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## ST. NICHOLAS 75TH ANNIVERSARY 1943 -2018

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This year, St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church celebrates its 75th Anniversary. It is a time of remembrance and pride for us as we reflect on how the Church has served our community, from its first location in Manhattan and, since 1970, from its longstanding and settled home in Jamaica Estates. During this year, we look forward to celebrating with several events as we document in a Commemorative Anniversary Journal our past, rejoice in this present, and make plans for a long future of continued prayer and service.

### Archbishop Nikon Visit, Saturday, May 19, at 11am

Archbishop Nikon of Boston, Bishop of the Albanian Orthodox Archdiocese, will make a special visit to St. Nicholas Church. On this occasion, as we begin to celebrate our seventy-fifth year, we will bless the Project of Beautification that began last year. On Saturday, May 19, at 11am in the morning, the archbishop will bless this place, bless the past and the future it represents, and bless us all to continue to work together in beauty, prayer, and love for many, many more years! Për shumë vjet!

All are invited to be present for the festivities on this day: brief prayers at eleven and a reception in the parish hall thereafter. We hope our neighbors of every faith and creed will bless us with their presence and join in this celebration!

## **75 vjetori i Kishes se Shen Kollit 1943 -2018**



Këtë vit, Kisha Ortodoxe Shqiptare e Shën Kollit do të festojë 75 vjetorin. Është koha që të kujtojmë, të jemi krenarë ndërsa reflektojmë atë që kisha i ka shërbyer komunitetit tonë që në fillimet e saj në Manhattan dhe më pas në vitin 1970 e sot e kësaj dite, në shtëpine e saj për një kohë të gjatë në Jamaica Estates. Gjatë ketij viti kemi planifikuar të festojmë me disa aktivitete të cilat kanë të bëjnë me të kaluarën tonë, dhe duke qenë të bashkuar të bëjmë plane për një të ardhme të gjatë lutjesh dhe shërbimi.

### **Te Shtunen, me 19 Maj, ora 11**

Kryepishkop Nikon i Bostonit, Bishop i Kryedioqesës Ortodoxe Shqiptare, do të vizitoje Kishën e Shën Kollit. Me këtë rast, ndërsa fillojmë të festojmë shtatëdhjetëpesë vjetorin, do të bekojmë Projektin e Zbukurimit që ka filluar nga viti i kaluar. Te shtunën, në 19 Maj, ora 11 am në mëngjes, arkbishopi do të bekojë këtë vend, do të bekojë atë që përfaqëson të kaluarën dhe të ardhmen, dhe do na bekojë të gjithë ne që të vazhdojmë të punojmë së bashku me bukuri, lutje dhe dashuri për shumë, shumë vite!

**Të gjithë janë të ftuar për të festuar: lutje të shkurtra në ora 11 dhe me pas do hamë së bashku në sallën poshtë. Shpresojmë që fqinjët tanë të çdo besimi fetar do na bekojnë me prezencën e tyre dhe do festojnë bashkë me ne!**

**ST. NICHOLAS 75TH ANNIVERSARY  
1943 -2018  
JOURNAL & BANQUET**

**Commemorative 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Journal**

**This Journal will tell the story of St. Nicholas Church and its Community. Also, it offers Parishioners and Friends of St. Nicholas the opportunity to be a permanent part of this celebration by documenting their involvement by buying Journal Commemorative Pages in honor of themselves or in memory of loved ones.**

**Journal Schedule:**

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| - <b>Begin Journal Design</b>                               | <b>May</b>              |
| - <b>Develop the Church's Story</b>                         | <b>May to September</b> |
| - <b>Buy Commemorative Pages</b>                            | <b>May to September</b> |
| - <b>Distribute the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Journal</b> | <b>October</b>          |

**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Diamond Celebration Banquet**

**Saturday, October 20, 2018**

***Terrace on the Park, Flushing Queens***

***Dinner & Dancing***

***7pm to Midnight***

## President's Message

by Jim Liolin

Krishti u ngjall!, Christ is Risen!

April was a glorious month enhanced especially by the services of the Pascha cycle. It is always uplifting when we are able to enjoy the gift of faith, hope and life, which is ever present in the message of Pascha.

UPDATE:

The General Meeting was held on April 15, 2018 where in the Council and church members reviewed the business and mission needs of the church.

- The main efforts were reviewing the 2017 Year End Financial report. Due to unexpected maintenance issues we were over budget in 2017. But overall the church is financially sound.
- We heard the status on the beautification of the temple -- Phase 1 is 99% completed. We are well into Phase 2, which is the sponsorship of new icons. Believe me you will be very impressed with what you will see. Of the seven large icons four now are mounted on the walls. Of the 16 small icons only 4 are left. If you are interested in sponsoring an icon speak to Father Nikodhim. All this is in preparation for the 75th Diamond Anniversary celebration of St. Nicholas. The first event is on Saturday May 19, when Archbishop Nikon will bless all the renovations and the new icons. Please come and see the new "Jewel of Jamaica Estates".
- The 75th Diamond Anniversary main event will be on October 20th, at the Terrace on the Park in Queens, NY.
- Elections were held and the new Council is:

*Jim Liolin, Lou Foundos, Mark Papalexis, John Jance, Bill Peters, Damian Peters, Zhani Joanidhi, Blendy Korovesi, Alexandra-Liolin Kehoe.*

Izzy Tsamblakos and Ilia Luka were thanked for their efforts and support during their term. We wish the new Council God's Blessing for a successful term.

- On Sunday May 13 the Council members and men of the church will honor the ladies of the parish for Mothers Day with a special coffee hour.
- The Church Picnic will be on June 17th at Manorhaven Park, in Port Washington NY. Please come and bring your friends.

That's it for now. See you in Church!

## Palm Sunday Procession

Palm Sunday, April 1, was a special and holy day. We remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. We bless palms on this day as a symbol of victory and carry them in triumphal procession. Children marched down the aisles of the Church waving our palms and proclaiming Christ's victory. See the photos below.



# Coffee List

Dear Ladies,

Below is the schedule for coffee for the next month. If your name is listed, please be sure to put it on your calendar. If you need to change the date, please advise Christina Liolin or Adriana Topore.

It is very important to remember that on the day you are scheduled for coffee, **please arrive at church by 10 a.m.** so that preparations can be made.

What to bring:

- Cake for 50-60 people
- Cookies for the children
- 1 gallon of milk

**May**     6 Rehova Family  
            13 Mother's Day  
            20 Open  
            27 Tina Peters/Rosalie Zacharias

## Daughters' Corner by Linda Foundos

Our gratitude to all that helped with shopping, setting up, serving and cleaning up our annual Pascal Pancake Breakfast. Christina Liolin cooked up some mighty delicious ones for us. We had a full house; it was a delightful day. Another group helped with the decorating of the epitaphy on Good Friday morning in preparation for the evening lamentation services. It is a rewarding experience for those that participate. Eli Troja has been our leader in this endeavor for the past few years. Izzy Tsamblakos, for the past several years, has ordered and delivered all the flowers to be used for the epitaphy. His participation is invaluable! All volunteer help is very much appreciated. The choral singing all during Holy Week was beautiful! It added so much to the moving experience walking through history, reliving our faith.

On Sunday, May 13th, the men in our community will give the women in our community the "royal treatment" at coffee hour in honor of Mothers' Day. It's nice to be pampered and appreciated.

A special event is coming up on Saturday, May 19th, a visit from Archbishop Nikon to bless our new icons, part of our Beautification Project. We will also have guest clergy and other dignitaries join us as well. The brief service will be followed by a light, buffet reception. It is an important day in the life of our St. Nicholas parish. We look forward to seeing you there.

We are in need of someone to report our Community News. Please contact me if you have an interest in doing so. It certainly should be part of an active, diverse and scattered community. We would like to share in your joy, your celebrations, special events and pray for you in difficult times as well.



CELEBRATE THE MOTHER'S DAY  
WITH US ON MAY 13

# **CHURCH EVENTS - SAVE THE DATES**

## St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church

# PICNIC

Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> ~ 11:00 a.m. til dark

Manorhaven Beach Park ~ Port Washington, NY



St. Nicholas  
Albanian Orthodox Church  
Jamaica Estates, NY

21<sup>ST</sup> Annual  
Golf Classic  
& Dinner Reception



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The Town of Oyster Bay Golf Course

Woodbury, NY

Monday, October 1st, 2018



## Pancake Breakfast a Success!!!

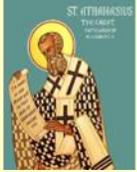
On Palm Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, the Daughters' of St. Nicholas sponsored their semi-annual Pancake Breakfast.

A "Thank You" goes to all that worked to make it possible, especially Linda Foundos and Christina Liolin.

All who attended had a great time!



## MAY NAME DAYS



2 - St. Athanasius - the Great  
Nasi Pavllo



5 - St. Irene – the Greatmartyr  
Renee Jones, Ira Gjoka



9 - St. Christopher – the Martyr  
Christopher Bode, Christopher Pulana



13 - St. Glykeria – the Virginmartyr  
Gliqeri Mizaku



14 - St. Isidore – the Martyr  
Isidoros Tsamblakos



21- Sts. Helen and Constantine – Equal of the Apostles and Emperor Constantine  
Cleo Filis, Helen Panajoti, Helen Gradt, Lenore Apostolu, Eleni Coka, Koco  
Grazhdani, Lina Kondili, Helena Mertiri, Lenora Peter, Helen Phillips, Iliana  
Rehova, Leonora Vozhilla, Elona Zekthi, Eli Troja, Sonja Troja, Lina Kondili

If we missed your name, please let us know  
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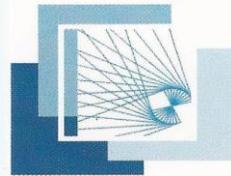
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## **Major Church Activities and Events**

### **May:**

Wed. 2 - Prayers, 9am: Rusicat  
 Sat. 5 - Health Prayers, 5pm  
 Sun. 6 - Liturgy, 10am  
 Sat. 12 - Vespers, 5pm  
 Sun. 13 - Liturgy, 10am: Mother's Day  
 Wed. 16 - Great Vespers, 7pm: Ascension  
 Thur. 17 - Liturgy, 9am: Ascension  
**Sat. 19 - Abp. Blesses Church, 11am**  
 - Vespers, 5pm  
 Sun. 20 - Liturgy, 10am  
 Sat. 26 - Vespers, 5pm  
 Sun. 27 - Liturgy, 10am: Holy Pentecost

### **Ushers' Schedule for Sunday Services** **Lista e sherbimit te dielave ne kisha**

**MAY 06 Robert KORRA / Lou FOUNDOS**

**MAY 13 Roland LLUPA / Edi SERA**

**MAY 20 Illia LUKA / Bill PETERS**

**MAY 27 Stefan BALTADORI / Izzy TSAMBLAKOS**

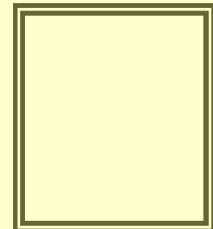
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