

Saint Nicholas Romanian Orthodox Church Shrewsbury Massachusetts

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WEEKLY BULLETIN **Sunday May 31, 2026**



The Eighth Sunday of Pascha

Apostolic Reading: Acts 2:1-11;

Gospel: John 7, 37-53; 8, 12.

(The Descent of the Holy Spirit - Pentecost)



Weekly Liturgical Services Parish

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

Saturday 30, 2026 Saturday of Souls

9:30 Akathist; 10:00 Divine Liturgy; 11:15; Memorial Service.

Monday June 1, 2026 - Holy Trinity

9:30 Akathist; 10:00 Divine Liturgy.

Parish Priest Office Hours

Tuesday & Thursday - 9:00 am to 1:30 pm
Saturday 12:00 pm to 2:00 Catechumens classes
Every fourth Wednesday - Holy Trinity
Every third Friday - PC Meeting

It is strongly recommended to call in advance before meeting the priest since he could be caught in unforeseen activities: hospital or pastoral visit etc.

WEEKLY NEWS

INTERNATIONAL CHILDRENS'S DAY – Monday, June 1st is international children's day. All children and teens in our parish are invited to enjoy an ice-cream this coming Sunday after Liturgy! Happy Children's Day!

YARD SALE - We are very enthusiastic about our Yard Sale at St. Nicholas on June 6, 2026. We invite you to be part of this special event by donating goods to the church, but also to learn about other exciting educational programs done through "Wonder Works" project. We congratulate and encourage wonder worker Jenny Montvitt, that initiated and works tirelessly to make this programs efficient, to keep up the good and inspiring work. I encourage all our parishioners to contribute to this project by donating goods and volunteer to help in any way that it's needed to help our church and more importantly to bring and keep our beautiful community together!

ITINERARY CONSULATE HAS BEEN POSTPONED – Due to not enough bookings for the itinerary consulate, this event was postponed. We will try again after summer vacation, sometimes in August since we need at list 40 appointments in order to have an itinerary consulate. Thank you for understanding!

SUMMER CAMP - You are invited to spend a few days of spiritual enrichment, worship and fellowship in a vibrant and spiritual community. Exquisite camp site, surrounded by tranquil nature in Pennsylvania mountains and variety of enjoyable activities will make memories that will last a lifetime. Join us! See flyer below.

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

Weekly Reflection



"God, Holy Spirit, who distributes your gifts to everyone and does everything willingly, breathe into us your light-bearing gift, so that we may glorify you for you, the one who is praised together with the Father and the Son."

Feast of the Holy Trinity

A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! O only true God, known by reason to be one and by faith to be three, one God in three Persons; O eternal Father, who sent your only Son for our salvation, without ever being diminished by your love; O only Son, who came and took on our nature to save us, without ever being diminished by your self-sacrifice; and you, O all-holy Spirit, consoler, who share your gifts with us, without ever being diminished by your generosity! O divine Trinity: As we celebrate this feast of Pentecost, we beseech you to manifest your power in our lives by the growth that always heralds your presence. Undo and uproot all that is wrong with us. Refashion our minds and hearts with your wisdom and love, and enable us to labor unceasingly to banish all evil from our lives. By your gentleness make our minds and hearts supple and pliant, open and responsive to you in every moment that confronts us, and perfect and enrich our lives moment by moment, that we may reach the glory of eternal life. For yours it is to have mercy on us and save us, O God, and we give you glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to JOHN 7:37-52; 8:12

"On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit

had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nikodemos, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

St. Nicholas Church Presents 1st Annual Wonder Works

YARD SALE

June 6th 9-4 PM

34 Gold St Shrewsbury

← →
tools, baby items, clothes, toys,
household, small furniture, decor
AND SO MUCH MORE!

← →
★ **fun for kids too!** ★

**Learn about exciting programs
starting this summer at St. Nick's:**

- Team Wonder basketball
- Mom + me playgroups
- classes
- crafting & movie drop - in nights

← →
Wonder Worker

@ St. Nicks is the new place for fun &
educational programs



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SUMMER CAMP

— at —

Spruce Lake

PA



<https://www.sprucelake.org/>



WHEN:
July 27
to
July 31



ADDRESS:
Spruce Lake Retreat
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Canadensis, PA 18325



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CAMP ACTIVITIES:



morning and evening prayers;



catechesis, conferences and discussions related to the Holy Mysteries, saints, the role of youth and children in the Church and community;



Gym, campfire; hikes through the forest;



many other games, sports, and fun activities.



PRICE

\$400

This price includes accommodation, 3 meals per day, snacks between meals.



INFORMATION REGISTRATION



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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
- All donation and support is welcomed and really appreciated!

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Insulated the walls and the ceiling of the church;
- Repaired the AC on the roof top unit and the annually maintenance;
- Fixed the sink, a toilet and the light in the ladies' restroom.