

St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral

Patriarchal Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Kyiv Patriarchate

Bulletin for Sunday, June 26, 2022

Apostles' Fast

June 20 - July 11, 2022



Orthodox Christians are familiar with the fasting seasons – notably Great Lent in preparation for Easter and the Nativity Fast. But do you know about the Apostles' (Peter and Paul) Fast? It occurs after Pentecost to recreate when the Apostles fasted and prayed in thanksgiving for the gift of the Holy Spirit – and in preparation for their mission of preaching and spreading the Gospel throughout the world.



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Bishop Luke Invited to Give Invocation at City Council Meeting

Having graciously accepted an invitation from the Philadelphia City Council to open the Council's public meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2022, with an invocation, Vicar Bishop of Philadelphia Luke addressed the governing authority of men and women with the following blessing:

“Good morning, Council President Clarke, Members of the City Council, Brothers and Sisters in the City of Philadelphia. I am Bishop of Philadelphia Luke, Rector of St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral Kyiv Patriarchate, located in Northern Liberties.

Today, Thursday, June 16, 2022, at this meeting of the esteemed members of the Philadelphia City Council, I am honored to give the invocation. I thank Councilman David Oh for the invitation to be here with you this morning.

Let us bow our heads now as we pray to the Lord:

For this wonderful country, the United States of America, for our President, Joe Biden, for our armed forces, and for all those in civil authority.

In memory of the Founding Fathers and all those who gave their lives for our freedom. For all those in the world today, especially the suffering people in Ukraine, who are fighting for the freedoms we enjoy every day.

For this beautiful city of Philadelphia, and for every city and country, and for the faithful dwelling in them.

For you, the members of the Philadelphia City Council, let us pray to the Lord for His mercy, guidance and grace.

Apostle Paul writes in Romans, Chapter 8, verse 28: ‘... *we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.*’ So, we pray for you, entrusted City Council members, as representatives of the people of the City of Philadelphia, that the Lord continue to grant you wisdom, honesty, integrity, empathy, confidence, the ability to work together, and joy in fulfilling the mission before you today.

Let us all pray to the Lord and give thanks -- for His mercy endures forever.
GOD BLESS YOU ALL. GOD BLESS AMERICA! AMEN.”

The City Council meeting was streamed live on "Philadelphia Government Access Television."
You can watch the session now by copying and pasting this link into your web browser:
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Bishop Luke



June 16, 2022

Participants in the grid include: Katherine Gibson Richardson, Maria Q Sanchez, Bishop of Philadelphia Luke (highlighted by a red arrow), Ann F. Patel, Cherrin P..., Brian O'Neill, David Ch..., Karenn Gre..., and JH.

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Screenshot of the Philadelphia City Council Meeting, June 16, 2022



Bishop Luke prayed a Moleben on Sunday, June 19, for all fathers on Father's Day and for the students and graduates in St. Nicholas Cathedral. Pictured here are high school graduates, Matt Murphy and Madalyn Mandell-Zayon. Bishop Luke blessed the graduates with Holy Oil and presented them with an icon and an inspirational book, "God's Promises for Graduates."



Bishop Luke wore new green vestments – generously donated by the Murphy Family – for the first time on Sunday, June 19. The vestments were handmade in Ukraine and arrived in Philadelphia last week.



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SAVE *the* DATE

- **Sunday, September 25: Annual Parish Meeting**
- **Sunday, October 16: Sisterhood Annual Luncheon**
- **Saturday, November 5-Sunday, November 6: Pierogi Festival 2022**
- **Sunday, December 18: St. Nicholas Patron Saint Luncheon**



REMINDER: Our oil votives must be lit with a clicker lighter. If you try to use the flame from a candle to light the oil votive, you will damage the votive by clogging the wick with dripping wax, and the votive can no longer be used.

SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LIT TODAY

1. For the health of Maxim Radziuk, on his birthday, Love, Godmother Judy and Uncle Tom
2. For the health of Kevan Jiang on his birthday, offered by his Godmother, Susan Guz
3. For the health of Matthew Murphy on Graduation Day, Love, Ellen
4. For the health of Susan Guz, Love, Ellen

Schedule of Services

Sunday, June 26	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 3	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 10	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by monthly Panikhida
Sunday, July 17	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 24	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 31	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy

Bishop Luke and Father Oleksii sang HAPPY BIRTHDAY! to altar server Kevan Jiang who celebrates his birthday on June 22.



Happy Birthday

June 19, 2022

Father's Day Brunch



The menu included Primo hoagies, potato, macaroni and fruit salads, lasagna, cakes and pastries, too!

Thank you to Barbara Latsios, Ellen Hanavin, Susan Guz and Kevan Jiang for a delicious brunch in honor of our fathers and enjoyed by all!



St. Nicholas Cathedral honors another Graduate!

On Monday, June 20, 2022, **VERONIKA MATVIENKO** graduated from her 6-week online English language course, sponsored by the Nationalities Service Center (NSC). Congratulations, Veronika!

Veronika arrived in the USA on March 29 and began her twice-a-week English classes on May 2.

She plans to advance to the next level of English language studies at the NSC and will attend in-person classes starting next month.

Veronika is pictured here with Sisterhood President, Barbara Latsios, on Sunday, June 19.

Bishop Luke's Sermon
Sunday, June 19, 2022
Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30

Today's Bible reading is short – and its message is very clear: **WHAT IS YOUR REWARD FOR FOLLOWING CHRIST?** The answer is eternal life. Eternity in God's presence. Eternity in God's family. Today we commemorate all the extraordinary saints who gave up everything to follow Jesus. They gave up their families, jobs and possessions to follow Christ and preach His teachings, with the promise of eternal life. Must YOU give up everything? All the Church asks of you is to give up your time to follow Christ – just a couple of hours on a Sunday morning! And then devote time to doing good work in the church. As you know, there is no end to the work that is needed in the church. I know there are faithful, dedicated people in our church family who organize, cook, comfort, teach, pray, preach, clean, sing and more. The work is just waiting for true followers of Christ to step up and say "HERE I AM, LORD. PUT ME TO WORK." Can we then call you a saint for doing such work for the church? NO. Only God will judge you. That what is meant by the words in today's Scripture reading: Many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first. AMEN.



**EXTERIOR
PAINTING
PROJECT
COMPLETED!**

Done 

The next time you are at the Cathedral, take the time to walk outside around the entire building and admire a major building maintenance project...completed! The stairwell walls have also been repaired and painted. Thank you again to the following donors who made this project possible: Vicki and Frank Borriello; Judy and Tom Hanney; Anna Kuliasha – Memory Eternal; Barbara and George Latsios; Julie and Stephen Mandell-Zayon; Barbara McMonigle; Jennie and Charles Richardson; Oksana Voloshnovskyy; Patricia Walker; and the Anonymous Private Trust



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SAINT NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

His Holiness Patriarch Philaret
Bishop of Philadelphia Luke Zhoba, Rector
Very Reverend Oleksii Kacharai, Pastor

On a beautiful Monday, June 20, 2022, a volunteer freshened up the flowerbed by our sign. Hearty hydrangeas were planted and mulched. Hydrangeas will produce abundant colorful blooms year after year.

"For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign LORD will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations."
Isaiah 61:11

"The kiss of the sun for pardon
The song of the birds for mirth
One is nearer God's heart in a garden
Than anywhere else on earth."
God's Garden, 1913, by English hymn-writer
and poet Dorothy Frances Blomfield
(1858-1932)





Liberty North Hall: Mid-Year Report

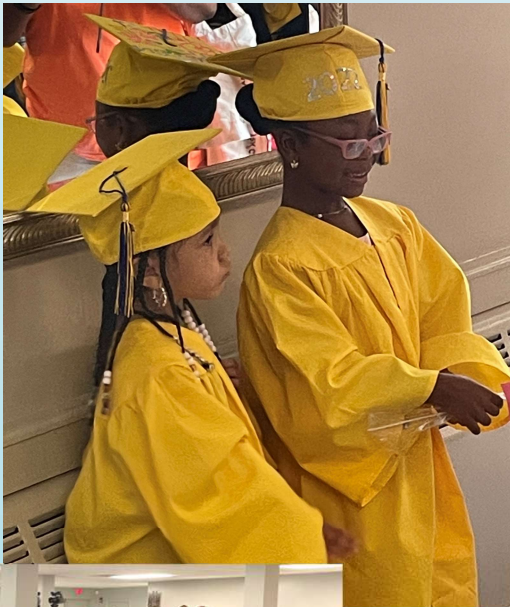
Parishioners know the ground floor of our Cathedral building simply as “the hall,” a place to sit after Divine Liturgy and enjoy a fellowship lunch. The community knows it as “Liberty North Hall,” a very popular event venue.

The Hall Manager is pleased to report that we have already exceeded the fiscal year-end income goal set at the beginning of the year! Details will be presented to parishioners at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, September 25.

The Hall continues to be a lucrative -- and steady -- income producer for the Cathedral. This year, DAYTIME bookings increased. Just recently, the Hall was the venue for two preschool graduation ceremonies and receptions hosted by the schools -- and over the course of the year, a gathering place for several last-minute funeral repasts.

The strategy: a reasonable rental rate = a high volume of bookings = \$\$\$ for St. Nicholas Cathedral.

Liberty North Hall was filled to capacity (120 people) during the day on Thursday, June 16, for the Somerset Academy graduation festivities, a catered event.



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Every Hall booking benefits St. Nicholas Cathedral.

**Liberty North Hall
was decorated
beautifully for
Gabby's
Quinceañera
- Sweet 15 - on
Saturday, June 18,
2022.**





ANNUAL VIGIL CANDLES LIT AT EVERY SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

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

1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantine, offered by David Dantine, 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 Levchenko 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. 4/19/23
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. +In memory of Joseph and Mary Ann Visman, offered by Debbie and Michael. exp. 5/2/23
23. For the health of Tatiana, Alexander, Sergey, Nadezhda, Alexander and Anna, offered by Anton Spassky. exp. 6/12/23
24. For the health of soldier Olexiy, Loubov, Vadym, Olexander, Iryna, George, Svilana and Maria. exp. 6/19/23

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2022

2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – ALL REGIONAL SAINTS



PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 1st Tone: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

CHOIR: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

READER: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye Righteous! Praise befits the just! Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

CHOIR: As we have set our hope on Thee.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The reading is from the Romans.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God. For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel. **(Romans 2:10-16)**

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

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

READER: God gives vengeance unto me and subdues people under me!
He magnifies the salvation of the king and deals mercifully with Christ, with David and his seed forever.

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 Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. **(Matthew 4:18-23)**

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

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