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St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, February 26, 2023

1st Sunday of the Great Fast

SUN	Feb. 26	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	For the parishioners of the St. Nicholas Church Panakhyda for souls of the Heavenly Hundred Forgiveness Vespers
MON	Feb. 27	7:00 PM	No Liturgy
TUE	Feb. 28	8:00 AM	No Liturgy
WED	March 1	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
THURS	March 2	8:00 AM	No Liturgy
FRI	March 3	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
SAT	March 4	9:00 AM	Liturgy with Sorokousty. Remembrance of our beloved deceased
2nd Sunday of the Great Fast			
SUN	March 5	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 February 26th is requested by Eugene Serba in memory of +Catherine Husak. May her memory be everlasting!

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR UKRAINE!

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>.

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

Varenyky Sale – orders are being taken for Varenyky for Lent. Pick-up date is Sunday, March 5th after Divine Liturgy. Sign-up sheets are located in the vestibule of the Church and the Hall.

Donations to help defray the cost are greatly appreciated.

Help is needed on Friday and Saturday, March 3rd and March 4th beginning at 9:00 AM to make varenyky. Come and join the fun and comradery!

Kielbasa and Paska Orders – a sign-up sheet for kielbasa and paska orders is located in the Church Hall. Kielbasa orders can be picked up on Sunday, April 2nd after the 10:00 AM Liturgy and paska orders on Friday evening and Saturday, April 7th and April 8th. **DEADLINE FOR ORDERING KIELBASA IS MARCH 26 AND PASKAS IS APRIL 2nd!**

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, Julia Szyszka.

Parish income for February 19th: Sunday \$1,307; Holy Day \$; Dues \$39; Heat/Fuel \$110; Improvements \$5; Initial Offering \$; Property Insurance \$; Lent \$65; Diocesan \$10. **TOTAL: \$1,536.** Thank you for your donations!

Help for Ukraine - Ecumenical Lenten Series 2023 will be at St. Nicholas on Wednesday, March 29th at 7:00 PM. Lenten refreshments after service in our Church Hall.

Sorokousty Memorial Services: In a few short weeks, the holy season of the Great Fast (Lent) will once again be upon us. We honor the memory of our beloved deceased with Sorokousty Memorial Services on all Saturdays of Lent. Please use your Sorokousty envelope, or write the names on a piece of paper and place it in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. Please put your name or your family name on the envelope.

Great Fast – Fasting and Abstinence Regulation for 2023. Fast and abstinence from meat and dairy products: 1. First Monday of the Great Fast (Lent), February 20. 2. Good Friday April 7. Fast from meat: 1. All Fridays of the Great Fast. 2. Holy Saturday April 8; Wednesdays of the Great Fast are recommended but not obligatory. Mon, Tues, Wed and Thurs of Holy Week are customary but not obligatory. This is obligatory for those between the ages of 14 and 59.

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe Collection February 26: Today, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that still struggle to recover from Communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee. Envelopes are located next to bulletins in the vestibule. Please be generous in your support.

Ecumenical Prayer: You are cordially invited to join in Ecumenical Prayer remembering One Year of the full-scale War in Ukraine. Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 1:00 pm, at St. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Philadelphia Pike.