



St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church



The Blessed Metropolitan Epifaniy

Stavropigia of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine
Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector

- Bulletin for Sunday, November 24, 2019**
- Saturday, November 23: Vespers, 5:00 PM
 - Sunday, November 24: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
 - Thursday, November 28: THANKSGIVING DINNER in Church Hall, 2:00 PM
 - Saturday, November 30: Vespers, 5:00 PM
 - Sunday, December 1: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM



His Holiness Patriarch Philaret



This Week's Bulletin is Sponsored by Ellen Hanavin and Dawn Healey
In Memory of our Mom/Grandmom, Helen Levchenko, on her Birthday



St. Nicholas Sisterhood Hosts Thanksgiving Dinner



Fundraising Concert Series To Begin
January 25, 2020



Anna Kuliasha Attends Divine Liturgy With Her Family

Iryna and Risti Aleksoski Marry in St. Nicholas Church



St. Nicholas Church is Gifted an Antique Icon of Saint Oleg by Michael Nasevich



Prayers for the Health of Halyna Kachur



We still have Pierogies for Sale (and save-the-date for next year's Pierogi Festival: Nov. 7-8, 2020)

Anna Kuliasha Attends Divine Liturgy on Sunday, November 17, 2019



We welcomed parishioner-member ANNA KULIASHA, her niece Jennie Richardson and husband, Charles Richardson, on Sunday, November 17, 2019. Jennie and Charles were visiting from New Mexico and brought Anna to church from St. Martha Rehab Center in Downingtown, PA. Anna was blessed with Holy Water and Oil following Divine Liturgy. Every month - without fail - St. Nicholas Church receives a \$100 donation from Anna. ***"Thank you! You set a fine example,"*** said Father Bohdan, ***"and will be blessed for your generosity, Anna."***

SAVE THE DATE: On Sunday, January 19, 2020, Anna, Jennie and Charles promised to return to St. Nicholas Church - and we in turn promised to have a huge cheesecake (her favorite!) for Anna in celebration of her 84th Birthday (on January 16, 2020)!

Please remember our homebound parishioner:
Ms. Anna Kuliasha
St. Martha Rehabilitation Center
470 Manor Avenue
Downingtown, PA 19335
Tel: 610-873-8490

On Saturday, November 16, 2019,
Iryna Patronym and Riste Aleksoski
were married by Father Bohdan
in St. Nicholas Church.

Deacon Daniel served and sang a
beautiful wedding service with Father Bohdan.



The Wedding of Iryna Patronym & Riste Aleksoski



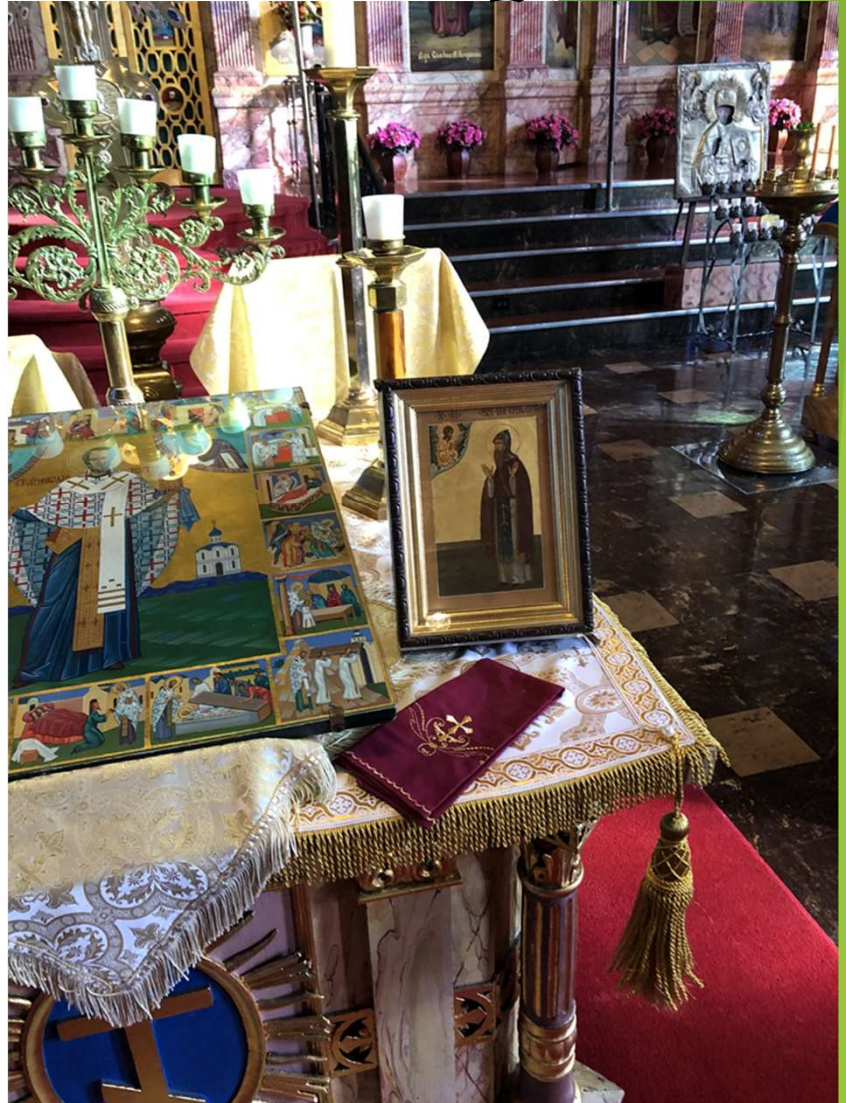
The Wedding of Iryna Patronym & Riste Aleksoski



Saint Oleg

Recently, Father Bohdan had the opportunity to visit Michael Nasevich at his funeral home at Franklin & Brown Streets. The interior architecture of the building is magnificent with beautiful arches, a curved wooden staircase from the ground floor up 5 flights, and stained-glass windows. The building is more than 100 years old and functioned as a business and residence for the Nasevich family for generations. Among the furniture, books and possessions, Father Bohdan noticed and admired a particular icon, beautifully framed in a shadow box. Without hesitation, Michael gave the antique icon of Saint Oleg to Father Bohdan for St. Nicholas Church. We did not have an icon of Saint Oleg, and now this Saint stands on our center ananoi table.

Thank you, Michael. You have helped so many of our parishioners through difficult times as they grieved the loss of loved ones. And now we thank you, too, for this beautiful icon of Saint Oleg. Parishioners, let's also remember that Fletcher-Nasevich Funeral Home provides us with complimentary liturgical calendars every year, for which we are deeply appreciative.



Saint Oleg stands on the center ananoi table in St. Nicholas Church Sanctuary.



ABOUT SAINT OLEG

Holy Prince Oleg Romanovich of Briansk was the grandson of the Holy Martyr Prince Michael of Chernigov.

Saint Oleg was disinterested in wealth and worldly glory; he was drawn to monastic life. So he gave up the throne to his brother and took monastic vows and was given the church name of Basil. Saint Oleg became renown for the asceticism of his life. He ended his days peacefully at his monastery in 1289. His relics are preserved in the Saints Peter and Paul monastery built by him in Briansk.

The Sisterhood of St. Nicholas Church
Invites You To A

—CHURCH FAMILY—
**THANKSGIVING
DINNER**

coming together to give thanks for
God's abundant blessings.
Thursday, November 28, 2:00 PM



St. Nicholas Church will host a traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner on Thursday, November 28, at 2:00 pm in the Church Hall.

Dinner includes roast turkey and all the trimmings.

Donations of \$15.00 per person (no charge for children 17 and under) will benefit the St. Nicholas Church Sisterhood.

Please contact Barbara Latsios or Judy Hanney to let us know if you'll be there.



A Fund-Raising Concert Series

will begin in January 2020. Ticket sales will benefit the St. Nicholas Patriarchal Choir Fund.

Tickets are \$30 each.

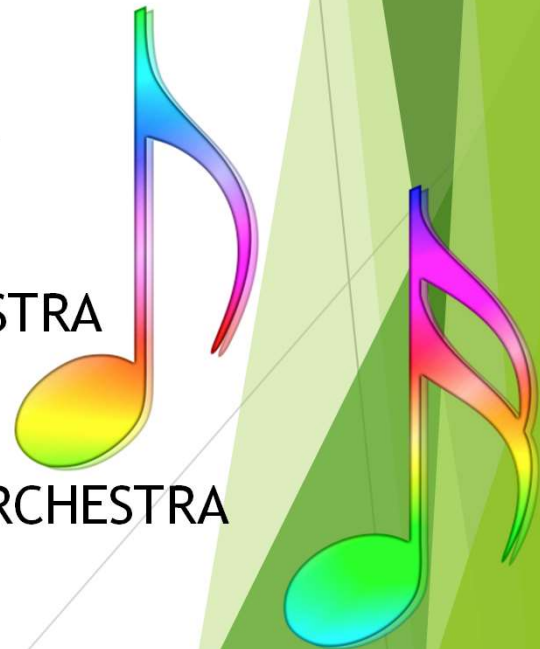
Parishioners will be asked to sell a certain amount of tickets in order to ensure that we have at least 100 people in attendance at each concert.

Below is the Concert schedule.

All performances will take place in the St. Nicholas Church Sanctuary, and an informal reception in our Church Hall will follow.



- Saturday, January 25, 7:30 PM:
SAINT NICHOLAS PATRIARCHAL CHOIR
- Sunday, February 23, 3:30 PM:
KOVRIKA RUSSIAN BALALAIKA ORCHESTRA
- Saturday, April 25, 7:30 PM:
JUSTIN GONZALES & THE KAURIGA ORCHESTRA
- Sunday, May 17, 3:30 PM:
THE GREAT AMERICAN SONGBOOK





ANNUAL St. Nicholas Patron Saint Lunch

*to benefit the St. Nicholas Church
Benevolent Fund*

**SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 22, 2019**

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE FOUNDERS OF OUR CHURCH MANDATED IN THE CHURCH BY-LAWS, WRITTEN IN 1917, that the Feast Day of our Church Patron Saint — St. Nicholas — should be CELEBRATED AND HONORED EVERY YEAR... And that is what parishioners of St. Nicholas Church have done for 102 years!

Through the centuries St. Nicholas has been venerated by all Orthodox. By his example of generosity to those in need, especially children, St. Nicholas is a model for a compassionate life. At the beginning of Advent, he admonishes us to be good and prepare our hearts for a blessed and holy Christmas.

Without a doubt, St. Nicholas is the favorite saint of children and we want his Feast Day to be a memorable day for the children of our parish. So, this year, at our Patron Saint Lunch on Sunday, December 22, we will give the kids - and our young-at-heart adults - a special treat!

SIMON SHARGO, clown, magician, dancer, comedian, mime - and graduate of the Moscow State Theater and Circus College -- will entertain us with a variety show. Come and enjoy the fun! Bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends....!



**Adults: \$25 for lunch
and show
Children up to age 18:
free!**

**TO RSVP: CONTACT
VICKI BORRIELLO BY
DECEMBER 15.**

“Your faith has made you well. Go in peace.”



1. In Memory of Helen Sameruck
2. Colleen Philipp – In Memory of Charles, John, Pauline, Charles, Michael, Thomas & Timothy
3. In Memory of Olga Zuzulock
4. Anna Kuliasha
5. Susan Isaac – In Memory of Paul Stetsuk



On Our Prayer List

Father Bohdan rushed to Riddle Hospital in Media, PA, last week - on 2 separate days - at the request of Prof. Alexander Kachur to visit his wife, Halyna Kachur and give her Holy Communion. Halyna has since been discharged. We continue to pray for her health.

Father Bohdan's Sermon

Sunday, November 17, 2019

Luke 8:41-56

In last week's Scripture reading, we heard of Jesus' power over demons. In today's reading, Jesus demonstrates His power over disease and death. A multitude of people surrounded Jesus and a woman who suffered from disease for 12 years pushed her way through the crowd. Doctors could not help her, but when she merely touched the edge of Jesus' garment, she was immediately healed. Jesus said to the woman: **YOUR FAITH HAS MADE YOU WELL.** If you ever feel estranged from God and others, come to Jesus, like this woman did, and He will save you. No matter what you have done, no matter what you have suffered, Jesus will give you peace. And then there was another distressed man in the crowd who was told that his daughter had died. When Jesus heard, He said to him **JUST BELIEVE AND TRUST ME, AND SHE WILL BE MADE WELL.** And it was so. Her spirit returned and she arose immediately because from God's perspective, the girl was simply sleeping. So we see that Jesus has no more trouble healing a dead person than a sick person. This is the incredible power of Jesus. If you believe in Him, you do not have to be afraid of sickness or death. The conclusion is that Jesus has the power to save **ANYONE.** Put your faith in Jesus not in PEOPLE. Come to church to strengthen your FAITH, not for the person who is sitting beside you. LOVE your church for the glory of God, not for the glory of others. It is Jesus who will save you, no one else. AMEN.



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SUNDAY and PERPETUAL VIGILS LIT TODAY

Altar Candles: \$35
Analoil Candles: \$25
Sunday Vigils: \$2
Annual Vigils: \$100



SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of Halyna Kachur, offered by Susan Guz
2. In Memory of our beloved mother, Helen Levchenko, on her birthday, Love, Ellen and Phil
3. In Memory of my Grandmom, Helen Levchenko, on her birthday, Love, Dawn and Ron Healey xoxo
4. For the health of Aunt Marie, offered by Dawn and Ron Healey
5. For the health of Stephaine Miller, offered by Dawn and Ron Healey
6. For the health of our sister/ aunt Karen Niehoff, love, Renee, Frank, Alex and Matt
7. In Memory of the newly-departed Dolores Hunchak, offered by the McMonigle Family

ANNUAL VIGILS

1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantine, offered by David Dantine, Jr. and Family. exp. 11/1/20
2. +The Repose of the souls of George and Barbara Wohar, offered by Barbara McMonigle and Family. exp. 11/1/20
3. +The Repose of the souls of John and Helen Guz, and John and Mary Dzwonczyk, offered by daughters/granddaughters Patricia Walker and Susan Guz. exp. 12/31/19
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. 10/1/20
5. +The Repose of the souls of the Kucheruk Family, Matrona, Constantine, George, William, Anthony, Anna, John "Whitey" and Helen Horbacz. exp. 7/1/20
6. +The Repose of the souls of All Members of the Sisterhood Fallen Asleep in the Lord, offered by the Sisterhood of the Pokrova. exp. 10/13/20
7. +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
8. +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., 8/1/20
9. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenko offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/19
10. +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. 9/18/20
11. +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. 4/19/20
12. +In memory of John, Susan and Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/19
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/19
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/19
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/20
16. +In loving memory of our mother Lillian Fox, offered by Renee, Gail, Karen & Families, exp. 8/1/20
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. 11/1/20
18. For the health of Mykhailo, Tetiana, David, Svitlana, Vitality, Marina, Viktor, Ilona, Bogdan, Oleksandra, Volodymyr, Halyna, Victoria, Mykola, Father Bohdan Zhoba and his family, and in memory of Mykhailo, Yaroslav, Anna, Petro, Bohdan and newly-departed Anna, offered by Michael, Tetiana and David Kuchmiak. Exp. 12/31/19
19. For the health of Dmitry, Olga, Denis, Anna, Aetyom, Ludmila, Vladyslav, Tatiyna, Sofiya, Konstantin, Vladimir, Natalia, Ludmila, and in memory of Boris, Evdokiya, Nina, Oleg, Anna, Raisa, Leonid, Valerii, Zinaida, offered by Denis and Anna Bivoino. Exp. 2/1/20
20. +In memory of Vladimir, offered by Denis and Anna Bivoino. Exp. 3/1/20
21. +The Repose of the soul of Andrej Cebotarev (+July 2018), offered by brother Zlatko Plese. Exp. 4/1/20
22. For the health of Olga, Albina, Pavel and Elizaveta, offered by Olga Fitzgerald. Exp. 5/1/20
23. +In memory of my beloved parents, Nadejda and Carlos Davidyan, and for the health and protection of my son, Karlos, offered by Era Carter. Exp. 6/1/20
24. For the health of Vasyly, Maria, Anna, Mykhailyna, Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyra, Anna-Diana, Olga, Mykola, Olga, Marianna, Oksana, Volodymyra, Olga, Roman, Volodymyr, Iryna-Olesia, Bohdan and Angelina, offered by Oksana and Victor Voloshnovskyy. Exp. 9/1/20
25. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. Exp. 10/25/20

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 6th 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 Ephesians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Amen. **(Ephesians 2:4-10)**

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: Alleluia! 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 from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves? And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." **(Luke 10:25-37)**

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