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Welcome to our parish!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us on the Lord's Day. We are grateful for your prayers and participation!

Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Our priest, Father Alessandro, would love to greet and welcome you.

Holy Eucharist requires full communion of faith, so if you are not an Orthodox Christian, please do not approach the Chalice. If you are an Orthodox Christian, please note that communion must be preceded by fasting, recent Confession, and reconciliation with all people.

January 14, 2024

32nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Leavetaking of the Theophany
St. Savva I, first Archbishop of Serbia
Saint Nina, Equal of the Apostles,
Enlightener of Georgia

Saint nina, equal of the apostles, enlightener of georgia

St. Nina was a relative of St. George the Great-martyr and Juvenal the Patriarch of Jerusalem. Her parents belonged to the nobility in Cappadocia, and--since her parents were tonsured in the monastic state--Nina was educated under the tutelage of Patriarch Juvenal.

Hearing about the people of Georgia, the virgin Nina, from an early age, desired to go to Georgia and to baptize the Georgians.

The Most-holy Mother of God appeared to Nina and promised to take her to this land. When our Lord opened the way, the young Nina indeed traveled to Georgia, where, in a short period of time, she gained the love of the Georgian people.

Nina succeeded in baptizing the Georgian King Mirian, his wife Nana and their son Bakar who, later on, zealously assisted Nina's missionary work.

During her lifetime, Nina traveled throughout Georgia, converting the entire nation to the Christian Faith. She did her work at the time of the terrible persecution of Christians at the hands of Emperor Diocletian. Having rested from her many labors, Nina reposed in the Lord in the year 335 A.D. Her body is entombed in the Church of the Holy Great-martyr George in Bodbe Convent. She worked many miracles during her life and after her death.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

REQUESTING PRAYERS: Larissa, Cristina, Jerry, Basil, Michelle, Yuri,

Davide, Pina, Kelsey and her unborn

CATECHUMEN: Calvin

MISSIONARIES: The McDonald family

BIRTHDAYS: Nicholas Barr, Analisa Callender, Irina Dolgopolov,

Christine Garber

NAMEDAYS: Anton Dolgopolov

DEPARTED: Archpriest Daniel, Nicholas

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH FOR LIFE: The annual March for Life in Washington, DC, will take place on Friday, January 19. Join His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon, along with many other bishops, clergy, seminarians, and faithful of the various Orthodox Churches at 11:30am at the National Mall where the March for Life Rally will begin at noon.

HOME BLESSINGS: If you would like to have your house blessed, please let Fr. Alessandro know. Home blessings will be scheduled through the end of February. To prepare for Father's visit, on your dining room table or at your icon corner, lay out a white cloth if you have it, and set on it a candle that can be carried around the house and your prayer list.

ANNUAL MEETING & PARISH COUNCIL: Our next Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 28. We will be holding elections for some of the Parish Council positions. If you are interested in running, please speak with Fr. Alessandro.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: A big football game is coming up on February 11, 2024, and once again on that weekend our parish will "tackle" hunger to help people in need both near and far. We will be collecting non-perishable food items and diapers (sizes 5 and 6) for the Grace Pantry in Alexandria. We also will collect donations for IOCC, including for their ongoing emergency relief efforts in the Holy Land and Ukraine. Our goals for this event are to collect 500+ diapers in size 5, 500+ diapers in size 6, and \$500 in donations for IOCC. Please bring your donations on or before Sunday, February 11. Lory Easton is willing to purchase diapers at Costco for any who would like to contribute that way (PayPal to LBEBiz2010@gmail.com), and a Souper Bowl of Caring Amazon Wish List also is available (via email).

OYM DC RETREAT: Orthodox Youth & Young Adult Ministries (OYM) is hosting a pan-Orthodox retreat for youth and adults on Saturday, Feb 10, at Ss. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Silver Spring, MD. The full-day retreat will have two tracks, one for youth (grades 6-12, high school and middle school) and one for adults including young professionals, parents, and youth workers. The theme is "3E-Treat" with the goal to help participants encounter Christ, embody His Church, and engage the world in His Name. The retreat is without cost but pre-registration is required. For more information and to register: theoym.org/washingtondc

PSALMODY CONCERT: On January 19, 7:30p, at Sts. Peter and Paul Antiochian Orthodox Church in Potomac, the Archdiocesan Choir will offer a special concert entitled "Behold How Good: A Concert of Psalmody." This is a ticketed event. For more information and to reserve your ticket, visit: archdiocesanchoir.org/psalmody-concert

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

January 14, Sun

8:45 AM Church School 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

January 17, Wed

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

January 20, Sat

5:00 PM Great Vespers

January 21, Sun

8:45 AM Church School 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

MINISTRY ROTATIONS

Jan 14 Jan 21

Coffee Hour: Class Barr

Reader: Easton Class

Fr. Alessandro is available for Confession on Saturday after Vespers or by appointment