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St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

Слава Ісусу Христу! • Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Sunday Before Christmas – Of The Holy Ancestors

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| SUN | Dec. 18 | 10:00 AM | For the parishioners of the St. Nicholas Church |
| MON | Dec. 19 | 8:00 AM | For Health of Walter Szczerban – Rev/Mrs. Klanichka |
| TUE | Dec. 20 | 8:00 AM | +Stanley Husak – Eugene Serba |
| WED | Dec. 21 | 8:00 AM | +Debbie Bajone |
| THURS | Dec. 22 | 8:00 AM | +Edward Andrea |
| FRI | Dec. 23 | 7:45 AM | No Liturgy |
| SAT | Dec. 24 | 9:00 PM 9:30 PM | Christmas Eve Great Compline (Povechiria Velike) Christmas Divine Liturgy (English) |
| Christmas – Birth of Our Lord (Ukrainian) | | | |
| SUN | Dec. 25 | 10:00 AM | For the parishioners of the St. Nicholas Church |

Welcome – To all who are tired and need rest; To all who mourn and need comfort; To all who are friendless and need friendship; To all who are discouraged and need hope; To all who are homeless and need sheltering love; To all who sin and need a Savior; And to whomsoever will, The Parish of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church opens Wide its doors, In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! **Our mission:** let us be a community filled with faith in God, love for our tradition and our Church, and love for one another.

In case of emergency – if you need to reach Father Volodymyr in an emergency and he is unavailable at the rectory, please call him at 570-328-3818. If you are admitted to a hospital or at home and would like Father to visit you, please call the Rectory Office (302-762-5511) to request visitation of the sick.

Sanctuary light – if you are interested in requesting the Sanctuary Light to burn in memory of your deceased love ones, please see Father. The light will burn for one week and the cost is \$20.

Bequests to Your Parish: please remember St. Nicholas Church with memorial gifts in your will.

The Sanctuary Light for the week of December 18th is requested by Eugene Serba in memory of +Stanley Husak. May his memory be eternal! Vichanaya Pamiat!

Recitation of the Rosary – every Sunday at 9:45 AM for Peace in Ukraine. Please pray with us.

The Bishops of the Metropolia of Philadelphia have created a special fund entitled: “War Victims and Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine”. The fund can be accessed through the website of the Archeparchy of Philadelphia: <https://ukrarcheparchy.us/donate>.

Today, December 18, 2022 Sunday before Christmas there will be Mirovannia and the distribution of individual blessed **Prosfora Loaves** for the Christmas Eve Holy Supper (Sviaty Vechir).

Many thanks to all those who helped decorate and clean the Church. May the new-born Infant of Bethlehem bless you and reward you always.

St. Philip’s Fast (PILIPIVKA) – observed in our Church during the pre-Christmas or Advent season, beginning November 15th through December 24th (Christmas Eve), which includes good works, prayers, and voluntary fasting.

2023 Church Envelopes and Calendars are available in the Church Hall. Please pick up your box of envelopes today.

Blessing of Homes – request cards are found with your 2022 envelopes. Blessing of Homes will be done only as requested.

Save the Date – Christmas Dinner (Prosfora), Sunday, Jan 15th (Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM). Sign-up sheets are located at the side entrance of the Church and in the Church Hall. Donations will be greatly appreciated to help defray expenses. If interested in donating please see Grace Prysak or Natalia Klanichka.

Let us remember our sick in our prayers: Leila Thomas, John Hynansky, Larissa Kyj, Alexander Sokolski, Bohdan Hrycushko, Walter Szczerban, Walter Petryk, Millie Yanonis, Julia, Bohdan & Orest Sobkiw, Lydia Lubun.

Light from Bethlehem – we will hold a candle lighting ceremony by “Plast” on Sunday, Dec 18th after 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy. Also, we will have candles to be lite from the Vyflyemsky Vohon to be used at Christmas Eve Supper (Sviatyj Vechir).

Parish income for December 11th: Sunday \$2,268; Holy Day \$69; Dues \$3; Heat/Fuel \$50; Flowers \$95; Diocesan \$28. TOTAL: \$2,513. Thank you for your donations!

Donations Needed: This year numerous projects have been undertaken which were deemed necessary for the upkeep and maintenance of the Church. Donations to help offset these costs would be greatly appreciated. May God bless you richly

CHRISTMAS EVE – Saturday, December 24th

9:00 PM - Great Compline (Povechiria Veluke) - 9:30 PM - Christmas Divine Liturgy (English)

CHRISTMAS – Sunday, December 25th

10:00 AM - Christmas Day Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian)

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE