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# St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, May 7, 2023

## Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

SUN	May 7	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	May 8	8:00 AM	For Health of Larissa Kyj – Kyj Family
TUE	May 9	8:00 AM	+Carol Schneider – St. Edmond’s Parish
WED	May 10	8:00 AM 7:00 PM	+Kathryn Quinn – St. Edmond’s Parish Moleben to the Mother of God
THURS	May 11	8:00 AM	+Mark A Pry – St. Edmonds Parish
FRI	May 12	7:45 AM 7:00 PM	+Sydir Nowakiwsky – Myra Nowakiwsky Voloshin Moleben to the Mother of God
SAT	May 13		No Liturgy
<b>Sunday of the Man Born Blind</b>			
SUN	May 14	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 7<sup>th</sup> is requested by St. Nicholas Church in memory of +Father Ihor Bloshchynsky. 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, 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.

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.

**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 April 30<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday \$1,426; Dues \$33; Easter \$5; Eternal Vigil \$120; Monthly Diocesan \$5. TOTAL: \$1,589. 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>.

**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.”

**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.