

### • UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS •

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## 12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Great Martyr Nicetas

Sunday, 15 September 2024

*Epistle Reading*: 1 Cor.15:1-11 • *Gospel*: Mt. 19:16-26

## **SUNDAY SERVICES**

Sunday September 15, 2024 CANCELLED

Sunday September 22, 2024 ENGLISH

Sunday September 29, 2024 BILINGUAL

Sunday October 6, 2024 ENGLISH

Confession will be available on Sunday morning starting at 9:15 AM. It is recommended that members of All Saints attend confession at least once every four (4) months.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Dobrodyika Maria, Helen,

Rev. Frs. Olexander, Eugene, Olga, Chelsey, Olga S., Roy, Anna, Linda, Marilyn, Jason, Gavin, Leona, Bob

**PRAYER OFFERINGS:** If you would like someone to be mentioned in prayer, submit their names by email, directly to **Fr. Charles chancellorbaxter@uocc.ca**, <u>allsaintsuoc@mymts.net</u>, or inform one of the church elders.

The care and maintenance of our property remains a priority. If you are unable to attend church, please continue to support us with your offerings. All Saints accepts Interac E-transfers for donations in addition to cheques or cash. Please submit e-transfers to allsaintsuoc@mymts.net.

#### **CHOIR NEWS**

There are now newly updated bilingual Liturgy Books, in Ukrainian and English, in the pews for everyone to follow during the service. They include before and after prayers for communion and the prayer to Ukraine, "боже Великий," along with interesting information on Orthodoxy. Please join us in singing the Liturgy.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school classes will begin on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Please see poster at end of bulletin. To register your children or learn more about this year's program, please contact Khyrystyna Los at tsoma.khrystyna@yahoo.com . Khyrystyna Los along with her assistant Demi Kuzyk-Bernier are looking after the Sunday School program. You can contact Khyrystyna Los at tsoma.khrystyna@yahoo.com or Demi Kuzyk at demikb@shaw.ca .

#### LET'S CELEBRATE!

If you or your family are celebrating a major life event such as a birth, birthday, anniversary, retirement, etc., please notify <a href="mailto:allsaintsuoc@mymts.net">allsaintsuoc@mymts.net</a> so a note of congratulations can be included in our bulletin. We look forward to sharing in your joy.

#### SUBMISSION TO THE MEDIA MANAGER

If you need anything posted online or have information or images to share, contact

Brenda at (431) 334-7762

Do You Have an Item for Our Bulletin? Please contact us via email at <a href="mailto:allsaintsuoc@mymts.net">allsaintsuoc@mymts.net</a>
NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH? If you're unable to make the trip on your own, we would be pleased to provide you with transport. Contact us at <a href="mailto:allsaintsuoc@mymts.net">allsaintsuoc@mymts.net</a> and we'll arrange a ride for you.

## **COMING EVENTS:**

All Saints will host a formal celebration of its 70th anniversary on Sunday, 22 September. The celebrations will include several programming notes to commemorate this auspicious occasion. All parishioners should have received a formal invitation to confirm attendance and to confirm the number in their party. The clergy of Winnipeg will also be invited including all who had served at our church previously.

If you **have not** received an invitation but would like to attend this event, please contact Emil Kowal at 204-488-2200 or email at ekowal3@shaw.ca

Our annual Fall Supper and Dance will take place on Saturday November 2, 2024. This is one of our major fundraising events and we will need your help in food preparation, soliciting prize donations for silent auction and selling tickets. **Donation request letters** are now available. Please contact Emil for a letter to take to your workplace or place of business. Please circle November 2<sup>nd</sup> on your calendar and watch the bulletin for further updates and announcements.

Please note Change to production dates. We will have pyrogy production in October but it will be a short run and it will be on Tuesday October 15 and on Wednesday October 16. This will be a short production run for the Fall supper and dance. We will have another production run in November for sale to our parishioners and public.

The reason for the change was that the hall was rented out for October 19.

# NOTE This Sunday's service is cancelled due to planned outage by Manitoba Hydro. Outage will take place from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. We are truly sorry for the inconvenience.

## **CHECK US OUT!**

All Saints website, Facebook page, and Instagram has a great deal of information waiting for you at your fingertips! All Saints news and information can be accessed at:

Church Website: <a href="https://www.allsaintsuoc.ca/">https://www.allsaintsuoc.ca/</a>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/

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## DIVINE LITURGY LIVE STREAMS CAN BE FOUND AT THESE WEBSITES:

• Live stream from Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints, Winnipeg, MB @ 10:00 https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/live

## Today's commemorated feasts and saints

**12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** — **Tone 3. Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross. Sunday after Elevation.** Greatmartyr Niketas (Nikita) the Goth (ca. 372). Uncovering of the Relics of St. Acacius, Bishop of Melitene (3rd c.). Martyrs Theodotus, Asclepiodotus, and Maximus, of Adrianopolis (305-311). Martyr Porphyrius the Actor (361). Uncovering of the Relics of the Holy Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen (415). St. Philotheus the Presbyter, in Asia Minor (10th c.). Ven. Joseph, Abbot, of Alaverdsk in Georgia (570). St. Joseph the New of Partos, Metropolitan of Timisoara (1656).

The Holy Great Martyr Niketas (Nikétas) was a Goth (a Germanic tribe). He was born and lived on the banks of the Danube River, suffering for Christ in the year 372. The Christian Faith was already spreading throughout the territory of the Goths at that time. Saint Niketas believed in Christ and was baptized by the Gothic bishop Theophilos, who participated in the First Ecumenical Council. Pagan Goths started to oppose the spread of Christianity, which resulted in a civil war.

After Fritigern, at the head of a Christian army, defeated the pagan Athanaric, the Christian Faith continued to spread among the Goths. The Arian bishop Ulfilas, the successor to Bishop Theophilos, created a Gothic alphabet and translated many priestly books into the Gothic language. Saint Niketas worked tirelessly among his fellow Goths to teach them about Christ. Through his personal example and inspired words, he brought many of them to the Christian Faith.

After his defeat, however, Athanaric managed to regroup his forces. He returned to his own country and regained his former power. Since he remained a pagan, he continued to hate the Christians and persecuted them, seeking revenge for the humiliation he had endured at their hands.

Saint Niketas had to contend against both visible and invisible enemies. In opposing these invisible enemies, he converted many pagans to Christ, and strengthened the faithful for the contest of martyrdom. Filled with zeal for God, the Saint denounced the persecutor Athanaric for his cruelty and impiety, because he subjected the Christians to severe torments.

Saint Niketas prevailed against both of these enemies. He trampled the devil underfoot, and defeated Athanaric in battle. The cruel tormentor was troubled because he was unable to convert Saint Niketas to his own impiety, and so he resolved to capture the Saint and put him to death.

Saint Niketas endured many tortures, and then he was thrown into a fire. Although his body was not burnt by the fire, he surrendered his soul to God, and his relics were illumined by a radiant light. By night, a Christian named Marianus, took the body of Saint Niketas, and buried it in Cilicia. Afterward, it was transferred to Constantinople. Part of the relics of the Great Martyr Niketas were later given to the monastery of Vysokie Dechani in Serbia. Thus Saint Niketas received an unfading crown of glory from Christ on September 15, 372.

We pray to Saint Niketas for the preservation of children from birth defects.

This Saint was of high birth among the Goths beyond the Danube River. He was taken by Athanaric, pagan ruler of the Goths, and after being tortured, was burned to death for his confession of Christ. According to some, this took place during the reign of Saint Constantine the Great; according to others, under the Emperor Gratian.

Nicetas was a Goth by birth. He was a disciple of Theophilus, Bishop of the Goths, who participated in the First Ecumenical Council [Nicaea 325 A.D.]. When the Gothic prince Athenarik began to torture Christians, St. Nicetas stood before the prince and denounced him for his paganism and inhumanity. Subsequently harshly tortured, Nicetas confessed his faith in Christ even more

strongly, and prayed to God with thanksgiving. His mind was unceasingly raised up to God, and on his breast under his robe he bore an icon of the Most-holy Theotokos with the Pre-eternal Christ Child standing and holding the Cross in His hands. St. Nicetas carried this icon because the Holy Theotokos had appeared to him and comforted him.

Finally, the torturer threw the soldier of Christ into the fire, where the holy martyr breathed his last, but his body remained untouched by the fire. His companion Marianus took his body from the land of the Goths (Wallachia and Bessarabia) to the town of Mopsuestia, in Cilicia. There, he built a church dedicated to St. Nicetas, and placed the miracle-working relics of the martyr in it. Nicetas suffered and was glorified in the year 372 A.D.

Слава Icycy Христу! Slava Isousou Christou! Glory to Jesus Christ!

Слава Навіки! Slava Na Veeky! Glory Forever!

## Sunday School/ Недільна Школа



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## All Children Are Welcome!



Заняття у недільній школі розпочнуться у неділю, 15-го вересня, 2024. Для реєстрації або детальною інформацією, прошу сконтактуватись з Христиною Лось по електроній пошті <a href="mailto:tsoma.khrystyna@yahoo.com">tsoma.khrystyna@yahoo.com</a> або за телефоном 204-291-9794. Запрошуються діти віком від 3-12 років. Заняття проходитимуть у нашому парафіяльному залі під час недільних богослужінь.

Ласкаво Запрошуємо Всіх Дітей!