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# St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, April 23, 2023

## Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearers

SUN	Apr 23	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Apr 24	8:00 AM	+Anna and Mykola Lemec and Peggy Duffy – Roza Duffy
TUE	Apr 25	8:00 AM	For Health of Joanne Kurych – Rev/Mrs Klanichka
WED	Apr 26	8:00 AM	+Gabi Mansour – Linda M. Mansour
THURS	Apr 27	8:00 AM	+Oleander Sydorovych Hnatyuk – Dr. Orysia Tresznewsky
FRI	Apr 28	7:45 AM	+Stefan and Maria Matwijkiw – Martha M. Gimbel
SAT	Apr 29	11:00 AM	Funeral Service for +Pauline Sokolski
<b>Sunday of the Paralytic Man</b>			
SUN	Apr 30	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of 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 April 23<sup>rd</sup> is requested by the Klanichka Family for the health of Father Klanichka. May God bless him!

**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.

**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.

**Easter Greetings** – In our tradition, we use different Christian greetings throughout the year. From Pascha to Ascension Thursday, we use the greeting Christos Voskres – Christ is Risen - and the response is Voistynu Voskres - Indeed He is Risen!

**Easter Practice** – In honor of the Resurrection of our Lord, we stand instead of kneel during Liturgy at the Consecration and Communion. This lasts until Pentecost Sunday when we say the kneeling prayers. If you are tired or ill, please feel free to sit.

**Signs of the Easter Season** -- The Royal and Deacon’s doors on the Icon Screen Iconostasis remain open for the entirety of Bright or Light Week. This reflects the intimate relationship which exists between earth and heaven, the divine and human which has resulted from the God-Man, Jesus Christ, embracing Death and trampling it into nothingness! The sanctuary symbolizes the Kingdom of Heaven, the nave (the body of the Church), this earth. There is no barrier between them now that Christ is Risen from the dead.

On behalf of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, we greet you with the Glorious Resurrection of Christ our Lord with our traditional greeting: **“KHRYSTOS VOSKRESS!”** and extend our heartfelt wishes for a Joyous Easter. The bells of the Resurrection play today joyfully throughout the world, delivering a message of Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us, O Lord, to feel the reality of Christ’s victory over death, let us proclaim the words of St. Paul: “And if Christ is not risen, vain is our preaching, vain too is your faith”.

**Confessions:** If you would like to receive the grace of forgiveness in the Mystery of Confession, a priest is available to hear confessions every half hour before the Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am on Sundays. Avail yourself of God’s gifts of mercy and spiritual renewal.

**For Receiving Holy Communion:** Please come forward, tilt your head back slightly, open your mouth wide, (do not stick out your tongue and do not say, “Amen”). After priest gives you the Holy Eucharist, close your mouth, consume the Holy Eucharist, and return to your place.

**Parish income for April 16<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday \$1,009; Holy Day \$50; Heat/Fuel \$60; Improvements \$20; Monthly Diocesan \$5; Seminary \$20; Home Missions \$137. TOTAL: \$1,301. Thank you for your donations!

**Mother’s Day** is May 14<sup>th</sup> this year. Please remember your mother at the Divine Liturgy by using the Mother’s Day Remembrance envelope included in your envelope set. Please return by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

**Easter Dinner (Sviachene), this Sunday** (after Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM). Let us come together to honor our Risen Lord Jesus Christ. Cost \$20 adults; \$5 children 6-12, children under 6 free. We will also hold an **Easter Egg Hunt** for all the children, who attend the dinner. All are welcome!

**Thank you** for your generous support of last week’s Catholic Home Missions Appeal today. As a parish, we raised \$137 to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the US. If you missed the appeal, it’s not too late to give! Just visit [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**PLEASE PRAY FOR UKRAINE!**