

# ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of The New England Diocese ✦ Orthodox Church In America

## November 18, 2018

**25th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 8.** Martyr Plato of Ancyra (ca. 306). Martyr Romanus the Deacon, of Caesarea, and the youth Barulas (303). Martyrs Zacchæus the Deacon, and Alphæus, of Cæsarea in Palestine (303).

### Services This Week

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| Tuesday   | Nov. 20 | Great Vespers and Litya.....                                  | 6:00 p.m.         |
| Wednesday | Nov. 21 | <b>Entrance of the Theotokos</b> , Divine Liturgy.....        | 9:30 a.m.         |
|           |         | Akathist: <i>Glory to God for All Things</i> (No Study) ..... | 6:00p.m.          |
| Thursday  | Nov. 22 | <b>Thanksgiving</b> ( <i>No Fasting</i> )                     | <b>No Vespers</b> |
| Saturday  | Nov. 24 | Great Vespers and Confessions .....                           | 6:00 p.m.         |
| Sunday    | Nov. 25 | <b>Divine Liturgy</b> .....                                   | 9:30 a.m.         |

### Today's Readings

Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22  
Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

### Next Week's Readings

Ephesians 5:9-19  
Luke 13:10-17

### Nov. 25 Readers/Host

Hours and Thanksgiving Prayers.....Steven  
Epistle.....Yani  
Coffee Hour ..... Marina || Sunday School Assistant..... | Emilie |

**For the health and well-being of:** Archpriest Joseph and Matushka Julia, Abdullah, David, Stanislav, Leonard, Timothy, Helen, Fenaeda, Raya, Dennis, Svetlana, Konstantin, Vladislav, Nancy, Maria, Al, Michael, Alexandra, Gregory, Helen, Edie, Lucian, William, Lou, Irene M, Saoirse Rose.

## Announcements

**December 1: Baptism of Ezekiel Swift** —at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1 we will celebrate the baptism of Ezekiel Swift, son of Henry and Sophie and younger brother of Theo. Please come to this blessed event and welcome Ezekiel into our church family. The baptism will be followed by a small celebration. Lucian will stand as godfather.



### Signups for December Events!

1. **Thanksgiving Day Meal Thursday: St. George Orthodox Church** at 1:00 p.m. So far the count of people signed up to gather for the Thanksgiving meal is 19, according to organizer Tanya. St. George is located at 73 Bradford St. across from Dery Funeral. If you would like to attend and have not contacted Tanya please do so soon!
2. **St. Nicholas Day Feast: (Dec. 2)** Includes a Pot Luck (Lenten—fish permitted) lunch after Liturgy and the visit from St. Nicholas. There is a **sign-up list** in the coffee room. **Children:** St. Nicholas feeds the hungry so please bring canned goods to give to him so he can distribute them.
3. **Caroling: (Dec. 9)** Let Tanya know if you will be able to sing carols at the nursing home this year.
4. **Cookie Exchange: (Dec. 16)** We need folks to help (men, women and children). Sign up to participate!
5. **Church Cleaning** for the Nativity is Saturday, Dec. 15 at 9:00 a.m. Please come and help so we can prepare our temple for the beauty of the Advent/Nativity feast. Poinsettia plants for the front of the iconostasis are welcome.

**November Charity:** The charity for November is St. Tikhon's Seminary.

**Food Basket:** we are always collecting food for our local food pantries. Remember to bring canned goods and non-perishable, up to date items. Thank you to Len and David who faithfully take these items to be distributed.

#### November Celebrations

##### Birthdays

Yani .....11/09  
 Ana R. ....11/20  
 Pat.....11/21  
 Helen M .....11/23  
 Joyce M .....11/23

##### Anniversaries

Danton and Elena.....11/14  
 Nick and Marina.....11/30

#### Collections

Last Week's Collection .....\$960  
 2018 Budget.....\$100,100  
**Progress towards Budget .....\$70,899 ....70.8%**  
 2018 Pledges .....\$57,402  
**Progress towards Pledges .....\$56,585 ....98.6%**

*(Parishioners may request at any time from the Treasurer (Irene V) a statement of their stewardship and donation totals to date.)*