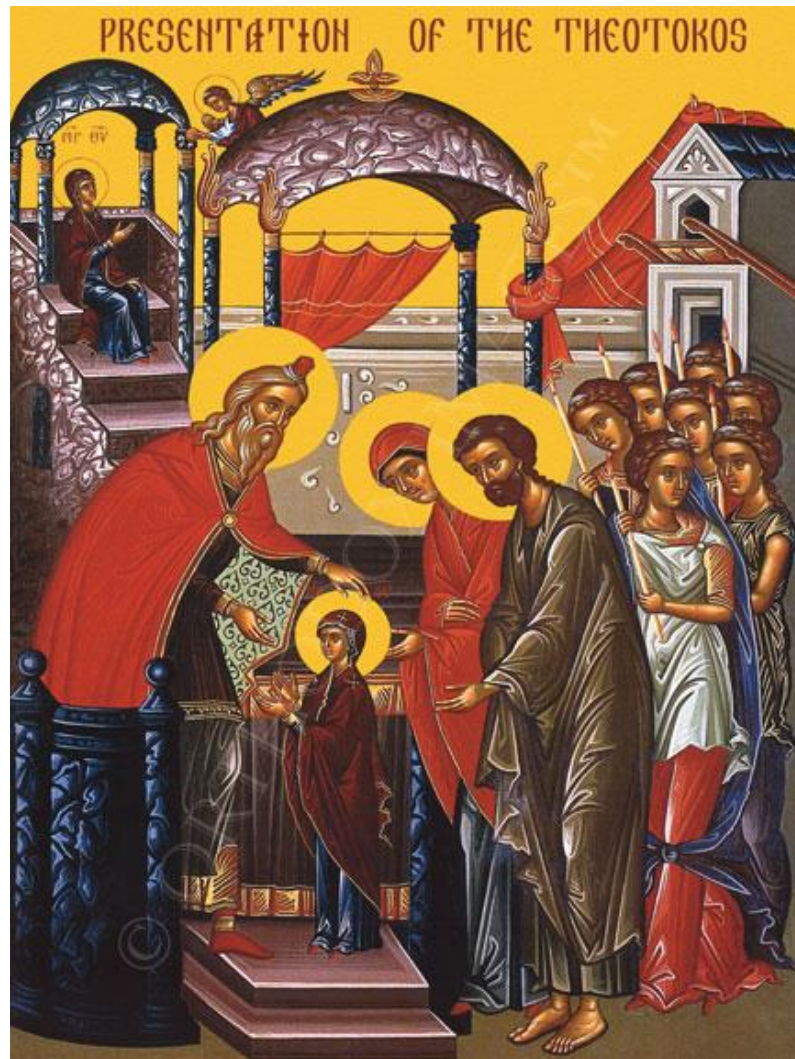




ST. NICHOLAS ALBANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
SHRINE OF THE HOLY VIRGIN MARY



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Schedulë of services † Programi i Shërbësavë

-November 1, Friday: St. Cosmas & Damianos

Shën Kozmai & Damiani

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjëzore dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 3, Sunday: St. Acapsima of Persia

Shën Akëpsimai i Persisë

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjëzore and Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 8, Friday: Sinaxis of the Archangels

Mblëdhja e Kryëngjëjvë

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjëzore dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 9, Saturday: St. Nektarios the Wonderworker

Shën Nektari Cudibërësi

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjëzore dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 10, Sunday: St. Arsenios of Cappadocia

Shën Arseni i Kapadhokisë

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjëzore dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 11, Monday: St. Menas, Victor & Vicendius

Shën Minai, Viktori & Vikëndi

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjëzore dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 15, Friday: St. Guria (Christmas Fast Begins)

Shën Guria (Fillon Krëshma e Krishtlindjes)

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjesorë dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 17, Sunday: St. Gregory the Wonderworker

Shën Grigori Cudibërësi

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjesorë dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 21, Thursday: Entrance of the Theotokos into the temple – Hyrja e Hyjlindëses në tempull

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjesorë dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 24, Sunday: St. Clement Pope of Rome

Shën Klementi Papa i Romës

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjesorë dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 25, Monday: St. Katherine the Great Martyr

Shën Ekaterina Martirë e Madhe

9:00 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Mëngjesorë dhe Mëshë Hyjnore

-November 28, Thursday: Thanksgiving Day and National Albania Feast – Dita e Falënderimit edhe Festa Kombtare e Shqipërisë

9:00 a.m. Orthros - Divine Liturgy and Doxology

Mëngjesorë - Mëshë Hyjnore dhe Dhoksologji



St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church
Shrine of the Holy Virgin Mary

Sunday Church School

**Classes start on Sunday,
September 22nd**

Sundays immediately following
holy communion

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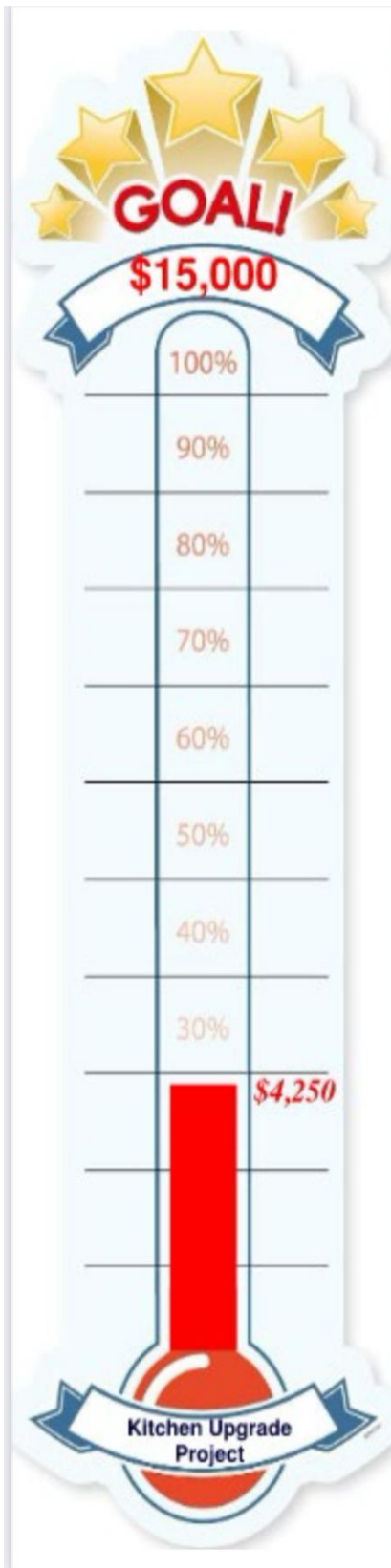
For registration

English version:

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Albanian version:

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LADIES AUXILIARY FUNDRAISING APPEAL



PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL TO RAISE **\$15,000** TOWARDS OUR KITCHEN UPGRADE PROJECT!

Both the refrigerator and ovens are in need of replacement. Those are important tools used to prepare food and keep it fresh for various events in our parish community and also essential for our hall rental bookings.

If you would like to make a donation, you can do so by check made out to "St. Nicholas Ladies Auxiliary" with "ovens" on the memo line which can be mailed or dropped off at the church office. Cash is acceptable as well

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to keep our church going!

DCFS Christmas Gift Drive For Children in Foster Care



Ladies Auxiliary Charitable Giving Program

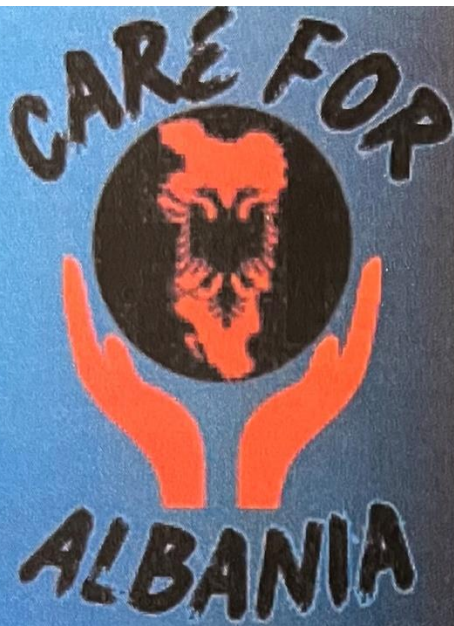
The Ladies Auxiliary is happy to announce that we will be participating, again this year, in the DCFS Christmas Gift Drive which is a Chicago area Pan-Orthodox ministry. As Orthodox Christians we are called to fulfill our Lord's teaching: **"...as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."** Matthew 25:40

Children in foster care have known difficulty in their lives and they really appreciate our outreach as an expression of kindness and love. Let us embrace the spirit of St. Nicholas, our patron saint, and consider purchasing a gift for a Chicago Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) foster child this Christmas season and bring a smile to the face of a child in need.

Just follow these simple steps:

1. If you would like to participate send an email to the church (church@stnicholasalbanianchicago.org) or to Sofia Panajoti (jonasimeon@hotmail.com). Your name will be added to our donor list.
2. A foster child's Wish List will be assigned to each participant. The Wish List includes the child's name, age and items they would like to receive.
3. The Wish List for your assigned foster child can be picked up in the church hall after Sunday Liturgy from Sofia Panajoti. Or, if you prefer, the Wish List can be sent to you via email or text. Let us know your preference when you sign up to participate. If you choose to receive a text, please include your phone number.
4. Review your foster child's Wish List and, if you would like, involve your own family in selecting an appropriate gift for your assigned foster child.
5. **OPTIONAL:** Choose a Christmas card to enclose with your gift and write a friendly message to your foster child, Sign the Christmas card only with your first name.
6. All gifts must be new and unwrapped. Please put your gift in a gift bag together with your foster child's Wish List and optional Christmas card. **Use gift bags – do not wrap gifts with wrapping paper.** Tissue paper in the bags is okay to use, If you are giving a gift card, it should be placed in a box so as not to get easily lost.
7. Bring your gift bags to church by **Sunday, December 1.** **Gift bags will not be accepted after this deadline.**

May God bless you for your kindness and generosity toward a child in need!



Mother Teresa:

A Global Icon of Compassion and Service

16 NOVEMBER 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30PM, EVENT BEGINS AT 5:30PM

AT THE MAYSLAKE PEABODY ESTATE

1717 31ST ST, OAKBROOK IL 60523

Honor the legacy of Mother Teresa, the Albanian Saint who aided the needy across the globe and made an impact on the community of Lawndale, Chicago. Individuals of all religious backgrounds and cultures welcome.

GET TICKETS AT

[TINYURL.COM/MT-CFA-24](https://tinyurl.com/MT-CFA-24)

Dear St. Nicholas Church Member,

This letter is to inform you of the upcoming **General Assembly meeting** scheduled on **Sunday, November 24, 2024**, immediately following liturgy.

Topics to be discussed are:

- General State of the Church
- Treasurer's Report
- Ladies Auxiliary Report
- Membership Report
- Completed and Pending Projects
- 2025 Membership Dues Update

We hope you can be present for the updates and discussion. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Respectfully,

The St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church Parish Council

Te dashur anetare te Kishes se Shen Kollit,

Duam tu informojme se **Mbledhja e Pergjitheshme** e anetareve te Kishes do te zhvillohet **te Dielen 24 Nentor2024**, menjehere pas Liturgjise Hyjnore.

Me poshte jane pikat qe do te diskutohen ne kete mbledhje:

- Gjendja e pergjithshme e Kishes
- Raporti i thesarit
- Raporti i Ladies Auxiliary
- Raporti per anetaresine e Kishes
- Projektet e perfunduara dhe ato ne process
- 2025 Azhornimi i detyrimeve te anetarsimit

Shpresojme te jeni te pranishem per diskutim dhe sugjerime. Ju mirepresim.

Me respekt,

Keshilli i Kishes Orthodokse Shqiptare te Shen Kollit

NOTICES

DID YOU KNOW?

Prompt payment of your Church dues and donations help us maintain our beautiful, historic Church. Without you, there would not be any St. Nicholas. Won't you please consider donating while paying your dues online?



You may now donate to St. Nicholas Church by visiting our website: stnicholasalbanianchicago.org. Simply click on the DONATE button towards the bottom of the home page on our website and follow the directions. *Please note when using the DONATE button for memberships, you must scroll down and check the "Cover Fees" box, so the church receives the entire membership dues amount. You may also mail a check to the church or stop by the church office in person AFTER Liturgy.

PLEASE NOTE: The office is CLOSED during Orthros and Divine Liturgy. ANNUAL DUES

Do you have a suggestion, a comment, a question, or concern? We have established a new email for your use to express any concerns, ask a question or just make a comment.

It is: talktous@stnicholasalbanianchicago.org. This is a confidential mailbox and will be monitored very closely to be sure all confidentiality are maintained.

BRICK PROGRAM

Donations for our Commemorative Brick Program are still being taken. Bricks can be made to honor a memory, mark a special occasion or to show support. A 4 inch by 8 inch brick with up to 3 lines of engraving can be ordered for a donation of \$250.00. Forms can be found at the candle stand or you may also request a form be sent to you via email or US mail. To ensure the wording and spelling are printed correctly on the brick, a form must accompany payment.



ASK FATHER

A NEW DROP BOX IS LOCATED NEXT TO
THE BULLETIN BOARD BY THE STAIRS



WRITE YOUR QUESTION TO
FATHER IGNATIUS AND DROP IT IN THE
BOX OR CONTACT DIRECTLY TO HIS EMAIL
priest@stnicholasalbanianchicago.org

MEMBERSHIP



2024 Memberships

Please send in or drop off your dues for 2024 and 2023 if you still have not done it; \$150 per individual over 21 years or old, \$250 for family membership covering both husband and wife plus children under 21 yrs of age. Please note "2024 dues" on your check.

If you are not yet a member but would like to join our parish, please speak to a member of the Parish Council for information. There is no initiation membership fee any more.

***Member directory**-If you need to update or correct your address or phone number or the next membership directory, please contact our church at 773-889-4282 or church@stnicholasalbanianchicago.org . You can also contact Maria Barbachi if you want to give us your e-mail address to receive communication from our church. Also, if you are moving, please inform the church in regards to the forwarding address for future church communication. Membership payment now can be done on our church website under donate button. The drop down list has "Membership" option you can use and make membership payments.*

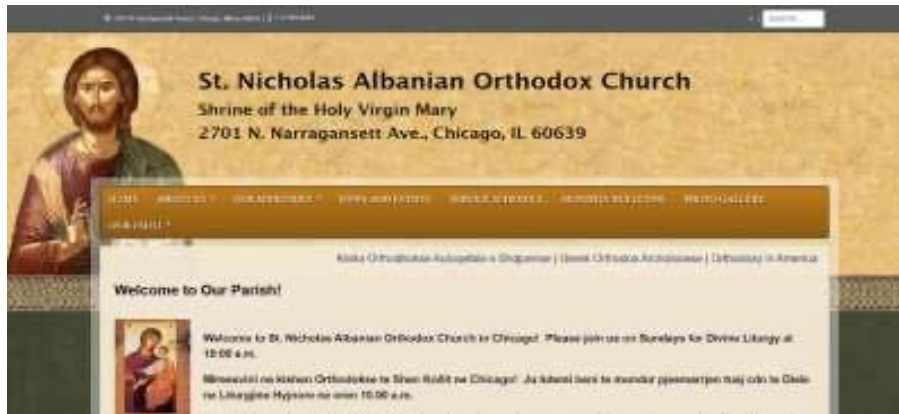
Ju lutemi sillni ose dergoni pagesen e anetaresise se Kishes per vitin 2024 dhe 2023 ne rast se nuk e keni bere akoma. Ajo eshte \$150 per personat mbi 21 vjec dhe \$250 per familjet qe mbulon burrin, gruan si dhe femijet e tyre ne moshen nen 21 vjec. Ju lutem shenoni "2024 dues" ne cekun tuaj.

Ne rast se ju nuk jeni anetar i kishes dhe deshironi te beheni, kontaktoni zyren e kishes apo nje nga anetaret e Keshillit te Kishes per informacionin e duhur.

Ju lutem njoftoni Kishen ne rast se keni ndryshuar adresen e banimit apo numrin e telefonit per te bere korrigjimet e duhura ne listat e Kishes. 773-889-4282 ose church@stnicholasalbanianchicago.org

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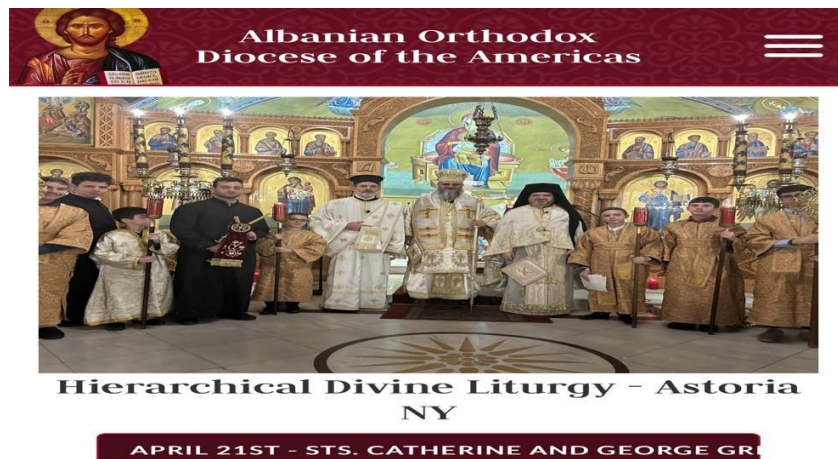
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