

St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral

IN THE BEGINNING God Created THE HEAVENS *And* THE EARTH

Genesis 1:1

September 14:
The Beginning
of the Church
New Year

Thursday, September 14, is noted on our Orthodox calendar as the Ecclesiastical -- Church -- New Year. This centuries-old feast day dates back to the Roman Empire and coincides with the harvest of crops in September. Folks gave thanks to God for His blessings of good weather and abundant rain that produced a plentiful harvest. In this 21st Century, when international conflicts and extreme weather disasters are in the headlines, our prayers for this New Year are for God's protection, moderate weather and the ability to bring peace to the world. Let the New Year -- and harvest time -- also be a reminder that we must be good stewards of God's creation: the planet and all of its living creatures.



Bulletin for Sunday, September 10, 2023

Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church Kyivan Patriarchate (since 2017)

817 N. 7th Street, Philadelphia 19123 – stnicholaseoc.org

Schedule of Services

VESPERS WILL RESUME ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023.

Sunday, September 10	8:45 am: Reading of the Hours 9:00 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by monthly Panikhida and Pierogi Festival prep session (until 1:00 pm)
Sunday, September 17	8:45 am: Reading of the Hours 9:00 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, followed by Pierogi Festival prep session (until 1:00 pm)
Sunday, September 24	8:45 am: Reading of the Hours 9:00 am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy and Elevation of the Holy Cross (actual date: September 27), followed by Annual Meeting and Pierogi Festival prep session (until 4:00 pm)



Parishioners: At our Annual Meeting on Sunday, September 24, we will solicit your thoughts on possibly starting Divine Liturgy every Sunday at 9:00 am.



SUNDAY VIGIL CANDLES LIT TODAY

1. For the health of my nephew Chris Kavchok, offered by Diane Kavchok and Family
2. For the health of Andrew Wohar on his 40th birthday, offered by Mom, Dad, Michael and Anastasia
3. In memory of our Mother/Grandmother Barbara Wohar on her birthday. Memory Eternal.
4. In memory of our Mother/Grandmother, Barbara Wohar, on her birthday, offered by the McMonigle family
5. For the health of my Godson, Andrew Wohar, on his birthday, offered by Aunt Barbara McMonigle
6. For the health of my grandson, Jack Osborn, on his 12th birthday, Love, Grandmom

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Altar Candles Lit Today

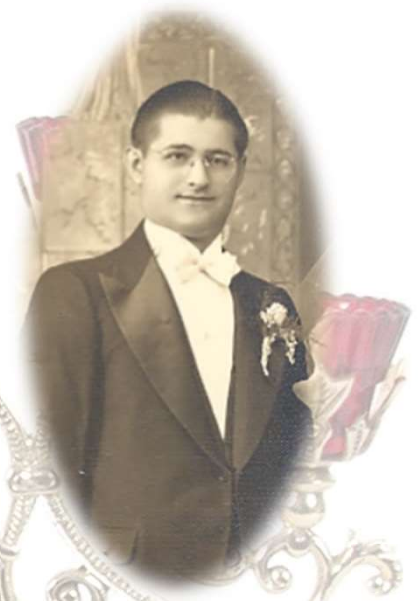
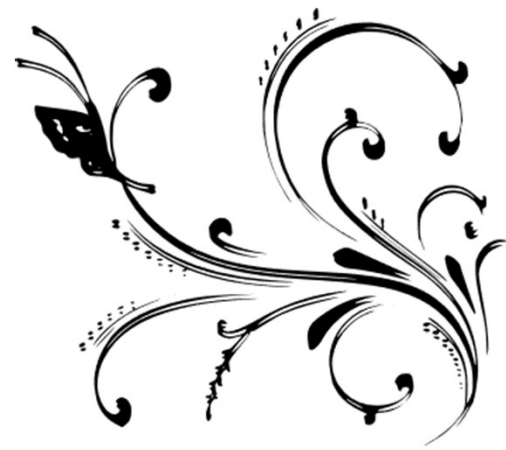
In Memory of Father / Grandfather

Emil Levchenco

*On the 49th Anniversary
of His Passing
September 15, 1974*

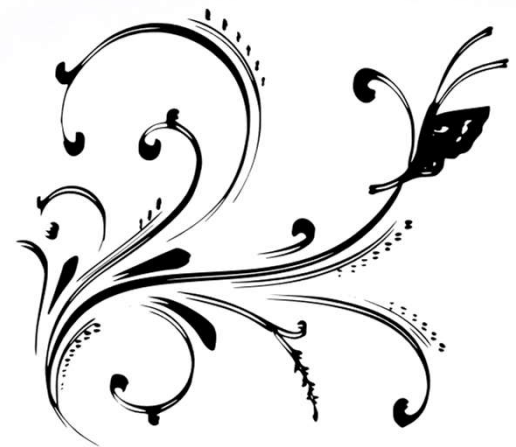
Offered with Love,

*Ellen Hanavin
and
Dawn Healey*



Memory Eternal

July 17, 1907-September 15, 1974



MESSAGE FROM CATHEDRAL COUNCIL PRESIDENT: TOM HANNEY



Greetings! I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. There's never summer vacation at St. Nicholas Cathedral. It's business as usual, all year round. We are even busier in the summer as that is when the Festival Director, Judy Hanney, and her team, start preparing for our biggest annual fundraiser of the year: the **PIEROGI FESTIVAL, this year on Saturday, November 4, and Sunday, November 5.**

Published next to this message is the food prep schedule for the Festival. We expect to have dozens of parishioners at every session.

Most of the year we come and go as individuals, with very busy everyday schedules. But at this time of the year, we ask you to perform a Labor of Love for God and your Church. This is about working as a team and having the dedication of a team to succeed. Do this now! Mark it a Priority! Make Saint Nicholas a Priority! Choose as many dates as possible and dedicate yourself to being there for your team.

Showing up when there is work to be done says you are truly a member of Saint Nicholas. Not showing up says you are just a visitor.

The money raised from the Festival will pay the utility bills for the Cathedral and the Rectory. The true cost of operating the Cathedral is approximately \$16,000 per month. If you are unable to put anything in the collection basket, this is the time to contribute to the Cathedral with your labor – and chop onions, steam cabbage, pinch pierogi. And work at the Festival. If you attended Divine Liturgy and find serenity and a heightened spirituality, this is the time to give thanks and work as a team to achieve our financial goal.

If it were not for the Festival, the parking lot rentals and the Hall rentals, we would have to close our doors. Parishioner contributions would not sustain the Cathedral.

As your President and head coach, I thank you in advance for lending a hand and giving the Cathedral a few extra hours of your time during September and October.

God bless you. *"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."* 1 Peter 4:10

PIEROGI FESTIVAL 2023 - PREP DATES

- Sunday, September 10: immediately following Divine Liturgy until 1:00 PM
- Saturday, September 16: 7:00 AM-1:00 PM
- Sunday, September 17: immediately following Divine Liturgy until 1:00 PM
- Sunday, September 24: immediately following Annual Mtg. until 4:00 PM
- Saturday, September 30: 7:00 AM-1:00 PM
- Sunday, October 1: immediately following Divine Liturgy until 1:00 PM
- Saturday, October 14: 7:00 AM-1:00 PM
- Saturday, October 21: 7:00 AM-1:00 PM
- Sunday, October 22: immediately following Divine Liturgy until 4:00 PM
- Saturday, October 28: 7:00 AM-1:00 PM
- Sunday, October 29: immediately following Divine Liturgy until 4:00 PM

TOM

**Homemade in Our
Cathedral Kitchen!**



PIEROGI Festival 2023

Saturday, November 4, noon-9pm

Sunday, November 5, noon-5pm

...or until food runs out!

**St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral
817 North 7th Street
(corner of Brown St.)
Philadelphia, PA 19123**

free parking in adjacent lot and on street

EAT IN or TAKE OUT

Beer Garden

Outdoor Dining Under Our Tent

Live Music

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Baked Goods

Raffle

Boutique

PRE-ORDER: Mon., Oct 16, to Mon., Oct. 30

for pick-up during Festival hours

stnicholaseoc.org/donate/pierogi



Event details: [@stnicholaseoc](https://www.instagram.com/stnicholaseoc) or call 215-922-9671

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 5th Tone: Thou, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever!

CHOIR: Thou, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever!

READER: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly. Thou, O Lord, shall protect us.

CHOIR: And preserve us from this generation forever!

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The reading is from the Corinthians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

(2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4)

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

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

READER: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever. With my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

For Thou has said, "Mercy will be established forever, and My truth will be prepared in the heavens."

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 Matthew.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, "Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding." ' But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. 'Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen. **(Matthew 22:1-14)**

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

ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER

24

**Following Divine liturgy in our
Cathedral Hall.
lunch will be provided.**

**Please pay your annual dues for 2023.
Only Cathedral members in good standing can
vote at the Annual Meeting.**

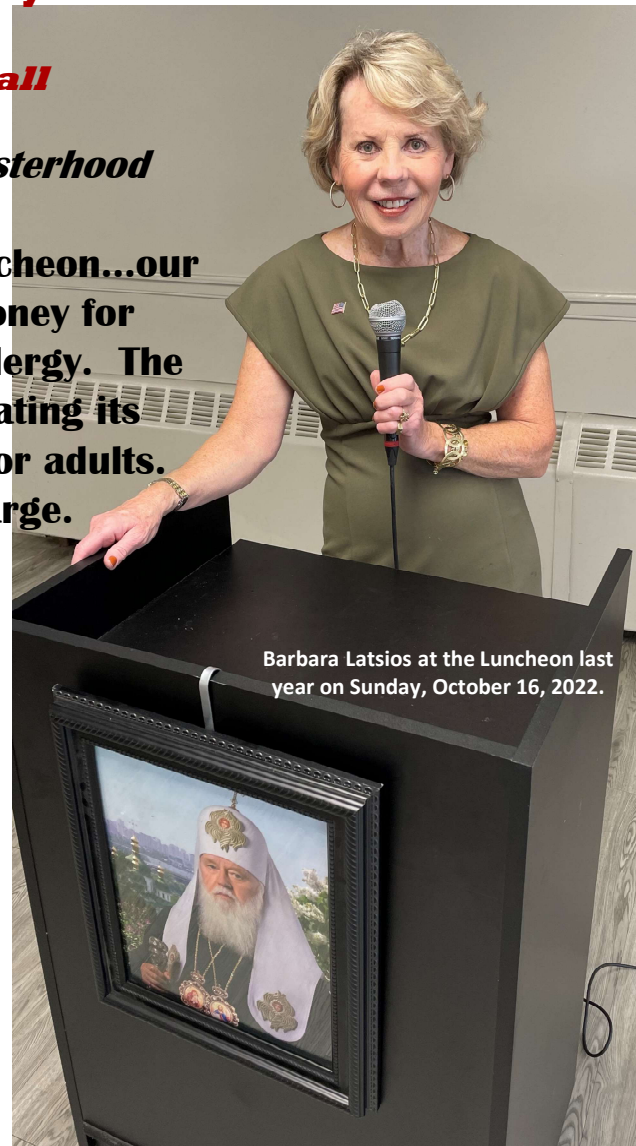




ONE MONTH AWAY! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023
Sisterhood of the Protection of the Holy Theotokos
Annual Fundraising Luncheon
Following Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral Hall

Message from: Barbara Latsios, *President, The Sisterhood*

Welcome, everyone, to the Sisterhood Annual Luncheon...our only fundraiser. We use this event to raise money for essential items needed in our Cathedral by the Clergy. The Sisterhood was founded in 1931 and is celebrating its 92nd Anniversary this year! Tickets are \$25.00 for adults. Children, age 12 and under, are free of charge.



Barbara Latsios at the Luncheon last year on Sunday, October 16, 2022.



The luncheon always includes a full course menu and music, too! Your attendance makes this event a success, and we look forward to seeing you there.

**RSVP: 215-814-5384
or gbcl@comcast.net**

Thank you!

Barbara

As has been their tradition for decades, sisters Barbara Latsios and Judy Hanney donate this Sisterhood event in its entirety. Consequently, 100% of ticket sales benefit the Sisterhood. A big THANK YOU to Barbara and Judy for their generosity.

fulfilling

OUR MISSION

for 92 years!

Sisterhood of the
Protection of the
Holy Theotokos



A non-profit, charitable organization that seeks to: unite the women of St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral; foster acts of ministry; maintain the appearance, integrity and beauty of the Cathedral; provide financial assistance for the purchase of ecclesiastical supplies; and engage in charitable efforts for the greater community.

Sisterhood Officers

Barbara Latsios, President; Vicki Borriello, Vice-President; Ellen Hanavin, Treasurer; Diane Kavchok, Secretary

Founded in 1931; from then to the present, sewed and purchased robes for the Bishop, priests and altar boys; prepared and served countless fellowship lunches and dinners; contributed much to the beautification of St. Nicholas Church; in 1939 purchased for \$600 the large gold-plated cross that stands before the ananoi table; purchased the Winding Sheet (plaschanitsa) used on Holy Friday; in 1945 purchased the magnificent chandelier that hangs in the center of the Sanctuary; continuously contributed to every restoration, beautification and improvement project undertaken by St. Nicholas Church; contributed to the coffers of the Sisterhood treasury; purchased embroidered banners; purchased items for the kitchen, from spoons to the first commercial mixer; members decorate the church for Feast Days, changing the cloths on the furnishings and votive holders; clean the chandelier regularly; crawl on hands and knees to remove wax off the rugs; clean and polish the floor regularly; organize various charitable endeavors, including a School Supply Drive in 2019 for children in Ukraine; purchase the Sanctuary wine for Holy Communion; light Sunday vigil candles and pray for the health of members on their birthdays; hold an annual fundraising luncheon in October commemorating the Feast Day for which it is named; maintain the brass candle stands; carry on the good works and traditions today as the women who served Christ and His Church did from the very first days of His ministry.

Sunday Vigil: \$2
Analog Candles: \$25
Altar Candles: \$35
Annual Vigil: \$100
Bulletin Sponsor: \$25

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. 11/1/23
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. 10/13/23
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. 9/18/23
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, Hrystyna, 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. For the health of Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyr, Anna-Diana, Olga, Vasyl, Maria, Mykhailyna, Anna, Olga, Mykola, Marianna, Oksana, Olga, Roman, Bogdan, Iryna-Olesia. +In memory of Anna, Sophia, Petro, Volodymyr, Joseph, Petrunelia, Vasyl, Maria, Stepan, Anna, Volodymyr, Stepania, Maryna, Vasyl, offered by Oksana and Viktor Voloshnovskyy. exp. 9/1/23
20. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/23
21. +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
22. +In memory of Alexander and Ewdokia Janoczkin and son Michail, offered by the Janoczkin, Wojnarowicz and Adams families. exp. 12/31/23
23. +In memory of Joseph and Mary Ann Visman, offered by Debbie and Michael. exp. 5/2/24
24. +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

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE?

ENDOWMENT FUND

A member of the Endowment Fund Committee must be an Orthodox Christian and a member in good standing of St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral for at least two years.

Cathedral members will elect one new Endowment Fund Committee member at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, September 24, 2023. If you are interested in being nominated for the open Endowment Fund Committee member position and serving a 5-year term, please email Endowment Fund Committee Chairman: Tom Hanney, teetomhanney@yahoo.com.

Sunday's Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:1 - 14

Sunday's Scripture reading is the wedding parable – and Jesus tells this story to teach us about faith. Forgiveness of sins, salvation, eternal life...it has always been, since the very beginning, an invitation to become part of God's church, to become a people of faith. An invitation to the most royal wedding ever. There is one part of this parable which we need to focus on. That one man, that arrogant and disrespectful person who is at the banquet without the wedding coat – and was thrown out. The wedding coat represents salvation. It is the garment which covers our sins and makes us acceptable to God. The problem is that we often want to take that coat off – figuratively and literally. Do not be like the self-important man who was thrown out of the wedding. But thank God we will not be. Not only have we been invited to this great wedding banquet. But we also wear the coats of salvation and righteousness. And we can rejoice just like happy guests at a wedding!



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