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St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Sunday, December 10, 2023

28th Sunday After Pentecost

SUN	Dec 10	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Dec 11	8:00 AM	+Brian Healy – St. Edmonds Parish
TUE	Dec 12	8:00 AM	For God’s Blessing and Health of Michael Hynansky
WED	Dec 13	8:00 AM	Special Intention
THURS	Dec 14	8:00 AM	Norman Cochran – St. Edmonds Parish
FRI	Dec 15	8:00 AM	+Duncan Gibson – St. Edmonds Parish
SAT	Dec 16	9:00 AM	No Liturgy
Sunday of the Forefathers			
SUN	Dec 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 December 10th is requested by the Klanichka Family in memory of +Kateryna Bidochka. 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.

Bake Sale – Sunday, December 17th, Soyuz Ukrainok will have a bake sale after the 10 AM Liturgy.

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.

Church Elevator – we are currently experiencing some issues with our elevator. It has been recommended by our elevator servicing partner that we replace the current unit with a new ADA Compliant handicapped elevator. We are asking our parishioners to help offset the cost of this project. Our goal is to raise \$50,000. Please give this request your consideration. Donations can be placed in the Sunday collection or given to Father Klanichka. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Many thanks to all those who attended, prepared food, decorated the social hall and prepared gifts for children! A special and joyful way to honor our Lord through his beloved St. Nicholas! **Special thank you** to Viktor and Mariana Palamarchuk for their kindness and generosity in the purchase of the children’s gifts. May God bless them a hundredfold!

Preparation of the Church for Christmas: We need help to prepare the Church for Christmas on Saturday, December 16th at 9:00 AM. In past years we have always appreciated your help and we need your help again this year.

2024 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.

Beginning at the Philip’s Fast (Advent) on November 15th, 2023, the obligation to attend the Divine Liturgy for Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is restored. (*c. 881 §1 CCEO*)

St. Philip’s Fast (PILIPIVKA) – observed in our Church during the pre-Christmas or Advent season, beginning November 15th through December 24th (Christmas Eve), which includes good works, prayers, and voluntary fasting.

Blessing of Homes – request cards are found with your 2023 envelopes. Blessing of Homes will be done only as requested.

Save the Date – Christmas Dinner (Prosfora), Sunday, Jan 14th (Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM). Sign-up sheets are located at the side entrance of the Church and in the Church Hall. Donations will be greatly appreciated to help defray expenses. If interested in donating please see Grace Prysak or Natalia Klanichka.

Parish income for December 3rd: Sunday \$1,321; Holyday \$34; Dues \$39; Improvements \$750; St. Nicholas Brunch \$1,725. TOTAL: \$3,869. Thank you for your donations!

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND!