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# St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

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**Sunday, March 29, 2026**

Palm Sunday			
SUN	Mar 29	10:00 AM	For the parishioners of St. Nicholas Church
MON	Mar 30	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
TUE	Mar 31	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
WED	Apr 1	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts -- Anointing with Holy Oil
THURS	Apr 2	7:00 PM	<b>Strasti – Matins with the Reading of the 12 Passion Gospels</b>
FRI	Apr 3	7:00 PM	<b>Good Friday Vespers with the placement of the Holy Shroud</b>
SAT	Apr 4	9:00 AM 3:00 PM	<b>Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of the St. Basil the Great Blessing of Paska and Easter Food</b>
Easter Sunday – Resurrection of Our Lord. Pascha			
SUN	Apr 5	9:00 AM	<b>Resurrection Matins with Procession Easter Divine Liturgy. Blessed of Artos-Bread and Anointing of Holy Oil (Myrovania)</b>

**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 March 29<sup>th</sup> is requested by Nadiy and Herb Dempsey in memory of +John and Anna Balanczuk. May their 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, Deanna Hynansky, John Hynansky, Ihor and Karen Hrycak, Bohdan Hrycushko, Martha Gimbel, Walter Petryk, Orest Sobkiw, Marbeth Szczerban, Yaroslav Vidoynyk and Richard Javick.

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

**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 at [ukrcatholic.org](http://ukrcatholic.org).**

**Bible Study:** we already began a Bible study (Lectio Divina) every Thursdays at 7:00 pm every other week (1<sup>st</sup> Ukrainian week and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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!

Today is **Palm Sunday (Kvitna Nedilia)**. Pussy willows and palms will be blessed and distributed. Anointing of Holy Oil (Mirovania) after the Divine Liturgies.

**Please Remember** – Good Friday – Strict Fast Day (no meat or dairy products), Holy Saturday – Fast Day (no meat). Voluntary abstinence on Monday and Wednesday.

**Last Week of the Great Fast** – Please remember the Lenten Regulations. Participation in the Lenten Services of the Church is highly encouraged. Prayer and almsgiving oblige all! Holy Week begins on Monday. Confessions will be heard before and after all services during Holy Week.

**The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** will be celebrated on Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday and Holy Wednesday at 7:00 PM during Holy Week.

**Kielbasa and Paska Orders** – Kielbasa orders can be picked up today after the 10:00 AM Liturgy. **DEADLINE FOR ORDERING PASKAS IS TODAY!**

**Parish income for March 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Sunday \$819; Holyday \$45; Dues \$3; Heat/Fuel \$10; Improvements \$20; Flowers \$165; Lent \$121; Monthly Diocesan \$5. TOTAL: \$1,228. Thank you for your donations!

**Great Fast – Fasting and Abstinence Regulation for 2026.** Fast and abstinence from meat and dairy products: 1. First Monday of the Great Fast (Lent), February 16<sup>th</sup>. 2. Good Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Fast from meat: 1. All Fridays of the Great Fast. 2. Holy Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>; 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.

**Save the Date – Easter Dinner**, Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> (after Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM). Cost \$20 adults; \$5 children 6-12, children under 6 free. Sign-up sheets are located at the entrances of the Church and in the Church Hall.

All are Invited to attend the **Holy Thursday Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great Celebrated by Metropolitan Borys Gudziak and the Clergy** on Holy Thursday, April 2, 2025, at 10:00 AM at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia, at 830 North Franklin Street. The Service Commemorates the Institution of the Most Holy Eucharist, the Holy Priesthood and the washing of the Disciples Feet by Our Lord.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our Church will present War Doctor: Ukraine – a work-in progress film from the front directed by Ako K on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> with Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM followed by an Easter Dinner and Presentation. All parishioners are welcome!

**PLAST Scouts** would like to thank everyone for their support with the nalysnyky (crepes) sale.

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal** – Today we will look for support of the Catholic Home Missions Appeal! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the US. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).