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**ST. PETER THE APOSTLE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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***Sunday, December 6, 2009***

***Nicholas the wonder-worker, archbishop of Myra in Lycia & Tenth  
Sunday of Luke***

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN 1<sup>st</sup> Mode**

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of Life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ, glory to Thy Kingdom, glory to Thy Providence, O Thou Who alone art the Lover of mankind.

**APOLYTIKION OF ST. NICHOLAS IN 4<sup>th</sup> Mode**

Thy works of justice did reveal thee to thy community as a canon of faith, the likeness of humility and teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Nicholas. Wherefore, by humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and by thy meekness wealth. Intercede, therefore, with Christ God to save our souls.

**APOLYTIKION OF ST. PETER (IN CHAINS)**

Thou hast come to us without leaving Rome, thou who doest preside over the Apostles by the power of the venerable chains that thou didst bear. While honoring them in faith, we beseech thee that by thine intercessions, God may grant us great mercy.

**THE EPISTLE - For St. Nicholas**

**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (13:17-21)**

Brethren, obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now

may the God of peace Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL - For the Tenth Sunday of Luke

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (13:10-17)**

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had 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 hypocrite! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass 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 Jesus said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.

**\*\*\* *Announcements for the Week of December 6th* \*\*\***

- **The Nativity fast continues.** We allow for fish, wine, and oil, except for Wednesdays and Fridays (which are always lenten), up through December 19<sup>th</sup>; lenten thereafter.
- **Father Patrick** is out of the country on church business from 22 November through 7 December. During this period, if you should experience an emergency need for the ministrations of a priest, please call upon the Rev Fr Catalin Mitescu at this phone number: 909.624.6811. Fr Catalin will be glad to help in any dire emergency situation
- **Today! St. Nicholas Day Sing-A-Long.** Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> in the evening. Speak with Lisa Pettygrove for details.
- **Weekday services** will resume on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> with vespers at 5pm in preparation for 6am Divine Liturgy on Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> for the Conception of the Theotokos. See monthly calendar for other weekly service times.
- **Advent Retreat** – Saturday, Dec. 12 at St. Michael Church in Whittier, CA. See bulletin board for more information
- **Parish Council** will meet next Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> following Orthodox school.

**Schedule of Divine Services--**

*Ordinary Schedule:*

*Special Schedule:*

Daily Matins at 6:00 AM,  
**Wednesday and Friday**  
Saturday Matins at 7:00 AM

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Vespers at 5:00 PM, **Tuesday & Friday.** [Every evening at certain times]

**For the Lord's Day (Sunday)**

**Great Vespers** at 5:00 PM, Saturday (preceded by the 9<sup>th</sup> Hour, at 4:45 PM)

**Sunday Matins** at 8:00 AM, Sunday

**Divine Liturgy** immediately follows Matins; thus, at about 9:15 AM.

*Special Services are scheduled; see Announcements*