

St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic School News

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WELCOME BACK TO YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME!

Beloved in Christ, Jesus, You teach us to "fear no one," but we are afraid, body and soul. There is so much fear in our world these days, from pandemic to civil unrest. It is time to cling to Christ, the Rock of ages, and His Church built upon Peter, a man transformed by the Holy Spirit. Are you clinging yet? I hope so. It's been a challenging time but today I WELCOME you back to your spiritual home.

In order to protect everyone, and to accommodate the needs of our Parishioners while meeting the social distancing guidelines and other guidance of health officials, we will be implementing the following steps at every Liturgy:

1. While in Church, face masks or coverings MUST be used at ALL TIMES except when receiving Communion. Please bring your own mask.
2. Social distancing must be observed between all present at the services. No handshakes, hugs or kissing when greeting one another. No touching or kissing of icons, venerate them with a simple bow.
3. Please note that family groups may sit together and are not bound by social distancing. All should remain in place once seated. The church and pews are sanitized and cleaned regularly.
4. Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance of the church. You are also encouraged to bring your own small sanitizer.
5. Collection Plate Location: Two Baskets for both collections (2) are located at each side of the church back wall; no baskets will be passed at this time. You can place your gracious contribution into a basket before or after Liturgies.
6. All Hymn Books and Liturgy Books have been temporarily removed from church. You are welcome to bring your own prayer book.
7. The cantor will assist the priest by leading the faithful in worship. There will be limited use of singing by congregation.
8. Communion will be given as usual out of the chalice, but once you approach the chalice, lower your mask, tilt your head back and open your mouth so that Fr. Andriy can pour the gifts in your mouth without touching. Father will use two spoons in rotation. Each spoon will be sanitized immediately after each communicant by pure alcohol (at least 60-50%). People will process to receive communion while maintaining social distance following marks on the floor.
9. The floor is taped to reflect appropriate social-distancing of 6 ft. for the Communion line. We ask communicants from the center pews of the church to be first in line for Holy Communion. Then communicants from the side pews to follow. Please, no cutting through center aisle pews.
10. Dismissal will be permitted out the front and side doors; The main and side doors will be open for exit after the Liturgy.
11. There will be no in-person coffee hour fellowships.
12. Parishioners who are sick or symptomatic must stay at home.

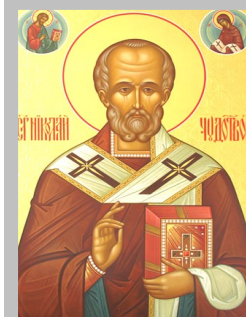
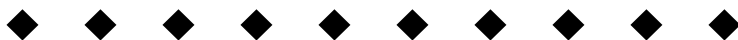
Повідомлення про відновлення Богослужінь. Дорогі парафіяни нашого храму.

У зв'язку з послабленням карантину у Америці і завдяки Божій ласці, сьогодні ми відновляємо Божественні Літургії для парафіян та приятелів у нашій церкві.

Ми намагатимемося робити все можливе, щоб розмістити всіх у храмі, але ми ЗОБОВ'ЯЗАНІ дотримуватися адміністративних вказівок уряду і медичних рекомендацій, які теж є затверджені нашим Архiepіскупом.

1. Усі присутні в церкві **ПОВИННІ** мати маску, яку потрібно взяти з собою з дому.
2. Також присутні на богослужіннях повинні дотримуватися соціальної дистанції між собою. Прошу займати тільки зазначені місця у лавках, які є позначені і відкриті, та дотриматись соціальної дистанції у 1,5-2 метри.
3. Усі вірні повинні використовувати засоби для дезінфікування рук, які є при вході до церкви.
4. Богослужіння буде відбуватися без книжок у лавках.
5. Святе Причастя, священник використовуватиме дві ложечки для Св. Причастя, які будуть дезінфікуватися після кожного причасника. Священик буде мати захисну маску. Уділяючи Святе Причастя, вірні мають широко відкривати уста і не торкатися вустами ложечки.
6. Після Богослужень не скупчайтесь у притворі чи на вулиці. Пам'ятайте про заборону контактувати з іншими людьми.
7. Вірним, які мають застереження щодо відвідування церкви, особливо людям, віком від 65 років і старшим, або тим, які мають проблеми зі здоров'ям, ми рекомендуємо залишатись дома.
8. Відновляється сповідь. Якщо вам потрібно поговорити чи навідати священика, зателефонуйте.

Прошу з розумінням ставитись до всіх вимог ситуації пандемії. Нехай береже нас усіх Господь.



Українська Католицька Церква Св. Миколая слава Ісусу Христу!



Pastor: Rev. Andriy Dudkevych



Pastoral Care:

In emergencies, please call Fr. Andriy directly - mobile **267-269-4990** if you, a family member, or someone you know who cannot attend church, is homebound, hospitalized, or gravely ill and will need the Eucharist or Anointing of the Sick.

DO NOT WAIT TO THE LAST MINUTE.

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Jerome Mykietyn - English

СВЯТІ ЛІТУРГІЇ:

Неділя: 8:30 р., [АНГЛ].

10:30 р., [УКР]

На будні: 7:00 р.,

Субота:

8:00 р., і 5:00 пп.

Свята: 9:00 р., і 6:00 пп.

DIVINE LITURGIES:

Sunday: 8:30 am, [ENG]

10:30 am, [UKR]

Weekday: 7:00 am,

Saturday:

8:00 am, & 5:00 pm.

Holy Days:

9:00 am, & 6:00 pm.

СПОВІДЬ:

Перед Св. Літургіями - в Суботу вечером.

Неділі - Святочні дні.

CONFESSIONS:

Before Liturgies - Saturday evening.

Sundays & Holy Days.



ЗАПРОШУЄМО НА КАВУ

Special thank you for the **\$2,500.00** gifted to our parish by a faithful parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous.

Monetary gifts such as this help us to continue paying our monthly expenses during these difficult times.

We remember the generosity of all those who continue to support our parish and school during our daily Divine Liturgy and pray for their good health and happiness.

THANK YOU

A gentle reminder that our Parish expenses will continue during this difficult time. Kindly mail your weekly contribution to the St. Nicholas parish office at 60 Holdsworth Court, Passaic, NJ 07055.

**Mail-in, Drop-off Parish Collections:
June 14, 2020**

Weekly Donation 4,856
School 70
Renovation 185
Diocesan 48
Ascension 5
Summer Utilities 15

Total: \$ 5,179.00.

THANK YOU



Sunday - May 21st - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost - 3-тя Неділя після зіслання Св. Духа 2020

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FATHER'S DAY - ДЕНЬ БАТЬКА**

8:30 am God's Blessings for our Parishioner
10:30 am God's Blessings for our Fathers
+ PANAKEYDA FOR OUR FATHERS + ПАНАХИДА ЗА НАШИХ БАТЬКІВ +

Monday - June 22nd
No services

Tuesday - June 23rd
7:30 am +Sharon Santos (with Panakhyda) Lori & Tom Hawrylko
+Anna Korbak (with Panakhyda) -40 day Anna Znak

Wednesday - June 24th
7:30 am God's Blessings for Adrianna & Charli Madsen Mother
God's Blessings for Olga & Maryann Ulczak Family
7:30 pm **МОЛЕБЕН В ЧЕСТЬ ХРИСТА ЧОЛОВІКОЛЮБЦЯ**

Thursday - June 25th
7:30 am +Slavka Skala Julia & Petro Wislocki

Friday - June 26th
7:30 am +Jonathan-David Kowalczyk (with Panakhyda) Mlynaryk Family
7:00 pm **МОЛЕБЕН В ЧЕСТЬ ХРИСТА ЧОЛОВІКОЛЮБЦЯ**

Saturday - June 27th
8:00 am +George Yacykewych (with Panakhyda) Zwenyslawa Yacykewych
5:00 pm God's Blessings for Grandchildren & Atenia Baba Maria Bakalec

Sunday - May 28th - 4th Sunday after Pentecost - 4-та Неділя після зіслання Св. Духа
8:30 am +Maria Turchyn (with Panakhyda) Family
+Theodor Stec (with Panakhyda) Family
10:30 am God's Blessings for our Parishioner

МОЛЕБЕН В ЧЕСТЬ ХРИСТА
в місяці червні
буде служитися
кожної
середи та п'ятниці
о 7:00 вечора.
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MOLEBEN IN HONOR OF CHRIST THE LOVER OF MANKIND
will be served on
Wednesdays and
Fridays at 7:00 pm
throughout the
month of June.



Attention:

1. Face Masks must be worn at all times when in the church building.

2. Please maintain social distancing. Keep at least 6 feet apart.

3. Please use hand-sanitizer when entering Church building.

4. If you feel sick, are coughing or sneezing, or have a fever, please stay home.

Do not come to church.

5. Veneration of icons, crosses, etc. should be done without touching or kissing them.



**MAINTAIN A
PHYSICAL DISTANCE**



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at all times when in the
church building.**

"The Vibrant Parish - A Place to Encounter the Living Christ" "Жива Парафія - Місце зустрічі Живого Христа"

THIRD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST * Epistle - Romans 5: 1-10 ~ Gospel - Matthew 6: 22-33

In the Gospel reading this morning, St. Matthew records for us the teaching of Jesus: "*The lamp of the body is the eye.*" The "eye" that Jesus is talking about seems to correspond to the soul when He says, "*Do not worry about your soul, what you will eat or what you will drink, for your soul is more than food.*"

The Lord spoke of the health of our souls in terms of vision: "*The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!*" Christ taught that, if our spiritual vision is clear and focused, we will see ourselves and our problems in light of God. Then we will be able to serve our one true Master and gain strength for being at peace, regardless of our circumstances.

The lamp of the body is the soul – that part of us that is eternal and that part of us where our love is centered, and where we choose what we will love. The soul is more than food and drink, the Lord tells us, because the soul is made, going to the Hebrew, as a living nephesh, a living throat, made by nature to eat and drink God Himself in the mystery of His Holy Eucharist, by which we become partakers of the divine nature. We were made in the Image of God. The Image of God is Christ Himself. Made in the Image of Christ, we were made to become like Him. And, since God is love, that means that we were made to become love, like God is. We were made to become lovers of God. And, we become like God only as we come to love God with all our heart, soul, strength and mind.

St John writes in his first epistle: "*He who says that he walks in the light but hates his brother, is still in darkness.*" You see how the light that God is, is love, and the darkness that is alien to God is hatred, enmity, anger.

So, when we give ourselves in love to God, our soul is filled with the love of God. And, filled with the love of God, our soul is filled with light, the uncreated light of God. This light of God, says St. John, is the life of men. It is the light of God, the love of God that is Jesus Christ who illumines everyone as He comes into the world in the mystery of His Incarnation. And if our soul, the eye of the body, is illumined in the love of God, in Jesus Christ, then the life that the soul gives to the body is full of light, full of the love of God, and the whole body, the whole being of man, becomes light, it becomes the embodiment of the love of God, it becomes a living temple of the living God; it becomes the Church.

We know this beautiful truth of the Gospel because Christ Himself has told us. And, He has demonstrated His love for us by dying for us on the Cross. He has revealed the truth of the report of His ineffable glory in His Holy Resurrection, and in the lives of His saints who loved Him, and in whom He loves to dwell. He who is calling out to us is the Image of God in whom we were made. And, He is calling to the center of our being, to the eye, to our soul that is the lamp of our body.

If our souls are not healthy, we will never find the peace that truly satisfies us as God's children who bear His image and likeness. You were created in the love of God. You were made for the love of God. The very principle of your being is the love of God. Come to the light, the uncreated light of God. Come to the love of God that is your true life. Take up your cross, take up your love and give it to the Lord Jesus by doing His holy commandments. And let your life in this world be adorned in the love of God, your life transfigured into a journey to the Royal Doors of the Kingdom of Heaven, and your death into the pouring out of your soul in love for God, the receiving of Christ's Heavenly Spirit, and the partaking of the divine nature unto life eternal in the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father and the communion of the Holy Spirit. (*Excerpts from the homilies of St. Herman's parish*)



We continue the Apostles' Fast, the prescribed fasting period of the Church, lasting from the day after the Sunday of All Saints, June 8, to the 29th of June, the feast of the Apostles Peter and Paul. The Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul is a Holy Day of Obligation! The spiritual benefit derived from the Apostles' Fast is great. Saint Leo the Great noted that, "*After the extended feast of Pentecost, the fast is particularly needed in order to cleanse our mind by ascetic labors, and to make us worthy of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.*" Saint Leo also reminds us, "*In the Apostolic canons inspired by God Himself, the Church fathers have, at the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, established first and*

A PRAYER FOR THOSE SUFFERING PERSECUTION

Lord, bring an end to tragedy and suffering. Deliver Your Church and Your faithful people from every evil with Your mighty hand. Help us, O God, for You were crucified and died for the salvation of all. Help us, that among us, and in all the world, hatred may be replaced with love, unrest may be replaced with peace, and sorrow may be replaced with happiness, that we have a peaceful life as Your people and live as brothers and sisters with one another. Remember our enemies, those who hate us and oppress us, and repay them not according to their deeds, but rather give them reason and understanding, according to Your great mercy, so that they may see that evil cannot bring good. You are the God of mercy, goodness and the Lover of mankind, and unto You we ascribe glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY'S GOSPEL LESSON:

LOVE OF GOD: Page 26, Section 50; Page 49, Section 124; Page 51, Section 129; Page 90, Section 251; Page 139, Section 406; Page 247, Section 759-760

As we slowly begin to resume our attendance at the Divine Liturgy, we begin to realize how fortunate we are. Many people suffered during this unprecedented time.

If you recall as we began the Great Fast, we set out to meet our concern and service to those less fortunate through almsgiving and began our "Food Drive".... Then life as we knew it stopped at that point.

We are now again in a Fast period - The Apostle's Fast prior to the Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul. As in the Great Fast, we are asked to focus our attention on prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The spirit of almsgiving is again expressed during this fast so we may attempt to live a more God-Centered life.

As our Church has opened for public services, as we come to worship together, let us remember those less fortunate. Let us again resume our "Food Drive" of non-perishable food goods for distribution to the local Food Pantry at St. Michael's parish. We ask that you bring at least one food item each time you attend Liturgy.