ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church Kyivan Patriarchate
Bulletin for Sunday, February 27, 2022



On Sunday, February 20, 2022, we venerated the "Sacred Virgin" Icon, praying as a congregation for peace in Ukraine. A Moleben and procession with the Icon immediately followed Divine Liturgy.



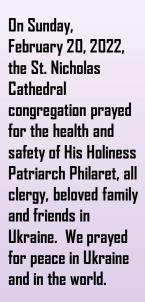






The icon "Sacred Virgin" is the patron saint and the spiritual strength of the Ukrainian Chaplains and has been reproduced on prayer cards for the soldiers. Sacred Virgin was painted by the Ukrainian icon painter Yuri Nikitin. The artist portrayed the Mother of God holding an omophorion in her hands, covering and protecting soldiers of different eras amidst a field of poppies. The poppy is a universal symbol of remembrance for all those who fought and died in wars.













GREAT LENT

This year, Great Lent begins on Monday, March 7, 2022. We prepare for our Lenten journey on the five preceding Sundays:

- Sunday, February 6: Zacchaeus Sunday
- Sunday, February 13: Publican & Pharisee
- Sunday, February 20: Prodigal Son
- Sunday, February 27: Meatfare Sunday (Sunday of the Last Judgment)
- Sunday, March 6: Cheesefare/ Forgiveness Sunday

Each Sunday has a special commemoration named for the Gospel reading assigned to that day. This Sunday, the Gospel reading is the parable of The Sheep and the Goats.



Meatfare Sunday is the last day we eat meat until Easter. It is also called the Sunday of the Last Judgment, and the Scripture reading is the parable of the Sheep and the Goats.

"When the day of judgment comes, all men shall be gathered before the throne of the Son of man, and the King shall separate the good from the bad, as a shepherd separates the sheep of his flock from the goats." Matthew 25:31-32

Jesus tells us that what we do to others we do to Him. We are given free will to choose whether we do good acts or bad actions.

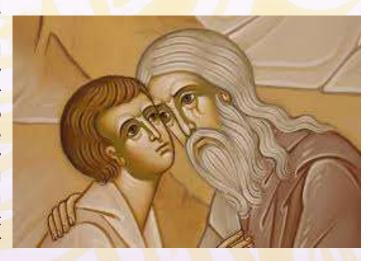
God holds us responsible.

"Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

Matthew 25:34-36

Bishop Luke's Sermon – Sunday, February 20, 2022 Luke 15:11-32

Today is the Sunday of the Prodigal Son. We have heard this Scripture reading of the father and his two sons many times. I will focus today on the happiness that the father experienced when his wayward son finally returns home to receive a joyous welcome....a party....a celebration! The spiritual message is that if you have sinned and are truly repentant as the Prodigal Son was, you can return to God the Father and be accepted by him no matter what you have done. And those who have not fallen should not resent those who come back. They should share in their Father's joy. AMEN.







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ALTAR CANDLES lit today

for the health of our granddaughter HELEN IVANNA Love, Baba and Pop

and

for the health of
TOM HANNEY
on his birthday
Offered by Judy and Family

Schedule of Services

Saturday, February 26	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, February 27 – Meatfare Sunday	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour
	9:15 am: Vesting
	9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Saturday, March 5	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, March 6 – Cheesefare Sunday	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour
	9:15 am: Vesting
	9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by Forgiveness Vespers
Monday, March 7 – GREAT LENT BEGINS	
Friday, March 11	6:00 pm: Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, March 12	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, March 13 – Orthodoxy Sunday	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour
	9:15 am: Vesting
	9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Wednesday, March 16	6:00 pm: Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, March 19 – SOUL SATURDAY	5:00 pm: Vespers and Panikhida
Sunday, March 20	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour
	9:15 am: Vesting
	9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Wednesday, March 23	6:00 pm: Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, March 26 – SOUL SATURDAY	5:00 pm: Vespers and Panikhida
Sunday, March 27 – Veneration of the Cross	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour
	9:15 am: Vesting
	9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by Semi-Annual Meeting
	of Parishioners
Friday, April 1	6:00 pm: Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, April 2 – SOUL SATURDAY	5:00 pm: Vespers and Panikhida
Sunday, April 3	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour
	9:15 am: Vesting
	9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy



SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, March 27, 2022 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

The Agenda will include a performance review of the Endowment Fund and election of new Endowment Fund Committee members.

If you are interested in being nominated for the open member positions and serving a 5-year term, please email Endowment Fund Committee Chairman: Tom Hanney, teetomhanney@yahoo.com



Please contact Bishop Luke directly if you would like your house blessed during the Epiphany season.

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How to Prepare for the Blessing of Your Home?

A lighted candle, an icon or cross, and a bowl for Holy Water should be placed on a table covered with a clean tablecloth, preferably white. Turn OFF the radio, television and computer. All who are present in the house should come together and stand by the table where the service takes place. Finally, print the first names of the immediate family members on a sheet of paper for commemoration.



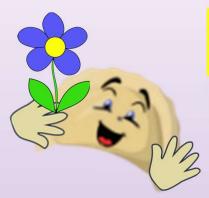
Several of you have asked whether Bishop Luke will still hear confession and if so, exactly when on a Sunday morning?

The answer is YES, Bishop Luke will hear your confession. He will do so every Sunday morning between the start of Hierarchal Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM and the Entrance Hymn "O Come Let Us Worship." If you want confession, you can approach Bishop Luke during this time, and he will walk from the Bishop's Chair in the center of the Sanctuary to the confessional area at the far left of the altar.

Confessions are also heard every Saturday at 5:00 PM at Vespers.

Announcing Vicar Bishop Luke's

Pilosi Piest



Saturday
May 14, 2022
12 noon-9 pm

Proceeds from the sale of pierogies made by volunteers at St. Nicholas Patriarchal Orthodox Cathedral will help support the Vicariate of the UOC-KP in the USA & Canada.

Prep dates are:

- Saturday, March 5, 7 am-2 pm
- Sunday, March 6, 12-3 pm (kapusta making)
- Saturday, March 19, 7 am-2 pm
- Saturday, March 26, 7 am-2 pm

Please mark your calendars! Questions?
Please contact Bishop Luke or Judy Hanney, Festival Director,
tjahanney@yahoo.com.

Festival Director, Judy Hanney, requests that you please bring your electric skillets on

SUNDAY, MARCH 6

so that we can make KAPUSTA for the Spring Pierogi Fest. No skillet? Please stay after Divine Liturgy to help chop and saute the cabbage. **THANK YOU!**



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

Prosphora - Holy Bread

For the past 5 years, Susan Guz has been baking Prosphora every week. We are now asking for volunteers to share this task. If interested, please contact Susan — sneoc100@gmail.com — and she will teach you how to make the loaves, a skill taught to her by Bishop Luke and the women in the monastery in Lyiv, Ukraine.

Making prosphora is a reverent act done prayerfully and humbly.



The Clergy use 5 prosphora loaves every Sunday for the Proskomedia — in remembrance of the five loaves with which Our Lord fed 5,000 people. Each prosphora is made in 2 parts, one on top of another, to remind us of the two natures of Jesus Christ, Who was both God and man. The top part is stamped with a seal in the shape of a cross. Small cubic particles of the bread are consecrated for Communion.



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CONGRATULATIONS, OLYA!

On Sunday, February 20, 2022, Bishop Luke presented Olya Kovalova with the Decree of Patriarch Philaret, appointing her Director of the Youth Organization. Olya wasted no time and held her first meeting of the YO in the Hall following Divine Liturgy.



The Cathedral Council Held a Council Meeting Following Divine Liturgy on Sunday, February 20, 2022



Frank Borriello, Secretary; Ellen Hanavin, Treasurer; Bishop Luke, Rector; Susan Guz, Vice-President; Tom Hanney, President

The Cathedral Council meets periodically to discuss various administrative and building-related issues. As Rector of the Cathedral, Bishop Luke also attends, opening and closing each meeting with a prayer.

For the last 5 years, this Council has worked together harmoniously -- with each officer bringing his/her individual strengths and personalities to achieve effective problem-solving and decision-making.

Sunday's meeting Agenda included many issues for discussion and decision-making, e.g., filing a claim for water damage in the Sanctuary; addressing the ground erosion on the northside of the building. A few issues were tabled to be discussed with the congregation at the Semi-Annual meeting on March 27.

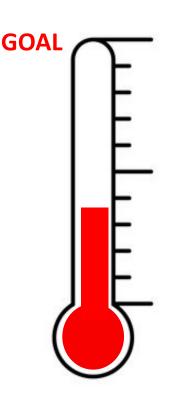
We thank Bishop Luke and the Council for their countless hours of volunteer service as caretakers of our beloved St. Nicholas Cathedral.

EXTERIOR PAINTING FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN

Your donation will be matched by an anonymous Private Trust.

The interior iconography in the Sanctuary is flaking. The interior walls of our stairwells are crumbling. We need to correct this problem immediately. Painting the exterior walls of the building with special elastomeric paint will stop the water seepage. This is the last step in our efforts to WATERPROOF our beautiful Cathedral building. Contractors estimate this job will cost \$20,000.

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The concrete walls of the north stairwell continue to deteriorate from water seepage.

Photo taken 1/2/2022.

SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LITTODAY

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For the health of our mom/grandmom, Gail Osborn, on her birthday, offered with love from Patrick, Wendy, Bennett and Celia

For the health of our husband/father, Patrick Snoke, on his birthday, offered with love from Wendy, Bennett and Celia

For the health of Gail Osborn on her birthday, offered by Susan Guz For the health of Gail Osborn on her birthday, offered by the Sisterhood

For the health of Tom Hanney on his birthday, offered by Susan Guz For the health of our grandson/nephew, George, on his 2nd birthday, offered by Robert, Marianne, Michael, Anastasia and Tom

For the health of our daughter-in-law, Amy Wohar, on her birthday, offered by Robert and Marianne

For the health of Baby
Helen Ivanna on her
Christening Day,
offered by Colleen,
Nicholas Philipp,
George Zervos,
Jennifer, Cory
Redmond and Melissa

and Kirk Whitmer on their daughter Helen Ivanna's Christening Day, offered by Colleen, Nicholas Philipp, George

Zervos, Jennifer, Cory

Redmond and Melissa

For the health of Anastasia

For the health of
Tom Hanney on his
birthday, offered by
Colleen, Nicholas
Philipp, George Zervos,
Jennifer, Cory
Redmond and Melissa

In memory of my father, Andrew Philipp, on his 63rd birthday, offered by Nicholas Philipp

In memory of my nephew, infant Peter, offered with love, by
Aunt Gail

For the health of my son-in-law,
Patrick Snoke, on his birthday, offered with love, by Gail

For the health of our sister/aunt, Gail Osborn, on her birthday, Love, Renee, Frank, Alex and Matt

In memory of Aunt Joan Lex, Love, Renee, Frank, Alex and Matt For the health of Tom Hanney on his birthday, Love, Ellen and Phil

For the health of Gail Osborn on her birthday, Love, Ellen For the health of Helen Ivanna on her Christening Day, Love, Ellen and Phil

For the health of Gail Osborn on her birthday, offered with love, Diane



ANNUAL VIGIL CANDLES LIT AT EVERY SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Sunday Vigil: \$2
Analoi Candles: \$25
Altar Candles: \$35
Annual Vigil: \$100
Bulletin Sponsor: \$25

- 1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantinne, offered by David Dantinne, Jr. and Family, exp. 11/1/23
- 2. +The Repose of the souls of George and Barbara Wohar, offered by Barbara McMonigle and Family. exp.11/1/22
- 3. +The Repose of the souls of John and Helen Guz; John and Mary Dzwonczyk; Paul and Anna Guz, offered by daughters/granddaughters Patricia Walker and Susan Guz. exp. 12/31/22
- 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. 10/1/26
- 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. 10/13/22
- 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. 8/1/22
- 8. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenco offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/22
- 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. 9/18/22
- 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. 4/19/22
- 11. +In memory of John and Susan Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac, exp. 12/31/22
- 12, +In memory of Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac, Exp. 12/31/22
- 13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/22
- 14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/22
- 15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family, exp. 5/31/22
- 16. +In loving memory of our mother, Lillian Fox, and our sister, Karen Niehoff, offered by Renee Murphy and Gail Osborn & Families. exp. 9/1/22
- 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. 11/1/30
- 18. For the health of Mykhailo, Tetiana, David, Svitlana, Vitaliy, Marina, Viktor, Ilona, Bogdan, Oleksandra, Maksym, Volodymyr, Halyna, Victoria, Mykola, Father Bohdan Zhoba and his family, Veronika, Tetiana, Oleksander, Diana-Olga, Hrystyna, Dimitriy, Diana; and +In memory of Mykhailo, Yaroslav, Anna, Petro, Bohdan and Hanna, offered by Michael, Tetiana and David Kuchmiak. exp. 12/31/22
- 19. For the health of Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyr, Anna-Diana, Olga, Vasyl, Maria, Mykhailyna, Anna, Olga, Mykola, Marianna, Oksana, Olga, Roman, Bogdan, Iryna-Olesia. +In memory of Anna, Sophia, Petro, Volodymyr, Joseph, Petrunelia, Vasyl, Maria, Stepan, Anna, Volodymyr, Stepania, Maryna, Vasyl, offered by Oksana and Viktor Voloshnovskyy. exp. 9/1/22
- 20. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/22
- 21. +The Repose of the souls of Mary and Gregory Buckley. Memory Eternal. Offered by the children and grandchildren of the Buckley, Janoczkin and Wojnarowicz Families. exp. 12/20/22
- 22. For the health of Vasyl, Paraska, Roman, Oksana, Andriy, Volodymyr, Orusya, Maria, Vitaliy, Taras, Anatoliy, Olga, Anna, Ivan. +In memory of Paraska, Vasyl, Ivan, Vasyl, Evdokia, Maria, Paraska, Oksana. Offered by the Khanas and Petriv Families. exp. 3/1/22
- 23. +In memory of Joseph and Mary Ann Visman, offered by Debbie and Michael. exp. 5/2/22

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2022 MEATFARE SUNDAY (SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT)

PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 3rd Tone: Great is our Lord and abundant in power. His understanding is beyond measure.

CHOIR: Great is our Lord and abundant in power. His understanding is beyond measure.

READER: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God! Great is our Lord and abundant in power.

CHOIR: His understanding is beyond measure.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The reading is from Corinthians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...But food does not commend us to God; for neither if we eat are we the better, nor if we do not eat are we the worse. But beware lest somehow this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of him who is weak be emboldened to eat those things offered to idols? And because of your knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died? But when you thus sin against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble. Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. (1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2)

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

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

READER: O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord. Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving.

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 Luke.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 'I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? 'When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You?' 'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; 'I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life. (Matthew 25:31-46)

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



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