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## Sunday, March 23, 2025

3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast – Veneration of the Cross			
SUN	Mar 23	10:00 AM	For the Parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Mar 24	8:00 AM	No Liturgy
			Annunciation of the Theotokos (Holyday of Obligation)
TUE	Mar 25	10:00 AM	+Michael Lipcan Sr. – Barbara & Patrick Bagley
		7:00 PM	For the Parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
WED	Mar 26	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
THURS	Mar 27	7:00 PM	Station of the Cross (Ukrainian)
FRI	Mar 28	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
SAT	Mar 29	9:00 AM	Liturgy with Sorokousty. Remembrance of our Beloved
			Deceased
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast – John Climacus Venerable			
SUN	Mar 30	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 March 23<sup>rd</sup> is requested by Michael Hrycak in memory of +John Hrycak. May his 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:** Deanna Hynasky, John Hynansky, Ihor and Karen Hrycak, Bohdan Hrycushko, Martha Gimbel, Walter Szczerban, Walter Petryk, Orest Sobkiw, Yaroslaw Vidoynyk, Joanne Kurych.

**2025 Church Envelopes and Calendars** are available in the Church Hall. Please pick up your box of envelopes today.

Many thanks to those who helped with the reception for **Metropolitan Archbishop Borys Gudziak**. Your support is much appreciated. May God bless you!

Holy Day of Obligation – Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> is the Annunciation of our Most Holy Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. Myrovannia (anointing with the Holy Oil) after the Divine Liturgy.

**English Without Borders** – An English-Speaking Club will be held every Wednesday at 7:00 in our Church Hall. Please join us on Wednesday evenings if you would like to improve your English speaking and understanding. All are welcome!

**Kielbasa and Paska Orders** – a sign-up sheet for kielbasa and paska orders is located in the Church Hall. Kielbasa orders can be picked up on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> after the 10:00 AM Liturgy and paska orders on Friday evening and Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. **DEADLINE FOR ORDERING KIELBASA AND PASKAS IS APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>!** 

**Plast** is sponsoring a **Potato Pancake Sale** today after the Divine Liturgy. The cost is 3 pancakes for \$5. Donations will also be accepted. The proceeds from the sale will go towards offsetting the cost of the Summer Camp for Plast members. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

**Parish income for March 16<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday \$1,533; Dues \$72; Heat/Fuel \$50; Lent \$75; Improvements \$20; Eternal Vigil \$30; Bulletin \$5; Varenyky \$1,825. TOTAL: \$3,630. Thank you for your donations!

**Great Fast – Fasting and Abstinence Regulation for 2025**. Fast and abstinence from meat and dairy products: 1. First Monday of the Great Fast (Lent), March 3. 2. Good Friday April 18. Fast from meat: 1. All Fridays of the Great Fast. 2. Holy Saturday April 19; 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.

**Liturgy of the Presanctfied Gifts** will be celebrated on Wednesdays and Fridays during the Great Fast at 7:00 PM

**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.

**105<sup>th</sup> Annual Ecumenical Lenten Series**: Worship at 6:00 PM followed by a light Lenten Supper. March 12<sup>th</sup> Aldersgate United Methodist Church; March 19<sup>th</sup> Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church; March 26<sup>th</sup> Open Date; April 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church; April 9<sup>th</sup> Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church. Please see flyer in the vestibule of the Church for more information.