

Super Saturday Event

A Ministry of St. Athanasius Orthodox Church

Purpose:

An educational and social church community activity for engaging the children, youth, school age kids, their parents, and volunteers of many ages. Organized as a two or three hour event every three weeks this time would allow kids the ability to go from station to station, learning, playing, snacking, and socializing with their peers and volunteers. The event would end with all of the kids joining in on Saturday Vespers and singing and worshipping together there.

COVID Mask Policy:

Summary: We will be spacing out the groups (about 6-7 kids per group) in different parts of the church and outside. Children 8 and older will be asked to wear masks when inside and when unable to space 8 feet apart. Adult and youth volunteers will be asked to wear masks when indoors.

- all activities that can be reasonably done outside, weather permitting, will be done outside without masks
- all adults who are not teaching (e.g., the one giving the lesson) are to wear masks when inside
- the adult giving the lesson may speak without a mask but should stand at a distance of at least 8 feet from others
- all youth who help are to wear masks when inside
- the children up to 8 do not have to wear masks inside but are encouraged to, unless the activity is spaced apart more than 6-8 feet
- the children 8 and over are to wear masks inside, unless the activity is spaced apart more than 6-8 feet apart

Dates		Times	
1st: <i>Inaugural:</i> Oct 17th, 2020	6th: Feb 20th, 2021	4:30 - 4:45	Singing Time & Welcome with ALL KIDS
2nd: Nov 7th, 2020	7th: March 13th, 2021	4:50 - 5:15	Session #1, 25 min
<i>NO MEETING</i> <i>Thanksgiving, Nov 26th</i>	8th: April 3rd, 2021	5:20 - 5:45	Session #2, 25 min
3rd: Dec 5th, 2020	<i>LAZARUS SATURDAY</i> <i>EVENTS</i> <i>April 24th, 2021</i>	5:50 - 6:15	Session #3, 25 min
4th: Jan 9th, 2021	<i>NO MEETING</i> <i>Pascha- May 3rd</i>	6:15	Snack & Clean Up
5th: Jan 30th, 2021	9th: May 15th	6:30	Vespers

Volunteer Chart for Super Saturday 2020/2021 Leader / Co-leader									
	Oct 17th	Nov 7th	Dec 5th	Jan 9th	Jan 30th	Feb 20th	March 13th	April 3rd	May 15th
Music and Welcome	Fr Justin	Fr Justin	Fr Justin	Fr Justin	Fr Justin	Fr. Justin	Fr. Justin		
Gospel	Josh Lourie / Emily Starr	Emily Starr/Josh Lourie	Josh Lourie	Josh Lourie	Audrey Wagner	Naomi DeHaan	Josh Lourie		
Games	Jacob Bame / Quincey Powell	Jacob Bame	Crystal Lourie, Oma Lopes	Crystal Lourie	Crystal Lourie	Crystal & Jacob	Jacob & Crystal	Diane Chisholm	
Craft Time	Laura / Beth Walther	Beth Walther/ Rebecca Wilson	N/A	Laura / Beth Walther	Laura / Beth Walther	Audrey and Oma	Oma and Victoria (Tori)		
Snacks Bring	Fr Justin / Kathy M.		Tabitha Naughton				Fr J and Kathy		
Wrangler/Helpers	Oma Lopes/ Collins Kamau/ Rebecca Wilson/ Daniel Werner	Collins, Crystal Lourie, Oma Lopes	Everyone		Josh Lourie,	Josh Lourie	Anna		

Volunteers for Super Saturday							
	Gospel or Lesson Volunteers	Games Volunteers	Singing Time Volunteers	Crafts Volunteers	Cooking Volunteer	Wrangler / Helper	Skit Time
Volunteers							
Jacob Bame, jacobbame99@gmail.com		x					
Diane Chisholm		x					
Maria Chisholm		x	x	x	x		x
Naomi Agape DeHaan	x		x		x	x	x
Zach Gooderode						x	
Willie Anna Graas							
Anna Hays						x	
Collins Kamau						x	
Oma Lopes					x		x
Tori Lopes		x		x	x		
Crystal Lourie		x		x	x		
Lourie Kids ???		x	x	x			x
Josh Lourie	x	x				x	
Alethia Placencia							
Fr. Justin Patterson	x	x	x		x	x	
Ian Patterson		x					
Tim Powell		x					
Quincey Powell, quincyp@worldtimzone.com		x					
Dn Simeon Siskar							
Emily Starr	x				x	x	
Audrey Wagner							
Beth Walther		x	x	x		x	x
Laura Walther		x		x	x		
Rebecca Wilson							
Angie Yarynka						x	

Brainstorm Section:

- Curriculum Station Ideas:
- Gospel Lesson
 - Church Calendar Lesson of upcoming feasts/fasts
 - Old Testament Lesson
 - Game Time
 - Music Time (Teach Troparia)
 - Snack Time
 - Craft Making / Art (Icon writing)

8. Skit / Drama (daily skits or larger Christmas/ Pascha Play preparations)
9. Memorization Time and Challenges
10. Cooking
11. Church service lessons (how do we prep worship spaces, clean icons, light incense, light candles, etc.)
12. Hymn Writing - poetry time
13. Russian Lessons
14. Free Play Time

Volunteer Roles:

1. Manager
2. Wrangler / Monitor
3. Games Organizer
4. Lesson Teacher
5. Lesson Assistant
6. Snacks
7. Music
8. Craft Time
9. Skit / Drama Coach (Play Write)
10. Teen Helpers
11. Callers to remind families and get them to come
12. Russian Teacher
13. Cooking Class (Prosphora Baking or other goodies)

Kids Learn By: Listening, Drawing, Craft, Singing, Memorizing, Playing, Cooking, Service in Church, Serving others, Participating

Google Survey Question Ideas:

1. If your kids come can one parent also volunteer that day?
2. What are your family's preferences regarding masks for your kids?
3. What are the ages of your kids?
4. If you can't bring your kids would you be interested in carpooling or a church van?
5. Would your family stay for 6:30 Vespers if you come to pick up your kids at 6:15?

Lesson Plans:

Oct 17th Lesson for Sunday, October 18, 2020

- [Luke 8:5-15, Parable of the Sower](#)

Today’s commemorated feasts and saints: 19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 2. Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke (1st c.). Martyr Marinus the Elder at Anazarbus (4th c.). Ven. Julian the Hermit, of Mesopotamia (4th c.).

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2020/10/18/102993-apostle-and-evangelist-luke>

<https://blogs.ancientfaith.com/glory2godforallthings/2007/09/17/what-st-seraphim-meant/>

You cannot be too gentle, too kind. Shun even to appear harsh in your treatment of each other. Joy, radiant joy, streams from the face of him who gives and kindles joy in the heart of him who receives.

All condemnation is from the devil. Never condemn each other...instead of condemning others, strive to reach inner peace.

Keep silent, refrain from judgment. This will raise you above the deadly arrows of slander, insult, and outrage and will shield your glowing hearts against all evil.

- St Seraphim of Sarov

Nov 7th Gospel Lesson for Sunday, November 8, 2020

- [Luke 8:41-56, Jesus Raises Jairus’s Daughter and Heals the Woman with the Issue of Blood](#)

_____Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Other Bodiless Powers

- <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2020/11/08/103244-synaxis-of-the-archangel-michael-and-the-other-bodiless-powers>

Dec 5th, St. Nicholas Day Celebration

<u>Times</u>		<u>Volunteers</u>
3:00 - 3:30	Vespers	Fr. Justin
3:45 - 4:00	Singing Time and St. Nicholas Song, 25 min	Fr. Justin
4:00- 4:25	- St. Nicholas Greets Everyone and tells stories - Gives lesson	Super Secret
4:30 - 5:00	- Games Outside - Cookies	Crystal & Oma
5:00 – 5:25	- St. Nicholas blesses kids and gives Treat Bags, - Photos with St. Nicholas, & Clean Up	Super Secret
General Wranglers Throughout Event: Emily Starr- ? Beth Walther- ? Laura Walther - ? Diane Chisholm- ? Maria Chisholm- ? Myra Lourie- ?		

Volunteers:

- Vespers: **Fr. Justin**
 - Without being disrespectful to our dear Vladyka Alexander, could the kids catch a glimpse of St. Nicholas in the altar during vespers? Could be done prayerfully and would be exciting for the kids. Over the top?
- Welcome / Singing: **Fr Justin**
 - Fr. Justin, are you willing to lead the singing, teach kids how to greet the bishop, and teach them the St. Nicholas song with your accordion too?!?!
 - Maybe we can have someone make a song poster for the kids to read along.-
NEED VOLUNTEER
 - I like the idea of doing singing time and greeting St. Nicholas in the Nave and doing the lesson time up there too. What do you think? The lessons and singing have gone well up there so far.
 - Fr. Justin's favorite version
<https://newworldkliros.com/files/Compline/O-Who-Loves-Nicholas-O-Kto-Kto.pdf>
- St. Nicholas Greetings and Lesson: **Super Secret**
 - Are any supplies needed for the costume?
 - Crown: It seems the crown needs to be secured maybe.
 - Wig?
 - Beard?
- Game Time: **Crystal & Oma**
 - Game time was a disappointment last time for the little kids. They didn't play games and were just sent to the playground. Even Duck Duck Goose would have been preferable for them. I think we should ask the volunteers to plan games. (Games Volunteers: Diane Chisolm, Maria Chisholm, Tori Lopes, Crystal Lourie, Ian Patterson, Tim Powell, Beth and Laura Walther)
 - Some St. Nicholas themed games would be cool
 - Toss the bag of money through the window and into a stocking
 - Boxing with Arius
 - Catch St. Nicholas when he runs away
- Wrangler Helpers: **NEED VOLUNTEERS**
- Snack Bag Making: **Tabitha Naughton**
- Photos with St. Nicholas: **NEED PHOTOGRAPHER or Wranglers/Parents?**

January 9th, Theophany

- Josh Lourie teaching

January 30th, Great Feast of the Meeting of the Lord (Feb 2nd is the actual feast)

- <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2021/02/02/100407-the-meeting-of-our-lord-and-savior-jesus-christ-in-the-temple>
- Possibly the blessing of the candles too. Ask Fr. Justin and Laura Walther for details.
- Audrey Wagner teaching

February 20th, 4:30 PM

Lesson Topic Ideas:

- Stories for the upcoming pre-Lenten Sundays, or one/some of them
 - Zacchaeus Sunday (Feb 14th)
 - SUPER SATURDAY [Feb 20th]
 - Publican & the Pharisee (Feb 21st)
 - Prodigal Son (Feb 28th)

- **Last Judgement (Meatfare) (March 7th)**

- **SUPER SATURDAY [March 13th]**
 - **Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare) (March 14th)**

April 3rd, 4:30 PM

- **Veneration of the Cross**
- **April 3rd (Day before Sunday of the Holy Cross)**

May 15th(Day before Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women)