



St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church

Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church - Kyivan Patriarchate

Bulletin for Sunday, August 2, 2020

Sunday of the Holy, Glorious Prophet Elijah

Orthodox iconography depicts the Prophet Elijah ascending to Heaven in a fiery chariot, surrounded with flames, and harnessed to four winged horses. We pray to him for deliverance from drought, and to ask for seasonable weather.



Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector
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Schedule of Services

Saturday, August 1	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, August 2	9:00 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, August 8	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, August 9	9:00 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, August 15	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, August 16	9:00 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, August 22	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, August 23	9:00 am: Divine Liturgy; Blessing of Fruit on the Feast of the Transfiguration
Saturday, August 29	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, August 30	9:00 am: Divine Liturgy; Blessing of Flowers on the Feast of the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos

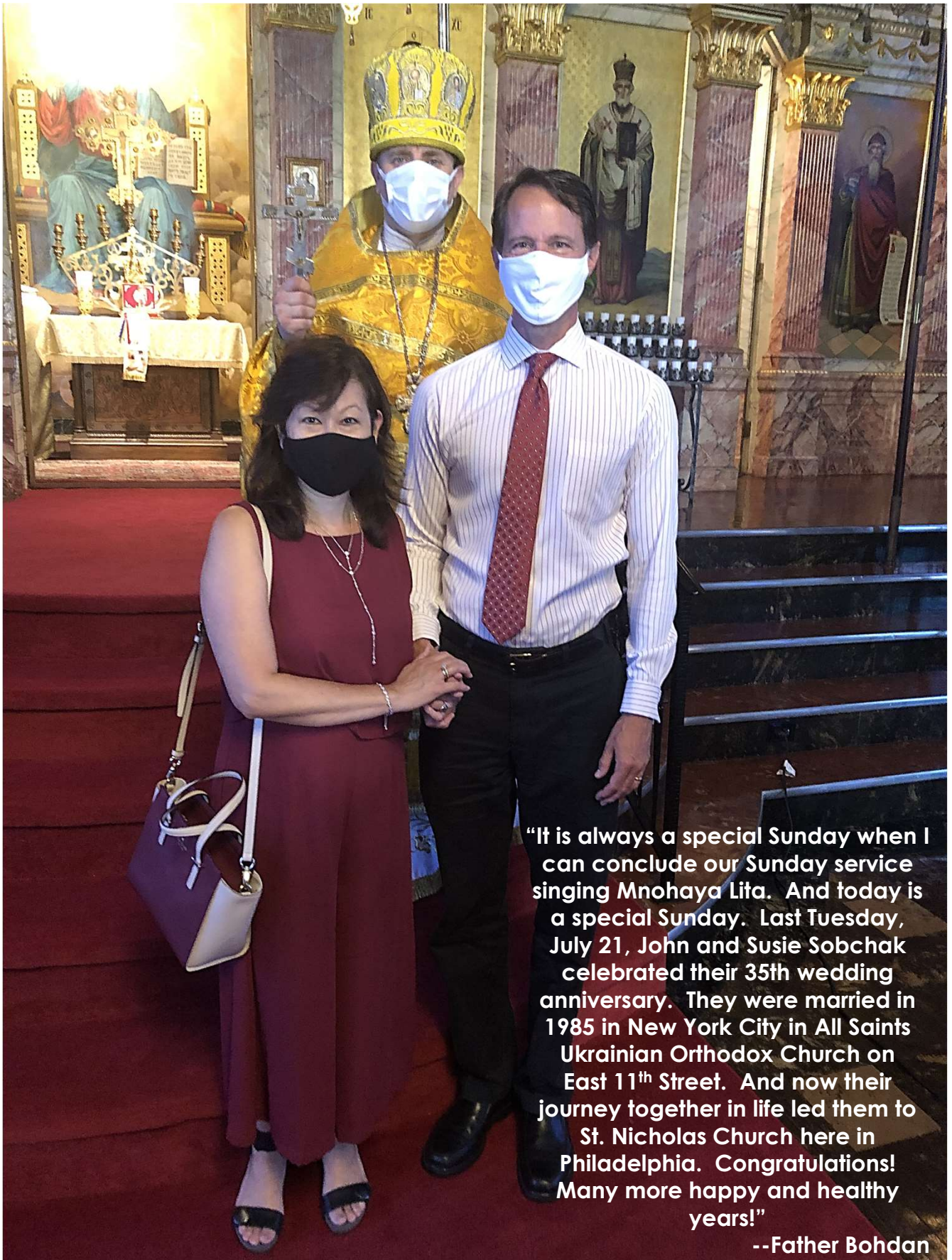
Looking ahead at our Church calendar.....our Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020. This year – weather permitting – we will hold the meeting OUTSIDE on our North Lawn. A lunch from the grill will be served to all attendees. President, Tom Hanney, will lead the meeting. This is your opportunity to hear about our accomplishments this past year and future projects. Members will vote for Council Members. We invite you to ask questions. (You may recall that our semi-annual update meeting scheduled for March 29 was canceled because of the quarantine, so there will be a lot of information to share at the September meeting.)

ANNUAL MEETING



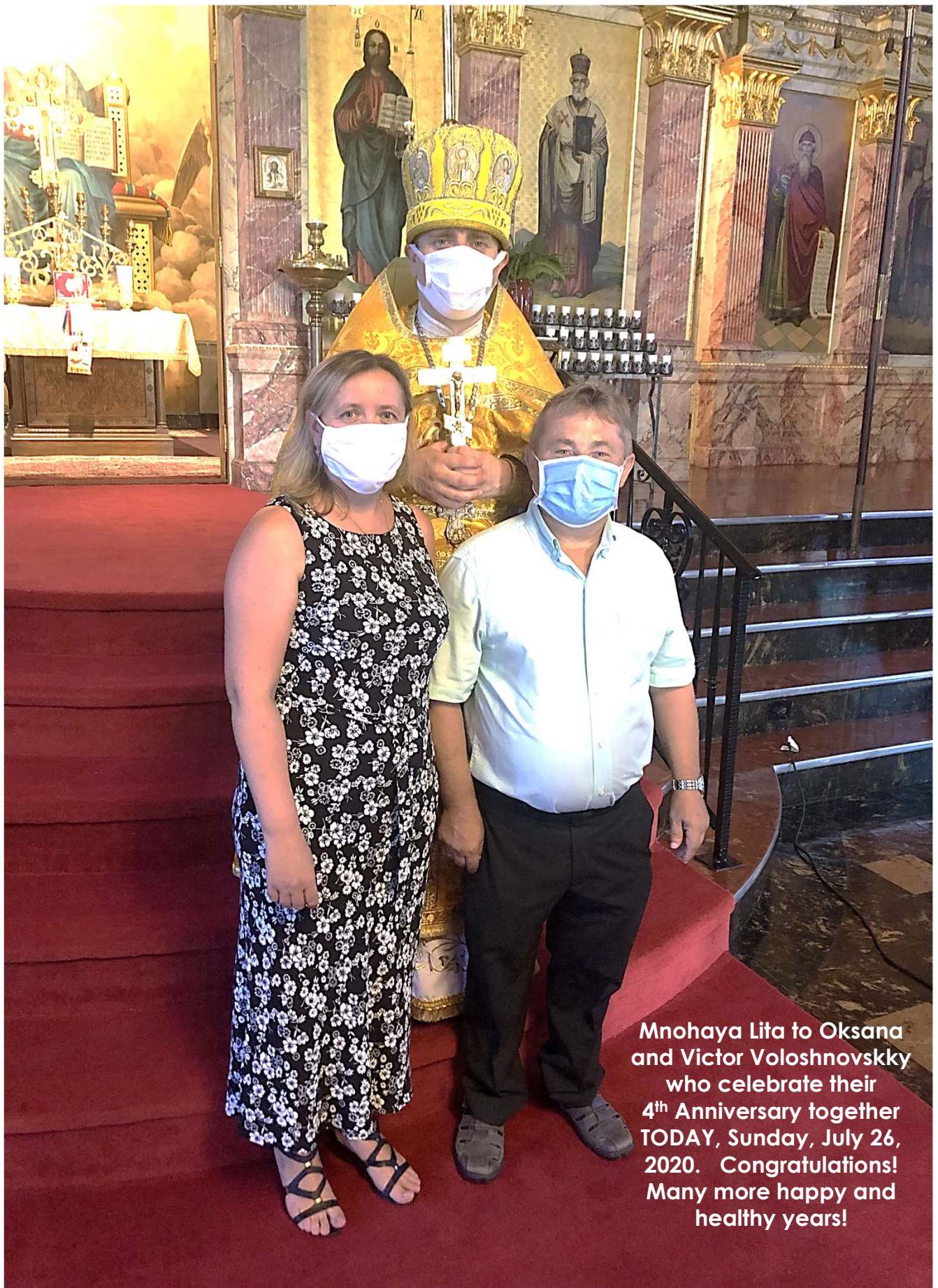
Preparing for General Confession

Until further notice, Father Bohdan will give absolution at General Confession during Divine Liturgy just prior to Communion. However, *it is essential that you properly prepare for Confession*: fast in the morning; examine your conscience; reflect on your actions and thoughts. The Confession Prayer of St. John of Kronstadt will be read aloud by the Reader prior to receiving Communion. Please stand during the reading of this prayer.



"It is always a special Sunday when I can conclude our Sunday service singing Mnohaya Lita. And today is a special Sunday. Last Tuesday, July 21, John and Susie Sobchak celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. They were married in 1985 in New York City in All Saints Ukrainian Orthodox Church on East 11th Street. And now their journey together in life led them to St. Nicholas Church here in Philadelphia. Congratulations! Many more happy and healthy years!"

--Father Bohdan



Mnohaya Lita to Oksana and Victor Voloshnovskyy who celebrate their 4th Anniversary together TODAY, Sunday, July 26, 2020. Congratulations! Many more happy and healthy years!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

BUILDING FUND SUNDAY

Be
part!
of it.

"...on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." MATTHEW 16:18

*The second week of our Building Fund drive begins with a big **THANK YOU** to those parishioners who gave a donation. This week we are reaching out again and asking you to "own" a project!*

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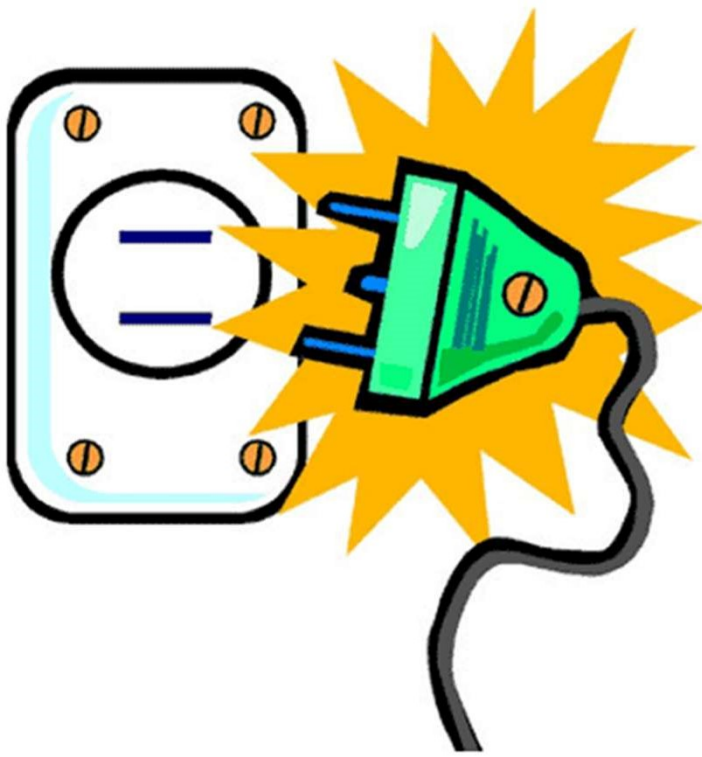
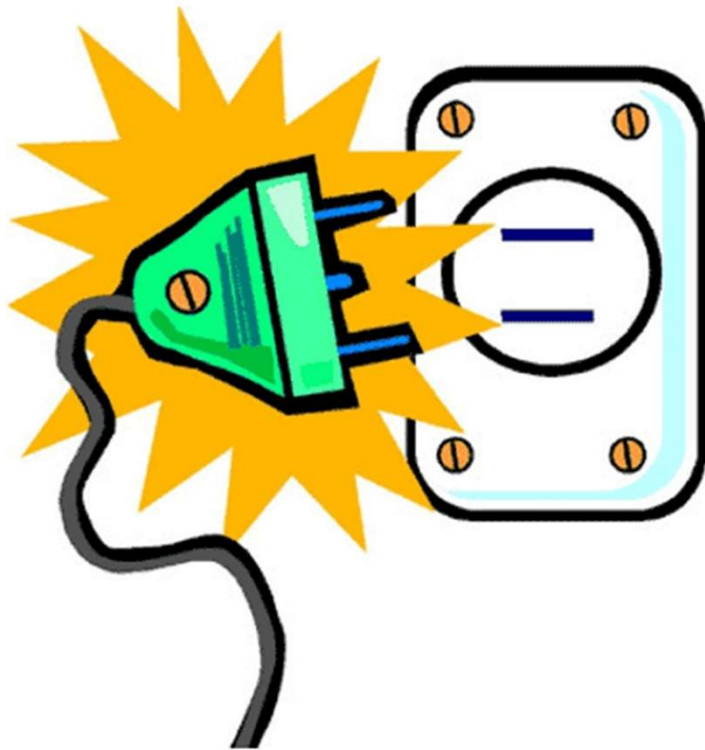
**Donate a new
VEHICLE PARKING BLOCK!**
After the parking lot is re-paved, new reflective parking blocks will be installed. We need 36 blocks. Each one is \$55.00. Please donate one....or more! Thank you!

REMINDER: THE PARKING LOT IS CLOSED THE ENTIRE MONTH OF AUGUST.

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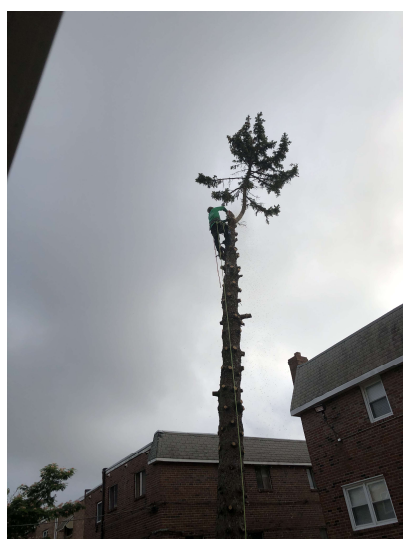
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

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The majority of our building projects are driven by **SAFETY CONCERNS**. For example, last year we installed an ADT fire alarm system for the first time in our 103-year history -- in addition to 9 security cameras to monitor the exterior of the building and our Church Hall.

This year, various critical electrical issues came to our attention when circuits kept tripping. We want to fix these issues, and just received a quote from Shelly Electric for \$7,451.00. Please consider a donation to offset the cost of these much-needed electrical repairs and upgrades.



Another safety concern was a menacing spruce tree leaning precariously towards the Rectory. The tree needed to be removed and Tom's Tree Service came to the rescue! In 1-1/2 hours, Tom and his crew cut down the huge spruce to ground level. The price was \$1,150.00 – and a donor came forward to take care of the cost.

After the delivery of the Amish shed next month, more manageable ornamental trees will be planted on the north side of our building to provide shade and beauty.

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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 2
BUILDING FUND
SUNDAY**



DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND 2020

1. **Diane Kavchok, Renee Murphy, Vicki Borriello & Gail Osborn**
In Memory of Victoria Patterson

2. **Anna Kuliasha**

3. **Colleen & Nicholas Philipp**
In Memory of Parents/Grandparents Pauline and Charles John Redmond

4. **Serge & Janet Loginow**
In Memory of Parents, Serge & Anna Loginow Grandparents, Harry & Ksenia Loginow Grandparents, John & Mary Sloma Uncle, Nick Sloma Aunt, Helen Trenchevski

5. **Vicki & Frank Borriello**
In Honor of Susan Guz for all her work for the Church

6. **Vicki Borriello, Diane Kavchok, Renee Murphy & Gail Osborn**
In Memory of Karen Niehoff

7. **Barbara McMonigle**

8. **Ellen Hanavin**

CLERGY

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CHURCH CALENDAR 2020

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27	PARISH ANNUAL MEETING, following Divine Liturgy
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18	SISTERHOOD OF THE PROTECTION (POKROVA) OF THE HOLY THEOTOKOS LUNCHEON, following Divine Liturgy
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8	ANNUAL PIEROGI FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20	ST. NICHOLAS PATRON SAINT LUNCHEON, following Divine Liturgy



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Your contribution is automatically deposited into the Church Fund of your choice. You will be emailed a receipt.

Simple, easy, needed and greatly appreciated!

Please remember our homebound parishioner:
Ms. Anna Kuliasha
St. Martha Center
470 Manor Avenue
Downingtown, PA 19335
Tel: 610-873-8490



Attention, Ladies of the Church: Consider joining the SISTERHOOD. Annual Dues are only \$10. Contact Sisterhood President, Barbara Latsios.

CHURCH COUNCIL

- Thomas J. Hanney, President
- Susan Guz, Vice-President
- Ellen Hanavin, Treasurer
- Frank Borriello, Secretary

ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

- Thomas J. Hanney
- Frank Borriello
- Susan Guz
- George Latsios
- Serge Loginow

All Church services are being live-streamed. To “attend” a virtual service, simply click on the YouTube channel link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAcnmIRpplmasL-806_Lzrg

Altar Candles: \$35;
Analog Candles: \$25
Sunday Vigils: \$2;
Annual Vigils: \$100
Bulletin Sponsor: \$25



SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of our Granddaughter, Makenzie, on her 16th Birthday, offered by Baba and Pop-Pop McMonigle
2. In memory of my grandmother, Paraskeva Beruk, Love, Gail
3. For the health of Anysia Fedec, on her birthday, offered by the Sisterhood

ANNUAL VIGILS

1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantine, offered by David Dantine, Jr. and Family. exp. 11/1/21
2. +The Repose of the souls of George and Barbara Wohar, offered by Barbara McMonigle and Family. exp.11/1/20
3. +The Repose of the souls of John and Helen Guz, and John and Mary Dzwonczyk, offered by daughters/granddaughters Patricia Walker and Susan Guz. exp. 12/31/20
4. +The Repose of the souls of Helen and Michael Zaruba, and Christina and Christopher Natale. May Their Memory Be Eternal. Offered with love by Daughter/Sister/Aunt, Marcia O'Connor. exp. 10/1/20
5. +The Repose of the souls of All Members of the Sisterhood Fallen Asleep in the Lord, offered by the Sisterhood of the Pokrova. exp. 10/13/20
6. +The Repose of the souls of the Boljarevich Family, Anastasia (Nancy) Yarosh, Helen Kon, Helen and John "Whitey" Horbacz, Harry Mason, Sophie Gamble, Michael Zaruba and John Martin. PERPETUAL
7. +The Repose of the soul of my beloved husband, our devoted father and grandfather, Jack Kavchok. May his memory be eternal! Offered with love, Diane, John, Michael, Melissa, Makenzie, Riley and Kylie. exp. 8/1/21
8. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenko offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/20
9. +The Repose of the souls of Irina and Michael Sierp, Konstantin, Olga, Lydia and Juris Teterski, Richard Boswell, and the health of all living members of the Teterski, Sierp, Boswell and Lis Families, offered by Susan Lis. exp. 9/18/20
10. +The Repose of the soul of our mother and grandmother, Helen Marx, offered by Victoria, Frank, Christopher, Stephanie, Julia, Nicholas, Krissy, Nathan and Morgan Borriello. exp. 4/19/21
11. +In memory of John and Susan Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/20
12. +In memory of Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. Exp. 12/31/20
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/20
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/20
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/21
16. +In loving memory of our mother Lillian Fox, offered by Renee, Gail, Karen & Families, exp. 8/1/20
17. +The Repose of the souls of the Kowal Family: Andrew, Paraskeva, Andrew, Catherine, Susan, John, Nionila, Anna, David, Franklin Shultz and Edward Barrett, offered by Drew Kowal. exp. 11/1/20
18. For the health of Mykhailo, Tetiana, David, Svitlana, Vitaliy, Marina, Viktor, Ilona, Bogdan, Oleksandra, Volodymyr, Halyna, Victoria, Mykola, Father Bohdan Zhoba and his family, and in memory of Mykhailo, Yaroslav, Anna, Petro, Bohdan, newly-departed Anna, Veronika, Tetiana, Oleksander, Diana, Olga, Hrystyna, Dimitriy and Diana, offered by Michael, Tetiana and David Kuchmiak. exp. 12/31/20
19. For the health of Vasyl, Maria, Anna, Mykhailyna, Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyra, Anna-Diana, Olga, Mykola, Olga, Marianna, Oksana, Volodymyra, Olga, Roman, Volodymyr, Iryna-Olesia, Bohdan and Angelina, offered by Oksana and Victor Voloshnovskyy. exp. 9/1/20
20. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/20

Father Bohdan's Sermon – Sunday, July 26
Matthew 9:27-35

In today's Scripture reading, Jesus had a very busy day: He gave sight to two blind men; he enabled a mute man to speak; and He cast out demons! Although He told the blind men not to speak to anyone about the miracle, the men disobeyed him. Full of joy about the healing, the men immediately spread the news to everyone that Jesus was the Messiah! Whereas the multitudes were amazed at Jesus' unique power, the self-important and resentful Pharisees thought the opposite. In their eyes, Jesus could do nothing right. Matthew writes in Verse 34 that the Pharisees said the only reason Jesus could cast out the demons was **BECAUSE HE WAS SATAN HIMSELF!**



Let this verse be a reminder that to the arrogant and self-righteous, proof of the good works you do does not matter. Look at Jesus...He performed a remarkable series of miracles. You would think that no one would be angry with Him when they witnessed the Lord's wonderful works. **NOT SO!** The Pharisees questioned, debated, and ridiculed Jesus even though they saw people being healed and lives changed right in front of them. Their scorn and disbelief were based not on insufficient evidence but on their jealousy of Jesus. Yet, as we know, their resentment did not stop Jesus from performing miracles. And so it should be us. If your heart is pure and your intentions are good, do not be stopped by the envy of others. **AMEN.**



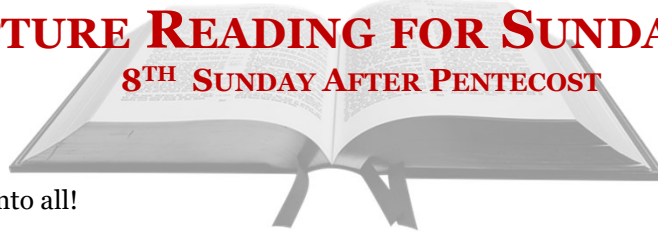
**Message from: Barbara Latsios,
President of the Sisterhood**

The St. Nicholas Church "Sisterhood of the Protection of the Holy Theotokos" would like you to reserve **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020**, for our annual luncheon following Divine Liturgy. The luncheon is our only fundraiser. We use this event each year to raise money for essential items needed in our Church by the Clergy. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults 18 and older. Children 17 and under are free of charge. The luncheon always includes a full course menu. Your attendance makes this event a success and we look forward to seeing you there. Please contact Barbara Latsios at 215-814-5384 or at gbcl@comcast.net for reservations or additional information!

Thank you! *Barbara*

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 7th Tone: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

CHOIR: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

READER: Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord! The Lord shall give strength to His people!

CHOIR: The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The reading is from the Corinthians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. **(Corinthians 1:10-18)**

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! **CHOIR:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

READER: It is good to give thanks unto the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most-High!
To declare Thy mercy in the morning and Thy truth by night!

CHOIR: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRIEST: Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel. Peace be unto all.

CHOIR: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

CHOIR: Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.

PRIEST: Let us attend. And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food." But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish." He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. **(Matthew 14:14-22)**

CHOIR: Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.



PIEROGI FESTIVAL 2020

November 7-8



Thank
You

THINKING AHEAD: Because the basket raffle at our Pierogi Festival last year was such a success, parishioner Renee Murphy had an idea how to make this year's raffle *even better*.

Starting NOW, Renee is collecting your unwanted gifts and gift cards. Then, over the next 3 months she will create attractive gift baskets using your donations to raffle off at our

Pierogi Festival 2020

November 7-8

our biggest annual fundraiser!

Please help and donate GIFT CARDS for the baskets from these stores: Target, ShopRite, Acme, Walmart, Trader Joe's, Whole Foods, Amazon, or any other local Philadelphia establishment.

**Your raffle basket items can be
dropped off in the
Church Office.**