

Serving God and His People since 1903

St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

“Христос Родиться! Славімо Його!” Christ is Born! • Glorify Him!

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

SUN	Feb 1	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Feb 2	7:00 PM	Feast Day – Encounter of our Lord with Simeon For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
TUE	Feb 3	9:00 AM	For health of Marbeth Sczcerban – Michael Hlynansky
WED	Feb 4	9:00 AM	For health of Maria Hawryszczuk – Rev/Mrs Klanichka
THURS	Feb 5	9:00 AM	For health of Lesia Parekh – Michael Hlynansky
FRI	Feb 6	9:00 AM	For health of Deanna Hynansky – Michael Hlynansky
SAT	Feb 7	9:00 AM	No Liturgy
Sunday of Meat Fare			
SUN	Feb 8	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 on 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 loved ones, please see Grace Pryslak. You can also email her the information at gpryslak@gmail.com. The light will burn for one week and the cost is \$20.

The Sanctuary Light for the week of February 1st is requested by Michael Hrycak in memory of +Jaroslaw Hrycak. May his memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pamiat!

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

Let us remember our sick people in our prayers: Lidia Harwanko, Bohdan Hasiuk, Deanna Hynansky, John Hynansky, Ihor and Karen Hrycak, Bohdan Hrycushko, Martha Gimbel, Walter Petryk, Orest Sobkiw, MarBeth Sczcerban, Yaroslaw Vidoynyk and Richard Javick.

2026 Church Envelopes and Calendars are available in the Church Hall. Please pick up your box of envelopes today.

Bible Study: we already began a Bible study (Lectio Divina) every Thursdays at 7:00 pm every other week (1st Ukrainian week and 2nd English week) in our Church Hall. Please come and join us and learn about the Holy Scripture. This coming week will be in Ukrainian and following week will be in English. We will continue following alternative weeks. All are welcome!

The Bishops of the Metropolia of Philadelphia have created a special fund entitled: “Healing of the wounds of War in Ukraine”. The fund can be accessed through the website of the Archeparchy of Philadelphia.

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 respond, “Glorify Him!” or in Ukrainian “Христос Родиться! Славімо Його!”

Feast Day: Monday, February 2nd – the Presentation (Encounter) of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Monday, February 2 at 7:00 PM. After the Divine Liturgy the traditional Blessing of Candles. There will be Mirovannia (Anointing with Holy Oil) after the Liturgy.

Thank you very much to all who came and helped us to take down the Christmas Decorations. May God Richly Bless you all in ways He can!

Blessing of Homes –Blessing of Homes will be done only as requested or you can call a Father for make are arrangements. Thank you very much and may God richly Bless you all in ways He can!

Save the Date – on Sunday, February 1st Brian Kelley from Collette Travel Agency will give a presentation on a Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes with Barcelona to be held **September 13-23, 2026.** The presentation will be held in our Church Hall after the Divine Liturgy at 12:00 PM. All parishioners are welcome to attend and learn about the world’s most reverend pilgrimage centers and experience the wonderful cultures and beauty of **Portugal, France and Spain.** If you are interested or would like to go with us during this Pilgrimage, a deposit needs to be submitted by **March 15, 2026. All are welcome on board!!!**

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.

Soyuz Ykrainok will have a **Super Bowl Bake Sale** on Sunday, February 8, 2026, after the Divine Liturgy. Please come downstairs and support them. Thank you and God Bless you all!

Considering the severe weather forecast expected this weekend, we are requesting that all Parishioners please provide us with their email address so that in the future we can make you aware of any changes to the Divine Liturgy schedule. Please use the sign-up sheets in the back of the Church and the vestibule of the Church to provide us with this information. Thank you very much!

Epiphany Home Blessing - According to Byzantine tradition, the month of January is the time for home blessings. This beautiful tradition is an extension of The Feast of the Theophany (or Epiphany) on January 6, when we commemorate Christ's Baptism and when Jesus sanctified all the waters of the world. The Liturgy on this Feast Day of the Theophany concludes with the service of the Great Blessing of Waters. At the end of the service, the priest blesses the congregation with Holy Water. In addition, since our homes cannot physically be brought to the Church to be blessed, the Church has the beautiful tradition of having a priest personally take the Holy Water into a family's dwelling and together with the family, recite prayers to request that God's grace be bestowed on the household in the new year. By sanctifying our personal living space with the newly Blessed Water, we extend the Grace of God to our own individual dwellings.