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St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

Слава Ісусу Христу! • Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Sunday, January 7, 2024

Sunday After Theophany			
SUN	Jan 7	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Jan 8	8:00 AM	Christmas Greeting to Family and Friends – Myra Voloshin
			Nowakivsky
TUE	Jan 9	8:00 AM	Special Intention
WED	Jan 10	8:00 AM	For Health of John Hynansky – Rev/Mrs Klanichka
THURS	Jan 11	8:00 AM	For Health of Marysia Makar – Stefan Szyszka
FRI	Jan 12	8:00 AM	For Health and Speedy Recovery of Bill Bijansky – St.
			Nicholas Parish
SAT	Jan 13	9:00 AM	No Liturgy
Sunday of Zaccheus			
SUN	Jan 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 December 31st is requested by the Klanichka Family for the health of Rev Klanichka. May God bless him!

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.

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.

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.

During the celebration of Christmas, it is the custom of Christians to greet one another with the joyous exclamation, "Christ is born!" to which the one greeted responds, "Glorify Him!" or in Ukrainian "Христос рождається! Славімо Його!"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Mark and Deanna Klanichka, who celebrate their 14th Birthday on Jan.13. May God bless them always for many happy and healthy years – na Mnohaya i Blahaya lita!

BLESSING OF HOMES – begins this week in the following areas:

- Tuesday, Jan. 9th, 10:00 AM, Wilmington 19803 and 19810
- Thursday, Jan. 11th, 10:00 AM, Wilmington area 19810 and 19809

Please have a candle on the dining room table and a container of holy water. Blessing of Homes will be done only as requested. Request cards are found with your 2021 envelopes or call the rectory.

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

Annual Festival of Ukrainian Christmas Carols will be held on Sunday, January 7, 2024at 3 p.m. at the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchial Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia. Choirs from different parishes will participate. Everyone is welcome.

Christmas Koliada/Caroling January 7th – the children of our Church would like to go caroling. If you are interested in having them visit your home, please write your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of the Church and the preferred time between 1:00-6:00 PM. The children are excited to participate in this wonderful Ukrainian tradition!

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 Pryslak or Natalia Klanichka.

Parish income for December 31st: Sunday \$1,076; Holyday \$29; Dues \$62; Christmas \$555; Initial Offering \$50; Aid to Ukraine \$72. TOTAL: \$1,844. Thank you for your donations!

Special Thanks – Throughout the years, many parishioners have volunteered for various projects and duties. The services that you so willingly provide are greatly appreciated. No task is too small whether it is cleaning the church, working at fundraisers and dinners, helping at the coffee social, singing in the choir or any of the other important services needed to keep this Church moving forward. Your volunteer hours are essential to this Church and are greatly appreciated! Keep up the good work with God's Blessings. You can be proud of your time spent to help your church.