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Archbishop of America Elpidophoros officiates at Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas National Shrine



The Archbishop of America, His Eminence Elpidophoros, addressed a homily this week during a Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, conducted at the nearly completed St. Nicholas National Shrine at “Ground Zero”, in Manhattan.

In his address, the Archbishop noted that “...the new St. Nicholas will have a national and even international profile that no other Church in the Archdiocese has ever dreamed of. We must be innovative, creative, and consciously and carefully move forward, so that we may bring the mission of St. Nicholas to the public, commensurate with the dignity of our traditions and the piety of our faith.”

Afterwards, on the Archbishop’s Twitter account, the following statement was

issued: "...We honor St Nicholas by practicing the virtues he embodied. The National Shrine in his name at Ground Zero will proclaim these virtues to the world: mercy, peace, forgiveness, remembrance and love."