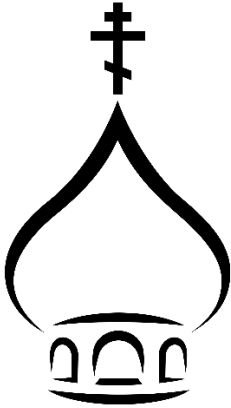


Divine Liturgy

Sunday, October 31, 2021

19th Sunday after Pentecost (6th of Luke)



SAINT NICHOLAS
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Mitred Archpriest James Mason, Attached

Deacon Geoffrey LoBalbo

Lori Lezinsky, Parish Council President

Reader Nicholas Lezinsky, Choir Director

Jennifer Bzik, Administrative Assistant

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Note to our Guests and Friends Visiting St. Nicholas:

We offer a most sincere and heart-felt welcome to St. Nicholas Church! Please be advised that according to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves to receive the Holy Sacrament.

(Please note - Information to be included in next Sunday's bulletin must be submitted by noon on Thursday. Thank you! ~ Jennifer N. Bzik)

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Schedule for the Week of October 31, 2021

19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2. Hieromartyr Archpriest John Kochurov (1917). Apostles of the Seventy: Stachys, Amplias, Urban, Narcissus, Apelles, and Aristobulus (1st c.). Martyr Epimachus of Alexandria (250). Ven. Spyridon and Nikódēmos the Prosphora-bakers, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves–12th c.). St. Maura of Constantinople (5th c.).

Serving the Divine Liturgy This Morning

Fr. Thomas Underwood

Coffee Hour Today

Coffee Hour today is hosted by Anna Rodzianko & Terry Butler
(Choir practice to follow coffee hour)

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

****Live Stream will also be available for all services.****

Saturday, November 6, 2021

4:00 pm - Vespers (Note - earlier time until further notice)

Sunday, November 7, 2021

9:10 am - Reading of the Hours
9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

Save The Date: Sunday, November 14, 2021 there will be a coffee hour In Memory of Archbishop David to benefit St. Michael's Orthodox Cathedral in Sitka, Alaska. RO 59 (St. Mary's Society) is hosting, and the Home Office will match all donations. Please give generously!

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In the event of a Pastoral Emergency,
please contact Lori Lezinsky (484-375-3874) or Jennifer Bzik (908-451-1622).

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Tone 2 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Tone 4 Troparion *(St. Nicholas)*

In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, a model of humility and teacher of abstinence. So you won the heights by humility, riches by poverty; O Holy Father Nicholas intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

Tone 2 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever.

Tone 2 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. *(Ps. 117:14)*

The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.
(Ps. 117:18)

Epistle

Read By Reader Nicholas Lezinsky

(2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9) The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago - whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows - such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows - how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Tone 2

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect thee! (Ps. 19:1)

Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call! (Ps. 19:9)

Tone 2

Thy priests shall be clothed in righteousness and Thy saints shall rejoice! (Ps. 131:9)

Gospel

(Luke 8:26-39) Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you." And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps. 148:1)*
The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. *(Ps. 111:6)*
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Candle Offerings

Sunday, October 31, 2021

Vigils in Altar (x3)

In Honor Of Those Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries in November

Peter and Patricia Metz - November 1
Peter and Sarah Jubinski - November 2
Peter and Natalie Stepanoff - November 4
Nicholas and Judith Lezinsky - November 9
Joseph and Laura Eck - November 11
Father James and Mat. Pat Mason - November 19
Paul and Lili Gaynor - November 19
Michael and Mary Dorosh - November 25
Happy Birthday Father Jim - November 12

Offered by Peter, Sarah, Dan & Jean Jubinski

Votives in Altar

In Memory Of Ray Pasquel, Offered by Stephanie Pasquel

Votives in Iconostas

Save Travels Fr. Jim, Barbara & John, Offered by Mat. Pat

Crosses

Happy Birthday Maxine Marsh, Offered by Ann Marie & Barry Bretz

Vigils on the Tetrapod

Happy Birthday Maxine Marsh, Offered by Peter & Sarah Jubinski

Vigils on Icon Table

In Memory Of Soldier Peter Ruzila, Jr.
Offered by Fr. Tom, Children & Grandchildren

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary

Happy Anniversary Peter & Sarah Jubinski, Offered by Dan & Jean

Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary

Happy Anniversary Peter & Sarah Jubinski, Offered by Dan & Jean

Vigils - Icon of St. John the Baptist

In Memory of John, Joseph, George & Felix, Offered by Patty Felix

Votives - Icon of St. John the Baptist

Happy Anniversary Peter & Sarah Jubinski, Offered Dan & Jean

3rd Quarter Treasurer's Report Summary

July 2021	Income:	\$17,709.66
	Expenses:	\$25,176.98
	<u>Net Revenue:</u>	<u>\$(7,467.32)</u>
August 2021	Income:	\$27,022.57
	Expenses	\$17,866.52
	<u>Net Revenue:</u>	<u>\$9,156.05</u>
September 2021	Income:	\$20,593.31
	Expenses:	\$21,161.55
	<u>Net Revenue:</u>	<u>\$(568.24)</u>

General Confession

Fr. James Mason has kindly offered hold the General Confession service on the following upcoming Saturdays, immediately following the Great Vespers service which begins at 6:00 pm.

Saturday, November 20, 2021

Reminder that on November 15th the fasting for the Nativity of Our Lord begins. During this time the faithful should plan on private confession. Fr. Jim will be available before and after Vespers for those wishing to go to confession during the advent season.

Updates from the Parish Council

Parish Faithful,

The Parish Council would like to provide a brief update on some activities that we have undertaken over the last month. If you have any questions regarding these items, please reach out to a Council member.

Security Grant Proposal

On August 10, 2021, a group of Parishioners and Council members met to discuss another grant proposal to request funding to upgrade the physical security of the Church. We will be submitting a proposal for the 2022 grant cycle and requesting funds for several projects.

Back Stairwell Cleaning and Reorganization

On August 29, 2021, members of Council cleaned out the back stairwell of the Church removed a sizeable amount of material from it. Much of the material was discarded, and the rest was organized and filed.

Rectory Inspection and Inventory

On September 9 and 11, 2021, members of Council conducted inspections of the Rectory. We verified that the property was clean and in good order. We also conducted an inventory to make sure that all of the Parish-owned furnishings were still in the house.

Mosaic Maintenance

On September 11, 2021, a group of parishioners and parish Council members spent several hours applying two coats of wax to the Mosaic above the vestibule doors. The restoration company recommended that we apply two coats of car wax to the Mosaic every year in order to protect and preserve it.

Meeting with Kunsman Roofing

On September 23, 2021, a member of Parish Council met with a representative from Kunsman Roofing. They inspected the leaks in the hallway between the Church and the Fellowship Hall, the leaks in the Vestry next to the Altar, and the leak in the wall next to the large stained glass window on the south side of the

Church. Kunsman recommended a variety of fixes with a total cost of approximately \$1,800.

Meeting with Dave Phillips Music

On October 13, 2021, a parishioner and a member of Parish Council met with a representative from Dave Phillips music to discuss the following items:

- Replacing the existing microphones for the hall and Church PA systems;
- Returning the hall audio system to functionality;
- Upgrading the current camera setup for the livestream; and
- Upgrading the Church sound system so that one set of microphones will transmit to both the livestream and the Church PA system simultaneously.

The costs to complete the above items will be approximately \$6,000.

Lightbulb Replacement

On October 17, 2021, a member of Council replaced approximately a dozen lightbulbs in the rear staircase behind the Altar and in the hall kitchen.

Yours in Christ,
The Parish Council.

St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church's 105th Anniversary this October

Dear Parish Family,

It is with great joy that we acknowledge our beloved parish's 105th anniversary of its founding. Let us all praise Our Lord God for giving us this wonderful blessing and pray together that we may continue to share in faith, love, and charity for many, many years. We are thankful for all those who came before us to build and support this parish and for those who now are its stewards. May God continue to bless us.

With Love In Christ,
St. Nicholas Parish Council

2021 Christmas Bazaar, Pierogi, and Bake Sale

The Christmas bazaar will be held inside the Chernay fellowship hall on Saturday, December 4 from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM for guests eating-in or taking food out.

It has been three years since our last bazaar, which was held in 2018. That two-day event resulted in a net income of \$36,345.74! Our success then was due to the dedication and hard work of seventy-six volunteers who were involved during the planning, preparation, and commitment to help before and during the event.

During the coming months, you may be asked to donate your delicious cakes that our guests look forward to, or to bake some cookies to create our assorted cookie trays.

Parishioners and some of their friends, who are available during the day, are hard at work making pierogi, kiffles, flavored rolls, halupki, borscht, halushki, and potato pancakes. If you are available, please consider helping in this food preparation by offering to provide lunch for the volunteers, packing baked goods and halupki, washing dishes, sweeping, or mopping up the kitchen floor during the late afternoons or evenings. Your help is sincerely appreciated!

Preorder forms for baked goods and pierogi will be included in our weekly bulletins, on our church's website, Facebook, the vestibule shelf, table outside the fellowship hall, and inside the kitchen.

There is room for some gift vendors, so if you, or someone you know is interested in participating in the bazaar, please contact a committee member.

As planning for the bazaar continues, you may ask, "How can I help?" If you're interested in volunteering, please call Maxine Marsh, 610-837-8063, or contact committee members Joanne Brusko, Guliana Holobeny, Aliana Lungu, or Barbara Monarek.

Bazaar Baking and Food Preparation Schedule for November 2021

- Monday, November 1 pierogi prep 6:30-10:00 AM
- Tuesday, November 2 pierogi prep 6:30-10:00 AM & kiffle prep 7:30 AM-2:00 PM
- Wednesday, November 3 pierogi making 6:30-10:00 AM & kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
- Thursday, November 4 roll baking & packing 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
- Monday, November 8 pierogi prep 6:30-10:00 AM
- Tuesday, November 9 pierogi prep 6:30-10:00 AM & kiffle prep 7:30 AM-2:00 PM
- Wednesday, November 10 pierogi making 6:30-10:00 AM & kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
- Friday, November 12 paska baking 8:00 AM-5:00 PM
- Monday, November 15 pierogi prep 6:30-10:00 AM
- Tuesday, November 16 pierogi prep 6:30-10:00 AM & kiffle prep 7:30 AM-2:00 PM
- Wednesday, November 17 pierogi making 6:30-10:00 AM & kiffle baking & packing 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Wedding Banns

Second Announcement on the approaching marriage between

Michael Kurtz, of the Orthodox Faith

And

Keri Costlow, of the Roman Catholic Faith

November 13, 2021. If anyone knows of any reason why these two individuals should not be united in Holy Matrimony, please contact the officiating priest, Father Timothy Hojnicky at 717-458-8063 or 717-691-1600.

Basket Raffle Donations Wanted

We will once again be hosting a Basket Raffle this year during the Christmas Bazaar on December 4th and we are looking for volunteers to donate baskets. We have a track record of offering beautiful baskets at our events, and we would like that tradition to continue. If you are able to make a basket, please contact Jennifer Bzik to let her know.

Don't be shy if you have never made a basket for the raffle before! Jennifer will be happy to help you out. If you are interested in supporting the Basket Raffle but are not able to make a basket, please consider making a cash donation. Jennifer will be happy to do the shopping and prepare a basket on your behalf!

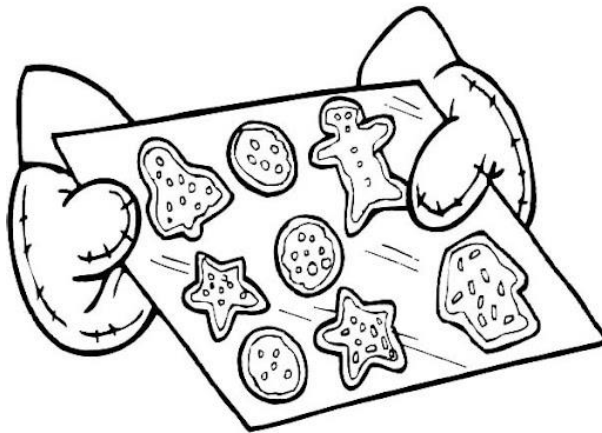
If you are planning to make a cash donation, please do so as soon as possible (no later than Wednesday, November 24, 2021) so that we have an opportunity to shop and prepare a basket using those funds. All donated baskets must be brought to the church by noon on Wednesday, December 1, 2021. If you have any questions or would like to make a donation, please contact Jennifer Bzik. Thank you so much for your support!

It's time again for COOKIES!!!

We will be making cookie trays to sell at the Christmas Bazaar and would appreciate your help.

- 🍪 Please make at least 3 dozen cookies (more is totally fine)
- 🍪 Notify Mary Dorosh or Jean Jubinski what kind you would like to make (We would like to prevent duplicate flavors)
- 🍪 Please bring in your cookies in sealed containers/bags by 10:00 am on Wednesday, December 1, 2021. (Starting Sunday, November 28 there will be a rack in the Church Hall for cookies.)
- 🍪 Please no cookies that have to be refrigerated.

Thank you!!!



St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church

A Cappella Choir

Presents

Orthodox Hymns and Christmas Carols



Sunday, December 12, 2021
3:30 p.m.

980 Bridle Path Road
Bethlehem, PA 18017

Fellowship & Refreshments following the concert.
For additional information please call 610-868-9468.

Heavenly Father...

Physician of our souls and bodies, Who has sent Your only-begotten Son to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal us, Your Servants, from all physical and spiritual ailments, through the grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant to us patience in this sickness, strength of body, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your Word to pray for each other that we may be healed. For You are the source of healing, and to You we give glory; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers for the Health of the Servants of God:

Metropolitan Herman

Igumen David Lewis

Archpriests: Thomas Edwards, John Perich, James Mason, Claude Vinyard, Dimitri Oselinsky, David Shewczyk, Dennis Swenki, James Weremedic

Priests: Ian Shipley, John Nightingale

Deacons: Geoffrey LoBalbo

Subdeacons: Michael (Frank) Guydan

Matushki: Marie Mason, Johanna Bohush, Evelyn Edwards, Paraskeva Vansuch, Myra Kovalak, Gloria Martin, Maryann Oselinsky, Priscilla Shipley, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic

Servants: Ann Marie, Bethany Bruder, Mary Brzuchalski, Michael Bzik, Helen Cotirgasanu, David G. Cudlic, Roberta Cusick, Val Danchenko, Betty Fedora, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Pauline Kasick, Kathleen Keimer, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Victoria Lustig, Olga Maksimova, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Ryan Pinkowicz, Kiera Pheiffer, Gordon Roberts, Clara Roman, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Connor Samuels, Robert Schainfeld, Catherine Shea, Francine Slivka, Michael Slivka, Julia Smith, Julia G. Smolenski, Dorothy Stafiniak, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, Irene Witaneck

Handmaidens of God: Lara Bessman, Stephanie Sica, Valerie Stepanoff, and their unborn children

Handmaiden of God: Corinne Gahles Stuckey and her newborn daughter

Please remember them and all our homebound and nursing home parishioners in your daily intercessory prayers.