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St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday			
SUN	Apr 2	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Confessions For the parishioners of the St. Nicholas Church
MON	Apr 3	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
TUE	Apr 4	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
WED	Apr 5	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts -- Anointing with Holy Oil
THURS	Apr 6	7:00 PM	Strasti – Matins with the Reading of the 12 Passion Gospels
FRI	Apr 7	7:00 PM	Good Friday Vespers with the placement of the Holy Shroud
SAT	Apr 8	9:00 AM 3:00 PM	Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of the St. Basil the Great Blessing of Paska and Easter Food
Easter Sunday – Resurrection of Our Lord. Pascha			
SUN	Apr 9	9:00 AM	Resurrection Matins with Procession Easter Divine Liturgy. Blessed of Artos-Bread and Anointing of Holy Oil (Myrovania)

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 March 19th is requested by the Klanichka Family in memory of +Volodymyr Klanichka, Sr. May his memory be everlasting!

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>.

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

Kielbasa and Paska Orders – Kielbasa orders can be picked up today after the 10:00 AM Liturgy. A sign-up sheet for paska orders is located in the Church Hall. Paska orders can be picked on Friday evening and Saturday, April 7th and April 8th. **DEADLINE FOR ORDERING PASKAS IS TODAY!**

Today is **Palm Sunday (Kvitna Nedilia)**. Pussy willows and palms will be blessed and distributed. Anointing of Holy Oil (Mirovania) after the Divine Liturgies.

Please Remember – Good Friday – Strict Fast Day (no meat or dairy products), Holy Saturday – Fast Day (no meat). Voluntary abstinence on Monday and Wednesday.

The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts will be celebrated on Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday and Holy Wednesday at 7:00 PM during Holy Week.

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

Parish income for March 26th: Sunday \$1,383; Holy Day \$90; Dues \$9; Heat/Fuel \$40; Improvements \$5; Flowers \$110; In Memory \$50; Lent \$186; Monthly Diocesan \$5. **TOTAL:** \$1,878. Thank you for your donations!

WORLD YOUTH DAY—August 1-6, 2023, Lisbon, Portugal. Lisbon is calling you – are you ready? If you are interested or would like to learn more or register for the program, please see the flyer in the vestibule of the Church.

Good Friday Vespers- After a few years hiatus, we are very excited to welcome back Ryan Pryslak and his choir who will offer the music and liturgy for this year’s Good Friday Vespers. Ryan will direct an octet of professional singers from around the region in the hymns and chants of Vespers in both English and Ukrainian. A Choral Meditation will begin at 6:45 pm, with the Vespers Service beginning at 7 pm.

Save the Date – Easter Dinner, Sunday, April 23rd (after Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM). Cost \$20 adults; \$5 children 6-12, children under 6 free. Sign-up sheets are located at the entrances of the Church and in the Church Hall.

Last Week of the Great Fast – Please remember the Lenten Regulations. Participation in the Lenten Services of the Church is highly encouraged. Prayer and almsgiving oblige all! Holy Week begins Monday. Confessions will be heard before and after all services during Holy Week.

All are Invited to attend the **Holy Thursday Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great Celebrated by Metropolitan Borys Gudziak and the Clergy** on Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 10:00 AM at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia, at 830 North Franklin Street. The Service Commemorate the Institution of the Most Holy Eucharist, the Holy Priesthood and the washing of the Disciples Feet by Our Lord.

Blessing of Graves and Panakhyda will be held on Thomas Sunday, April 16th at 2:00 PM at All Saints Cemetery. This will be in place of the annual blessing which was held on Memorial Day.

PLEASE PRAY FOR UKRAINE!