. Spyridon the Wonderworker of Tremithus
Spiro Kelly; Spiro Kelly
December 17 The Holy Prophet Daniel
Dan Manescu; Dana Manescu; Daniel Shaheen

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 5 - Great Vespers
December 6 - Divine Liturgy
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December 7 - Divine Liturgy
December 25 - The Nativity of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ
December 26 - Synaxis of the Holy Theotokos
December 27 - St. Stephen, Archdeacon & First Martyr

Weekly Reflection

Fasting alone is not enough without acts of mercy!

“Why is mercy so crucial? “Because merciful love or showing kindness to those in need is the beginning of man’s resemblance to the Merciful God. God desires not only our gratitude towards Him but also our mercy toward those in need.”
Patriarch Daniel

A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! We glorify you, Lord Jesus Christ, for allowing us to know you. Everything we have belongs to you and we possess nothing of our own, for it is you who gave us all we have. By coming into our midst, you show us how to let go of everything, and by the poverty of your birth, you teach us to be attached to nothing. As we prepare for the celebration of your earthly birthday, O Christ, keep our hearts fixed only on you, so that we may always sing: Glory to God in the heights; on earth peace, and among all love and understanding. For you are God and we give you glory together with your Father Who is without beginning, and your all holy, good, and life-giving Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (13:10-17)

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.



BAKE SALE AND HOLDIAY MARKET ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH



SHREWSBURY



TIME: 12PM-5PM

DECEMBER 7, 2025

BAKE SALE (PIES, PITAS,
COOKIES, SWEET
BREADS)

VENDORS PLEASE CONTACT
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RAFFLE BASKETS

CHRISTMAS MUSIC



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Central Massachusetts

SAIN⁺S CELEBRATION[●]

Saturday December 6th

2:00-5PM at

**St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox
Cathedral in Worcester**

Join us to celebrate the lives of

Sts. Spyridon & Nicholas

Grades 7-12 are welcome!



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**Register
Here!**

HOLY TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS

December 8, 2025



Upcoming Events

- **Date:** Thursday Dec 11, 2025
 - **Time:** 11:45
Resident luncheon provided by Cia Bella Restaurant.
This special luncheon hosted by the Papililo family of St. Spyridon. We want to thank the Papililo family for their generosity and support over the years. We are profoundly grateful.
 - Following the luncheon
Sunnyside Swing Band 2:30p

• Holiday Jackpot Raffle Basket

ENTER TO WIN A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE BASKET Includes Money & Gift Card Tree, 12 days of hot chocolate mix with a box of Godiva chocolates. A beautiful ceramic lighted Christmas tree painted by courtyard resident Virginia F!

Tickets: \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00
Drawing will be held on December 22nd.

- Holy Trinity's Residents are getting ready for all the upcoming holiday fun crafts, events, parties, and entertainment they look forward to every year! We want to thank everyone for the kind donations and gifts our residents receive every year from generous people like you!

• Holy Trinity's recent reviews:

"I am visiting today and I am impressed. The staff are extremely attentive and kind, and you can feel how much they care for their residents. The overall atmosphere is warm, calm, and welcoming. It is clear this is a place where residents are treated with respect and compassion."

"The Holy Trinity staff are warm, compassionate individuals who strive to provide exceptional services to all their patients and families."

"Having a lovely time at the Friendsgiving event! So much fun and great food!"

"Great care given to my wife who was there for STR highly recommend."

Like and follow us on Facebook for updates and photos. 

**Celebrating the National Day of Romania at the Romanian Consulate in New York
&
Preparing for Christmas!!!**





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
- Olive oil and sacramental wine.

All donation and support is welcomed and really appreciated!

Thank you!