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## St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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## Sunday, February 11, 2024

Sunday of Cheese-Fare			
SUN	Feb 11	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Feb 12	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
TUE	Feb 13	8:00 AM	No Liturgy
WED	Feb 14	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
THURS	Feb 15	8:00 AM	No Liturgy
FRI	Feb 16	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
SAT	Feb 17	9:00 AM	Liturgy with Sorokousty. Remembrance of our Beloved
			Deceased
1st Sunday of the Great Fast			
SUN	Feb 18	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 February 11<sup>th</sup> is requested by Nadia and Herbert Dempsey in memory of +Stephanie Patterson and +Mary Balanczuk. May their memory be eternal! Vichanaya Pamiat!

**Recitation of the Rosary** – every Sunday at 9:45 AM for Peace in Ukraine. Please pray with us. **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.

**Soyuz Ykrainok** will have a **Super Bowl Bake Sale** on Sunday, February 11, 2024. Please come downstairs and support them. Thank you and God Bless you!

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.

**US Ukrainian Activists**: At 2:00 pm on February 24<sup>th</sup> the Ukrainian diaspora together with the Ukrainian Embassy, supporters of Ukraine form USA and around the world, will gather at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington DC for a mass rally, marking the second anniversary of Russia's full-scale genocidal war against Ukraine. Saturday, February 24 from 2:00 -3:30 pm.

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

Great Fast – Fasting and Abstinence Regulation for 2023. Fast and abstinence from meat and dairy products: 1. First Monday of the Great Fast (Lent), February 12. 2. Good Friday March 29. Fast from meat: 1. All Fridays of the Great Fast. 2. Holy Saturday March 31; Wednesdays of the Great Fast are recommended but not obligatory. Mon, Tues, Wed and Thurs of Holy Week are customary but not obligatory. This is obligatory for those between the ages of 14 and 59.

**Great Fast** begins on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. No meat or dairy products allowed. **Clean Week Schedule** – during the first week of Great Lent, the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts will be celebrated on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. **Parish income for February 11<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday \$1,391; Holiday \$25; Dues \$78; Initial Improvements \$65; Property Ins. \$10; Monthly Diocesan \$5. TOTAL: \$1,569.00. Thank you for your donations!

**Sorokousty Memorial Services**: In a few short weeks, the holy season of the Great Fast (Lent) will once again be upon us. We honor the memory of our beloved deceased with Sorokousty Memorial Services on all Saturdays of Lent. Please use your Sorokousty envelope, or write the names on a piece of paper and place it in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. Please put your name or your family name on the envelope.

**Triodion:** In the Byzantine Tradition, Lent is preceded by the "Triodion" (three odes). Triodion is a time to prepare for the Great Fast; a time to contemplate the mysteries of the human condition; a time to consider the reality of who we are before God and the Great Mercy of our Lord in claiming us as his own. The Triodion begins with the Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee, followed by the Sunday of the Prodigal Son, Sunday of the Last Judgement, and ends with Forgiveness Sunday.

**Forgiveness Vespers** will be sung on Cheese-fare Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Philadelphia, Pa. All the faithful and religious are invited to begin the Lenten Journey through the Great Fast by participating in the Forgiveness Vespers Service celebrated by Metropolitan Borys Gudziak, and the Philadelphia Deanery Clergy.

**Ecumenical Prayer**: You are cordially invited to join in Ecumenical Prayer remembering Two Years of the full-scale War in Ukraine. Sunday, February 25, 2024 at 1:00 pm, at St. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Philadelphia Pike.