

St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral

Three icons – three events – tell the entire story of the Nativity of the Holy Theotokos, celebrated on Thursday, September 21, 2023:
1. The meeting of her Holy Parents, St. Anna and St. Joachim;



Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

Bulletin for
Sunday,
September 17,
2023

2. The birth of the Holy Theotokos, an icon depicting St. Anna resting on a bed after giving birth, newborn Mary in the arms of a maid, and St. Joachim gazing at them from the doorway; and



3. A portrait of the Holy Family.



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Schedule of Services

VESPERS WILL RESUME ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023.

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 Cassandra and Ray McNulty, on their anniversary, love, Uncle Tom, Aunt Judy and family
3. For the health of Stephanie Borriello, on her birthday, offered by the Sisterhood
4. For the health of Alexandra Bennett, on her birthday, offered by the Sisterhood
5. For the health of Alexandra Bennett, on her birthday, love, Mom, Dad, Anastasia, Kirk and Helen
6. For the health of Alexandra Bennett, on her birthday, love, Lloyd and Aidan
7. In memory of Carol Irene Kauriga, on her birthday, offered by Tom and Judy Hanney and family
8. For the health of our grandson/nephew, Cory Skroski, on his 16th birthday, offered by Colleen & Nicholas Philipp
9. For the health of my son, Cory Skroski, on his 16th birthday, offered by Jennifer Redmond
10. In memory of our brother/uncle, Thomas Redmond, on the 16th anniversary of his passing, offered by Colleen and Nicholas Philipp
11. In memory of our father/grandfather, Thomas Redmond, on the 16th anniversary of his passing, offered by Jennifer and Cory Redmond
12. In memory of my father, Charles J Redmond, on the anniversary of his passing, offered by Colleen Philipp
13. In memory of our pop-pop/great-grandson, Charles J Redmond, offered by Nicholas Philipp, Jennifer and Cory Redmond



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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.**



MESSAGE FROM CATHEDRAL COUNCIL PRESIDENT: TOM HANNEY



Greetings! I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. Preparations are underway for our biggest annual fundraiser of the year, led by Festival Director, Judy Hanney: 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

- **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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Boutique**

PRE-ORDER: Mon., Oct 16, to Mon., Oct. 30
for pick-up during Festival hours
stnicholaseoc.org/donate/pierogi

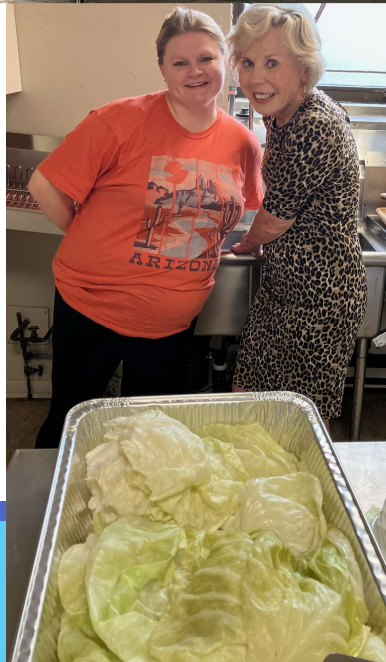


Event details: @stnicholaseoc or call 215-922-9671

Sunday, September 10: the first PIEROGI FESTIVAL food prep day! A great success!

Thank you to Barbara Latsios for preparing a delicious hot roast beef sandwich lunch so that we were all energized afterwards to make.....HALUSHKI! As this is Ellen Hanavin's specialty dish, she supervised the team. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE AGAIN ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, for pierogi pinching!

Sunday's Food Prep Team!





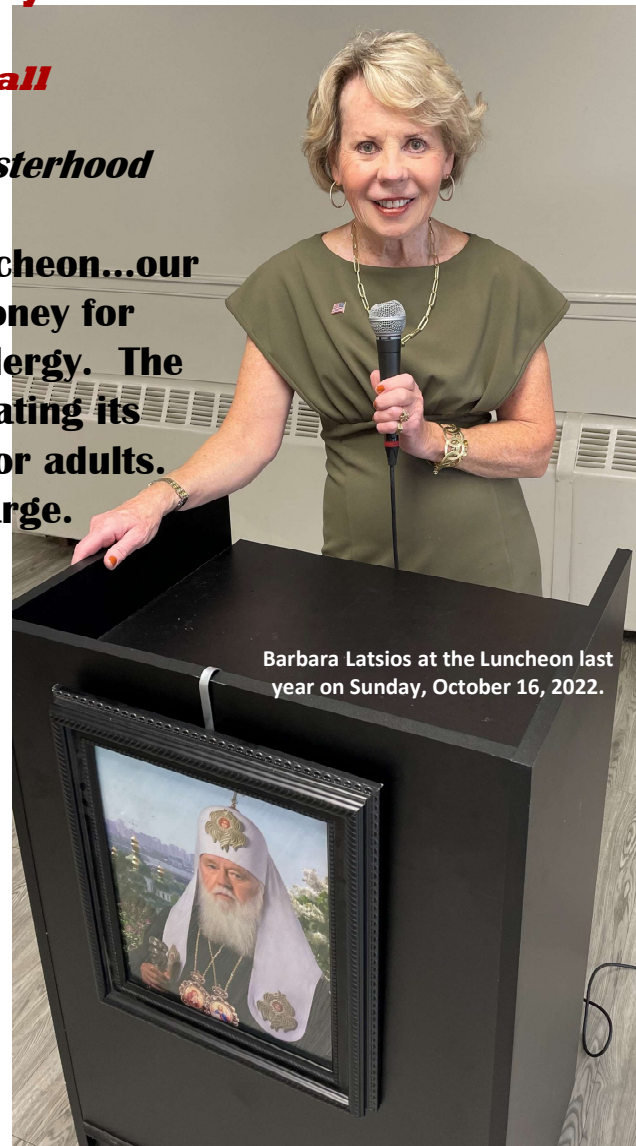
Annual  Welcome!
PIEROGI FESTIVAL
HERE!
Saturday, November 4, 12-9
Sunday, November 5, 12-5



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.

Sunday Vigil: \$2
Analoi 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.



On Sunday, September 10, 2023, Bishop Luke and parishioners sang

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

to Alexandra Bennett, who is visiting her parents, Tom and Judy Hanney, with her son Aidan – all the way from Washington State.

Great to see you again,
Alexandra!
MANY MORE YEARS!

Sunday's Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:35-46

In Sunday's Scripture reading, Jesus sums up all of God's law in two commandments: LOVE GOD and LOVE OTHERS. Simple. Jesus got straight to the point what the Bible is all about. LOVE GOD. With all your heart, soul and mind. That means worship no idols or objects. Trust only God to save you and give you eternal life. Think about God as you think about your true love. And keep His commandments. LOVE OTHERS. Love your neighbor. And who is your neighbor? ANYONE in need. Treat others as YOU want to be treated. Be kind to one another, forgive each other, just as God has forgiven you over and over again. Learning to love our neighbors keeps us balanced and sane in this volatile world -- for without this commandment keeping us in line, the world would be far worse. Loving your neighbor requires you to show compassion, kindness and forgiveness. Tell your neighbor to reach out to you in time of need – as God is always there for you when you need Him.

THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

15TH 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 Corinthians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed- always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God. **(2 Corinthians 4:6-15)**

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 Matthew.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, 'What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?' They said to Him, 'The Son of David.' He said to them, 'How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: The LORD said to my Lord, Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool'?" If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son? And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore. **(Matthew 22:35-46)**

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

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