

Divine Liturgy

Sunday, February 6, 2022

33rd Sunday after Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Meeting

Sunday of Zacchaeus



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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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before entering the church. Thank you.***

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Schedule for the Week of February 6, 2022

33rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 8. Afterfeast of the Meeting. Sunday of Zacchaeus. St. Bucolus, Bishop of Smyrna (ca. 100). St. Photius, Patriarch of Constantinople (891). Ven. Barsanuphius the Great and John the Prophet (6th c.). Virgin Martyr Dorothy, two sisters—Christina and Callista, and Theophilus, at Cæsarea in Cappadocia (288-300). Martyr Julian of Emesa (312). Virgin Martyr Fausta, and with her, Evilasius and Maximus, at Cyzicus (305-311). Virgin Martyrs Martha and Mary, and their brother Lycarion, in Egypt.

Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Monday, February 7th - Fr. Nikolai's day off (call only with emergencies)
Wednesday, February 9th - 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Friday, February 11th - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Coffee Hour Today

Coffee hour hosted by The Lungu Family

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

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

Saturday, February 12, 2022

4:00 pm - Great Vespers

Sunday, February 13, 2022

9:10 am - Reading of the Hours

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

8:50 am - Reading of the Hours

9:00 am - Divine Liturgy

Luncheon hosted by the Jubinskis following the Divine Liturgy

Saturday, February 19, 2022

4:00 pm - Great Vespers

Sunday, February 20, 2022

9:10 am - Reading of the Hours

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

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Tone 8 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

Tone 1 Troparion *(Feast)*

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace! From thee shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, enlightening those who sat in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder, thou didst accept in thine arms the Redeemer of our souls, Who grants us the Resurrection!

Tone 8 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Tone 1 Kontakion *(Feast)*

By Thy Nativity Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb and didst bless Simeon's hands, O Christ God. Now Thou hast come and saved us through love. Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of Man!

Tone 8 Prokeimenon *(Resurrection)*

Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God! *(Ps. 75:10a)*

In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel. (Ps. 75:1)

Tone 3 Prokeimenon (*Song of the Theotokos*)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
(*Lk. 1:46-47*)

Epistle

Read by David Metz

(1 Timothy 4:9-15) This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

Tone 8

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! (Ps. 94:1)

Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! (Ps. 94:2)

Tone 8

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation! (Luke 2:29)

Gospel

(Luke 19:1-10) Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner." Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:)

Tone 3

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christians, protect, preserve, and save those who hope in thee! In the shadow and letter of the Law, let us the faithful discern a figure: every male [child] that opens the womb is holy to God. Therefore we magnify the firstborn Word of the Father Who has no beginning, the Son firstborn of a Mother who had not known man.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps. 148:1)*
I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the Name of the Lord. *(Ps. 115:4)*
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Candle Offerings

Sunday, February 6, 2022

Vigils in Altar - Windowsill (2)

Happy Birthday Pat Grammes, Offered by Joan Stetz

Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)

Happy Birthday Pat Grammes, Offered by Joan Stetz

Vigils in Altar - Side Table (2)

Happy Birthday Pat Grammes, Offered by Joan Stetz

Votives in Altar

Happy Birthday Pat Grammes, Offered by Joan Stetz

Crosses

Happy Birthday Donald Holobeny, Offered by Guliana Holobeny

Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)

In Honor Of Nicholas Paul's 1st Birthday
Offered by Uncle Matthew, Aunt Lori, Sophia & Jacob

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)

In Memory Of Anna Kanerva, Offered by Barbara, Kyra, and Gregory Monarek

Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary

In Memory Of Anna Kanerva, Offered by Barbara, Kyra, and Gregory Monarek

Vigils - Icon of St. John the Baptist (2)

In Honor Of Gabriel Gowarty's 18th Birthday, Offered by Mom & Dad with love

Votives - Icon of St. John the Baptist

In Honor Of Gabriel Gowarty's 18th Birthday, Offered by Grandma with love

Vigils of St. Paul (1)

In Honor Of Nicholas Paul's 1st Birthday, Offered by The Lezinsky Families

Annual Parish Meeting Notice

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 20, 2022. The meeting will be held in the church hall immediately following the Divine Liturgy. A light luncheon will be served. All are encouraged to read the agenda and reports thoroughly and prepare their questions to ensure an expedited parish meeting. Please note that there will be no means of virtual participation in the meeting.

According to the bylaws of St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the required quorum for a parish meeting is the attendance of at least 25% of voting members in good standing. A quorum must be maintained throughout the meeting. If a quorum is not present, the meeting shall then be rescheduled by the Parish Council in consultation with the Rector, at which time the members present will constitute a quorum.

Annual Parish Meeting Reports Available

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 20, 2022. Please be advised that printed copies of the agenda and reports will be available at the candle desk on Sunday, February 6, 2022 and Sunday, February 13, 2022, as well as prior to the meeting on Sunday, February 20, 2022. Please stop by to pick up a copy at your convenience. If you would like a copy emailed to you or mailed to you, please contact the Administrative Assistant at Assistant4StNicholas@outlook.com. Please note that due to postal delays, we cannot guarantee that mailed copies will arrive prior to the meeting.

Parish Member in Good Standing

A member of the Parish is “in good standing” if he/she is no less than eighteen years of age; partakes of the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion at least once a year in his/her home parish; and regularly fulfills his/her financial obligations as established by the All-American Councils, Diocesan Assemblies and Parish Annual Meeting.

The required minimum financial obligation to remain “in good standing” is \$520.00 per member and is due by December 31st of each year. Parishioners who are unable to meet this obligation are encouraged to speak with the pastor about other ways to support the work of the Church. Parishioners who have not met this obligation for two years will be deleted from the Parish, Diocesan, and national membership lists.

Annual Church Office Elections

What you need to know to vote in the Annual Parish Meeting being held on February 20, 2022 and to run for Church Office: According to our Bylaws in order to vote and participate in the discussions you must be a member at least 18 years of age and in good standing (both financially and sacramentally) for one (1) year. In order to run for Church Office you must be a member in good standing for two (2) years, same as above.

If you are interested in serving on the Parish Council, please see any current member of the Parish Council.

Please note the Parish Council Vice President and Secretary are chosen by and from the newly elected Parish Council to serve for one (1) year terms.

Parish Council Officer Positions

Parish Council President (one year)
Treasurer (one year)
Financial Secretary (one year)

Auditor Positions

Four (4) one year terms

All American Council Delegate

Parish Council Positions

Three (3) three year terms
One (1) one year term

Diocesan Assembly Positions

Diocesan Assembly Delegate
Diocesan Assembly Alternate

All American Council Alternate

4th Quarter Treasurer's Report Summary

October 2021	Income:	\$30,047.83
	Expenses:	\$20,649.23
	<u>Net Revenue:</u>	<u>\$9,398.60</u>
November 2021	Income:	\$43,522.34
	Expenses	\$21,454.61
	<u>Net Revenue:</u>	<u>\$22,067.73</u>
December 2021	Income:	\$35,273.44
	Expenses:	\$34,049.59
	<u>Net Revenue:</u>	<u>\$ 1,223.85</u>

St. Nicholas Scouts

Wash Telepchak, Eagle (1946)

Michael Dorosh, Alpha Omega, Order of Arrow, Eagle (1958)

Daniel Jubinski, Alpha Omega, Order of Arrow, Eagle (1987)

Dr. Gregory Radio, Order of Arrow, Eagle (1964)

Gordon Roberts, Eagle

David Cudlic, Order of Arrow, Assistant Scout Master

Peter Metz- Star

David Metz - Star

Michael Metz - Life

Christopher Metz - Star

Jacob Lezinsky, Cub Scout

You're Invited!

On Wednesday, Feb 16 there will be Divine Liturgy at 9 am celebrating St. Nikolai of Japan, the patron saint of our Father Nikolai. Following Liturgy there will be a light luncheon hosted by the Jubinskis. YES, we will have some meat dishes (This is a fast free week.) and baked treats by Jean. So plan to come to Liturgy to celebrate with our Father Nikolai.

A Note Of Thanks

Thank you everyone who supported, donated, and cheered for our fundraiser funding Atticus's wheelchair! We are just so overwhelmed with the love we have received. Donations big or small, we are honored to receive such a generous gift from the heart.

We raised over \$7,000.00 and sold 178 shirts!!! We didn't even think we could sell 50 shirts so we are so blown away. If insurance approves that means we'll be fully funded!!

We are so excited to see how this impacts Atticus's development and well-being. And truthfully, it will positively impact our whole family because it will enable us to have more freedom outside of the house. We are counting down the days!

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you and may God bless you.

A Note Of Thanks

Thank you to everyone in our parish family for your prayers, cards, food, and donations to the church in memory of my husband and our father, Paul Havrilko. It is with great comfort that during this difficult time we have support from so many individuals. Thank you.

On February 27th, we will have a 40th day litiya followed by a coffee hour in his memory. We hope your will be able to join us.

Dorothy Havrilko and family

A Note Of Thanks

Thank you to our St. Nicholas Parish Family for your thoughts, prayers and support. Frank is now recuperating at St. Luke's - Lehighton. He would love to receive cards and well wishes to brighten his days there.

St. Luke's - Lehighton
211 North 12th Street, Room #217
Lehighton, PA 18235

Subdeacon Michael (Frank) & Michele Guydan

Media Opt-Out Information

As many of you know, from time to time we (St. Nicholas Church) record, photograph or videotape various events and activities that reflect an active parish. These pieces of communication may be published on our website, in our bulletin, on our social media page, on the OCA website, or used on other printed material. Some people may choose not to have their photos used and if you are among them, we ask that you fill-out the Media Opt-Out Form that can be found at the information table outside the church hall. Please return it to the church administrative assistant so that we may have a copy on file. If you are okay with the use of media, you do not have to do anything. Thank you.

Please Help Me Be Accurate

When you're signing up for things at the candle desk, please print clearly so that I can use accurate information with correct spellings. I am human, so mistakes will happen, but your neatness is a big help in getting things right as much as possible. Thank you!!! ~~~ Jennifer Bzik

Triumph of Orthodoxy Choir Practice

St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral is hosting the Sunday of Orthodoxy
Date: March 13th, 2022

Choir Practice - Sunday February 27th
1:30 P.M.

@ ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
1031 FULLERTON AVE
ALLENTOWN, PA 18102

If there are any questions, please contact Nicholas Lezinsky at 610-868-9468.

*Let's celebrate the triumph of Orthodoxy with a choir singing praises to
Our Lord representing the triumph of our Faith!*



A Note of Thanks

Dear Parish Faithful,

We are pleased to announce that we raised a total of \$3,500 for the poor people who lost everything in the recent tornado devastation. A total of \$2,100 was raised during the coffee hour, the Pierogi Workers contributed \$1,000 and the Parish Council donated \$400 from our Charitable budget line item. We thank you all for your generosity and loving kindness.

With love in Christ,
Pierogi Workers

Candle Desk Books Updated for 2022

All of the sign up sheets and books have been updated for 2022. Please stop by to sign up to sponsor a coffee hour, be a greeter, or read the Epistle during services in the new year. You may also sign up to sponsor icon flowers or altar candles for the feast days in 2022, as well as our weekly candles.

Grocery Gift Cards Are Back!!!

Grocery gift cards are the ideal gift that everyone can use. When you purchase a gift card from our parish, you are helping our parish earn 5% income every time on each card.

Current participating stores are **Redners**, **Giant** and **Weis Markets** (Coming soon - Valley Farms), but others may be added soon. Cards are available in a variety of denominations. Cards do not expire, so please consider purchasing a Grocery Gift Card the next time you need to buy a gift for someone. Better yet, why not get yourself a grocery gift card to use for your weekly shopping purchases and help earn some money for our parish!

Please see Judy Lezinsky for Grocery Gift Cards, or call for any special orders. 610-868-9468 (Cash or checks please.)

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: Nikolai Breckenridge, Ian Shipley, John Nightingale

Deacons: Geoffrey LoBalbo

Subdeacons: Michael (Frank) Guydan

Matushki: Liudmyla Breckenridge, 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, Emily Holobeny, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Pauline Kasick, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Victoria Lustig, Olga Maksimova, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Joseph Pinkowicz, Ryan Pinkowicz, Kiera Pfeiffer, Laurel Riley, 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 Witanek, Robert, Alaina

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

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