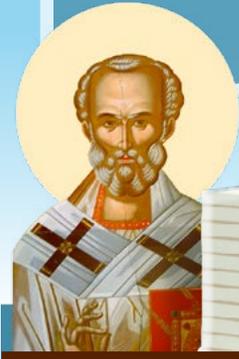


# THE SAINT NICHOLAS NATIONAL SHRINE AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER



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## St. Nicholas Built Before the Eyes of the World!



Port Authority of NY / NY, Michael Makesh



Earthcam for St. Nicholas National Shrine named as one of the *best in NY!* [Download the Earthcam APP on your smartphone!](#)

*Dear and Beloved Friends of the Saint Nicholas National Shrine,*

October has passed, now over a year since our Ground-blessing service, and the work at Saint Nicholas is proceeding on schedule. As you see from the accompanying photographs, the concrete piers, columns and beams were poured in the interstitial space during the early part of October. Thanks to Peter J. Pappas Sr. and his team at PJ Mechanical, extensive coordination efforts with the Port Authority at the World Trade Center site resumed for the installation of HVAC duct work and chilled water lines, plumbing pipe, sprinkler pipe and electrical conduit. It is expected that the installation of all HVAC equipment will be completed and inspected in the interstitial space by the end of November. This will allow for the installation of the first floor metal deck, rebar and concrete to take place during the first week of December. The anticipated project completion date remains scheduled for late summer 2017.

### What's New?

The *New York Daily News* has named the live Internet EarthCam for St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church National Shrine as one of the best in NY. The St. Nicholas EarthCam shows a live view the construction of St. Nicholas, which was the only house of worship destroyed during the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

The EarthCam live Internet video stream was launched on September 30, 2015. EarthCam's Chief Executive Officer, Brian Cury, who is an Orthodox Christian, donated the equipment and service for this project.

EarthCam, Inc. is the global leader in providing webcam content, technology and services. Founded in 1996, the company's expertise includes delivering millions of images daily and developing technology to manage camera networks worldwide.

Those wishing to see the live video may do so from the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox National Shrine web site at:

[stnicholaswtc.org/webcam](http://stnicholaswtc.org/webcam)

Below is a link to an article in the *Daily News* rating our St. Nicholas Earthcam as one of the best streaming cameras in NYC!

**DAILY NEWS**  
[goo.gl/khXzXB](http://goo.gl/khXzXB)

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View **LIVE** construction coverage at: [stnicholaswtc.org/webcam](http://stnicholaswtc.org/webcam)



## A Thought about the Shrine....

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*... και τὸ τῶν Ἑλλήνων ὄνομα πεποίηκε μηκέτι τοῦ γένους ἀλλὰ τῆς διανοίας δοκεῖν εἶναι, καὶ μᾶλλον Ἑλληνας καλεῖσθαι τοὺς τῆς παιδείσεως τῆς ἡμετέρας ἢ τοὺς τῆς κοινῆς φύσεως μετέχοντας.*

*“... the name Hellene suggests no longer a race but an intelligence, and the title Hellene is applied rather to those who share our culture...”*

The Saint Nicholas National Shrine will be an Orthodox Christian sacred space, open to people of all walks of life and beliefs. But in design, execution and character, it will also be Greek. The very marble will be come from the same vein quarried centuries ago to make the Parthenon. The Hellenic character of the Church is something that each every one of us – of Greek ancestry or not – should be proud of. Reflect on the words of the Rhetorician Isocrates (436–338 BC). Being Greek is not just an ethnic designation – something that some make too little of and some too much. A version of Isocrates is inscribed above the entrance to the Gennadius Li-

brary in Athens: Ἑλληνας καλοῦνται οἱ τῆς παιδείσεως τῆς ἡμετέρας μετέχοντες – They are called Greeks who partake of our culture. The cultural patrimony of Greece is universal in its scope and will be enshrined in our new National Shrine, whether in tributes to the immigrants who passed by the Statue of Liberty and through Ellis Island, or the tributes of both Ancient and Christian Greece – the glory of Byzantium, that will adorn this sacred space. Hellene and Philhellene owe a great debt to the past. Let us pay this debt forward by creating a future around Saint Nicholas that every Greek Orthodox Christian and every American can be proud of.

Sincerely,

Father Alexander Karloutsos

## Donations to Date

As of November 16, 2015, donations are:

