

2015 Christmas Caroling Schedule



- ☺ Sunday, December 6th, 1 p.m. @ Leahi Hospital, 3675 Kilauea Avenue
- ☺ Sunday, December 13th, 1:15 p.m. @ Hale Ho Aloha ICF/SNF, 2670 Pacific Heights Road
- ☺ Sunday, December 20th, 2 p.m. @ Hale Nani Rehabilitation & Nursing, 1677 Pensacola Street

A Few Words about St. Nicholas of Myra- December 6th

Saint Nicholas was born during the third century in the village of Patara. At the time the area was Greek and is now on the southern coast of Turkey. His wealthy parents, who raised him to be a devout Christian, died in an epidemic while Nicholas was still young. Obeying Christ's words to "sell what you own and give the money to the poor," Nicholas used his whole inheritance to assist the needy, the sick, and the suffering. He dedicated his life to serving God and was made Bishop of Myra while still a young man. Bishop Nicholas became known throughout the land for his generosity to those in need, his love for children, and his concern for sailors and ships.

Kontakion

You became the minister of sacred mysteries in Myra, holy father Nicholas. Fulfilling Christ's holy Gospel, you laid down your very soul for your people, and you saved those who were innocent from to Christ God now let us cry aloud: You have exalted the horn of our strength. Only You are holy, O Lord.

To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church – and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament – may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread. *Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.*

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10th Sunday of Luke/St. Nicholas of Myra

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December 6, 2015

10th Sunday of Luke

Commemoration of: Nicholas of Myra the Wonderworker; Nicholas the New Martyr of Asia Minor

Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

Ote katilthes (Resurrection Hymn) Tone 2

Kanona pisteos (St. Nicholas) Tone 4

The actual facts of your life manifested you to your flock as a rule of faith and an icon of gentleness and a teacher of self-control. By humility, therefore, you acquired the things on high, and riches through poverty. Father holy hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God, entreating Him to save our souls.

Tou Stavru Su (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8

Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross and, like Paul, having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among Kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which forever you guard in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone love mankind.

Kontakion

I Parthenos simeron Tone 3

*On this day the Virgin Maid * goes to the grotto to give birth * to the pre-eternal Word * in an ineffable manner. * Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. * Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds * Him who willed that He appear as * a newborn Child, * the pre-eternal God.*

Epistle Reading Hebrews 13:17-21

BRETHREN, obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading 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 syna-

gogue, 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.

Activities & Announcements

Today

10th Sunday of Luke; Adult Religious Education- "Biblical Basis for Theosis" with Dr. Robert Arakaki 12 to 12:40 p.m. in the Conference Room; Philoptochos Holiday Luncheon 12 p.m. in the Social Hall; Parish Council Elections; Caroling at Leahi Hospital

✘ **Parish Council Elections**– Parish Council Elections will take place today immediately following services, down in the Bookstore. Polls will close promptly at 1 p.m. There are 4 open seats available on the Parish Council. Our 5 candidates are as follows: **Maria Naval, Christina Dimitrion, Andrew Tujios, Nicholas Kyriakakis** and **Stelio Scordilis**. On the ballots, you may vote for 4 or less candidates. If you vote for more than 4 candidates, your ballot will be deemed invalid.

This Week

- ✘ THU, 12/10– Parish Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- ✘ SAT, 12/12– St. Spyridon the Wonderworker: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
- ✘ SUN, 12/13– 11th Sunday of Luke; Sunday School Nativity Skits;
- ✘ **Caroling Schedule**- Our senior choir is participating in caroling at several Senior Care Facilities in December, before Christmas. The schedule is as follows: **Today, December 6, 1 p.m.**, at Leahi Hospital, 3675 Kilauea Avenue; **Sunday December 13, 1:15 p.m.**, at Hale Ho Aloha ICF/SNF 2670 Pacific Heights Road; **Sunday, December 20, 2 p.m.**, at Hale Nani Rehab. & Nursing, 1677 Pensacola Street.

Upcoming Events

- ✘ **FD Fundraiser Glendi for Dance Group**– Saturday, January 23, 2016, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Dinner and Entertainment in Church Hall. For tickets, contact Dianna Graves or any dancer.

Words of Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

"All join to praise this holy feast (of the Nativity), beholding the Godhead here on earth and man in heaven. He who is above now, for our salvation, dwells here below; and we, who were lowly, are exalted by divine mercy."