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## St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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**Sunday, May 12, 2024** 

Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council			
SUN	May 12	10:00 AM	For the Mothers of St. Nicholas Church
MON	May 13	8:00 AM	No Liturgy
TUE	May 14	8:00 AM	+Stefan Matwijkiw – Martha M. Gimbel
WED	May 15	8:00 AM	+Stefan and Maria Matwijkiw – Martha M. Gimbel
THURS	May 16	8:00 AM	+Lidia Lubun (1st Anniversary) – Yaroslava Haas/Walt Lubun
FRI	May 17	8:00 AM	+Julia Sobkiw – Chubatyi Family
		7:00 PM	Moleben to the Mother of God
SAT	May 18	9:00 AM	No Liturgy
Pentecost Sunday			
SUN	May 19	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 May 12<sup>th</sup> is requested by St. Nicholas Church in memory of all Deceased Mothers of the Parish. May their memory be everlasting!

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.

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

**Easter Greetings** – In our tradition, we use different Christian greetings throughout the year. From Pascha to Ascension Thursday, we use the greeting Christos Voskres – Christ is Risen - and the response is Voistynu Voskres - Indeed He is Risen!

**Easter Practice** – In honor of the Resurrection of our Lord, we stand instead of kneel during Liturgy at the Consecration and Communion. This lasts until Pentecost Sunday when we say the kneeling prayers. If you are tired or ill, please feel free to sit.

**Happy Mother's Day** to our mothers in the Parish. We wish them good health, long life and the Lord's choicest blessings. May the Holy Spirit guide you throughout your lifetime. May the Holy Mother of God guard and protect you from all evil. **Na Mhohaya I Blahaya Lita!** 

**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 May 5<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday \$902; Heat/Fuel \$10; Improvement \$10; Candles \$254. TOTAL: \$1,176. Thank you for your donations!

**During the month of May**, we will celebrate **Moleben to the Mother of God** on Fridays at 7:00 PM for peace in Ukraine. Please come and join in this celebration as May is dedicated in honor of the Blessed Mother. Join us spiritually in prayer, imploring the Mother of God to keep all of us under Her heavenly protection and care. May Our Blessed Mother of God keep you under Her loving and protective "omophor."

**Fundraiser**: Soyuz Ukrainok will be having a Kanapki and Hot Dog Fundraiser on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Liturgy. Please stop by and support this organization.

Perelaz: The event is colorful and joy-filled, informative and inspiring. Despite the devastation of war, brutality, and losses, young people in Ukraine are determined to uphold their vocations. They continue to study, prepare to defend their country, and rebuild their nation. Their sense of mission is strong, their dedication unwavering. They need our support and help. If you can, please participate in the Perelaz to support the needy students of the Ukrainian Catholic University, the university programs, and initiatives. Perelaz will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 5 p.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Ukrainian Catholic Church (Mykhaylivka), located at 1013 Fox Chase Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046. The organizers are pleased to offer special ticket discounts for priests and their families: \$175 for a family ticket (children up to 12) and \$100 for an individual ticket. Please share the information with your parishioners. Attached is a poster, which you can share on your social media channels, include in your parish bulletins, and distribute at the parish. For additional information about the event, please contact Matthew Matuszak at matuszak@ucufoundation.org or by phone at (773) 235-8462.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR UKRAINE!