

ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

Patriarchal Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Kyivan Patriarchate

Bulletin for Sunday, June 6, 2021

**“You, Christ, are the most
radiant light of
those in darkness.”**

Kontakion, Tone 4



**The 6th Sunday of Pascha
The Man Born Blind**

Father Bohdan's Sermon – LAST YEAR -- on the Sunday of the Blind Man – Sunday, May 24, 2020

ONE YEAR LATER, THESE WORDS RING TRUE AS PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS HAVE NOW EASED.....

“Just as Jesus gave the blind man his sight after he obeyed and washed in the pool, Jesus can give YOU courage, faith and spiritual sight! We can relate today's Scripture reading to the current coronavirus pandemic. For the past 3 months, we have all experienced sadness, perhaps even despair, as we have been cut off from being with each other. Limited in who we can see. Isolated. Symbolically in darkness and blind. Today's Scripture reading about the man born blind can be a reminder that our isolation, our quarantine is just temporary. The time is coming when light will shine radiantly again, and you and I will reconnect again within the walls of this church. The time will come when we will once again be out in the open. The light of Jesus Christ will shine in and through us. Like the words of the hymn sung today: “You, Christ, are the most radiant light of those in darkness.” And the positive message is that the light will be even brighter BECAUSE OF these past 3 months of isolation. Our faith will be even stronger, our bond even closer, BECAUSE we have been isolated. And like the blind man in today's Scripture reading, you will say: Though I was blind, now I see. AMEN.

Christ Is Risen!”

Ascension of Our Lord



The Miracle- Working Myrrh- Streaming Iveron Icon



The Iveron Icon *in situ* since 2012 in St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral

While vacationing in Hawaii this week, parishioners Cassandra and Ray McNulty visited Holy Theotokos of Iveron Russian Orthodox Church in Kailua to venerate the Myrrh-Streaming Iveron Icon. They then contacted Father Bohdan with news that they are returning home with Holy Myrrh for Father Bohdan, a gift from Subdcn. Nectarios, the Icon's Guardian and Caretaker. Many of you will remember that Subdcn. Nectarios personally brought the Icon from Hawaii to St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral on two occasions when Father John Bohush was Rector. A replica of the Icon has been standing in St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral since 2012. Parishioners will look forward to receiving the blessings of the Holy Myrrh when Cassandra and Ray return to Philly. Safe travels!

On Wednesday of the 6th week of Pascha, June 9, 2021, we celebrate the Leavetaking of Pascha. The Paschal hymns will no longer be sung, and the Plaschanitsa will be removed from the altar and put in its proper place until next year. The following day, June 10, the 40th day after Pascha, marks the Feast of Ascension, the physical departure of Christ on earth into heaven where Jesus took His seat at the right hand of God.





Are you - or is your child - graduating in the coming weeks? Please let us know so that the student can be honored at a Moleben on June 13.

Schedule of Services

Sunday, June 6 Sunday of the Blind Man	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy, followed by Annual Church Picnic
Sunday, June 13	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy, Panikhida and Moleben for All Students and Graduating Students at the Completion of the Academic Year
Sunday, June 20 PENTECOST FATHER'S DAY	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy, followed by "Kneeling Prayers" Vespers and Moleben for Fathers
Sunday, June 27	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 4	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 11	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 18	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Sunday, July 25	9:00 am: Reading of The Hours 9:30 am: Divine Liturgy

Please note: Saturday Vespers will resume in September.

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- The Murphy Family, In Memory of our Mother/Mom-Mom, Lillian Fox
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- Cassandra and Ray McNulty



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Congratulations to Sabrina and Sam!



On Sunday, May 30, 2021, Father Bohdan officiated at the marriage ceremony of Sabrina Heggan and Sumit “Sam” Vaghela. Sabrina, of the Dantine Family, is a daughter of Krisha, and granddaughter of David and +Carol (1950-2011) -- Memory Eternal. FOUR GENERATIONS of the Dantine Family have been worshipping in St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral! Best wishes to Sabrina and Sam! MANY YEARS!



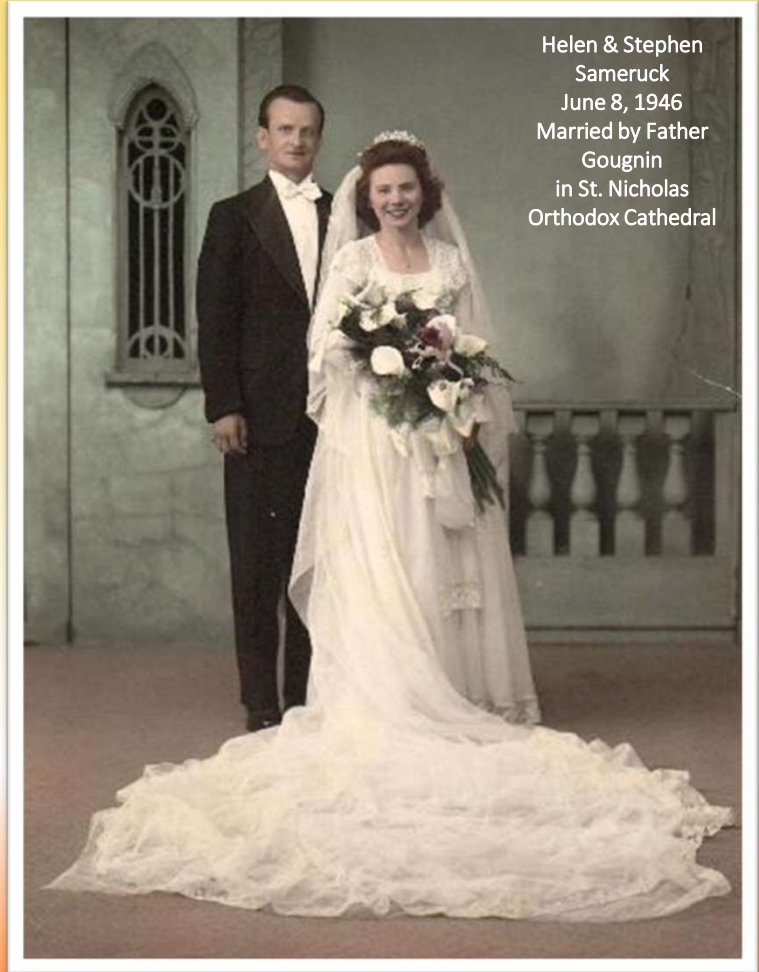
SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LIT TODAY

1. For the health of Aidan Thomas Bennett, on his 8th birthday, Love, Baba and Pop
2. In memory of my parents Helen and Steve Sameruck, on their anniversary, Love, Judy and Tom Hanney and Family
3. For the health of Ellen and Phil, on their anniversary, Love, Judy and Tom Hanney and Family
4. In memory of Karen Niehoff on the one-year anniversary of her passing, offered by Diane Kavchok and Family
5. In memory of my sister, Karen Niehoff, on the first anniversary of her passing, offered with love by Gail
6. For the health of my husband, Frank Murphy, on his birthday, June 1st. Many Years! Love, Renee
7. For the health of our Dad, Frank Murphy, Love, Alex and Matt

**This week's Bulletin is
Co-Sponsored by
by the Hanney, Whitmer
and Bennett Families
*Tom, Judy, Anastasia, Kirk,
Alexandra, Lloyd and Aidan***

**In Memory of
Parents-Grandparents-
Great-Grandparents
HELEN & STEPHEN
SAMERUCK
on their 75th Wedding
Anniversary**

**and in Celebration of
Aidan Bennett's
8th Birthday!**



Helen & Stephen
Sameruck
June 8, 1946
Married by Father
Gougnin
in St. Nicholas
Orthodox Cathedral

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**This Week's Bulletin is Co-Sponsored By
Gail Osborn and Renee Murphy**

**In Memory of Their Beloved Sister
KAREN LINDA NIEHOFF**

**On the 1st Anniversary of Her Passing
February 25, 1958 - June 7, 2020**

**Father Bohdan will serve a Panikhida for Karen
following Dismissal on Sunday, June 6, 2021.**

Karen (nee Fox) Niehoff grew up in Philadelphia with her sisters, Gail and Renee. Father John Bohush officiated at her marriage to Mike in 1979 in St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral. Shortly afterwards, the newlyweds moved to Maine where they raised two daughters, Nicole and Emily. Sadly, their infant son, Peter, passed away only 26 hours after his birth. Karen was a very proud grandmother to two grandsons, Khalil and Wyatt. Karen graduated from Penn State University with a degree in Early Childhood Education. Later in life she earned a Masters Degree in Counseling. Karen played the domra and accordion as a member of the St. Nicholas Balalaika Orchestra in her teenage years.

Karen is greatly missed by her family and friends.

- MEMORY ETERNAL -



Three Sisters:
Renee, Gail and Karen



Karen and Mike



Karen, with her grandsons.



Karen, with her cousin,
Vicki Borriello, and
sisters, Gail Osborn
and Renee Murphy.

The weather forecast for Sunday is hot and sunny, so we will gather for our Picnic on our South Lawn for grilled burgers, dogs, corn-on-the-cob, watermelon...and lots more good food!

SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021



Please bring your favorite outdoor games, frisbees, balls, etc. We may even play BINGO!

Music by Ukrainian accordionist, Igor.

***Looking forward to seeing you on
June 6....for fellowship, food and fun!***





ANNUAL VIGIL CANDLES LIT AT EVERY SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Sunday Vigil:	\$2
Analog Candles:	\$25
Altar Candles:	\$35
Annual Vigil:	\$100
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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. 11/1/21
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. 12/31/21
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. 10/1/21
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. 10/13/21
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. 12/31/21
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. 9/18/21
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. 12/31/21
12. +In memory of Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/21
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/21
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/21
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/22
16. +In loving memory of our mother, Lillian Fox, offered by Renee Murphy, Gail Osborn & Families. exp. 9/1/21
17. +In loving memory of our sister, Karen Niehoff, offered by Renee Murphy, Gail Osborn & Families. exp. 9/1/21
18. +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
19. 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, Hrustyna, Dimitriy, Diana; and +In memory of Mykhailo, Yaroslav, Anna, Petro, Bohdan and Hanna, offered by Michael, Tetiana and David Kuchmiak. exp. 12/31/21
20. For the health of Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyr, Anna-Diana, Vasyl, Maria, Mykhailyna, Anna, Olga, Mykola, Marianna, Oksana, Olga, Roman, Olga, Iryna-Olesia, Bohdan, Volodymyr. +In memory of Anna, Sophia, Volodymyr, Joseph, Petrunelia, Vasyl, Maria, Pavlo, Maria, Petro, Stepan, Anna, Stepania, Vasyl, Maryna, offered by Oksana and Victor Voloshnovskyy. exp. 9/1/21
21. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/21
22. +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. 12/20/21
23. +In memory of newly-departed Alice (Lesya) Orlan, our beloved "Forever Friend," offered by Dorothy Chelak and Family. exp. 1/24/22
24. 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
25. +In memory of Joseph and Mary Ann Visman, offered by Debbie and Michael. exp. 5/2/22

Sunday Sermon



Father Bohdan's Sermon Sunday, May 30, 2021 - John 4:5-42

CHRIST IS RISEN! Today's Bible reading tells of a conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan Woman who He encountered at Jacob's well. The water is symbolic of eternal life. And Jesus ultimately gives the Woman everlasting faith so that she would never be thirsty again. It is important to reflect on the initial meeting of Jesus and the Woman. When Jesus approached her at the well and said to her, "Give Me A Drink," she was shocked because she was from Samaria and Jesus was a Jew – and, as is written in this Scripture passage: "Jews have no dealings with Samaritans." This Bible story shows us that Jesus cared about every person, regardless of gender, race, culture or station in life.

The lesson for us is that we are all brothers and sisters, equal throughout eternity. The Samaritan woman was transformed by her meeting with Jesus – just as we all can be. She believed Jesus was truly the Messiah. She immediately repented of her past misdeeds and left to tell her friends and neighbors how she met Jesus and His offer of life-giving water – or eternal life. So God can – and will – use anyone He chooses to spread His word. Brothers and sisters, learn from this Scripture reading. Be tolerant of others, Love Thy Neighbor – and realize that spiritual growth is a lifelong process. AMEN. CHRIST IS RISEN!

“Our, Father....”

FATHER'S DAY VIGILS

Father's Day is Sunday, June 20. Diane Kavchok will be contacting you by email for any revisions to your Father's Day vigil list. To our new parishioners: please contact Diane by email, kavchokd@aol.com, if you would like to have Vigils published in the June 20th edition of our Bulletin – in memory of, or for the health, of your beloved father, grandfather, uncle, Godfather....

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021

6TH SUNDAY OF PASCHA – SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN



PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 8th Tone: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

CHOIR: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

READER: In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel! Pray and make your vows.

CHOIR: Before the Lord our God!

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The reading is from the Acts of the Holy Apostles.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...Now it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to the authorities. And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, "These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe. Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods. And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here." Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." Then he spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized. Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household. **(Acts 16:16-34)**

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

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

READER: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

Let us come before His face with thanksgiving. Let us make a joyful noise to Him songs of praise!

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 John.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, "Is not this he who sat and begged?" Some said, "This is he." Others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am he." Therefore they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered and said, "A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and I received sight." Then they said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know. They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. They said to the blind man again, "What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself. His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, "Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner." He answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner or not I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see." Then they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become His disciples?" Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke to Moses; as for this fellow, we do not know where He is from. The man answered and said to them, "Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing. They answered and said to him, "You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you." Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him. **(John 9:1-38)**

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



Our Banquet Hall continues to be a popular event venue, and we are on our way to surpassing yet another financial goal.

Every weekend is booked for parties through the end of August.

Here is the Hall decorated for a wedding reception on Saturday, May 29.

