



St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church

Stavropigia of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine

Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector



The Blessed Metropolitan Epifaniy



His Holiness Patriarch Philaret

- Bulletin for Sunday, December 1, 2019**
- Thursday, November 28: **THANKSGIVING DINNER** in Church Hall, 2:00 PM
 - Saturday, November 30: Vespers, 5:00 PM
 - Sunday, December 1: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
 - Saturday, December 7: Vespers, 5:00 PM
 - Sunday, December 8: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM & Panikhida



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Psalms of Thanksgiving

PSALM 100:4
 Enter His gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise! Give thanks to Him and praise His Name!

PSALM 106:1
 Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good. His love endures forever!

PSALM 75:1
 We give thanks to you, O God, we give thanks, for Your name is near. We recount Your wondrous deeds.

PSALM 44:8
 In God we boast all the day long, and we praise Your name forever.

PSALM 86:12
 I give thanks to You, O Lord, my God, with my whole heart and I will glorify Your name forever.

PSALM 60:30
 I will praise the name of God with a song. I will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

thanksgiving
 gather
 thankful family
 blessed grateful
 together
 blessings
 november

The Sisterhood of St. Nicholas Church
Invites You To A

—CHURCH FAMILY—
**THANKSGIVING
DINNER**

coming together to give thanks for
God's abundant blessings.
Thursday, November 28, 2:00 PM

St. Nicholas Church hosts a traditional -- **all-American!** -- Thanksgiving Day dinner on Thursday, November 28, at 2:00 pm in the Church Hall. Dinner includes roast turkey and all the trimmings. Donations of \$15.00 per person (no charge for children 17 and under) will benefit the St. Nicholas Church Sisterhood.





ANNUAL St. Nicholas Patron Saint Lunch

*to benefit the St. Nicholas Church
Benevolent Fund*

**SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 22, 2019**

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE FOUNDERS OF OUR CHURCH MANDATED IN THE CHURCH BY-LAWS, WRITTEN IN 1917, that the Feast Day of our Church Patron Saint — St. Nicholas — should be CELEBRATED AND HONORED EVERY YEAR... And that is what parishioners of St. Nicholas Church have done for 102 years!

Through the centuries St. Nicholas has been venerated by all Orthodox. By his example of generosity to those in need, especially children, St. Nicholas is a model for a compassionate life. At the beginning of Advent, he admonishes us to be good and prepare our hearts for a blessed and holy Christmas. The Nativity Fast begins Thursday, November 28.

Without a doubt, St. Nicholas is the favorite saint of children and we want his Feast Day to be a memorable day for the children of our parish. So, this year, at our Patron Saint Lunch on Sunday, December 22, we will give the kids - and our young-at-heart adults - a special treat!

SIMON SHARGO, clown, magician, dancer, comedian, mime - and graduate of the Moscow State Theater and Circus College -- will entertain us with a variety show. Come and enjoy the fun! Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends....!



**Adults: \$25 for lunch
and show
Children up to age 18:
free!**

**TO RSVP: CONTACT
VICKI BORRIELLO BY
DECEMBER 15.**



DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND

1. In Memory of Helen Sameruck
2. Colleen Philipp – In Memory of Charles, John, Pauline, Charles, Michael, Thomas & Timothy
3. In Memory of Olga Zuzulock
4. Anna Kuliasha
5. Susan Isaac – In Memory of Paul Stetsuk

Please remember our homebound parishioner:

Ms. Anna Kuliasha
St. Martha Rehabilitation Center
470 Manor Avenue
Downingtown, PA 19335
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Father Bohdan's Sermon

Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019

Luke 10:25-37

In today's Scripture reading, Jesus talks with some of His curious followers, and one man, a religious scholar, asks: What do I need to do to have eternal life? And Jesus answered: Love God above all and love your neighbor as yourself. And then He proceeded to tell him about the Good Samaritan, a Bible story we are all familiar with. Jesus uses the story to illustrate that a neighbor is not just who happens to be living next door to you, across the fence or across the street.

A neighbor is ANYONE that God puts in your path. Anyone who is in front of us who may be in need and is in pain. Anyone we encounter. The Scripture reading makes it clear that loving God means loving people. But it is so much easier to love God than to love others, isn't it? Just as it is easier to love mankind than an individual man with all his glaring faults, flaws and imperfections, or a neighbor who is rude, disrespectful, vulgar. No one said keeping God's commandments was easy. However, we never stop trying. This week is the start of the Nativity Season and our Orthodox teachings encourage us to be more prayerful, to fast -- and to be charitable. That means we show mercy and compassion. When you are compassionate, you feel something and then you do something about it. So in the spirit of this benevolent Nativity Season, look around you -- be a Good Samaritan -- and love your neighbor. AMEN.

LOVE YOUR

Neighbor

LUKE 10:25-37



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SUNDAY and PERPETUAL VIGILS LIT TODAY



Altar Candles: \$35
Analoï Candles: \$25
Sunday Vigils: \$2
Annual Vigils: \$100

Altar Candles Lit Today IN MEMORY OF PARENTS

**Stephen, on his birthday & Helen Sameruck
offered by Judy & Tom Hanney**

SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of Father Bohdan Zhoba on his 3rd Anniversary as Rector of St. Nicholas Stavropigia Eastern Orthodox Church. Many more years!
2. For the health of Halyna Kachur, offered by Tom and Judy Hanney
3. In Memory of Halyna Kachur's mother, Ivanna, father, Dmytro and brother, Mykola, offered by Tom and Judy Hanney
4. For the health of Colleen Philipp, a safe trip and Happy Birthday! Love, Tom, Judy and Family
5. For the health of Colleen Philipp 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. 11/1/20
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. 12/31/19
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 the Kucheruk Family, Matrona, Constantine, George, William, Anthony, Anna, John "Whitey" and Helen Horbacz. exp. 7/1/20
6. +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
7. +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
8. +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., 8/1/20
9. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenko offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/19
10. +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
11. +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. 4/19/20
12. +In memory of John, Susan and Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/19
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/19
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/19
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/20
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, Vitality, Marina, Viktor, Ilona, Bogdan, Oleksandra, Volodymyr, Halyna, Victoria, Mykola, Father Bohdan Zhoba and his family, and in memory of Mykhailo, Yaroslav, Anna, Petro, Bohdan and newly-departed Anna, offered by Michael, Tetiana and David Kuchmiak. Exp. 12/31/19
19. For the health of Dmitry, Olga, Denis, Anna, Aetyom, Ludmila, Vladyslav, Tatiyna, Sofiya, Konstantin, Vladimir, Natalia, Ludmila, and in memory of Boris, Evdokiya, Nina, Oleg, Anna, Raisa, Leonid, Valerii, Zinaida, offered by Denis and Anna Bivoïno. Exp. 2/1/20
20. +In memory of Vladimir, offered by Denis and Anna Bivoïno. Exp. 3/1/20
21. +The Repose of the soul of Andrej Cebotarev (+July 2018), offered by brother Zlatko Plese. Exp. 4/1/20
22. For the health of Olga, Albina, Pavel and Elizaveta, offered by Olga Fitzgerald. Exp. 5/1/20
23. +In memory of my beloved parents, Nadejda and Carlos Davıdyan, and for the health and protection of my son, Karlos, offered by Era Carter. Exp. 6/1/20
24. 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
25. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. Exp. 10/25/20

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 24TH 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 Ephesians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. Amen. **(Ephesians 2:14-22)**

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 from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry." ' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. **(Luke 12:16-21)**

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