

St. Nicholas Festal Calendar 2016-2017

The New Church Year begins September 1. This means a new year in our life in Christ, with its rhythm of fasting and feasting. As Orthodox Christians, we are always either anticipating or celebrating a Feast! Please keep the following dates in mind as you make plans for the coming year. These include primarily the 12 Great Feasts and Pascha, with a few other important dates thrown in. Tentative Liturgy times have been included to help you plan, though these times may change. For Feasts with morning Liturgies, try to take a few hours off work. It's only a few times in the year! If you can't, then come for the Great Vespers (or Vigil) on the evening before. The 12 Great Feasts are marked with an asterisk (*).

***Nativity of the Most Holy Theotokos — Wed, Sept. 7, 5:30pm Orthros; 6:30pm Liturgy**

***Exaltation of the Precious Cross — Tues, Sept. 13, 5:30pm Vigil w/ Procession of Cross; Wed, Sept. 14, 6:30am Liturgy**

Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos — Sat, Oct. 1, 8am Orthros; 9am Liturgy

St. Raphael of Brooklyn — Sat, Nov. 5, 8am Orthros; 9am Liturgy

***Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple — Sun, Nov. 20, 5pm - Great Vespers & Blessing
Mon, Nov. 21, 6:30am Liturgy**

St. Nicholas — Mon, Dec. 5, 5pm Vigil; 6:30pm Liturgy

***Nativity of Our Lord – Sat, Dec. 24, 9am Vespers Liturgy of the Eve
Sat, Dec. 24, 10pm Orthros & 11pm Festal Liturgy**

Circumcision of the Lord and St. Basil the Great – Sun, Jan. 1 (Usual Sunday service times)

***Theophany (Baptism of Our Lord) – Thurs, Jan. 5, 6pm – Vespers Liturgy of the Eve
Fri, Jan. 6, 9am Orthros; 10am Festal Liturgy**

***Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple – Wed, Feb. 1, 5:30pm Orthros; 6:30pm Liturgy & Blessing**

Great Lent Begins – Mon, Feb. 27

***Annunciation (Conception of Our Lord) – Sat, Mar. 25, 8am Orthros; 9am Liturgy**

***Palm Sunday – Sun, Apr. 9 (Usual Sunday service times)**

Great and Holy Pascha – Sat, Apr. 15, 10:30pm Paschal Vigil; 11:30pm Paschal Liturgy

***Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Flesh – Wed, May 24, 5:30pm Orthros; 6:30pm Liturgy**

***Pentecost (Descent of the Holy Spirit) – Sun, June 4 (Usual Sunday service times)**

Ss. Peter and Paul – Wed, June 28, 5:30pm Vigil; Thurs, June 29, 6:30am Liturgy

***Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ – Sun, Aug. 6 (Usual Sunday service times)**

***Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos – Mon, Aug. 14, 5:30pm Vigil; Tues, Aug. 15, 6:30am Liturgy**