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## Regular Schedule

- ◇ **Fr. Peter's Office Hours:** Tue-Thur 10-3 (parish office) or by appointment
- ◇ **Saturdays:** Great Vespers 5pm followed by confession
- ◇ **Sundays:** Hours & Divine Liturgy 9:30am followed by fellowship at the parish center. All are welcome.
- ◇ **Book study** every Tuesday 7pm (online only)

## Announcements, Etc.

- **Pan Orthodox Vespers March 1 5pm:** [Saint Nicholas Family Life Center](#). Potluck meal to follow. Please bring food to share.
- **Tuesday, March 17** pierogi session 8:30am.
- Click [here](#) to sign up to volunteer to help serve a FOCUS breakfast to the needy on Wednesdays.
- 2026 coffee hour sign up sheet in parish hall.

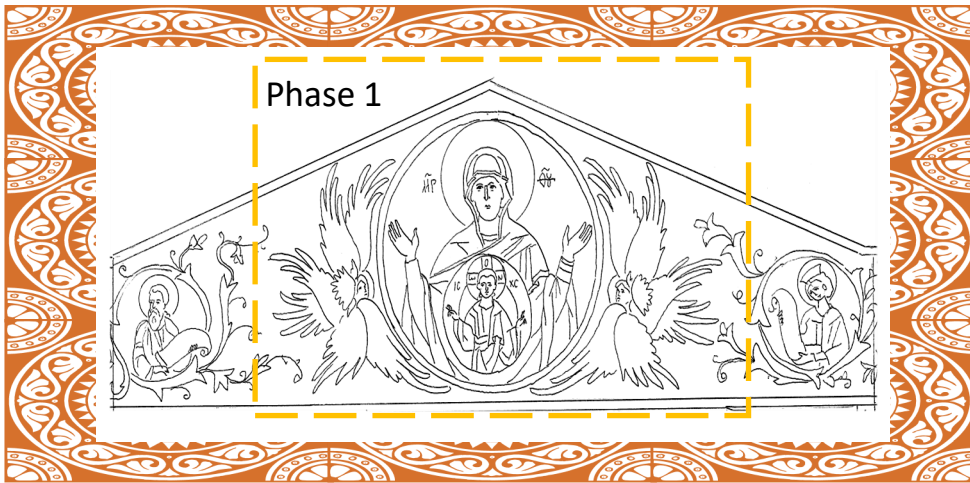
## Father's Wishlist

Please consider supporting the projects listed in the narthex. The list includes iconography for the temple!

"Luke 24:12-35

But Peter arose and ran to the tomb; and stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying by themselves; and he departed, marveling to himself at what had happened. Luke 24:13 Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. Luke 24:14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened. Luke 24:15 So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. Luke 24:16 But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. Luke 24:17 And He said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?" Luke 24:18 Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?" Luke 24:19 And He said to them, "What things?" So they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, Luke 24:20 and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. Luke 24:21 But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened. Luke 24:22 Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. Luke 24:23 When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. Luke 24:24 And

certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but Him they did not see." Luke 24:25 Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! Luke 24:26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" Luke 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. Luke 24:28 Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. Luke 24:29 But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them. Luke 24:30 Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Luke 24:31 Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. Luke 24:32 And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" Luke 24:33 So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, Luke 24:34 saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Luke 24:35 And they told about the things that had hap-



## New iconography!

With the blessing of His Eminence, Archbishop DANIEL, we have contracted with an iconographer to begin writing new icons for the altar. Phase 1 will be the icon of the Theotokos with Christ and the Seraphim. This is the same iconographer who wrote the icons hanging on the side walls of the temple.

The cost is \$9000.00 plus travel, room and board for the iconographer. A few generous parishioners have already committed to helping with the cost. Any amount is helpful. Please see the list of projects in the narthex for this and other opportunities to beautify the temple and other parts of the property.

pened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.”

### [Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2](#)

Heb. 11:24 “By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, Heb. 11:25 choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, Heb. 11:26 esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. Heb. 11:32 And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: Heb. 11:33 who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, Heb. 11:34 quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Heb. 11:35 Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Heb. 11:36 Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. Heb. 11:37 They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented— Heb. 11:38 of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. Heb. 11:39 And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, Heb. 11:40 God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Heb. 12:1 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, Heb. 12:2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

### [John 1:43-51](#)

“John 1:43 The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, “Follow Me.” John 1:44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. John 1:45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” John 1:46 And Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” John 1:47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!” John 1:48 Nathanael said to Him, “How do You know me?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” John 1:49 Nathanael answered and said to Him, “Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” John 1:50 Jesus answered and said to him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” John 1:51 And He said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.””

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