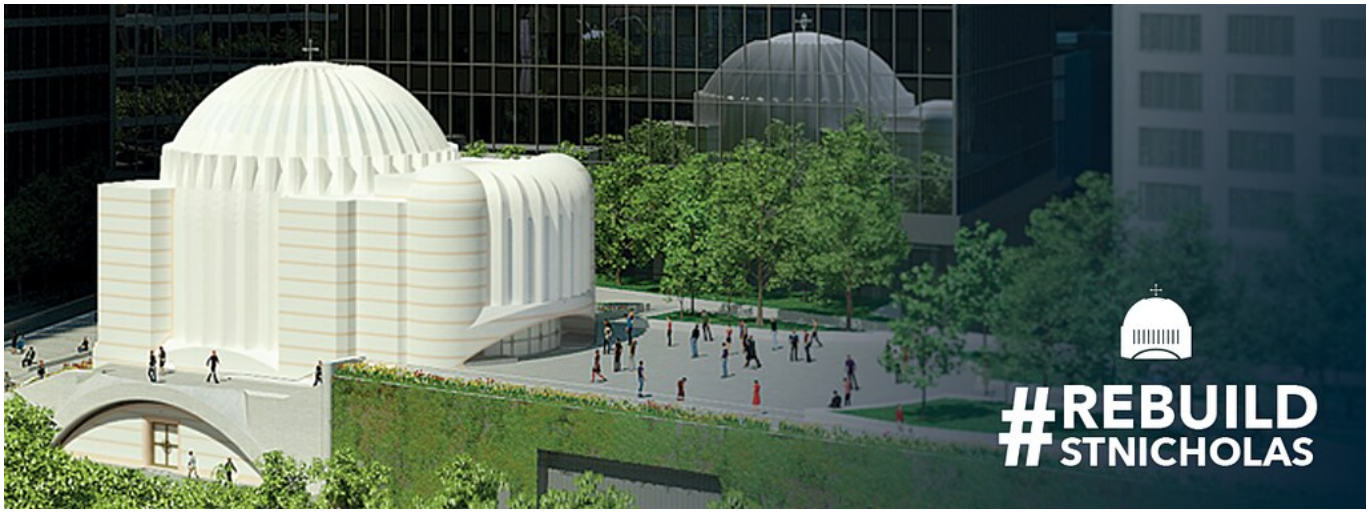
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60 Minutes Highlights Saint Nicholas National Shrine on Western Easter



New York – On Western Easter, Sunday April 12th, the renowned CBS news program, *60 Minutes*, will showcase the rebuilding of the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine at the World Trade Center.

The relationship between the Archdiocese and *60 Minutes* dates back over a decade, when the late Bob Simon did a groundbreaking interview with **His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew** that aired in December of 2009.

In the press materials released by CBS yesterday, the **rebuilding of Saint Nicholas** and reopening is referred to as "both a beacon and some kind of miracle." In his introduction to the story, *60 Minutes* journalist Scott Pelley said, "For Easter, we visit a fortress against time, where art is created to heal one of America's greatest wounds. It is the story of the resurrection of the only House of Worship destroyed on 9/11."

His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros commented on the coming broadcast, "We are very moved that the longest running and most prominent television news program in the United States is highlighting our campaign to rebuild Saint Nicholas during this holiest time of the year. With the Friends of Saint Nicholas, whose generosity and energy have restarted this sacred duty, we look forward, by the grace of God and the prayers of the Saint, to opening the doors of the **Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine**

on September 11, 2021.”

The program will air this Sunday evening, April 12th on all CBS affiliates nationwide. A preview and description of the program by CBS are at

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