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Sunday	Feb 12	<i>35th Sunday after Pentecost / Tone 2 / The Prodigal Son</i>
		9:00 am Church School
		10:00 am Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour
Friday	Feb 17	<i>Meatfare Friday</i>
		6:30 pm Vespers of the Departed
Saturday	Feb 18	<i>Meatfare Saturday / Commemoration of all of our Departed</i>
		9:30 am Liturgy of the Departed Coffee Hour
		5:30 pm Great Vespers
Sunday	Feb 19	<i>Meatfare Sunday / Tone 3 / The Last Judgment</i>
		Readings: 1 Cor 8:8-9:2 Matt 25:31-46
		9:00 am Church School
		10:00 am Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour

ATTENDANCE / STEWARDSHIP / Feb 5

Attendance	141
Operating	\$4,762.00
Maintenance	296.00
OCA Assessments	412.00
Icons	10.00
Charities	130.00
Uganda	115.00
Other	45.00

STEWARDSHIP FAIR

Thanks to all who participated in the Stewardship Fair. Many people visited the various stations and quite a few agreed to become involved. Thanks also to Ken Walker who introduced the idea for the event.

READINGS THIS WEEK

Beginning Monday, all the Gospel Readings (listed on your Wall Calendar) will summarize the events of Holy Week. On Monday — Saint Mark’s account of the Entry into Jerusalem. On Tuesday — how Judas went to the chief priests and offered to betray the Lord. On the night before His death Christ tells His disciples that one of them will betray Him. He also predicts that they will desert Him, and that Peter will deny Him three times. On Wednesday — how Judas betrayed the Savior with a kiss. On Thursday — how

Jesus was questioned by Pilate. On Friday — the narrative of Christ’s crucifixion and death.

YOUTH GROUP

Saturday, Feb 18 beginning at 3:30 pm. Special Craft, time with Fr A, Dinner followed by Vespers.

PRAYER CORNER + + + + +

Perry (Capitan), Julian, Sarah Crivella, Joella (LuAnn D’s dghtr), Paris Santone (Debbie C’s nephew), Cameron Robinson, Anna Como, Barb (Renda frnd), Nick Covelli, David Campbell (Deb’s bro), Norma K, George H, (Maryann S’s frnds), the suffering Christians in Ukraine and the Middle East.

Birthdays: Adam Woodruff (2/12), George Tintor (2/13), Pamela Roth (2/14), Laura Abernathy, Evangeline Kingsbury (2/17), Debbie Clements, Anna Dombrovskaya (2/18).

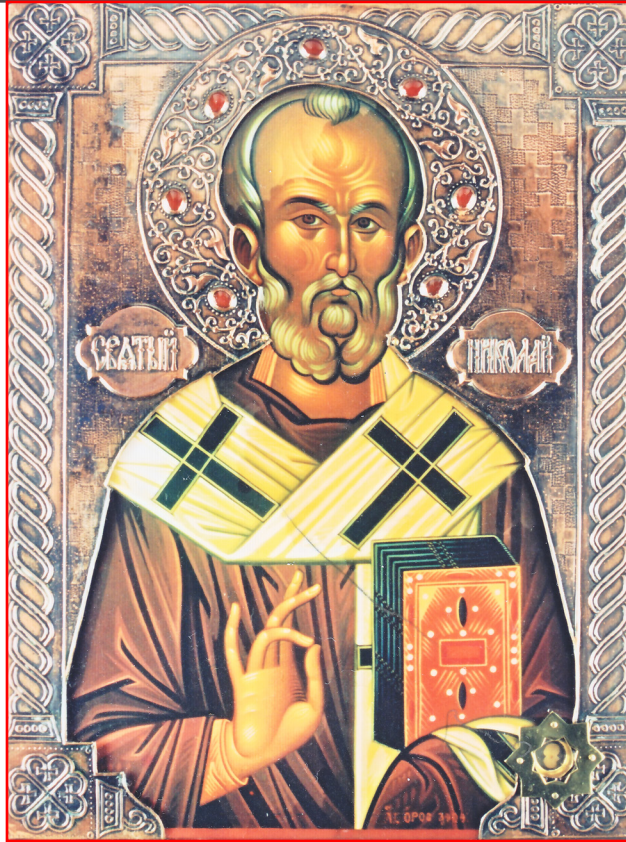
Newborns: Wells (Mitch & Winnie). Galen (Scott & Alysse), Lannon Marie (Jairus & Riley Morton).

Expecting: Patrick & Elizabeth, David & Maria, Brian & Katya.

Newly Departed: Mildred (1/23, Jackie B’s mom). Kristin Robinson (1/15).

Our Missionaries: Peter, Anna & Scott.

Celebrating our 50th Anniversary



You appeared to your flock as a rule of faith:
An image of humility and a teacher of abstinence.
Because of your lowliness, heaven was opened to you
Because of your poverty, riches were granted to you.
O Holy Bishop Nicholas, pray to Christ our God to save our souls.

Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker

The thing that distinguishes our patron, St. Nicholas, is that he preached the Gospel not so much by what he said as by what he did. We have no record of anything that he ever said; he is not like the other fathers of the 4th century who have left us their writings. His voice is silent to us. Nor has he left us any record of the foundation of some great institution. He is a simple saint, a godly shepherd of souls, whose one brilliance is his life—his care and concern not just for his flock but for all in whose poverty and pain he saw the face of Christ. He is the caring saint, the saint that has projected God's love down through the ages.

To us St. Nicholas proclaims the Gospel by His life and deeds. The "holiness of his life is set before us as our rule of faith." He tells us not to place our hope, as a parish, in what we have. Not to try to make a place for ourselves by self-exaltation. Our saint, whom we have deliberately chosen, shows us that we will "acquire greatness through humility and spiritual wealth through poverty." Like her patron, may St. Nicholas Parish be a 'caring' parish, where the love of God is not just a word but life and deed. May we become a parish where, true to our patron's example, the love of God shines forth to all mankind.

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