

# St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church

Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church – Kyivan Patriarchate

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

# Rejoice!



On the Feast Day of the Protection of the Holy Theotokos, Sunday, October 18, 2020, we honored the Sisterhood of St. Nicholas Church on its name day. Sisterhood Council Members, Barbara Latsios, President, Vicki Borriello, Vice-President, Diane Kavchok, Secretary and Ellen Hanavin, Treasurer – and all Sisterhood members -- were recognized for their selfless service to St. Nicholas Church and the Orthodox faith. We prayed to the Holy Theotokos for their protection.

*Rejoice, for through you joy will be rekindled!*



The Akathist to the Holy Theotokos prayer service followed Divine Liturgy on Sunday, October 18.

Here is an excerpt:

Priest:

A prince of angels was sent from heaven to greet the Theotokos, saying: **Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice!** Seeing You, Lord, take bodily form, the angel stood in awe and cried:

Choir:

**Rejoice**, for through you joy will be rekindled!

**Rejoice**, mother of the lamb and shepherd!

**Rejoice**, fold of spiritual sheep!

**Rejoice**, protection against unseen enemies!

**Rejoice**, key to the gates of paradise!

**Rejoice**, for earth dances with heaven!

**Rejoice**, firm foundation of the faith!

**Rejoice**, shining revelation of grace!

**Rejoice**, for through you we are clothed in glory!

**Rejoice**, for through you the creator becomes a newborn child!

**Rejoice**, the healing of my body!

**Rejoice**, the salvation of my soul!

**Rejoice**, O unwedded bride!

*Imagery from the  
Akathist Prayer Service  
and Blessing of the Sisterhood*







### Father Bohdan's Sermon - Sunday, October 18, 2020 - Luke 6:31-36

Today we honor the Sisterhood of our St. Nicholas Church on the Feast Day of the Protection of the Theotokos. Since 1931 -- for 89 years! -- the ladies of the church lived the words of today's Scripture reading. They worked, cleaned, cooked, sewed and beautified their beloved St. Nicholas Church **expecting nothing in return**. The Feast Day of the Protection of the Theotokos recalls the miraculous appearance of the Mother of God in the mid-10th Century in Constantinople, in the Blachernae Church where her robe, veil, and belt had been preserved. The most Holy Lady Theotokos appeared to the faithful in this Church, took her veil and spread it over the people, protecting them from enemies both visible and invisible. And then she implored the Lord Jesus Christ to accept the prayers of all the people calling on Him and to respond to her intercession. You just heard the beautiful prayer to the Holy Theotokos -- the Akathist -- sung today in honor of the Sisterhood Council: Barbara Latsios, President; Vicki Borriello, Vice President; Diane Kavchok, Secretary; and Ellen Hanavin, Treasurer -- and in honor of all the many members of the Sisterhood. May the Holy Theotokos hear their prayers and protect them. And let us remember all the past Sisterhood presidents, officers and members. Their devotion. Their sacrifices. The love they had for their faith and St. Nicholas Church. May their memory be eternal. And now let's wish the Sisterhood MANY YEARS and then go downstairs to the Church Hall for a festive lunch in their honor!



**Father Bohdan presented the Sisterhood Council with flowers at the conclusion of the Akathist.**

**Barbara Latsios, President**

**Vicki Borriello, Vice President**





**Diane  
Kavchok,  
Secretary**

**Ellen  
Hanavin,  
Treasurer**

With  
appreciation to  
Kirk Whitmer  
for the  
beautiful  
photos.



## Schedule of Services

Saturday, October 24	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, October 25	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, October 31	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, November 1	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 7: DAY 1, PIEROGI FESTIVAL	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, November 8: DAY 2, PIEROGI FESTIVAL	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 14	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, November 15	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 21	11:00 am: PET BLESSING on North Lawn 5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, November 22	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy

We are renting our "south lawn" to Citylight Church on a week-to-week basis. Weather permitting, CLC will hold its worship services Sunday mornings on our grass from 8 am-9:30 am and 11:00 am-12:30 pm. This is a TEMPORARY situation. CLC will stop renting our outdoor space when Philadelphia transitions to the Green Phase. CLC has congregational singing accompanied by a keyboard. Pastor Mike Anderson said he expects up to 50 people to attend each service. Everyone will follow COVID-19 safeguards. (CLC is NOT using our parking lot; the CLC congregation will park on 7<sup>th</sup> Street.)

We are asking for  
**CASH DONATIONS:**

to fund the live entertainment at  
the Pierogi Festival and for the  
purchase of refreshments.

**Ray McNulty** will be accepting your  
cash or checks. Please contact him  
directly with any questions:

[mcnulray@gmail.com](mailto:mcnulray@gmail.com).

Our updated donation goal: \$600

**THANK YOU**

**DAWN & RON HEALEY  
BARBARA & GEORGE LATSIOS**

and

**ELLEN & PHIL HANAVIN**

**for your donations!**





**Pierogi  
Festival!**

**Saturday,  
November 7,  
and Sunday,  
November 8.**

# Pierogi Making Continues October 24. Come Join the Fun!



Mark your calendars to come to the Church Hall to help **JUDY HANNEY**, Festival Director, and her team prepare for **PIEROGI FESTIVAL 2020**, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 and SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

## WE NEED YOU:

- Saturday, October 24 - 7 am-1 pm
- Sunday, November 1-Sunday, November 8

**ALL HANDS ON DECK!**

You can always email JUDY, [tjahanney@yahoo.com](mailto:tjahanney@yahoo.com), TO DOUBLE-CHECK TIMES.

### Father Bohdan's Pierogies: "The 'Secret' Recipe"

- Step 1: Peel 80 pounds of potatoes; cut and boil in salted water
- Step 2: Saute 15 finely-chopped onions in oil
- Step 3: Combine the potatoes, onions, 15 pounds of cubed cheddar cheese, 2 pounds of butter and seasoning in a mixer.

AND THIS IS WHAT DAWN HEALEY, FATHER BOHDAN AND SUSIE SOBCHAK DID ON A RAINY FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 16, IN PREPARATION TO FILL AND PINCH 2,000 PIEROGIES THE NEXT DAY!



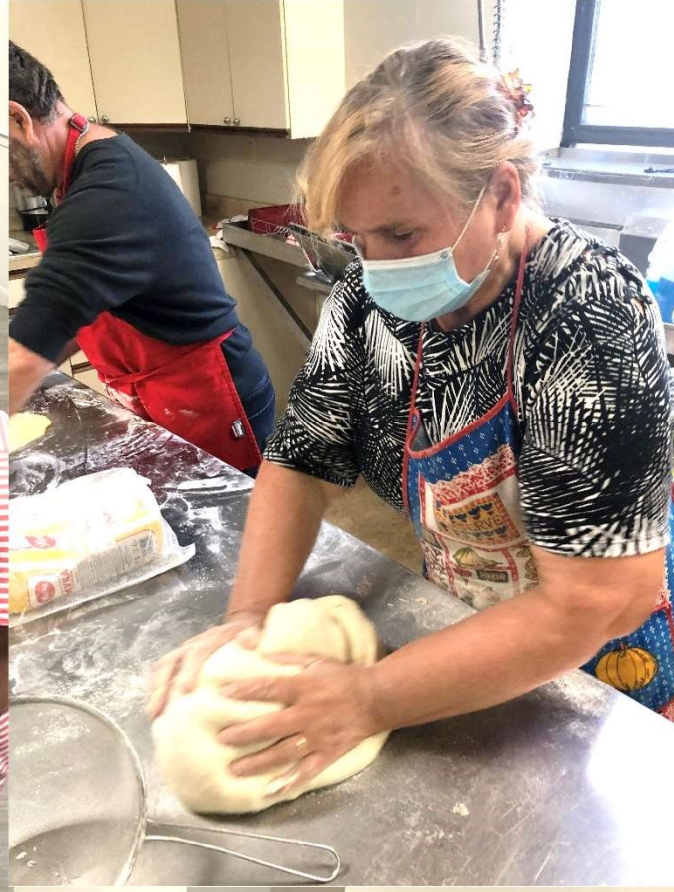
On Saturdays, our  
volunteer  
workers always  
take a break for  
lunch...and what  
do we eat?  
Pierogies!  
**Cheesesteak  
Pierogies!**  
Delicious! These  
will be on the  
Menu at our  
Pierogi Festival.  
We give them -  
and our  
volunteers! --  
5 stars!



★ THANK YOU! ★



**We were 22 volunteers strong on Saturday, October 17!**  
*(don't forget to count the photographer!...and Rebekah and Benjamin Cliff who missed this group photo)*





## DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND 2020

1. **Diane Kavchok, Renee Murphy, Vicki Borriello & Gail Osborn**  
*In Memory of Victoria Patterson*
2. **Anna Kuliasha**
3. **Colleen & Nicholas Philipp**  
*In Memory of Parents/Grandparents Pauline and Charles John Redmond*
4. **Serge & Janet Loginow**  
*In Memory of Parents, Serge & Anna Loginow Grandparents, Harry & Ksenia Loginow Grandparents, John & Mary Sloma Uncle, Nick Sloma Aunt, Helen Trenchevski*
5. **Vicki & Frank Borriello**  
*In Honor of Susan Guz for all her work for the Church*
6. **Vicki Borriello, Diane Kavchok, Renee Murphy & Gail Osborn**  
*In Memory of Karen Niehoff*
7. **Barbara McMonigle**
8. **Ellen & Phil Hanavin**
9. **Borriello Family**
10. **John & Susie Sobchak**
11. **Barbara & George Latsios**  
*In Memory of Stephen and Helen Sameruck*
12. **Dawn Healey**
13. **Father Bohdan Zhoba**
14. **Prof. Alexander & Halyna Kachur**
15. **Judy & Tom Hanney**  
*In Memory of Stephen and Helen Sameruck*
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*In Memory of Helen Sameruck*
20. **Anonymous**
21. **Susan Isaac**
22. **Borriello Family**  
*In Memory of Daniel Clark*



## Preparing for General Confession

Until further notice, Father Bohdan will give absolution at General Confession during Divine Liturgy just prior to Communion. However, *it is essential that you properly prepare for Confession*: fast in the morning; examine your conscience; reflect on your actions and thoughts. The Confession Prayer of St. John of Kronstadt will be read aloud by the Reader prior to receiving Communion. Please stand during the reading of this prayer.



Altar Candles: \$35;  
 Analoí Candles: \$25  
 Sunday Vigils: \$2;  
 Annual Vigils: \$100  
 Bulletin Sponsor: \$25

#### SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of George Latsios, offered by Colleen and Nicholas Philipp, Jennifer and Cory Redmond and George Zervos
2. For the health of our Grandson, Joshua, on his 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday, offered by Baba and Pop-Pop McMonigle
3. For the health of Frank and Renee Murphy on their 30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, Love, Gail. Mnohaya Lita!
4. For the health of George Latsios, Love, Judy and Tom
5. For the health of George and Barbara Latsios, Love, Ellen and Phil
6. For the health of Susan Guz, Love, Ellen
7. For the health of Kirk Whitmer, with appreciation, from Susan Guz

#### ANNUAL VIGILS

1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantine, offered by David Dantine, Jr. and Family. exp. 11/1/21
2. +The Repose of the souls of George and Barbara Wohar, offered by Barbara McMonigle and Family. exp.11/1/21
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. 12/31/20
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. 10/1/21
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. 10/13/21
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. 8/1/21
8. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenko offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/20
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. 9/18/21
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. 4/19/21
11. +In memory of John and Susan Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/20
12. +In memory of Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. Exp. 12/31/20
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/20
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/20
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/21
16. +In loving memory of our mother, Lillian Fox, offered by Renee Murphy, Gail Osborn & Families, exp. 9/1/21
17. +In loving memory of our sister, Karen Niehoff, offered by Renee Murphy, Gail Osborn & Families, exp. 9/1/21
18. +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
19. 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. 12/31/20
20. For the health of Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyr, Anna-Diana, Vasyl, Maria, Mykhailyna, Anna, Olga, Mykola, Marianna, Oksana, Olga, Roman, Olga, Iryna-Olesia, Bohdan, Volodymyr; +In memory of Anna, Sophya, Volodymyr, Joseph, Petrunellia, Vasyl, Maria, Pavlo, Maria, Petro, Stepan, Anna, Stepania, Vasyl, Maryna, offered by Oksana and Victor Voloshnovskyy. exp. 9/1/21
21. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/21

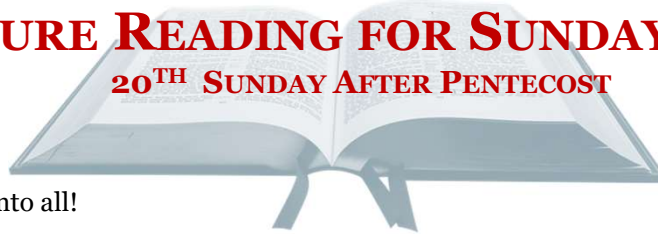


**Welcome  
Back,  
George!**

**We prayed for his health and speedy recovery when our good friend, George Latsios, suffered a stroke last month – and George returned to Church the weekend of October 17 to support our volunteer workers! Ellen Hanavin and George had a happy reunion!**

# THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

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

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

**PRIEST:** Let us attend. Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen up among us"; and, "God has visited His people. **(Luke 7:11-16)**

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



## CHURCH CALENDAR 2020

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18	SISTERHOOD OF THE PROTECTION (POKROVA) OF THE HOLY THEOTOKOS LUNCHEON, following Divine Liturgy
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 12 noon-9 pm SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 12 noon-5 pm	ANNUAL PIEROGI FESTIVAL
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 11 am-1 pm	PET BLESSING on the North Lawn
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20	LUNCHEON TO CELEBRATE OUR ST. NICHOLAS PATRON SAINT & FATHER BOHDAN 25 <sup>TH</sup> ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY, following Divine Liturgy

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

*Attention, Ladies of the Church: Consider joining the SISTERHOOD. Annual Dues are only \$10. Contact Sisterhood President, Barbara Latsios.*



### CLERGY

**Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba,  
Rector**

**Cell: 215-479-1010**

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**Email [sneoc100@gmail.com](mailto:sneoc100@gmail.com) to contribute information to this Bulletin.**

**Info must be received by noon on WEDNESDAY to be published in the Sunday Bulletin.**

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- Frank Borriello
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- George Latsios
- Serge Loginow

# Biennial Blessing of Pets

*Followed by a Procession  
Saturday, November 21*

In Orthodoxy, we bless all sorts of things, dedicating and sanctifying them to the glory of God. It is a realization that all things are gifts from God intended for our good –and that we must be faithful stewards of these gifts. In blessing our pets, we make a commitment to care for the life entrusted to us. **Come join us on Saturday, November 21, 11:00-1:00 pm,** for our Biennial Blessing of Pets & Animals on our North Lawn. (You may recall that our 1<sup>st</sup> Blessing of Pets took place on October 27, 2018 – and was a great success!)



***Welcome Penny, Pepper, Baxter, Kevin, Zsuzsa and Your Pet, too!***



**Kevin**



You have all heard of St. Francis of Assisi, the Catholic Patron Saint of Animals. In Orthodoxy, we have our own Patron Saint of Animals: Saint Modestus. **Please join us for our Biennial Blessing of Pets on Saturday, November 21, at 11:00 am.** In addition to our parishioners, we are inviting the neighborhood community, as well as the Philadelphia Mounted Police, to participate. Weather permitting, we plan to have a procession starting in front of St. Nicholas Church, up 7<sup>th</sup> Street, turning on Poplar and returning to Church via Marshall Place and Hoffman Place.

**Zsuzsa**



As stewards of God's creation we are called to care for, nurture and bless each other, our environment and the animal kingdom. On November 21, we will pray to St. Modestus, and Father Bohdan will bless our pets for the service they offer us -- for their gifts of friendship, companionship, protection and love.

*You are Invited to a Luncheon*

**to Commemorate  
Father Bohdan's  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination  
to the Priesthood  
and his  
4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Pastor of  
St. Nicholas Church  
on**

**Sunday, December 20, 2020**

**in our Church Hall  
on the Day of Our Annual**

**St. Nicholas Patron Saint Luncheon**



**THE BORRIELLO  
FAMILY** will once  
again prepare a  
delicious Lenten  
meal during the  
Nativity Fast

**SIMON SHARGO,**  
world-renowned  
clown and  
magician, will  
return this year  
to entertain the  
kids – young and  
old!



Tickets: \$25 for lunch and show  
Children up to 18 years of age are FREE!

*All tickets sales will benefit the  
St. Nicholas Church Benevolent Fund*

