

THE MANNA OF ST. NICHOLAS

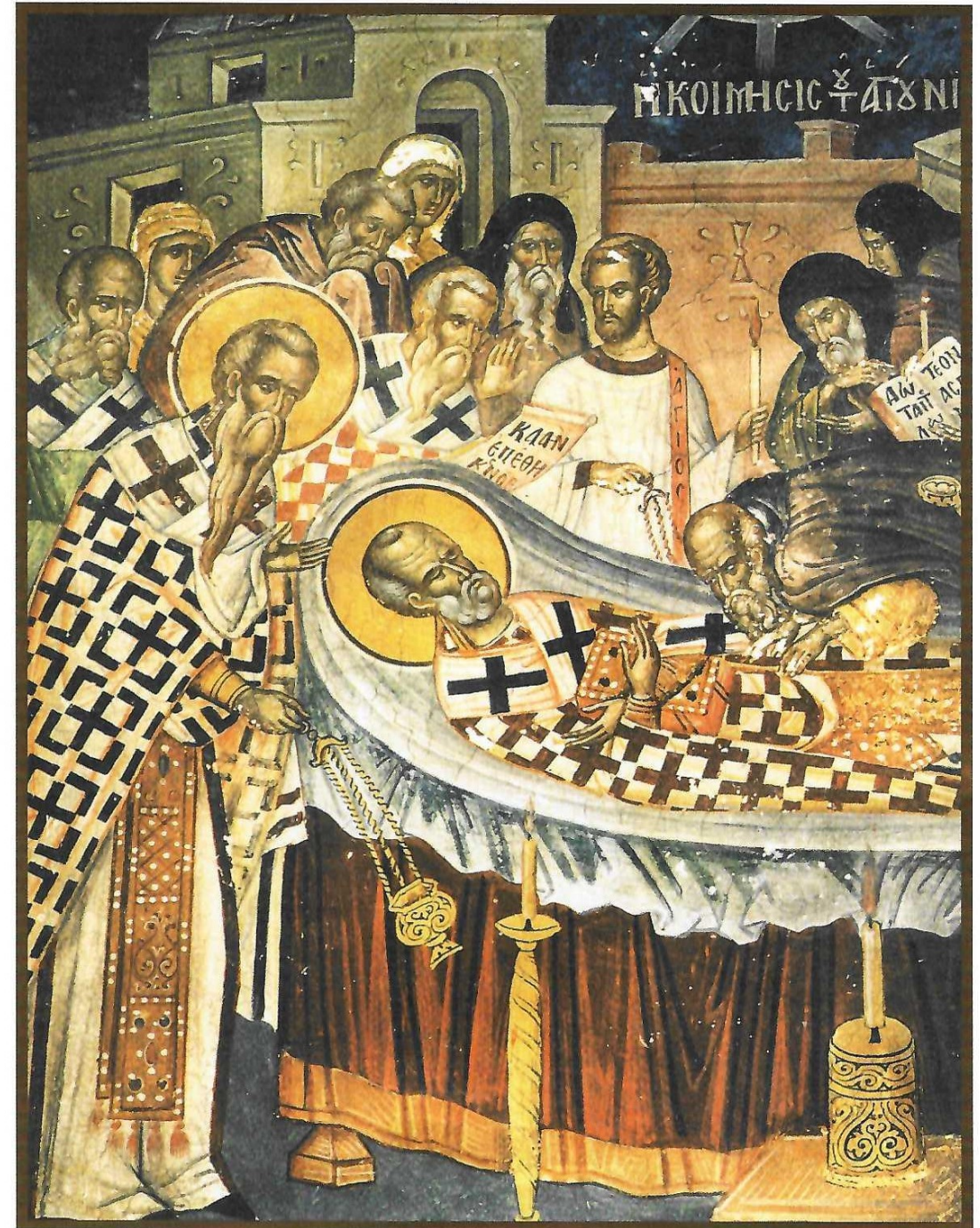
Saint Nicholas, the 4th century Archbishop of Myra, is widely revered by Christians throughout the world. He is acclaimed for being a teacher of moderation, a model of faith and an example of virtue. His acts of kindness and generosity are remembered to this day.

Even in death, St. Nicholas continues to have a great impact on the lives of faithful Christians. From the time of his burial in the basilica of his church in Myra, the body of St. Nicholas has exuded a mysterious, miraculous liquid referred to as "manna." Those who are anointed with it often find themselves unexplainably healed of their illnesses. Countless others have their prayers answered through this special intercession of this beloved saint.

In 1087, the body of St. Nicholas was stolen from its resting place by sailors and taken to the seaport town of Bari, Italy, where a magnificent cathedral was built to house the relics of the famed Archbishop. Down through the centuries, the mysterious manna has continued to flow. In 1954, the crypt of St. Nicholas needed extensive repair, so it was necessary to exhume the saint's body from its tomb. When it was time for the body to be re-interred, the linen sheet upon which it had rested was found to be soaking wet - saturated from the manna! For many years now, it has been customary for the cathedral clergy to collect the manna in an urn for later distribution to the general public.

So it is that Bari now is closely associated with the name of St. Nicholas. But no town owns him. He belongs to all, for he is but another glorious member in the Body of Christ.

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ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

December 8, 2024

10TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

Orthros 9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy immediately following the Orthros.

DECEMBER SCHEDULE

SUN DEC 8	†10th Sunday of Luke Sunday School St. Nicholas Program Stewardship Sunday General Assembly - Krassas Event Center Parish Council Election Hellenic Dancers' Bake Sale –Hallway JOY Meeting - Youth Room Girls Basketball Practice Boys Basketball Practice	9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
TUE DEC 10	Greek School	5:15 p.m.
WED DEC 11	Boys Basketball	6:30 p.m.
THU DEC 12	†St. Spyridon the Wonderworker Girls Basketball Practice	9:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m.
SUN DEC 15	†11th Sunday of Luke Coffee Hour - Krassas Event Center GOYA Meeting - Youth Room JOY Christmas Party - Tri-Room JOY Christmas Shoppe - Hallway Girls Basketball Practice Boys Basketball Practice	9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
MON DEC 16	Savvas Bournelis Book Study-Yth Rm	6:00 p.m.



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

December 8, 2024 - TEAM B

GENERAL ASSEMBLY TODAY!

Please join us in the Krassas Event Center for the General Assembly Meeting immediately following church services.

Please remember to sign your name in the General Assembly register. Thank you.

PLEASE
NOTE

ST. HARALAMBOS CHRISTMAS EVE TIME CHANGE

December 24, Christmas Eve
Vesperal Liturgy from
6:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Stewardship Is...



Love in Action

TODAY IS STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY!

Please deposit your 2025 Pledge Card in the basket located in the Narthex.

Thank you for your generous support of St. Haralambos Church.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS TODAY!

Per the Election Chairman:
This is an uncontested election, therefore, once one vote is cast for each of the five candidates, the election will be finalized.



St. Haralambos Hellenic Dancers

Bake Sale Today!

Sunday, December 8, 2024

Stop by after church to pick up your treats for the holidays!



SANTA IS COMING TO COFFEE HOUR

SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 22, 2024

SPONSORED BY:
SUNDAY SCHOOL

Fellowship ~ Music ~ Lunch
Entertainment ~ Mrs. Claus

AFTER CHURCH IN THE
KRASSAS CENTER

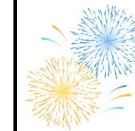
2025 STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

For those parishioners using envelopes, the 2025 Stewardship Envelopes are now available for pickup in front of the Bookstore.

PLEASE NOTE: The envelopes are arranged in alphabetical order by LAST NAME, not by envelope number.

Please begin using your 2025 Stewardship envelopes on January 1, 2025.

St. Haralambos Hellenic Dancers 40th Year Anniversary Dance & Epiphany Greek Night Celebration!



Friday, January 3, 2025
Krassas Event Center
7:30 - Midnight

Featuring DJ Puff and Performances by
St. Haralambos Hellenic Dancers

\$20/person
\$15/registered dancer or
under 12 years of age

Ticket Contact:
Georgia Paxos (330) 933-7596

Mezethes (Appetizers) &
Desserts included
Cash Bar



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to donate poinsettia plants to decorate the Sanctuary for the Christmas season, please contact the church office @ 330-454-7278.

SCAN ME



[Make a Donation \(tithe.ly\)](https://tithe.ly)

Tithe.ly Online Stewardship Payment Options

You can now scan the QR code to your left to log into Tithe or go directly to their website (tithe.ly) to make Stewardship, Memorial or Candle payments.

To scan QR code:

Apple iphone- use your camera app and click on the yellow link that appears on the screen.

Android (non-apple) phone- use QR code scanner if already installed or go to Google Play Store and download.

Either option will take you directly to our donation website for your donation to St. Haralambos Church.



**2025
ST. HARALAMBOS
GOYA
BASKETBALL
TOURNAMENT**

As we prepare to host our 2025 GOYA Tournament January 31st through February 2nd 2025, we are asking our church community to support the weekend and ensure the children have a safe and joyous time in fellowship.

We are raising funds for music, food, gym rentals etc.

Please contact Aristeia Tzouloufis at 330.936.9072 if you are interested in donating."

**PAN HELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP
FOUNDATION**

The 2024/2025 application is now open and accepting applications!

Exceptional undergraduate students of Hellenic descent from all fifty states are encouraged to apply.

Applications should be submitted electronically by January 31, 2025.

To be eligible to apply for a scholarship, applicants must be US Citizens or US permanent residents and of Hellenic descent. Applicants must be full-time undergraduate students at an accredited 4-year university this Fall 2024 and have a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA.

For inquiries please email: Elizabeth Danielides, Director of Scholarships at edanielides@panhellenicsf.org or call (312) 357-6432.

<https://www.panhellenicsf.org/apply>

**ST. HARALAMBOS
PHILOPTOCHOS MERRY
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2024
AT NOON**

**CANTON WOMAN'S CLUB
822 Market Avenue North
Canton, Ohio 44702**

Ticket Price ~ \$25

***Your choice of entrée:
Baked Parmesan Chicken Breast or
Veggie Quiche***

***For tickets contact:
Mary Trifelos @ 330-495-1718 or
Stephanie Machamer @ 330-704-8558***

Deadline for tickets: December 15th



**VASILOPITA SUNDAY
January 5, 2025**

Please join us for our traditional Vasilopita on Sunday, January 5th in the Krassas Event Center following church services.

Sponsored by:
The St. Haralambos Ladies Philoptochos



Canton Greek Fish Fry

Save the Dates for the 2024/2025 Canton Greek Fish Fry Events!

January 10, 2025 - Drive Thru Only
February 7, 2025 - Drive Thru Only
March 7, 2025 - Dine In & Drive Thru
April 4, 2025 - Dine in & Drive Thru

Interested in volunteering?
Contact Peter Volas [216-312-4255]



**2025 Canton
Greek Fest
Meeting Dates**

Join the Planning Committee for the 2025 Canton Greek Fest

Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
Tuesday, February 18, 2025
Tuesday, March 18, 2025
Tuesday, April 22, 2025
Tuesday, May 6, 2025
Tuesday, May 20, 2025
Tuesday, June 3, 2025

All Meeting begin at 7pm in the Youth Room

Questions?

Call Mike Fakelis (330-327-5317) or Mike Paxos (330-327-9180)

**HOLY TRINITY AMBRIDGE
NEW YEARS EVE DANCE**



**MUSIC BY:
ALPHA OMEGA
W/GIORGIO FROM THE GRECIAN KEYS**

**DRESS TO IMPRESS | FOOD INCLUDED | CASH BAR
18 & OVER \$50 | 10-17 \$25 | 5-9 \$15 | UNDER 5 - FREE**

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL: 724-266-5336

December 8, 2024: FEAST: Proeortia (Preparation) for the Feast of Conception of Saint Anna, Mother of the Theotokos; Righteous Patapios (+Vth c.); Sophronios, Bishop of Cyprus; Apollo, Crispos, Caesar, and Epaphroditos of the 70 Apostles; Martyr Parthenios.

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος βαρύς
Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον· ἠνέφξας τῷ ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον· τῶν
Μυροφόρων τὸν θρῆνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι
ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Τοῦ Ναοῦ
Ὡς στῦλος ἀκλόνητος, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας Χριστοῦ, καὶ λύχνος ἀείφωτος, τῆς οἰκουμένης
σοφέ, ἐδείχθης Χαράλαμπες· ἔλαμψας ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, διὰ τοῦ μαρτυρίου. ἔλυσας καὶ
εἰδῶλων τὴν σκοτόμαιναν μάκαρ· διὸ ἐν παρρησία Χριστῷ. Πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Κοντάκιον Ἦχος γ΄
Ἡ Παρθένος σήμερον, τὸν προαιώνιον Λόγον, ἐν Σπηλαίῳ ἔρχεται, ἀποτεκεῖν ἀπορρήτως.
Χόρευε ἡ οἰκουμένη ἀκουτισθεῖσα, δόξασον μετὰ Ἀγγέλων καὶ τῶν Ποιμένων, βουληθέντα
ἐποφθῆναι, Παιδίον νέον, τὸν πρὸ αἰώνων Θεόν.

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Resurrectional Apolytikion Grave Mode
You destroyed death by Your Cross, You opened Paradise to the Robber. You turned the
Myrrh-bearing Women’s lament into joy, and You commanded Your Apostles to preach
that You rose, O Christ God, granting the world the great mercy.

Hymn of the Church
As a pillar unshaken of Christ’s holy Church, and lamp ever-burning to all the world you
emerged, O wise Haralambos; in all the world you shined, with the martyrdom you
suffered, you dispelled the dark night, of the idols, O blessed; whence, with courage do
intercede, to Christ that we may be saved.

Kontakion Mode 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
preeternal God.

December 8, 2024 Twenty-Fourth Sunday

Ephesians 2:14-22



Epistle

The reading is from Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians.

Brethren, Christ is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

December 8, 2024 Tenth Sunday of Luke

Luke 13:10-17



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

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 synagogue, 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.