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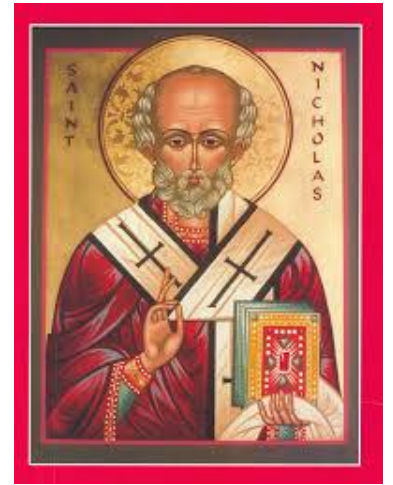
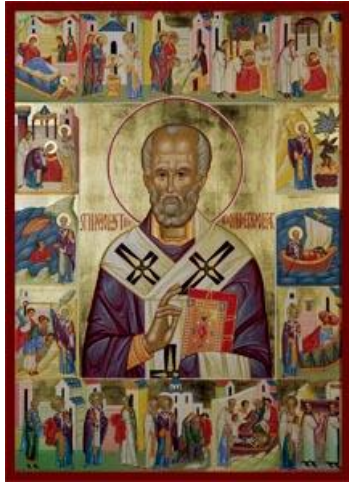
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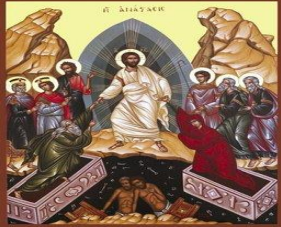
Sunday, May 2nd 2021 (HAPPY EASTER)

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Al Maseeh Qam! Haqan Qam!

Kristos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!

المسيح قام! حقا قام كل عام وأنتم بخير



IMPORTANT NOTICE: CHURCH IS OPEN!

If you plan to attend, please make sure you wear a mask and use hand sanitizer when you walk inside. Please don't attend if you're feeling sick.

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We pray for the good health, well-being, and safety of everyone. God bless!

THE EPISTLE: Acts: 1:1-8

In the first book, O Theophilos, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. To them he presented himself alive after his passion by any proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And while staying with them he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me, for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom of Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth."

الرسالة: أعمال الرسل 1:1-8 إني قد أنشأتُ الكلام الأول يا ثاوفيلس في جميع الأمور التي ابتدأ يسوع يعملها ويعلم بها اليوم الذي صعد فيه من بعد أن أوصى بالروح القدس الرسل الذين اصطفاهم، الذين أراهم أيضاً نفسه حياً بعد تألمه ببراهين كثيرة وهو يتراءى لهم مدة أربعين يوماً ويكلمهم بما يختص بملكوته. وفيما هو مجتمع معهم أوصاهم أن لا تبرحوا من اورشليم بل انتظروا موعد الأب الذي سمعتموه مني، فإن يوحنا عمّد بالماء وأما انتم فستعمّدون بالروح القدس لا بعد هذه الايام بكثير. فسأله المجتمعون قائلين: يا رب أفي هذا الزمان تردّ الملك الى اسرائيل؟ فقال لهم: ليس لكم ان تعرفوا الازمنة او الاوقات التي جعلها الأب في سلطانه لكنكم ستنالون قوة بحلول الروح القدس عليكم، وتكونون لي شهوداً في اورشليم وفي جميع اليهودية والسامرة والى أقصى الارض.

THE GOSPEL: John 1:1-17

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. (John bore witness to him, and cried, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, for he was before me.'") And from his fullness have we all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

الإنجيل: يوحنا 1:

في البدء كان الكلمة، والكلمة كان عند الله وإلهًا كان الكلمة، هذا كان في البدء عند الله. كلُّ به كان، وبغيره لم يكن شيء مما كَوْن. به كانت الحياة والحياة كانت نور الناس، والنور في الظلمة يضيء والظلمة لم تتركه. كان انسان مرسل من الله اسمه يوحنا. هذا جاء للشهادة ليشهد للنور، لكي يؤمن الكل بواسطته. لم يكن هو النور بل كان ليشهد للنور. كان النور الحقيقي الذي ينير كل انسان آت الى العالم. في العالم كان، والعالم به كَوْن، والعالم لم يعرفه. الى خاصته اتى وخاصته لم تقبله، فأما كل الذين قبلوه فأعطاهم سلطانًا ان يكونوا اولادًا لله الذين يؤمنون باسمه، الذين لا من دم ولا من مشيئة لحم ولا من مشيئة رجل لكن من الله وُلِدوا. والكلمة صار جسدًا وحلَّ فينا (وقد أبصرنا مجده مجدَ وحيدٍ من الآب) مملوءًا نعمة وحَقًا. ويوحنا شهد له وصرخ قائلاً: هذا هو الذي قلتُ عنه إن الذي يأتي بعدي صار قبلي لانه متقدِّمٌ، ومن ملئه نحن كُلنا اخذنا ونعمة عوض نعمة، لان الناموس بموسى أعطي، وأما النعمة والحق فبيسوع المسيح حصل.

CAMP THY 2021: June 20th-25th. Divine Liturgy, Luncheon, and introductory day on June 20th @ St. Nicholas Church. Wednesday June 23rd & Friday June 25th, our Sister Churches in Sacramento & Los Altos will be hosting us for activities. Register: <https://form.jotform.com/92868742644168>

Good Friday Soup and Bagels

Leila Paolino is donating & preparing the Soup, toasted Bagels and coffee after the Lamentation Service for the good health of her family and in loving memory of **Sub. Deacon Michel Khoury**. Memory Eternal! God Bless!

EASTER BREAKFAST:

Please join us Saturday May 1st for our Easter Service starting at 9 PM. We will have free Easter Breakfast directly following the service. We would like to thank everyone and their families who donated.



TREE OF LIFE: We have updated our Tree of Life in the back of our Church. If you would like to donate an engraved Leaf to place on the Tree in memory of your loved one, please contact the Church office. We are looking for a place to replicate leaves similar to these for our Tree of Life. If you know any place that can make these, please let us know.

ALTAR CANDLE OFFERING:

- ❖ Offered by St. Nicholas Church for the good health and well-being of **Nahil Tannous, Margarette Qaqish, Emily Jada, and Hayyat Shiheiber**. God bless and many years!
- ❖ Offered by **Michael & Mery Saddekni** for the good health of **Lynn Saddekni**. God bless and many years!
- ❖ Offered by **Sue Wais** for the good health of her family - **Husband Donald Wais, Daughter & her Husband Jeanette and Jason Yoshida and Grandsons, Anthony, Khalil and Dylan**. God bless and many years!
- ❖ Offered by **Basem & Esther Khoury** for the good health of them and their children: **Olga & Issa, David & Joselien, Tamara & Steven, Marlyna & Saba, and all their families**. Also for **Abeer Khoury, and Joseph Khoury**. Also in loving memory of **Dahoud Wahab, Bishara Wahab, Milad Wahab, and Abouna Hanna Sakkab**. May their memory be eternal!

2021 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: GREAT AND HOLY WEEK OF OUR LORD'S PASSION AND HIS GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

Holy and Great Thursday, April 29th

Matins with 12 Passion Gospels 7:00 PM (صلاة اناجيل الآلام)

Holy and Great Good Friday, April 30th

The Royal Hours & Vespers Service At 11:00 AM (صلاة الغروب)

Decoration of Bier of Christ (تزيين نعش السيد المسيح)

Matins with the Lamentations at the Tomb at 7:00 PM (تقاريط جناز السيد المسيح)

Good Friday Soup and Bagels

Holy and Great Saturday, May 1st (خدمة الفصح المجيد)

Starting Service 9:00 PM (بداية الخدمة)

Rush 9:30 PM (صلاة الهجمة)

Matins 10:00 PM

Divine Liturgy 10:30 PM (القداس الالهى)

Followed by free breakfast

Holy and Great Sunday, May 2nd

Vespers 12:00 PM (صلاة الباعوث)

Followed by Children's Egg Hunt

Agape Service - صلاة الباعوث & children's Egg Hunt Sunday,

May 2nd at 12:00 PM Agape (Vesper) Service

Easter Sunday at 12:00 PM, there will be an Agape vespers and the readings of the Gospel of the Resurrection. Following the Service we will have the Easter Egg Hunt donated by **Almaza**

Tannous, Mike Tannous, Hani Tannous, Gihan Cosentino, Christine Jekelian and their families in memory of Josef & Margarit Hanhan, Charles Tannous and Asal Tannous. Also by Almaza Tannous for the good health of her children Mike, Hani, Gihan, Christine and their families.

Many Thanks. May God bless you and our families

HOLY PASCHA: The Resurrection of Our Lord

Pascha (Easter) Enjoy ye all the feast of faith; receive ye all the riches of loving-kindness. (Sermon of St John Chrysostom, read at Paschal Matins) The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is the center of the Christian faith. St Paul says that if Christ is not raised from the dead, then our preaching and faith are in vain (I Cor. 15:14). Indeed, without the resurrection there would be no Christian preaching or faith. The disciples of Christ would have remained the broken and hopeless band which the Gospel of John describes as being in hiding behind locked doors for fear of the Jews. They went nowhere and preached nothing until they met the risen Christ, the doors being shut (John 20: 19). Then they touched the wounds of the nails and the spear; they ate and drank with Him. The resurrection became the basis of everything they said and did (Acts 2-4): “. . . for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have” (Luke 24:39). The resurrection reveals Jesus of Nazareth as not only the expected Messiah of Israel, but as the King and Lord of a new Jerusalem: a new heaven and a new earth. Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. . . the holy city, new Jerusalem. And I heard a great voice from the throne saying “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people. . . He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away (Rev. 21:1-4). In His death and resurrection, Christ defeats the last enemy, death, and thereby fulfills the mandate of His Father to subject all things under His feet (I Cor. 15:24-26). Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing (Rev. 5: 12) THE FEAST OF FEASTS The Christian faith is celebrated in the liturgy of the Church. True celebration is always a living participation. It is not a mere attendance at services. It is communion in the power of the event being celebrated. It is God’s free gift of joy given to spiritual men as a reward for their self-denial. It is the fulfillment of spiritual and physical effort and preparation. The resurrection of Christ, being the center of the Christian faith, is the basis of the Church’s liturgical life and the true model for all celebration. This is the chosen and holy day, first of sabbaths, king and lord of days, the feast of feasts, holy day of holy days. On this day we bless Christ forevermore (Irmos 8, Paschal Canon).

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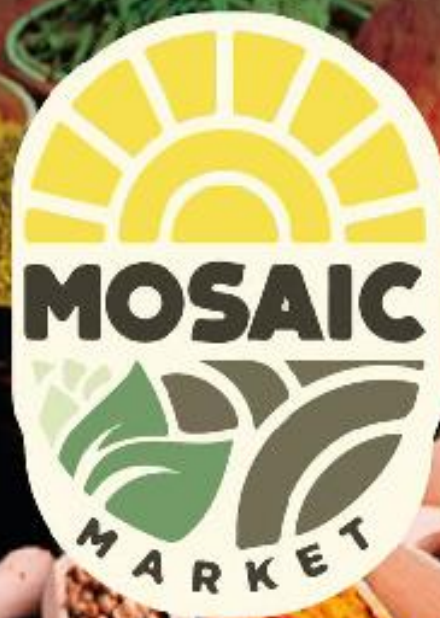


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