

St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral

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Bulletin for Sunday, November 12, 2023



We promised a weekend of “food, fellowship, fun and fundraising” for St. Nicholas Cathedral...and we delivered! Congratulations to Festival Director, Judy Hanney, and her team of hard-working volunteers on another amazing Pierogi Festival, November 4-5, 2023.



Pierogi Festival 2023

First.....a blessing by Father Oleksii before we opened our doorsand then.....our customers were welcomed in!



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The Pierogi Shed

Congratulations to Pierogi Festival Raffle Manager, Colleen Philipp, who organized and displayed a great assortment of prizes!



Thank you to Frank Borriello and Nicholas Philipp, our greeters and Raffle ticket sellers. They sold more than 1,000 raffle tickets on-the-spot!



All of the Raffle prizes were donated by very generous parishioners! Thank you!



Fun Raffle Trivia

This year, the 5 most popular Raffle prizes were:

- #1: Lottery Tix basket
- #2: Basket of Cheer
- #3: 50" TV
- #4: Bicycle
- #5: Flyers Tix

Two of our prize winners -- "Big Daddy" and Mikey -- also won gifts at our Raffle last year! Amazing!

Three of our hard-working volunteer Festival workers/parishioners were winners: Sabrina (who celebrated her birthday on Day 2 of the Festival!); Mariana and Kirk! Well-deserved! Congrats!

And it was obvious that the bicycle found the perfect home! Amanda was ecstatic with the win, posed with the bicycle and announced that she would name it "Piroshki."



**SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!**



**PIEROGI FESTIVAL 2024
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**



*How much did we raise
at the Festival for the
Cathedral? Judy will
announce the
fundraising total at the
lunch!*



**Judy Hanney, Festival Director,
invites all of the Festival
volunteer workers to an...**

Appreciation Lunch

on

Sunday,

November 12, 2023

**following Divine Liturgy
in our Cathedral Hall.**





Sunday, November 5

Bishop Luke blessed us with new dikiri and trikiri, liturgical candlesticks recently donated by the Sisterhood. Special hand-rolled, dripless, honeycomb beeswax candles were needed but difficult to source. **THANK YOU!** to Audrius Palionis, Chief Business Development Officer, Mercy Fleet, who came to the rescue!

Altar Boy, Igor Pasichniak, assisted with the bell ringing for the first time, calling parishioners to Divine Liturgy.

A spontaneous photo op followed Divine Liturgy prior to the opening of Day 2 of the Pierogi Festival.



Schedule of Services

Saturday, November 11	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, November 12	9:00 am: Reading of the Hours 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by monthly Panikhida and "Appreciation Lunch" for the Festival Volunteer Workers
Saturday, November 18	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, November 19	9:00 am: Reading of the Hours 9:15 am: Vesting 9:30 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
Thursday, November 23	2:00 pm: THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER in the Cathedral Hall
Tuesday, November 28	NATIVITY FAST BEGINS
Saturday, December 2	5:00 pm: Vespers

Give,
and it shall
be given
unto you.

Luke 6:38



SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LIT TODAY

1. For the health of my nephew, Chris Kavchok, offered by Diane Kavchok and Family
2. For the blessing of a successful Festival, Love, Ellen and Phil
3. For the health of Susan Guz, Love, Ellen and Phil
4. For the health of my daughter, Wendy Snoke, on her birthday, Love, Mom

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**SCRIPTURE READING & SERMON on
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023
LUKE 8:26-39**

6TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

In Sunday's Scripture reading, we are told of Jesus' power over nature and demons. Jesus encounters a mad man called LEGION, named that because he was possessed by many demons. And then Jesus performed a miracle. He cast out the demons into a herd of pigs that then plunged over a cliff into a river. You, too, will meet Legion many times in your lives. Legion represents the evil in this world, those who have strayed from a Godly life and are destructive to themselves or to you. Legion is also symbolic of any fear you may have: fear of the unknown, fear of leaving home, fear of death, fear of people, fear of heights, countless anxieties, countless phobias that may be consuming us, paralyzing us. What demons are you enduring? What demons are tormenting you? When you are afraid of something – or you encounter something or someone in your life so powerful, destructive or negative, remind yourself of today's Scripture reading: the confrontation between Jesus and Legion. Like Jesus did, approach Legion. Do not ignore, do not be afraid, and do not tolerate Legion. Pray for strength and look your demon in the eye, and like Legion, it will lose its power over you. For in the end, this Scripture reading tells us that the demon-possessed mad man became a missionary. Legion became a believer, going forth to spread the word of God. AMEN.

+Bishop Luke



*"Jesus asked him,
saying, 'What is your
name?' And he said,
'legion,' because many
demons had entered
him."*

Luke 8:30



ANNUAL VIGIL CANDLES LIT AT EVERY SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

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. 11/1/24
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. 12/31/23
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. 10/13/24
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. 8/1/24
8. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenko offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/23
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. 10/18/24
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. 4/19/24
11. +In memory of John and Susan Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/24
12. +In memory of Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. Exp. 12/31/24
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/24
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/23
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/24
16. +In loving memory of our mother, Lillian Fox, and our sister, Karen Niehoff, offered by Renee Murphy and Gail Osborn & Families. exp. 9/1/24
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, Bishop Luke 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. 12/31/23
19. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/24
20. +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. 12/31/23
21. +In memory of Alexander and Ewdokia Janoczkin and son Michail, offered by the Janoczkin, Wojnarowicz and Adams families. exp. 12/31/23
22. +In memory of Joseph and Mary Ann Visman, offered by Debbie and Michael. exp. 5/2/24
23. +In loving memory of newly-departed sister-in-law/aunt, Sandra Chelak, who passed away on April 18 and brother-in-law/uncle, George Chelak, who passed away on July 24. Memory Eternal. Offered by Dorothy Chelak, Denise Chelak and Nina Davis. exp. 5/21/24

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**LET'S CELEBRATE &
GIVE THANKS**

THANKSGIVING DINNER

**on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday,
November 23, 2023, in our Cathedral Hall.**

**All are welcome to enjoy a traditional
American Thanksgiving menu with classic
old-time favorites: turkey, gravy, stuffing and
all the trimmings!**

Cost: \$15 per person

Start time: 2:00 PM

**Please let Barbara Latsios know if you plan to
attend. All proceeds benefit the Sisterhood.**

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

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. **(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 is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you. And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him. **(Luke 8:26-39)**

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

Save
the
date



St. Nicholas Patron Saint Lunch

Sunday, December 17, 2023

**COME JOIN US at our Annual St. Nicholas Patron Saint Lunch
Celebrating the Feast Day of Our Patron Saint Nicholas the
Wonderworker, Archibishop of Myra**

This festive annual event will follow Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral Hall on
Sunday, December 17, 2023.

Tickets are \$25 for adults; children 12 and younger are free.

The event includes lunch, music, and most probably a visit from Santa Claus,
too! All ticket sales benefit the Cathedral's Building Fund.

*This is such an important annual event
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founders made it mandatory in our
By-Laws!*



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