



**ST. NICHOLAS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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 Orthros 9:00 AM
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 Reservations only
Sunday School- Zoom
Office Hours
 Monday-Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

MARCH 14TH 2021 FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

We commemorate: Benedict the Righteous of Nursia. Eusechmon the Confessor, Bishop of Lampasakos.

THE EPISTLE READING is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4
 Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

THE GOSPEL According to Matthew 6:14-21

The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. "And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

**ALL CHURCH SERVICES ARE BEING HELD!
RESERVATIONS ONLY.**

Please call the church office at 603-436-2733 or email stnicholasreservations@gmail.com. We are also broadcasting via the internet. Please go to: <http://www.stnicholasportsmouthnh.org> and click on Watch Live Broadcast.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY,	MARCH	14	–FORGIVENESS SUNDAY (CHEESEFARE) –FORGIVENESS VESPER SERVICE following Liturgy –1 YEAR MEMORIAL SERVICE for Kevin Bowden. May his memory be eternal. –DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS
MONDAY,	MARCH	15	–CLEAN MONDAY/ NO OFFICE HOURS –GREAT COMPLINE SERVICE: 6:00 PM –GREEK SCHOOL: 4:00-6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY,	MARCH	17	–OFFICE HOURS: 9:30-2:00 PM –GREEK SCHOOL: 5:00-7:30 PM –PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY: 6:00 PM
THURSDAY,	MARCH	18	–OFFICE HOURS: 9:30-2:00 PM –ADULT GREEK SCHOOL: 11:30-12:30 & 1:00-2:00 –BIBLE STUDY: 7:00 PM (ZOOM)
FRIDAY,	MARCH	19	–OFFICE HOURS: 9:30-2:00 PM –1 ST SALUTATION SERVICE: 6:00 PM
SATURDAY,	MARCH	20	–SATURDAY OF THE SOULS LITURGY: 9:45 AM
SUNDAY,	MARCH	21	–SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

Great Lent begins
Monday, March 15

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY: *March 18th at 7 pm (Zoom). The Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 1-“The birth of Christ.” Watch for the zoom invitation.*

SATURDAY OF THE SOULS - (Ψυχосαββατο) *is a day set aside for the commemoration of the dead. The last one is on March 20). Please bring the names of your loved ones who have passed away to be read during the service.*

TSOUREKI (EASTER BREAD): *if you would like to order Tsoureki, the order form is in the Spirit or contact Hilde: hildekama@gmail.com or 603-498-3233*

HEALTH AND SAFETY SCREENING SCHEDULE: *The Safety Committee is seeking new volunteers to augment our team. Volunteers are needed for Sundays and for Weekday Service to perform Health Screening (Greeting, taking temperature and asking brief questions) Training provided. Please email Barbara: casspamboukes@gmail.com, Fran: frandamianos@gmail.com or Kathleen: kathgvc@aol.com if you have an interest in volunteering.*