

# ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church Kyivan Patriarchate

Bulletin for Sunday, March 6, 2022

# FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

The essence of Great Lent – which begins on Monday, March 7 – is God's forgiveness of us.

On Sunday, March 6, Cheesefare Sunday – also called Forgiveness Sunday – we humbly ask forgiveness of each other so that we can begin Great Lent with an unburdened heart.



OUR JOURNEY  
TO PASCHA  
GREAT LENT



# Moleben



On Sunday, February 27, 2022, following Divine Liturgy, Bishop Luke and the congregation prayed a Moleben to St. Nicholas for the health, safety and welfare of the Ukrainian people and for the restoration of peace in their country.



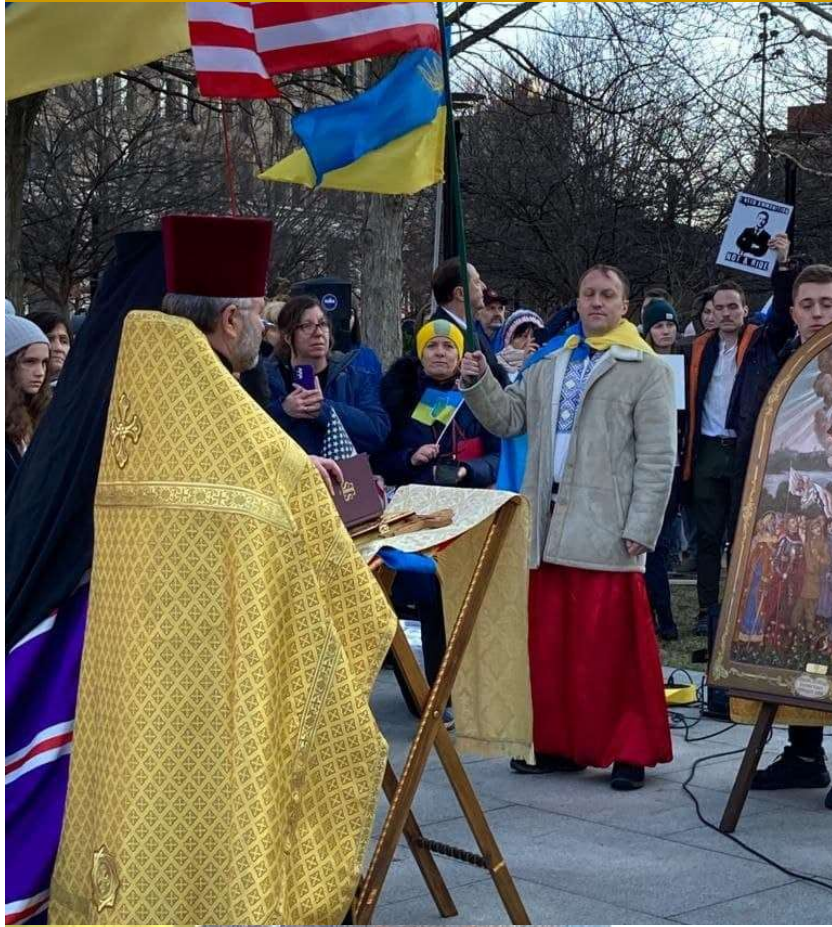
# Prayers & Support for Ukraine



**On Friday, February 25, 2022, Bishop Luke and Father Oleksii joined a rally of activists and public officials at City Hall in Philadelphia in solidarity with Ukrainians against Russian aggression.**



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On Sunday afternoon, February 27, 2022, thousands of people in Philadelphia – including Bishop Luke, clergy and members of the St. Nicholas Cathedral congregation -- rallied at Independence Mall to protest Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The organizers of the rally, Ulyana Mazurkevych, the Committee of the Ukrainian-American Community and the Ukrainian Committee for Human Rights, emphasize that Ukrainians must see that the whole world supports them, and the occupiers must withdraw.



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Bishop Luke and Father Oleksii, assisted by Tom Demchuk, served a Moleben at Independence Mall, Sunday afternoon, February 27, leading thousands in a prayer for peace in Ukraine.

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**Copy and paste this website to view the video of Bishop Luke serving a Moleben at Independence Mall, Philadelphia, Sunday, February 27, 2022:**

**<https://www.uockpusa.org/post/philadelphia-gathered-with-ukrainian-protest-russia-s-invasion-of-sovereign-ukraine>**



**The Vicariate is  
fundraising to help the  
people of Ukraine!**

**Vicar Bishop Luke blessed the Cathedral Council to solicit and receive monetary donations to be used for food, clothes, amenities and medical supplies for the Ukrainian people.**

**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](http://uockpusa.org) or [stnicholaseoc.org/donate](http://stnicholaseoc.org/donate) (scroll down to the HELP UKRAINE FUND). Bishop Luke and the Council will keep you updated on when the funds will be transferred to our trusted representatives in Ukraine – and exactly how your donations will be used.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**



The  
**Baptism**  
of  
**HELEN  
IVANNA  
WHITMER**  
on Saturday,  
February 26,  
2022



Family and friends gathered in St. Nicholas Cathedral on Saturday to witness the joyous event. Congratulations to parents, Anastasia and Kirk Whitmer and Godparents, Cassandra McNulty and Evan Whitmer.



Baby Helen Ivanna is pictured here with proud grandparents, Judy and Tom Hanney.



Helen Ivanna's beautiful Christening gown was a gift from her Godmother, Cassandra McNulty.

# ANNUAL ENDOWMENT FUND DRIVE begins...

*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](http://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](mailto:sneoc100@gmail.com) or just mark the book that is in the Candle Room.**

**The special Soul Saturday Panikhida 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 Panikhidas in March and April.)**

Parable of

# the Sheep and the Goats



Bishop Luke's Sermon – Sunday, February 27, 2021  
Matthew 25:31-46

Today's Scripture reading makes it clear that Jesus is everywhere and especially in the lives among the unfortunate, the needy, the poor. Indeed, Jesus says He is one of these unfortunate people. Jesus' words: "As you gave others food or drink or clothes, you did it to me." And will you be judged by our actions when we encounter such unfortunate people?

Most definitely YES. Jesus makes this spiritual lesson simple for us. In the parable today, He divides people into 2 groups: the sheep and the goats. The sheep are the compassionate givers; the disciples of Christ; the goats are the uncaring, selfish people who consciously decide not to follow Christ. And the sheep, by their nature, came to the aid of the needy. Their compassionate deeds are not a struggle, not a burden, but a natural act. You see a hungry, thirsty stranger, you give them food and drink without hesitation. We are given free will to choose whether we do good or bad actions. God holds us responsible. Be good sheep. Follow the words of Jesus Christ, and you will have everlasting salvation with a place at the right hand of God. AMEN.



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# Schedule of Services

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
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



## 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](mailto:teetomhanney@yahoo.com)



On Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022, we celebrated the birthdays of Tom Hanney and Gail Osborn, who were born on the same day: February 28.



## BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH:

Julie Zayon: 3/9  
Orysa Khanas: 3/13  
Father Oleksii: 3/14  
Frank Borriello: 3/18  
Susan Guz: 3/19  
David Kuchmiak: 3/20

# CONFESSIONS



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



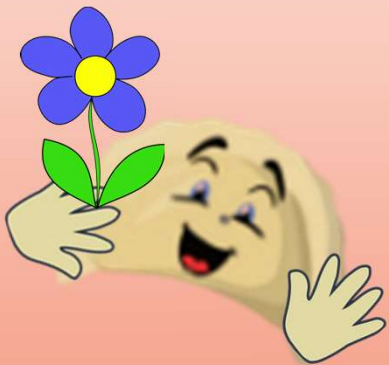
# SPRING Pierogi Fest



**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](mailto: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**

# SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LIT TODAY



In memory of our brother, uncle, friend, Timothy Redmond, on his 55<sup>th</sup> birthday, offered by Colleen, Nicholas Philipp, George Zervos, Jennifer, Cory Redmond and Melissa

For the health of our brother-in-law/Uncle Tom Hanney on his birthday, Love, Barbara, George, Cassandra and Ray

For the health of Helen Ivanna on her Baptism, Love, Aunt Barbara and Uncle George

In loving memory of our mother/grandmother, Lillian Fox, Love, Gail and Family

For the health of Julie Zayon on her birthday, offered by the Sisterhood

## 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](mailto: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 Kyiv, Ukraine.*

*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.*





# ANNUAL VIGIL CANDLES LIT AT EVERY SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

<b>Sunday Vigil:</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>Analoi Candles:</b>	<b>\$25</b>
<b>Altar Candles:</b>	<b>\$35</b>
<b>Annual Vigil:</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>Bulletin Sponsor:</b>	<b>\$25</b>

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. 4/19/22
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 6, 2022

## CHEESEFARE SUNDAY – FORGIVENESS SUNDAY



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

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

**READER:** The Prokeimenon in the 8<sup>th</sup> 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 Romans.

**PRIEST:** Let us attend!

**READER:** Brothers...And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts. Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand. **(Romans 13:11-14:4)**

**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 go give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy name, O Most High!  
To declare Thy steadfast love in the morning, and Thy faithfulness 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 is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

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

**PRIEST:** Let us attend. For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. **(Matthew 6:14-21)**

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

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