



St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church

Stavropigia of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine

Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector

Bulletin for Sunday, March 3, 2019

- Saturday, March 2: Vespers, 5:00 PM
- Sunday, March 3: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM; Moleben in Ukrainian, 11:00 AM
- Saturday, March 9: Vespers, 5:00 PM
- Sunday, March 10: Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM, followed by Panikhida; Moleben in Ukrainian, 11:00 AM

This week's Bulletin is sponsored by Ellen and Phil Hanavin in Honor of Susan Guz on her Birthday



The Blessed Metropolitan Epifaniy

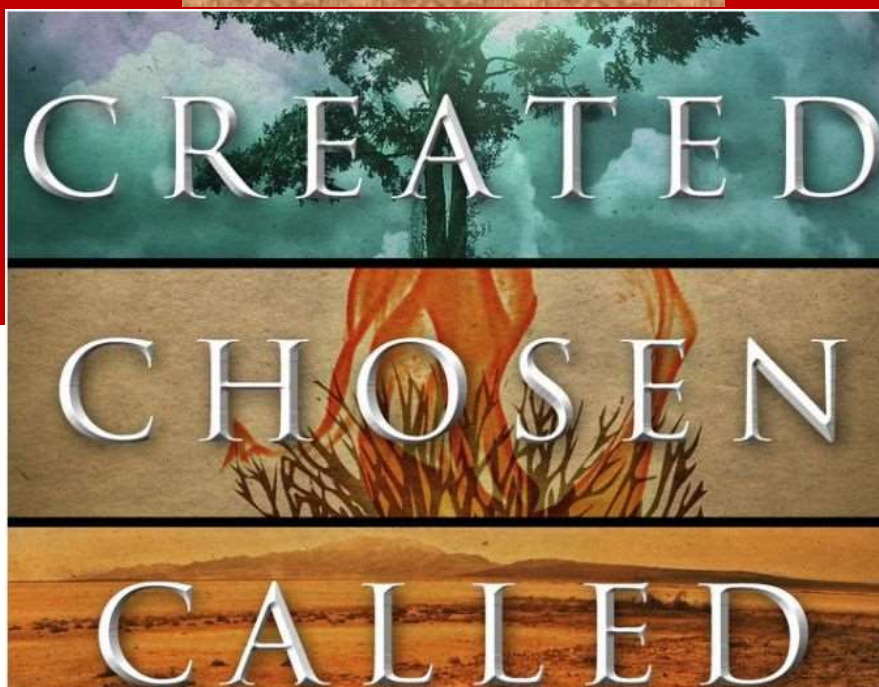


His Holiness Patriarch Philaret

"When Jesus went ashore, He saw a large crowd, and He felt compassion for them because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and He began to teach them many things." Mark 6:34

A PRIEST

A few days before the end of January, a message was left on the Church office answering machine from the Director of Bradley Funeral Home in Marlton, NJ. "We have a funeral on January 30, and William Woznuk, the husband of newly-departed Jennie Woznuk – a 91-year-old former member of St. Nicholas Church – needs a priest from your church for the funeral service." Without a moment's hesitation, Father Bohdan responded: **"YES, I WILL BE THERE."**



And then this week Father Bohdan received in the mail the following card from Sheila Woznuk Nau, the daughter.



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Dear Father Zhaba,

There aren't enough words
to express our appreciation, both
to you and for you.

My father was adamant about
having a priest from St. Brown
at my mother's services. He
was very concerned about getting
someone and relieved when we
heard you would be there.

Then we met you (perhaps
not under the best circumstances)
and were embraced by your
kindness and compassion.

My Dad was so happy you
were there and has commented
many times about your sincerity
and how beautiful it was to
have you with us. That, in
turn, means the world to me.
I can never thank you enough →

For the gifts you bestowed
on my father and me.

From the depths of my
heart, thank you for your
love and your service to God.

Sheila Wozniak Nau

Services 1/30/2019

Jennie Wozniak



**O Lord, give
rest to the soul
of newly-
departed
Jennie Wozniak**

**And peace to
those who
loved her.**

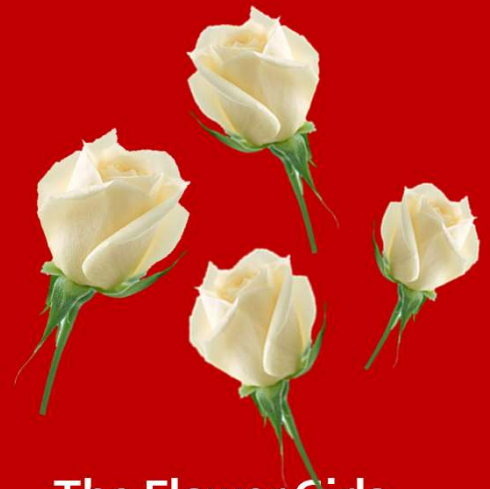
**Memory
Eternal**



Pre-Easter Calendar

Sunday, March 3	Meatfare Sunday Fellowship Lunch
Sunday, March 10	Cheesefare Sunday "Blintzes" Fellowship Lunch
Monday, March 11	Great Lent Begins
Friday, March 15	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 7:00 pm
Sunday, March 17	Chanting Classes for Myrrh Maidens following Divine Liturgy
Friday, March 22	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 23	*Soul Saturday: Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am and Panikhida
Sunday, March 24	Chanting Class for Myrrh Maidens
Friday, March 29	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 30	*Soul Saturday: Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am and Panikhida
Sunday, March 31	Chanting Class for Myrrh Maidens
Friday, April 5	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 7 :00 pm
Saturday, April 6	*Soul Saturday: Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am and Panikhida
Sunday, April 7	Chanting Class for Myrrh Maidens
Friday, April 12	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 7:00 pm
Sunday, April 14	Chanting Class for Myrrh Maidens
Friday April 19	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 7:00 pm
Saturday, April 20	SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY and lowering of chandelier
Sunday, April 21	Palm Sunday "Potato Pancake" Fellowship Lunch
Friday, April 26	Holy Friday
Saturday, April 27	Holy Saturday
Sunday April 28	PASCHA EASTER

***NOTE: We are suggesting a donation of \$25 for the reading of the names of your beloved departed on all three Soul Saturdays. See Ellen in the Candle Room.**



The Flower Girls & Myrrh Maidens

This Lenten season we will introduce "chanting" classes for girls, specifically to rehearse the Lamentation verses of Psalm 119 that are traditionally chanted at the tomb by the Myrrh Maidens who are dressed in all white. The chanting takes place at Matins of Holy Saturday which are celebrated the night of Holy Friday at 7:00 pm.

Reciting the verses without practice on Holy Friday is not a "teachable moment." There are unfamiliar words in the Psalm and a few practices will be necessary beforehand. Verses will be assigned to all girls who want to participate (from Grade 3 and up). We will rehearse for 15 minutes after Divine Liturgy, starting Sunday, March 17, and for the following five Sundays until Holy Week.

Those girls too young to be Myrrh Maidens are invited to participate in Holy Friday night services as Flower Girls. Flower Girls should also be dressed in all white, and they will be given flowers to lay at the tomb.

Father Bohdan's Sermon – Sunday, February 24, 2019 - Luke 15:11-32

Today is the Sunday of the Prodigal Son. We have heard this Scripture reading of the father and his two sons many times. And I know some of you struggle with its spiritual message because this is a parable that we have personal experience with: The dutiful good child devotes his entire life to his father and family, sacrificing his independence. And then there is the brother or sister who strays from the family, doing his own thing, neglectful, disrespectful, could not care less about father, mother or family. And then returns home only to receive a joyous welcome....a party....a celebration! The spiritual message is that if you have sinned and are truly repentant as the Prodigal Son was, you can return to God the Father and be accepted by Him with great joy no matter what you have done. And those who have not fallen should not resent those who come back. They should share in their Father's joy. But there is an additional lesson for you today: the Prodigal Son parable is written in the Bible. And if you believe the Bible is God's word, then you should accept all that is written within. Do not debate the message. Do not struggle with the meaning. Simply believe the Bible...for **THESE ARE THE WORDS OF GOD. AMEN.**

Meatfare Sunday: March 3

Please join us for a Fellowship Lunch following Divine Liturgy – to enjoy London Broil and Champagne Chicken catered by Mario's. Meatfare Sunday is the final day to eat meat until Easter. As you prepare for Great Lent, remember that fasting should be done in secret, without ostentation or accusation of others (Matthew 6:16; Romans 14). *"Moreover when you fast, don't be like the hypocrites, with sad faces. For they disfigure their faces, that they may be seen by men to be fasting. Most certainly I tell you, they have received their reward."*



1. In Memory of Helen Sameruck
2. Colleen Philipp -- in Memory of Charles, John, Pauline, Charles, Michael, Thomas and Timothy



CONFESSION will be heard every SATURDAY at 5:00 PM at Vespers and every SUNDAY at 9:00 AM before Divine Liturgy.

- **Panikhidas** - will be served the 2nd Sunday each month immediately following Divine Liturgy. Please submit the names of your departed loved ones by the Sunday before at the Candle Room. Cost: \$8 (for any number of names).
- **Altar Candles** (16 candles lit) and **Analoï Candles** (11 candles lit) are available for purchase in the Candle Room in special memory of - or for the health of - your loved ones. Altar Candles: \$35 Analoï Candles: \$25



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Our Starosta-President
THOMAS HANNEY

celebrated his birthday with fellow parishioners on Sunday, Feb. 24.

(Father Bohdan was serving a Moleben in the Sanctuary when this photo was taken.)

*Mnohaya Lita, Tom!
and Special Blessings from Father Bohdan*

SUNDAY and PERPETUAL VIGILS LIT TODAY

SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health and speedy recovery of our friend, Mike Shimp, offered by the Murphy Family
2. For the health of our mother/grandmother, Gail Osborn, on her birthday, with love, Wendy, Patrick, Bennett and Celia
3. For the health of my husband and our father, Patrick, on his birthday, with love, Wendy Bennett and Celia
4. For the health of our sisters/aunts, Gail Osborn and Karen Niehoff, on their birthdays, offered with love, Renee, Frank, Alex and Matt
5. In memory of infant Peter Niehoff, offered with love, Renee, Frank, Alex and Matt
6. For the health of Gail Osborn on her birthday, from the Sisterhood
7. For the health of Susan Guz on her special birthday, Love, Tom, Judy and Family
8. For the health of Susan Guz on her special birthday, Love, Barbara and George Latsios and Cassandra and Ray McNulty
9. For the health of Skip and Joyce, Love Tom and Judy
10. For the health of Susan Guz on her special birthday, Love, Ellen and Phil
11. For the health of Tom Demchuk, offered by Ellen Hanavin
12. For the health of Susan Guz on her birthday weekend, offered by Colleen and Nicholas Philipp, Jennifer, Melissa and Cory
13. For the Health of Tom Hanney on his birthday, offered by Colleen and Nicholas Philipp, Jennifer and Cory Redmond

PERPETUAL 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., 8/1/19
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. 4/19/19
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 his 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. 5/31/19
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 and Bohdan, 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

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THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 3

MEATFARE SUNDAY

PRIEST: Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The Prokeimenon in the 7th Tone: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

CHOIR: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

READER: Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord! The Lord shall give strength to His people!

CHOIR: The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

PRIEST: Wisdom!

READER: The reading is from the Corinthians.

PRIEST: Let us attend!

READER: Brothers...But food does not commend us to God; for neither if we eat are we the better, nor if we do not eat are we the worse. But beware lest somehow this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of him who is weak be emboldened to eat those things offered to idols? And because of your knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died? But when you thus sin against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble. Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. Amen. **(1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2)**

PRIEST: Peace be unto thee, Reader.

READER: And to thy spirit.

PRIEST: Wisdom!

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

READER: It is good to give thanks unto the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most-High!
To declare Thy mercy in the morning and Thy truth by night!

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. When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? 'When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? 'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life. **(Matthew 25:31-46)**

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