## ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church Kyivan Patriarchate

Bulletin for Sunday, March 20, 2022



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### On Sunday, March 13, 2022, Bishop Luke led the traditional Procession of Icons on the Feast Day of the Triumph of Orthodoxy

The Triumph of Orthodoxy Feast Day commemorates the return of icons into churches in the year 843 following a great conflict between the Iconoclasts and Iconophiles. The iconoclasts were those who feared too much devotion was given icons in Orthodox worship and ultimately ALL icons were removed from Orthodox churches. However, the iconophiles believed the opposite: that icons represented the divine through art and beauty. The outcome was a victory for the iconophiles and a decree that restored icons in the churches...a decree that proclaimed icons could be venerated and honored, but not worshipped, as worship was due only God. In 843, Empress Theodora, her son, monks and clergy came in procession into the Hagia Sophia Cathedral in Constantinople and restored icons to their rightful place in the church. And today, on this Feast Day, parishioners bring their most treasured and meaningful icon to the Cathedral to carry during our own Procession of Icons immediately following Divine Liturgy -- as we proclaim Orthodoxy as our true faith. One of the most precious icons is the "Sacred Virgin," the patron saint and the spiritual strength of the Ukrainian Chaplains. 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. The Sacred Virgin icon was hand-carried by Metropolitan John from Kyiv, Ukraine to St. Nicholas Cathedral in Philadelphia in 2018, now the icon's permanent home – in appreciation for the parish's ongoing generous support of the Ukrainian chaplains. Chaplains hold a special place in St. Nicholas Cathedral as Bishop Luke is an Honorary Ukrainian Chaplain.

On this Feast Day, Bishop Luke and the congregation prayed for the restoration of peace in Ukraine and for the safety and welfare of the Ukrainian people and soldiers.



The paper edition of the Cathedral's Bulletin is printed by M3 Printing, located at 440 Brown Street, around the corner from the Cathedral. We were touched and grateful to receive the following email from M3 Printing:

"The team here at M3 Printing stands with the people of Ukraine. We have been heartbroken watching the footage of families and their pets having to evacuate their homes and want our Ukrainian neighbors to know we support them. M3 Printing has made a donation to the #bstrong foundation who are helping refugees get out of Ukraine. We will also be printing free WE STAND WITH **UKRAINE** posters for anyone to display in their window at home or work. You can request one here and pick them up at our office in Philadelphia."





Since Russia's February 24<sup>th</sup> invasion of Ukraine, and Vicar Bishop Luke announced the Vicariate's fundraising efforts for the purchase of essential items for the Ukrainian people, monetary donations have been pouring in through the DONATE pages on the Vicariate website (uockpusa.org) and the Cathedral website (stnicholaseoc.org); dropped in our plastic HELP UKRAINE canister located by the Cathedral candle window; received in the mail; and delivered to our church office in person. Without delay, funds are sent to our trusted civilian volunteer in Ukraine who sends us purchase receipts for food, mattresses, medical supplies and other necessities for survival. Refugees who have fled to Poland and West Ukraine have also received funds for transportation, shelter and food.

Please make your checks payable to the Vicariate of the UOC-KP. Cash is also accepted. Donations can be mailed to the Vicariate Office at 820 Hoffman Place, Philadelphia, PA 19123, or left at the Cathedral Candle Room window on Sundays. For donations by credit card: visit uockpusa.org or stnicholaseoc.org/donate (scroll down to the HELP UKRAINE FUND.)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

YOU ARE MAKING AN IMMEDIATE DIFFERENCE!





On Sunday,
March 13, 2022,
we welcomed our
esteemed guest:

Iryna Mazur, Esq.

Honorary Consulate

of Ukraine

Philadelphia

Iryna Mazur was appointed to the post of Honorary Consul of Ukraine to Philadelphia on July 23, 2019.

Ms. Mazur practiced law in Ukraine where she held various positions including working at the Antimonopoly Committee of the Lviv Region. A native of Lviv, Ukraine, she moved to the United States 18 years ago and received an LLM degree in 2009 from Temple University Beasley School of Law. She is admitted to the Pennsylvania bar.

Together with her husband, Francois-Ihor Mazur, Ms. Mazur is a partner at the Mazur Law Firm, PC, with a primary focus on immigration law. The firm is located in Huntingdon Valley. They are the proud parents of a 23-year-old son who currently serves in the US Navy.

Ms. Mazur has been very active in the Ukrainian community in the United States and serves on the board member of two non-profit organizations: Razom for Ukraine and the Ukrainian Federation of America. She was also appointed and previously served as an advisor to the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations and the Foreign Relations

Committee of the Ukrainian Parliament.

The Honorary Consulate of Ukraine in Philadelphia offers these services:

- Facilitating economic, educational, and cultural exchanges between Ukraine and Pennsylvania and the greater Philadelphia area
- Protecting the interests of Ukrainian citizens while in Pennsylvania and/or the greater Philadelphia area
- Supporting the Ukrainian diaspora community and organizations at large
- Acting as liaison for official government and business delegations from Ukraine





On Saturday, March 12, 2022, Bishop Luke visited parishioner Anna Kuliasha in Chester County Hospital and gave her an icon of St. Luke for comfort. We pray for her restored health. Anna's niece, Jennie Richardson, and husband, Charles, drove from their home in New Mexico to see Anna. They attended Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas Cathedral on Sunday. March 13, and are pictured here with Bishop Luke.



and Julie Zayon. MANY MORE YEARS!





#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KUCHMIAK FAMILY

Tetiana, Michael and David on the birth of their daughter/sister

VICTORIA

on March 7, 2022.

ALTAR CANDLES LIT TODAY

for the health of DIANNA STUCKEY

on her birthday, March 6

offered by Peggy Ann Russell

Dianna's mother, Nusia Johnson Peel, was a former parishioner and choir member of St. Nicholas Cathedral. Memory Eternal.

Despite the passage of time, St. Nicholas Cathedral remains very special to Dianna.

# ANNUAL ENDOWMENT FUND DRIVE continues...

#### 2 Corinthians 9:7

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Our annual **Endowment Fund Drive** begins simultaneously with the start of Lent. It is customary to give alms -- a charitable gift -- during Lent. What better beneficiary than our beloved St. Nicholas Cathedral to ensure its future!

Please pick up a PINK envelope from the Candle Room and give generously. You can also give online on our website. Go to **stnicholaseoc.org**; click the DONATE tab at the bottom of the home page; scroll down and click "Endowment Fund."

THANK YOU!

# Soul Saturdays Prayers for Your Beloved Departed

On Soul Saturdays, Bishop Luke prays for the souls of your departed loved ones, reading aloud the names on the lists you provided. The list of names of your beloved departed is kept in a book in the Candle Room. If you want to include someone dear to you, please send an email to sneoc100@gmail.com or just mark the book that is in the Candle Room.

The special Soul Saturday Planikhida follows Vespers. The Soul Saturdays during Lent are March 19, March 26 and April 2. We are suggesting a \$25 donation for the reading of your beloved departed names. Thank you. (There are no monthly Planikhidas in March and April.)

## CONFESSIONS



Bishop Luke will hear your confession 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.



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

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Schedule of Services	
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
Friday, April 8	6:00 pm: Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, April 9	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, April 10	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Friday, April 15	6:00 pm: Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, April 16 – LAZARUS SATURDAY	9:00 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, April 17 – PALM SUNDAY	9:00 am: Reading of the Third Hour 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by a traditional Potato Pancake Fellowship Brunch in the Cathedral Hall



#### 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



# SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LIT TODAY



For the health of
Susan Guz on her
birthday, Love, the
Hanney and Whitmer
Families

For the health of Nicholas Philipp on his birthday, Love, Uncle Tom, Aunt Judy and Family

For the health of Frank Borriello on his birthday, Love, Gail and Family

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

For the health of Susan Guz on her birthday, offered by Barbara and George Latsios

For the health of Frank Borriello on his birthday, offered by Susan Guz For the health of
Father Oleksii on his
birthday, offered by
Tom and Judy
Hanney

For the health of Anna Kuliasha, offered by Tom and Judy Hanney

For the health of
Frank Borriello on his
birthday, offered by
Tom and Judy
Hanney

For the health of Susan Guz on her birthday, Love, the Murphy Family

For the health of the Murphy Family

In memory of
Joanna Dugan.
May her memory be
eternal. Love, the
Murphy Family

For the health of my husband, Jim, on his Birthday, offered by Barbara McMonigle

For the health of Susan Guz on her birthday, Love, Ellen and Phil

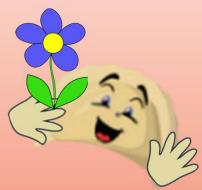
For the health of Frank Borriello on his birthday, Love, Ellen In memory of my Dad,
Joseph, on his
birthday,
Love, Debbie

In memory of my Mom, Mary Ann, Love, Debbie In memory of my brother, Joseph Visman, on his birthday, Love, Ellen For the health and safety of Patriarch Philaret and Father Borys Tabachek, Love, Ellen

For the health of Anna Kuliasha, Love, Ellen

# Vicar Bishop Luke's

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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 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.



# 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, MARCH 20, 2022 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT – GREGORY PALAMAS

**PRIEST**: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

**READER**: And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST**: Wisdom!

**READER**: The Prokeimenon in the 6<sup>th</sup> Tone: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance!

**CHOIR:** O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance!

**READER:** To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! O Lord, save Thy people.

**CHOIR:** And bless Thine inheritance!

**PRIEST**: Wisdom!

**READER:** The reading is from the Hebrews.

**PRIEST**: Let us attend!

**READER**: Brothers..."You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment; Like a cloak You will fold them up, And they will be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not fail." But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool"? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him. **(Hebrews 1:10-2:3)** 

**PRIEST:** Peace be unto thee, Reader.

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

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

**READER:** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most-High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God!

He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge. My God, in whom I trust!

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 Mark.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you. And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone? But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins-He said to the paralytic, I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house. Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!" (Mark 2:1-12)

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



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