

St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church

Stavropigia of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine

Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector

Bulletin for Sunday, July 14, 2019

- Sunday, July 14: Divine Liturgy, 9:00 AM & Panikhida
- Sunday, July 21: Divine Liturgy, 9:00 AM
- Sunday, July 28: Divine Liturgy, 9:00 AM
- Sunday, August 4: Divine Liturgy, 9:00 AM



The Blessed
Metropolitan Epifaniy



His Holiness
Patriarch Philaret

Be kind to one another.

Ephesians 4:32



God Calls Us to Imitate His Kindness

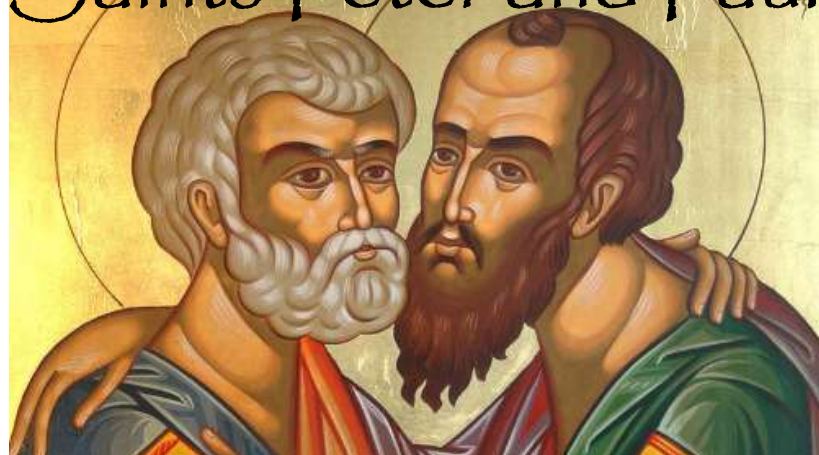
- "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience." Col. 3:12
- "Love is patient. Love is kind." 1 Cor. 13:4

- "Be kind to one another, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ forgave you." Eph. 4:32
- "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." Gal. 5:22

Ways to Show Kindness to Another

- Give words of encouragement. 1 Thess. 5:14
- Comfort someone who is sick or injured. Luke 10:30-35
- Help to meet others' material needs. Rom. 12:20
- Support another's personal and spiritual growth. 1 Cor. 1:4-6
- Commend success. Matt. 25:21
- Bring good news to others. Prov. 25:25
- Cancel a debt owed to you. Matt. 18:23-27
- Forgive a wrong. Eph. 4:32
- Gently correct a friend. Psalm 141:5
- Pray for those who mistreat you. Luke 6:27-28
- Light a vigil for the health of a stranger. John 8:12

Saints Peter and Paul



Friday, July 12, is the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul: two very different men of different backgrounds and education (a fisherman and a Pharisee) who came to Christ through two extremely different paths and at two very different times. But they both became disciples of Christ and allowed Him to transform their lives. The Apostle's Fast (which began on June 24 and ends on July 12) is a time to show kindness, compassion, hospitality and Christian love to neighbor, friend, family and even an enemy.

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Our Church Membership Grows Every Week!

On Sunday, July 7, 2019, Father Bohdan welcomed first-time new members

SVITLANA & BOHDAN SKORETS

to St. Nicholas Church!



For I know
the plans I
have for you.
Jer. 29:11

Father Bohdan's Sermon

Sunday, July 7, 2019

Luke 1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80

God speaks to us in many ways: through nature, through prayers, through miracles. During the time before Jesus, we read in the Old Testament that God sometimes sent angels to speak for Him. Sometimes God spoke directly to people as He did to Moses. But very often God spoke through prophets - Elijah, Jonah, Daniel, Ezekiel - to name a few. And the prophets preached God's love and showed believers the future by predicting the coming of the Messiah - Jesus Christ.

Today's Scripture reading is from the first Gospel of the New Testament, the Gospel of Luke. Chapter 1 begins with Luke writing: *"Having carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I also have decided to write an accurate account for you...so you can be certain of the truth of everything you were taught."* And then Luke recounts a narrative of the birth of another great prophet, John the Baptist, whose nativity we celebrate today.

Luke tells us that God sent His angel Gabriel to speak to a priest named Zechariah. Both Zechariah and his wife, Elizabeth, were very old and had no children. But because of their faith, God chose Zechariah and Elizabeth to be a part of his great plan. A son would be born to them fulfilling a prophesy. Their son would proclaim the coming of the Messiah. Their son would prepare the way for Jesus. Their son was JOHN THE BAPTIST.

Like Zechariah and Elizabeth, you too are part of God's plan, although often it can be difficult to know which road to take in life. But God promised that his Spirit would guide and strengthen us. Trust God and know that your life on earth has a purpose. Remember His words to Jeremiah: *"For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."* AMEN.

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SUNDAY and PERPETUAL VIGILS LIT TODAY

ALTAR CANDLES

lit today

In Memory of My Beloved Husband/Our Father and Grandfather

JACK KAVCHOK

on the 15th Anniversary of his passing.

*Offered with Love, Diane, John and Elena, Michael, Melissa,
Makenzie, Riley and Kylie*

- Memory Eternal -



SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of the generous Benefactor whose gift supports our Patriarchal Choir and Director, offered by Father Bohdan
2. In memory of beloved departed mother, Helen, on her 96th birthday (July 14), offered by Susan Guz and Patricia Walker
3. In memory of My Beloved Husband/Our Father and Grandfather, Jack Kavchok, on the 15th Anniversary of his passing.
Offered with Love, Diane, John and Elena, Michael, Melissa, Makenzie, Riley and Kylie
4. For the health of Barbara Kane on her birthday, Love, Dawn and Ron xoxo
5. For the health of Denise and Tom Archut on their wedding anniversary, Love, Dawn and Ron xoxo
6. For the health of my nephew, Alex Murphy, on his 21st birthday, Love, Aunt Gail
7. In memory of Jack Kavchok on the 15th Anniversary of his passing, Love, Gail and Family
8. In memory of my dear friend, Carol Dantine, Love, Gail
9. For the health of Bill and Marie Simpson, offered by Diane Kavchok
10. In memory of my parents, Helen and Emil Levchenko, on their wedding anniversary, Love, Ellen Hanavin
11. In memory of my Dad, Emil Levchenko, on his birthday, Love, Ellen Hanavin

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. 10/13/19
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. 9/18/19
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. +The Repose of the souls of my parents, Gregory and Kataryna Kotyk, Sr. and our family, Tatiana, Mary, Anna, Harry, Jr., Rose, Olga, Eleanor and grandson Stephen, offered by Virginia Sassman. exp. 8/16/19
13. +The Repose of the soul of my husband, John Sassman, in loving memory from Virginia Sassman. exp. 8/16/19
14. +In memory of John, Susan and Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/19
15. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/19
16. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/19
17. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/20
18. +In loving memory of our mother Lillian Fox, offered by Renee, Gail, Karen & Families, exp. 8/1/19
19. +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. 11/1/19
20. 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
21. 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 Bivoino. Exp. 2/1/20
22. +In memory of Vladimir, offered by Denis and Anna Bivoino. Exp. 3/1/20
23. +The Repose of the soul of Andrej Cebotarev (+July 2018), offered by brother Zlatko Plese. Exp. 4/1/20
24. For the health of Olga, Albina, Pavel and Elizaveta, offered by Olga Fitzgerald. Exp. 5/1/20
25. +In memory of Nadia Carlos, offered by Erna Carter. Exp. 6/1/20

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

CHURCH CALENDAR 2019

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	NORTHERN LIBERTIES POP-UP FESTIVAL, from 12:00 noon-6:00 pm, rain or shine! Vendors, live music, food trucks (including our own St. Nicholas Pierogi & Blintzes stand!) On our south lawn!
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29	PARISH ANNUAL MEETING, following Divine Liturgy
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13	SISTERHOOD OF THE PROTECTION (POKROVA) OF THE HOLY THEOTOKOS LUNCH, following Divine Liturgy
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3	ANNUAL PIEROGI FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 7-8, 14-15, 21-22	CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15	ST. NICHOLAS PATRON SAINT LUNCH, following Divine Liturgy

1. In Memory of Helen Sameruck
2. Colleen Philipp -- in Memory of Charles, John, Pauline, Charles, Michael, Thomas and Timothy
3. In honor of Susan Guz on her birthday
4. In Memory of Olga Zuzulock
5. Anna Kuliasha



Please remember our homebound parishioner:
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THREE CAR BLESSINGS ON SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2019

Father Bohdan blessed the new cars of
Marcia Zaruba O'Connor
Svitlana & Bohdan Skorets
and
Oksana & Victor Voloshnovskyy

*"O Master, Lord our God, hearken unto the prayer which we now send
up to You, and bless these vehicles with Your holy right hand; send
down upon them Thy guardian Angels, that all who desire to journey
therein may be safely preserved and shielded from every evil end.
AMEN."*



*Come to the Pop-Up Festival on Saturday, September 7:
A fundraising event for St. Nicholas Church!*

A vibrant poster for the Pop-Up Festival. The background is a collage of people at a festival. A large yellow brushstroke in the center contains the text 'Philadelphia's POP-UP NORTHERN LIBERTIES FESTIVAL' in red and blue. Above this, 'SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2019' is written in blue. To the left, 'FREE ADMISSION' is in white on a blue background, with 'Outdoors on our Church Grounds' below it. To the right, 'FIFTY VENDORS' is in white on a blue background, with 'including our own St. Nicholas Pierogi & Blintz Stand' below it. At the bottom, a blue banner reads 'Food Trucks, Live Music, Kids Bouncy and Karaoke'.

SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2019

Philadelphia's
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FESTIVAL
12pm-6pm

FREE ADMISSION
*Outdoors
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**SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE
TWO BIG FUNDRAISERS FOR OUR
CHURCH!**

A poster for the Pierogi Festival. On the left is a cartoon pierogi character with a smiling face and thumbs up. The background shows a festival scene with people. The text 'ST. NICHOLAS EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH' is at the top in white on a red background. Below it, 'PIEROGI FESTIVAL' is in large, bold, yellow and red letters. 'nov 2-3 2019' is in white and blue. At the bottom, a green banner lists 'ETHNIC FOOD | BAKED GOODS | VENDORS | LIVE MUSIC | BEER GARDEN' in white. Below that, 'Eat-In or Take-Out' is in red. The dates 'SAT Nov 2 | 12-9pm | SUN Nov 3 | 12-5pm' are in white. At the very bottom, 'Free Admission & Parking' is in white.

ST. NICHOLAS EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH

**PIEROGI
FESTIVAL**
nov 2-3 2019

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Eat-In or Take-Out

SAT Nov 2 | 12-9pm | SUN Nov 3 | 12-5pm

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THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, JULY 14

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 3rd 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 Romans.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Romans 6:18-23)

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 from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

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

PRIEST: Let us attend. Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it. When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel! And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour.

(Matthew 8:5-13)

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