



# St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church

Stavropigia of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine

Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector



The Blessed Metropolitan Epifany



His Holiness Patriarch Philaret

## Bulletin for Sunday, November 3, 2019

- Saturday, November 2: Vespers, 5:00 PM
- Sunday, November 3: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
- Saturday, November 9: Vespers, 5:00 PM
- Sunday, November 10: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM & Panikhida

Please come to our biggest annual fundraiser this weekend! St. Nicholas Church needs your support.

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# FUNDRAISING FESTIVAL

Months of hard work, preparation, planning – and fellowship! – will culminate this weekend: Saturday, November 2, 12-9pm, and Sunday, November 3, 12-5pm. How did St. Nicholas Church survive – and thrive -- for 102 years? Through donations, through fundraisers, and only with your help. **WE ARE FUNDRAISING FOR OUR FUTURE.** Thank you for joining us this weekend.

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



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



**Father Bohdan's Sermon**  
Sunday, Oct. 27,  
2019  
Luke 8:5-15

## Be Good Soil.

Jesus had many “teachable moments” with his disciples, and He used parables – stories – as a way of explaining a truth in everyday terms in order to help them – and us -- understand the great mysteries of the kingdom of God. Luke relates the parable of the sower – the preacher -- who asks the question: what kind of soil are you? The different soils described in the parable -- and how a seed either thrives or dies in these different soils -- are symbolic of your faith. The seed is the word of God, and every person ultimately makes his own decision about God’s message. For those who are void of faith, they are the seeds that fall by the wayside in soil that is trampled and hard where seeds cannot take root. This person hears the word of God but does not believe. For those who are hardened, self-righteous, and callous like rocky soil, these people have a little faith. The parable is a message of judgment for them. For those who have very weak faith, their seeds fall among the thorns, and they too reject the word of God. But for those who are open to the word of God, those who have great faith, their “good soil” will respond to the seed, the message of the kingdom of God. Their seed will take root, grow, flourish and produce fruit. Such an encouraging description of the good soil preserves our faith, especially when we live among others who reject the word of God -- or fall away after initially believing. AMEN.



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**ANNUAL  
St. Nicholas Patron  
Saint Lunch**

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!

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019**

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....!

Simon Shargo, internationally acclaimed circus and variety performer



**Adults: \$20 for lunch and show  
Children up to age 18: free!**

*This is a fundraising event for St. Nicholas Church. All proceeds will benefit the St. Nicholas E.O. Church Benevolent Fund.*



# SUNDAY and PERPETUAL VIGILS LIT TODAY

A funeral for newly-departed  
EILEEN TOCONITA

daughter of the late Gregory & Elizabeth (Statzuk) Toconita,  
former parishioners, will be held in St. Nicholas Church  
on Saturday, November 2, at 10:00 AM.  
Burial will follow at Oakland Cemetery.  
MEMORY ETERNAL



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

## SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the memory of father/grandfather Harry Doukakis on the 4th anniversary of his passing, offered by the Wohar Family
2. For our newly-departed Uncle Elias Wohar, offered by Robert, Marianne, Michael, Andrew, Amy and Anastasia Wohar
3. For the health of our sister/Aunt Karen Niehoff, love Renee Frank, Alex and Matt
4. For the health of and speedy recovery of my sister, Karen Niehoff, Love, Gail
5. For the health of my sister and brother-in-law, Renee and Frank Murphy, on their anniversary, Love, Gail

## ANNUAL VIGILS

1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantine, offered by David Dantine, Jr. and Family. exp. 11/1/19
2. +The Repose of the souls of George and Barbara Wohar, offered by Barbara McMonigle and Family. exp. 11/1/19
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. 10/1/19
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 Davidian, 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 3

## 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

**READER:** The Prokeimenon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tone: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

**CHOIR:** Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

**READER:** Clap your hands, all ye people! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! Sing praises to our God, sing praises!

**CHOIR:** Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

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

**PRIEST:** Let us attend!

**READER:** Brothers...But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother. Amen. **(Galatians 1:11-19)**

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

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

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

**READER:** In Thee, O Lord, have I placed my hope. Let me not be put to shame!  
Be Thou a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

**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. There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. 'And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those there pass to us.' Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, 'for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.' **(Luke 16:19-31)**

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