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# St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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**Sunday, September 24, 2023**

## 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

SUN	Sept 24	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Sept 25	8:00 AM	For God's Blessing of Fr. David Dodd
TUE	Sept 26	8:00 AM	+Pam Kubric – Elaine Harasika
WED	Sept 27	8:00AM	For Health of Mykhaylo Lukan – Michael Hynansky
THURS	Sept 28	8:00 AM	For God's Blessing of Fr. Pat Whittle
FRI	Sept 29	8:00 AM	Special Intention
SAT	Sept 30	9:00 AM	No Liturgy
<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost – Protection of the Theotokos</b>			
SUN	Oct 1	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 24<sup>th</sup> is requested by Rev/Mrs Klanichka 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.

**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.

On Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> we celebrate the **Feast of the Protection (Patronage, Pokrov) of the Mother of God and ever Virgin Mary.** The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 10:00 AM with Mirovannia after the Divine Liturgy.

**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).

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the **Reporting and Benefit Events 2023** for the Archeparchy of Philadelphia has been postponed. Please stay tuned to learn of the new dates.

**Parish income for September 17<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday \$4,036; Holyday \$70; Dues \$6; Heat/Fuel \$60; Improvements \$20; In Memory \$1,000; Summer Recovery \$50. TOTAL: \$5,242. 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.

**Catechetical Sunday:** Today, we celebrate an important event in our parish life as we seek to grow in “Communion with God” by beginning our new catechetical year. The children and the adults who teach them have gathered together to pray and seek to be blessed as they begin this new journey of faith. In a special way today, we ask God to grant to His servants, our students, teachers and the entire parish, the grace to grow in our communion with Him.

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY** will be held today with the theme “Christ, the Heavenly Bread” As we begin the new catechetical year 2022 let us take time to grow in our love and gratitude for the gift of the Holy Eucharist, sharing that love with those entrusted to our care. May we all faithfully navigate through this pandemic, knowing and trusting that God is With Us.

**Register Your Children for Religious Education:** Registration form for children can be found in the Church vestibule. Register your children for religious education classes.