Sunday of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council



Icon of Saints Philip, Theophan, and Zena -- October 11th

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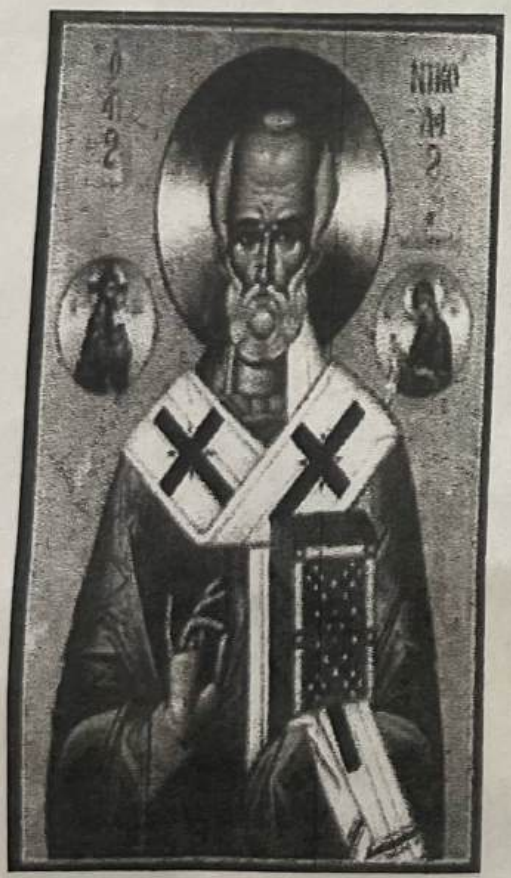
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SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA VIKI
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!

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EPISTLE 2 COR. 11:31-12:9 GOSPEL LK. 8:5-15

Oct. 11 10:30 a.m. Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council



The parishioner collection for Sept. 27, 2026 was $1,125.00. The total collection was $1,46700. We thank our parishioners and guests for their donations to St. Nicholas Catholic Church

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O Lord our God bless and strengthen our soldiers, police, medical and fire responders. Grant them a heart of courage. Save, defend, protect, purify and fill them with spiritual joy. Be a protector of their souls and bodies

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Jesus in the Old Testament: There is a story which says that the first Christians met a Jewish teacher, and only later under the influence of Greek philosophy, or by decree at a fourth-century council did they inflate him into God. On this telling, the deity of Christ is a betrayal of Israel's fierce monotheism, a foreign idea smuggled in from Athens. It is a nice story, but it is also almost exactly backwards. The materials for a divine Messiah were never imported from Athens. They were native to Jerusalem, sitting in Israel's own Scriptures and the strangest of them is this: the Hebrew bible presents Yahweh, as in some sense multi-personal.

"Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.". 21:22



Please remember in your prayers the sick and suffering of the parish, their relatives and friends especially Al Sumner, and Gregory Walsko . May God heal them, and grant them many happy years. .

There is an unseen Yahweh as presented to Moses and there is a Yahweh who is seen They share one name, one authority, one worship. (more to come)

DO NOT FORGET ABOUT THE ICON FOR VOCATIONS. PLEASE CONSIDER SIGN
ING UP FOR A WEEK. THE SIGN UP SHEET IS IN THE SOCIAL HALL. PLEASE BRING THE ICON BACK TO THE PASTOR THE NE.XT SUNDAY AND DO NOT GIVE IT TO THE NEXT PERSON IN LINE

The next Great Vespers will be on October 10, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.. All are welcome

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Parishioner statements for 2026. There is now a sign up sheet in the social hall for those who would like an end of the year statement. It will be in the social hall for one month. After that, we will assume only those on the sheet are interested and will close out the sign up period. Please put your name and envelope number on the sheet. Those who donate through our donate button on the website will not be getting a statement

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NOTICE: Please make note that there will be a parish meeting on October 18, 2026 in the social hall after the 10:30 a.m. Liturgy. Please mark your calendars for this parish family event

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There will be Eastern Christian Formation for our children **today** and **Adult Education** in the pastor's office

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The Bishop's Appeal has begun for 2026. You will be getting your pledge card in the mail. If you are going to donate, please do not put your donation in the collection basket on Sundays. Please send your donation directly to the Chancery in New Jersey

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The Shepherd's Family

The mark of Christ's sheep is their willingness to hear and obey, just as the sign of those who are not His is their disobedience. We take the word "hear" to imply obedience to what has been said. People who hear God are known by Him. No one is entirely unknown by God, but to be known in this way is to become his kin. Thus, when Christ says, "I know mine," He means, "I will receive them, and give them permanent mystical kinship with Me."

It might be said that inasmuch as He has become man, He has made all human beings His kin, since all are members of the same race; we are all united to Christ in a mystical relationship because of His incarnation. Yet those who do not preserve the likeness of His holiness are alienated from Him. "My sheep follow me," says Christ. By a certain God-given grace, believers follow in the footsteps of Christ. No longer subject to the shadows of the law, they obey the commands of Christ, and guided by His words rise in grace to His own dignity, for they are called children of God. When Christ ascends into heaven, they also follow Him.

Christ promises His followers as a recompense and reward eternal life, exemption from death and corruption, and from the torments the judge inflicts upon transgressors. By giving life Christ shows that by nature He is life. He does not receive it from another, but supplies it from His own resources. And by eternal life we understand not only length of days which all, both good and bad, shall possess after the resurrection, but also the passing of those days in peace and joy.

We may also see in the word "life" a reference to the Eucharist, by means of which Christ implants in believers His own life through their sharing in His flesh.

St. Cyril of Alexandria