

**THE SAINT
NICHOLAS
PROJECT:**

**MAKE A
MERRIER
CHRISTMAS
FOR TWO
SEMINARIAN
FAMILIES!**



Our Parish is participating again this year in the St. Nicholas Project. We will be “adopting” two seminarian families, providing them with gifts in the spirit of generosity and love exemplified by the beloved Bishop of Myra.

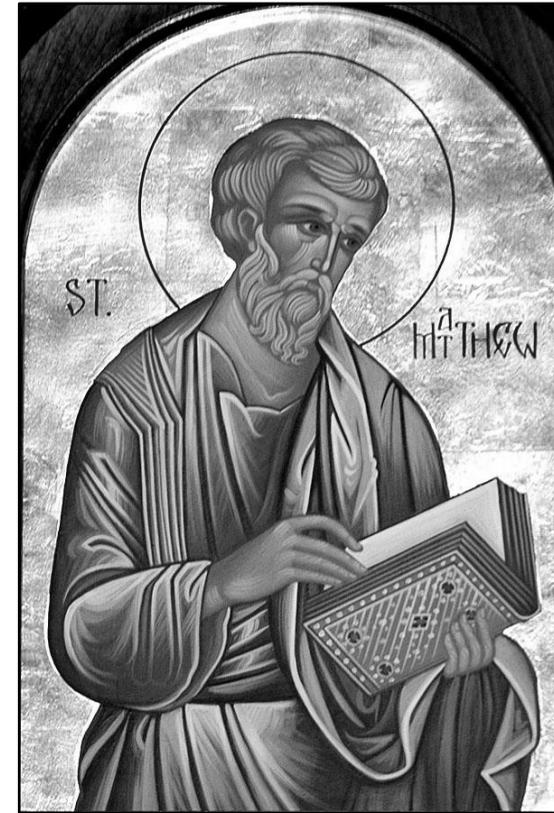
Please visit the "St. Nicholas Gift Tree" at Coffee Hour, adorned with \$10 gift card ornaments. Sponsor one, or as many as you like! A gift card will then be purchased and combined with others to be sent to our two "adopted" families from St. Tikhon's and St. Vladimir's Seminaries for St. Nicholas Day, Dec. 6.

The gift cards allow the families to purchase Christmas gifts for their children. To Seminarian families with little income, this gift has a double meaning, bringing great joy to both parents and children!

See Nancy Prusak or Mat. Tamara with any questions.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH
Yonkers, New York**



**Sunday, November 16, 2014
23rd Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Apostle and Evangelist St. Matthew,
Author of the First Gospel**

RIDES TO CHURCH NEEDED!

Have empty seats in your car on Sundays?
A number of people in our parish family need rides to Church.
See Fr. David if you could bring someone – even on a part-time basis!



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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The Holy Apostle and Evangelist, St. Matthew

Epistles: Ephesians 2:4-10, 1 Corinthians 4:9-16;

Gospels: Luke 10:25-37, Matthew 28:16-20

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for Jan Donski, requested by Olga & Marie Donski; for John & Irena Nowak, by John Felenczak; and for John Kowalczyk, by Anna Kuylo.

Remember, we will take a Special Collection for St. Tikhon's Seminary today, to present to the seminarians when they visit next weekend, November 22-23.

Thursday, November 20

7:00 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* – Entrance of the Theotokos in the Temple

Friday, November 21

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Entrance of the Theotokos in the Temple

Saturday, November 22

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers* – St. Tikhon's Seminary Mission Choir Singing

Sunday, November 23

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* – St. Tikhon's Seminary Mission Choir Singing

Coffee Hour Luncheon with St. Tikhon's Seminarians and Leadership –

Please Bring A Dish!

Monday, November 24

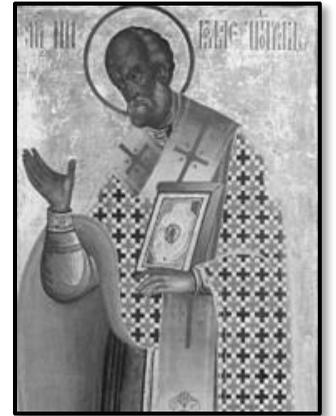
10:00 AM *Panikhida* for Vera Hetman (40 Days), requested by her niece, Victoria Stone

Thursday, November 27

10:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Thanksgiving Day (“Eucharist” is Greek for “Thank You”...so, the Liturgy is the ultimate Thanksgiving Dinner!)

CELEBRATING THE SPIRIT OF SAINT NICHOLAS RIGHT HERE IN TRINITY PLAZA...

*Starting Next Sunday 11/23 ~
Join the CLOTHING DRIVE for the
Franciscan Friars' CASA JUAN DIEGO
HOSPITALITY CENTER ~ At the Corner
of WALNUT STREET & YONKERS AVENUE*



We will celebrate St. Nicholas for his Feast Day, with Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy on Friday-Saturday, Dec. 5-6, and again on Sunday, Dec. 7, with a special coffee hour meal and a visit by our beloved bishop of Myra, who will have sweets for the children.

We are exemplifying his **GENEROSITY** through The Saint Nicholas Project, making the lives of two seminarian families merrier to thank them for their devotion to serving God's Church. See the back page of the Bulletin for details.

Let us also exemplify St. Nicholas' spirit of **CHARITY** by helping the less fortunate. We will be making a clothing collection of specific, much needed items for **Casa Juan Diego**, the hospitality center run by the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, our neighbors on Trinity Street. The center is located around the corner at Yonkers Avenue and Walnut Street and serves mostly a male population of the poor and needy in Yonkers.

The collection will consist of the following clothing items, all of which are continually needed, and some of which are rarely donated:

- New men's warm socks
- New men's underwear, sizes small, medium & large (No X-Large, please!)
- New men's undershirts, sizes small, medium & large (No X-Large, please!)
- Men's t-shirts, new or in good condition (No X-Large, please!)
- Men's sweatpants & hoodie sweatshirts, new or good condition (No X-Large, please!)

A box labeled “CASA JUAN DIEGO” will be placed **on the stage in the Hall, next Sunday 11/23** and will continue through our St. Nicholas celebration on 12/7.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

WELCOME NEWCOMERS & VISITORS: It is our joy to have you here today!
Please introduce yourself to Fr. David when everyone comes up to
venerate the Cross at the end of Liturgy. Then, join us for Coffee Hour next door!

COMING UP AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH:

- Sun 11/16: Special Collection for St. Tikhon's Seminary.** We want to be able to present the Seminary Mission Choir with a generous donation when they visit us the following weekend. Thank you for your generosity!
- Sat 11/22, 2:00 PM: Baking Breads to Take to our Homebound Parishioners,** in the Ed Building Kitchen. Contact Olga Ptach to sign up or learn details.
- Sat-Sun 11/22-23: St. Tikhon's Seminary Mission Choir, Here,** singing Vespers and Divine Liturgy. We need just one more family to offer housing over Saturday night for 2 seminarians. Anyone who can, please see Fr. David. **Also, we will have a luncheon with the St. Tikhon's Choir at Coffee Hour that Sunday.** If you can bring a dish to share, please sign up at Coffee Hour today, or speak with Helen Maybo. Thank you!
- Thurs 12/4, 7:30-8:30 PM, Bible Study on "The Nativity of Christ", at the home of Beth & Mark Rzyk.** This is the first in a series of periodic Bible Studies to be held in parishioners' homes, to allow opportunities for Adult Christian Education in different parts of our parish "map" – which stretches from Manhattan to Connecticut. If Yonkers is too far to drive on a weeknight, then maybe Beth and Mark's is closer to where you live ... or maybe the next location will be! Come enjoy fellowship and learning in your Faith!
- Sun 12/7 at Coffee Hour: St. Nicholas Celebration.** The Nolan Family will host their annual St. Nicholas Breakfast. There will be a special visit from St. Nicholas and new this year, a Gingerbread Church Contest! Edible building materials will be supplied for classes and families (and anyone else who'd like to participate) to build their "dream" church.
- Fri 12/12, 7:00 PM, Akathist to St. Herman of Alaska,** followed by **SS. Martha & Mary Women's Group Meeting** at the Rectory.
- Wed 12/24 Evening: Holy Supper** at the Rectory.
- Sun 12/28 After Liturgy: Christmas Caroling Visits** to Homebound Parishioners.
- Sun 1/4/2015 Christmas Yolka!**

PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David's cell phone, 1-(570) 878-5074, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Anointing is available in Church, in the hospital, or in your home, for anyone who is sick, no matter how severe. It doesn't mean "Last Rites!"

Marriages and Baptisms require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates and reception halls!

Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians. Please see Father for details. ***The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for those being cremated.***

TODAY'S EPISTLE Ephesians 2:4-10 Brethren: God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,⁵even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),⁶and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,⁷that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast.¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

TODAY'S GOSPEL Luke 10:25-37 At that time, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Jesus, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?"²⁷So he answered and said, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'"²⁸And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."²⁹But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"³⁰Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.³¹Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.³²Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side.³³But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion.³⁴So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.³⁵On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, "Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you."³⁶So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?³⁷And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

**LUNCHEON WITH ST. TIKHON'S CHOIR
AT COFFEE HOUR, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23**



November 22-23, 2014



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH PRESENTS:
**St. Tikhon's Seminary
Mission Choir**
Saturday Vespers at 6PM
Sunday Divine Liturgy at 9:30AM

The seminarians visit parishes throughout the school year to sing the Divine Services ...
to share their stories ... and to raise funds for the work of Saint Tikhon's Seminary.
A contribution of any amount toward the pastoral formation of these and future seminarians is greatly appreciated. Please bring it for a special collection on 11/16.
Housing is needed for 8 - 10 seminarians for that Saturday night, November 22.
Please see Fr. David if you can host one or more students.

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**Bring A Dish to Share If You Can ...
Sign up Today at Coffee Hour, or Contact Helen Maybo.**

PRAYER LIST

Above all, we are a praying community. Keep this list in your prayer corner, and in your daily prayers, remember our Brothers & Sisters in Christ:

Adriana Szynda, recovering from surgery; the newly Chrismated Vincent & Mary Macagnone; Paul "PJ" Sulich; the newly baptized Mia (Maria) and Sadie (Sarah) Olson; newborn Elena King, Isabelle Paprocki & Anastasia VanLare; Lubova Beketayeva; Ludmila Branzow; Edith Cromwell; Natasha Harris; Mat. Alexandra Kishkovsky; Olga Ptach; Suzanne Gee; Peter Tymus, Jr.; Stephen Vagianos; Matthew & Malek, traveling in the Middle East; Dorothy Vernak; Nikolette Katechis; Matushka Juliana Schmemann; Matushka Dorothy Sulich; John Loving; Mat. Leanne Parrott and the child to be born to her; Nicholas Washenko; Maryanne Nolan; Joan Giannelli; John; Rebecca; His Eminence, Archbishop Seraphim; George Miroshnikov & Madeline Loving, Jason Vitale & Kimberly Ovsag, Paul Stewart & Natalia Maicencko, and all those preparing for marriage; Kevin Kuzmenko; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; John & Julia Wislocki; Schuyler Perry; Doris Kulinicz Morin; Kelly Ray; Rose; Justin Solak; Carmen Fesh; Deborah Chaiko; Anne Kakos, Kay Baker (Anne's sister); Vitaliy Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyzyk; Inga Serniak; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; Kathleen Nolan; the priests Frs. Leonid Kishkovsky, John Pawelchak; Herman Schick, Matthew Searfoorce, Ken James Stavrevsky, Daniel Degyansky, Michael Koblosh, Paul Kucynda, Stephen Mack; PDns. Peter Skoog & Michael Sochka; Alvin; Ann Belchyk; Aleksandra Borzova; Helen Delandri; Helen Dempsey; Olga Jaworski; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Mary Kantor; Daria Krawchuk; Olga Pavelchak; Martha Scigliano; Zena Weshta; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness; for all soldiers, especially Jorge; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence, and refugees, especially in Iraq, Syria, Egypt, and the Ukraine; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians and their families; all Orthodox monks, nuns and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families; and all those named Matthew on this Feast of the Apostle and Evangelist, St. Matthew. Birthdays: KiraAnne Juliano (11/19).

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Constance Tarasar (+11/7); Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich (+10/30); Wander Francisco Bautista (+10/25); Panayiotis Zamarello (+10/25); Mary "Tay" Thomas (+10/17); Vera Hetman (+10/16); Matushka Daria Mason (+10/11); Robert Chenot (+10/7); those remembered in the *Panikhida* today; Vladimir & Vira; all those departed named Matthew; and all departed this life in hope of the Resurrection.

Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, to Protodeacon John, or to an Altar Server. Typically, names remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise. Those confined to hospitals or homes, or suffering chronic illnesses, remain on the list.

PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS – our parish sons and daughters, AND those attending college near us who are making HTO their spiritual home away from home!

Michael Bouteneff	Madeline Loving	Amanda Rzyzyk
Joe Ciamarra	George Miroshnikov	Peter Rzyzyk
Megan Jones	Kamille Perry	Matt Skalski
Kaydee Kowalczyk	Schuyler Perry	Alexandra Solak
Dan Kozak	Roman Piwinski	Monika Wislocki

Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.