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# St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, September 10, 2023

## Sunday Before the Exaltation of the Cross

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| SUN   | Sept 10 | 10:00 AM | For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church  |
| MON   | Sept 11 | 10:00 AM | Funeral Services for +Larissa Kyj  |
| TUE   | Sept 12 | 8:00 AM  | +Steven Dycio (40 <sup>th</sup> Day) – Raymond Dycio                               |
| WED   | Sept 13 | 8:00AM   | +Christopher Szczerban – John Hynansky   |
| THURS   | Sept 14 | 10:00 AM | <b>Exaltation Of The Holy Cross</b><br>For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church |
| FRI   | Sept 15 | 8:00 AM  | +Pauline Sokolski (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) – Melanie Sokolski                 |
| SAT   | Sept 16 | 9:00 AM  | No Liturgy   |
| <b>Sunday After the Exaltation of the Cross</b> |         |          |  |
| SUN   | Sept 17 | 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 September 10<sup>th</sup> is requested by St. Nicholas Church in memory of +Larissa Kyj. May her 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.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE**

**Let us remember our sick in our prayers:** John Hynansky, Ihor and Karen Hrycak, Bohdan Hrycushko, Walter Szczerban, Walter Petryk, Millie Yanonis, Julia, Bohdan & Orest Sobkiw.

**Feast Day – Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.** Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM followed by Mirovannia. The priest and congregation sing the following on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross: “**Khrestu Tvoyemu poklonyayemsa, Vladyko, I svyate Voskresinnya Tvoje slavymo.**

**We bow in worship to your Holy Cross, O Master, and we glorify Your Holy Resurrection”.** The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrates the victory of the Cross over the powers of the world. It is a time to celebrate the universality of the work of redemption accomplished through the Cross; the entire universe is seen through the light of the Cross, the new Tree of Life which provides nourishment for those who have been redeemed in Christ.

**Save the Date:** Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pilgrimage to the Mother of God. This year’s 92<sup>nd</sup> annual Pilgrimage honoring the Mother of God will be held on Sunday, October 1, 2023 on the grounds of the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Basil the Great in Fox Chase Manor. The theme of this year’s Pilgrimage is “Our Lady, Our Protectress and Refuge” with emphasis on calling upon the Mother of God to protect Ukraine during this time. The day will begin with the Myster of Reconciliation starting at 9:00 AM. The Hierarchal Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00 AM preceded by a procession. Metropolitan Borys Gudziak will be the main celebrant with other hierarchy and clergy concelebrating. Lunch, featuring traditional Ukrainian food, will be available afterwards. There will be Spiritual programs, Rosary and Stations of the Cross for Ukraine. The day will conclude with a prayer service (Moleben) at 4:00 PM in the Grotto and blessing of vehicles followed by departure. For further information, please call 215-379-3998, ext. 17 or visit the sisters’ website at [www.stbasils.com](http://www.stbasils.com).

**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 September 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Sunday \$18,015; Holyday \$5; Dues \$3; Improvements \$40. TOTAL: \$18,063. Thank you for your donations!

**Mark your calendar for the St Nicholas End of Summer Picnic!** The picnic will take place on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> after the 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy. Sign-up sheets can be found near the Church entrances. **Volunteers** are needed for preparing and serving food at Picnic.

**Effective October 8, 2023** we will return to having two Divine Liturgies each Sunday – 9:00 AM in Ukrainian and 11:00 AM in English. At that time, we will also continue the live streaming on Facebook of the Divine Liturgy.

**CONDOLENCES:** We, as St. Nicholas Parish Family, would like to express our sincere condolences to the Kyj Family on the occasion of the falling asleep of +Larissa Kyj on Wednesday, September 6, 2023. Her funeral service will be held on Monday, September 11, 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 +Larissa into the Heavenly Kingdom. Everlasting Memory! Vichnaya Pamiat!