

# St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church



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



The Blessed Metropolitan Epifaniy



His Holiness Patriarch Philaret

- Bulletin for Sunday, October 27, 2019**
- Saturday, October 26: Vespers, 5:00 PM
  - Sunday, October 27: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM
  - Saturday, November 2: Vespers, 5:00 PM
  - Sunday, November 3: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

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On Saturday, October 19, 2019, His Beatitude Metropolitan Epifaniy of Kyiv and All Ukraine delivered remarks upon receiving the Athenagoras Human Rights Award at the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle's Banquet at the New York Hilton in New York City. Father Bohdan Zhoba, the St. Nicholas Church Council, Sisterhood President and Sunday School Director attended the black-tie event.

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Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and Father Bohdan

Metropolitan Epifaniy, as the head – the Primate – of the newly established independent Orthodox Church of Ukraine, was honored as a “Defender of the Faith” at the Athenagoras Human Rights Award Banquet on Saturday, Oct. 19, 2019, attended by more than 600 people.

*Past Recipients of the Award include Vice President Joe Biden (2015), Mikhail Gorbachev (2005), President George H.W. Bush and First Lady Barbara Bush (2002), Mother Theresa (1988), President Jimmy Carter (1987)*



His Beatitude Metropolitan Epifaniy of Kyiv and All Ukraine and Father Bohdan



Leadership from St. Nicholas Church at the Awards Banquet.  
Seated: Ellen Hanavin, Judy Hanney;  
Standing: Susan Guz, Frank Borriello, Barbara Latsios, Tom Hanney, Father Bohdan Zhoba, George Latsios

Excerpt from Metropolitan Epifaniy’s Remarks at the Award Ceremony:  
*“When, during one of my previous visits to the United States, I had the opportunity to visit your capital, Washington D.C., I was deeply impressed by the memorials, the memorials to Presidents Washington, Jefferson, and Lincoln; the memorials to those fallen in World War II and in Korea and Vietnam; the memorial to the martyred Reverend Martin Luther King. They differ visually and recall different events in history, but are united through a common theme, engraved succinctly on the wall of one of these: “Freedom is not free”... So when we fight for truth and for freedom, when love for our country and our people inspire us for sacrificial work and even to self-sacrifice, all this is intertwined with that to which we are called, that we are taught, and to the example given to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which is conveyed in the short words of one of the two great commandments of God: “Love your neighbor as yourself” (Mark 12:31).”*



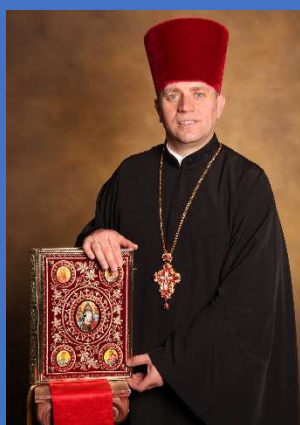
Please remember our homebound parishioner:  
Ms. Anna Kuliasha  
St. Martha Rehabilitation Center  
470 Manor Avenue  
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Tel: 610-873-8490



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, October 20, 2019 Luke 7:11-16

Today's Scripture reading is about the widow of Nain and how she touched the heart of Jesus which resulted in Jesus raising her only son from the dead. What is the message to you? That our pain can move the heart of God. We all have dark days, times in our life when we despair, and have lost hope, when we are grieving and do not know what to do. There are a few women in the Bible who touched the heart of Jesus: There was the widow who gave two copper coins – the only money she had – to the Temple. Jesus commended her for giving more than the wealthy people did. Remember the woman who anointed Jesus with very expensive perfume. Jesus commended her for her love. These women did something that touched the heart of God. But the widow of Nain touched the heart of Jesus without DOING anything, without KNOWING who Jesus was and without ASKING Jesus for anything. And like the widow, we may be touching the heart of God right now. God knows far more about your situation than you can imagine. God is intervening in your life and you probably are not even aware of it. So when you are in a dark place, remember God's promise: I will never leave you nor forsake you. And also remember the widow of Nain. She did not touch Jesus by doing good works. She did not move Jesus by praying. She did not exhibit great faith. She moved the heart of Jesus simply because she was in pain and did not know where to turn next. When you admit that you need a savior, you will get God's attention. AMEN.



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**Congratulations**

**THE PIEROGI TEAM  
MADE 8,000 PIEROGIES!**

But where to put them?

A new freezer was desperately needed – and immediately. In a heartbeat, Ellen and Phil Hanavin came forward with a \$1,000+ donation to purchase a new Avantco upright freezer that was delivered into the kitchen on Monday, Oct. 21. **THANK YOU, ELLEN & PHIL, FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**



**The PIEROGI  
FESTIVAL is just  
1 week away.**

**Please stay after  
Divine Liturgy on  
SUNDAY, OCT. 27,  
for work  
assignments;  
and to hang door  
hangers in the  
neighborhood.  
We also need your  
help on  
FRIDAY, NOV. 1,  
for  
last-minute tasks.**



**SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 22,  
2019  
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!

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.



Simon Shargo, internationally acclaimed circus and variety performer

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

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



**Church Member,  
OKSANA VOLOSHNOVSKYY,  
creates beautiful gift  
baskets – custom filled  
with chocolates, fruit,  
candy, gourmet foods!**



**Here are a few examples of her  
work. Several of Oksana's  
baskets will be in our  
"Silent Auction" at the  
Pierogi Festival, November 2-3.**



**Talk to Oksana on  
Sundays – or contact  
her directly –  
okikelia37@gmail.com –  
to create a unique gift  
basket for the holidays  
or your next occasion.**



# SUNDAY and PERPETUAL VIGILS LIT TODAY



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

## SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of Susan Isaac, on her birthday, Love, Tom and Judy Hanney
2. Blessings of health and happiness for Gail Osborn in her new home, offered by Susan Guz
3. For the health of Susan Isaac, on her birthday, offered by Susan Guz
4. For the health of Susan Isaac, on her birthday, offered by the Sisterhood
5. For the health of my sister, Barbara Marozzi, and for a successful recovery, love Ellen and Phil

## 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 Bivoïno. Exp. 2/1/20
20. +In memory of Vladimir, offered by Denis and Anna Bivoïno. 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 Vasyl, 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

# THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

## 19<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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tone: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

**CHOIR:** The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

**READER:** The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over unto death. The Lord is my strength and my song.

**CHOIR:** He has become my salvation.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

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

**PRIEST:** Let us attend!

**READER:** Brothers...The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago-whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows-such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man-whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows-how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Amen. **(2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9)**

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

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

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

**READER:** The Lord answer Thee in the day of trouble! The Name of the God of Jacob protect thee.  
Save the king, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

**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. A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold. When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" Then His disciples asked Him, saying, "What does this parable mean?" And He said, "To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience. **(Luke 8:5-15)**

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