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St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, May 21, 2023

Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

SUN	May 21	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	May 22	10:00 AM	Funeral Service for +Lydia Lubun
TUE	May 23	8:00 AM	+Joanna Dycio – Donna Dycio-Seningen
WED	May 24	8:00 AM 7:00 PM	+Kate Morgalis – St. Edmond’s Parish Moleben to the Mother of God
THURS	May 25	8:00 AM	+John Corso – St. Edmond’s Parish
FRI	May 26	7:45 AM 7:00 PM	+Albert Marsili – St. Edmond’s Parish Moleben to the Mother of God
SAT	May 27		No Liturgy
Pentecost Sunday			
SUN	May 28	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 May 14th is requested by daughter and son-in-law Nadia and Herb Dempsey in memory of +John Balanczuk. 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>.

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, Ihor and Karen Hrycak, Larissa Kyj, Alexander Sokolski, Bohdan Hrycushko, Walter Szczerban, Walter Petryk, Millie Yanonis, Julia, Bohdan & Orest Sobkiw, Julia Szyszka.

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.

Memorial Day Services will be marked with Divine Liturgy at our Church on **Monday, May 29th at 9:00 AM** followed by the blessing of individual graves as listed below.

Memorial Day Cemetery Services - Requiem Services will be celebrated on **Monday, May 29th at 10:30 AM at Cathedral Cemetery.**

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.

Join Our St. Nicholas Choir: We open invitations to join our St. Nicholas Choir. If anyone is interested, contact the Church Rectory at 302-7625511 or the choir director after Divine Liturgy services. Remember: to sing is to pray twice!

For the past several years, through the **Vibrant Parish Program**, meditation materials have been prepared in both the Ukrainian and English languages called "Mission Days" for the ten days from Ascension Thursday to Pentecost. Please take them home and pray this day.

Parish income for May 14th: Sunday \$3,253; Dues \$3; Heat/Fuel \$10; Improvements \$20; Monthly Diocesan \$18. TOTAL: \$3,304. Thank you for your donations!

During the month of May, we will celebrate **Moleben to the Mother of God** on Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:00 PM for peace in Ukraine. Please come and join in this celebration as May is dedicated in honor of the Blessed Mother. Join us spiritually in prayer, imploring the Mother of God to keep all of us under Her heavenly protection and care. May Our Blessed Mother of God keep you under Her loving and protective “omophor.”

CONDOLENCES: We, as St. Nicholas Parish Family, would like to express our sincere condolences to Walter Lubun and Sophie Haas on the occasion of the falling asleep of +Lydia Lubun on Tuesday, May 16, 2023. Her funeral service will be held on Monday, May 22, 2023 at St. Nicholas Church at 10:00 AM. May the Lord God help and bless the grieving Family at this difficult time and may He accept the departed servant of God +Lydia into the Heavenly Kingdom. Everlasting Memory! Christ is Risen!