

Saint Nicholas Romanian Orthodox Church Shrewsbury Massachusetts

Biserica Ortodoxă Română Sfântul Nicolae Shrewsbury Massachusetts

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday January 18, 2026

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Apostolic Reading: Colossians 1:12-18;

Gospel: Luke 17:12-19;

(Jesus Heals the Ten Lepers)

Tone 7 † Resurrection Gospel 10



Weekly Liturgical Services

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

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy;

WEEKLY NEWS

CHRISTMAS THE ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL is underway. Our church relies upon the offering of time, talents and treasure from each of us. We ask that you prayerfully consider an offering of time, talents and treasure to sustain our beloved church for the glory of God. Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed Holiday Season. Please see the Stewardship Form below!

HOUSE BLESSINGS - The blessing of homes at Theophany will begin on January 6, 2026, and continue until all homes are blessed. As in the past, we will be setting times when we will be coming to bless your home. If there is a specific time that is more convenient for you, please call Fr. Vasile to arrange it 508.320.0645 or fr.vasileaileni@gmail.com

OUR PARISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING will be held on Sunday, January 25, 2026 following the Divine Liturgy. Your attendance is important, not only to be updated over the last year with various reports, the meeting also gives everyone an opportunity to present questions, concerns and any ideas you may have for our parish.

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

Weekly Reflection

"If we have mercy on the lawless one, he no longer learns what justice is, and in the land of the saints he will commit perversion! - Songs of Moses - The fifth song of the Prophet Isaiah

"Daca de cel fara de lege ne este mila, el nu mai invata ce este dreptatea, si in pamantul celor sfinti va savarsi strambatate! - Cantarile lui Moise – Cantarea a cincea a Proorocului Isaia

A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! Lord be good to us and fill our minds with insight. Tune the ears of our spirit to the subtleties of living according to your good news. Make us understand that life is a precious gift from you and not ours to abuse. Teach us how to appreciate the value of life and the riches it presents to us, and how to have a healthy confidence in ourselves at all times without ever foolishly trusting solely in our own devices. And let not our prosperity deprive us of understanding. So that ever enlightened by your wisdom, we may give you glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!

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The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. LUKE 17:12-19

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

With a New Year knocking in our doors, make a commitment, a resolution, to attend more liturgies, to help the church more, to help build this community for our children and ourselves but mostly, for God. All we do, is not for the priest, is not for this earthly day-to-day life, it is for God and our salutations! Take a minute to reflect, pray and why not commit! I wish everyone a Happy New Year, filled with love, health and stronger faith!

Cristina

Sign up for coffee hour, January 25th

Name

Coffee

Bagels

Cream cheese / other spreads

Pasties

Coffee creamer

Fruit

Veggies

Clean up

Dear brother and sisters,

We need help with either monetary or food donations for coffee hour. See Cristina or see the sign up sheet. Going forward, if there are no donations, we will not have coffee hour.

If you go to Starbucks, or Dunkin, a coffee and a pastry will be at least \$5. There are a few ladies who donate on a regular basis and a few who clean up and set up. If we do not all participate, to clean up and to donate, coffee hour is not sustainable anymore.

Thank you for your time and donations.

Cristina



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CONVOCATION

The General Assembly of the members of St. Nicholas Parish in Shrewsbury is convened for Sunday January 25, 2026 at 12:30 pm (after Holy Liturgy).

General Assembly Agenda:

1. Opening Prayer.
2. Introduction Rev. Vasile Aileni.
3. Election of the secretary.
4. The presence of parish members/stewards.
5. Approve the Agenda.
6. Minutes of the General Assembly of January 26, 2025.
7. Activity report for 2025 - The Parish Priest.
8. Activity report for 2025 - The president of the Parish Council.
9. Financial report for 2025.
10. Draft 2026 budget.
11. Stewardship and church financial support. Proposals for supporting the church.
11. Election of parish delegates at the 2026 Congress in PHILADELPHIA JULY 9-12.
14. Establishing the date of the next General Assembly.
15. Miscellaneous.
16. Closing prayer.

All members of the parish are welcome and invited to participate!

Parish Priest Vasile Aileni
Shrewsbury, January 25, 2026

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INFORMATION & RESERVATIONS: (646) 578-2844 Fr Alexander

Information about the event on the website: www.stdimitrieeaston.org

HOLY TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS
JANUARY 19, 2026

We believe that happiness and well-being are as essential as quality healthcare. That's why we deliver exceptional medical care in a welcoming, home-like environment. Our residents flourish thanks to compassionate, highly skilled staff and care teams who are dedicated to making every day meaningful, filled with comfort, dignity, laughter, and healing. We appreciate all your support.



CHURCH BUILDING & GROUNDS

Our church needs to:

- Purchase and install efficient light bulbs for inside and outside (parkinglot), 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 for altar oil candles.

All donation and support is welcomed and really appreciated!

Thank you!