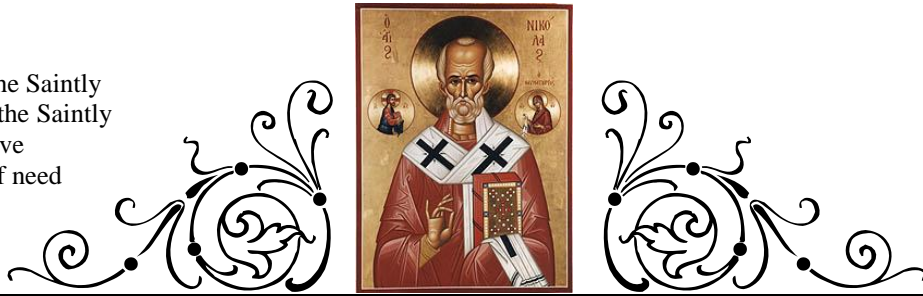


O who loves Nicholas the Saintly
O who serves Nicholas the Saintly
Him will Nicholas receive
And give help in time of need
Holy Father Nicholas



O kto kto Nikolaja l'ubit
O kto kto Nikolaja služít
Tomu svajatyj Nikolaj
Na vsjakij čas pomahaj
Nikolaj, Nikolaj

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Sunday, June 8, 2014

HOLY PENTECOST - Rusal'a

Epistle Reading: Acts 2:1-11 **Gospel Reading:** John 7:37-52; 8:23 **Tone:** 7 **Troparian & Kontakian:** pp. 66-69

*If you are visiting today, we are delighted that you are here and we hope that you will
find a spiritual home among us.*

We welcome Very Rev. Fr. John Fencik from St. Mary's Church, Bayonne, NJ, who will be serving Liturgy today. Father Fencik also worked with the children on Saturday for their practice & First Holy Confession.

COMMUNION REQUEST: Please state your name as you approach the Chalice for communion. Since we understand "Communion" to mean that we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, the reception of the Holy Eucharist is RESERVED only to those who are baptized and chrismated members of the Orthodox Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, a recent confession, fasted from all food/ drink from midnight and arrived on time for Liturgy. Those who are not fully prepared to receive the Holy Gifts, or those who are non-Orthodox, may approach the chalice to receive a blessing only. Please advise the priest or deacon of your intention.

PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR: Mary Fackovec, Steven Gaydos, Ann Gaydos, Marge Hildebrant, Deacon Joseph Hotrovich, Neil Ingenito Helen Karpiak, Deacon Michael Kozar, Mary Lichvarik, Sean Merriam, Olga Petrick, Joyce Rusinak, Mary Strenk, Peter Tymus, Lorraine Vira, Victoria Vislocky and Mary Zizik. Please contact Kim Busel to add and/or remove names: k.busel@att.net

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

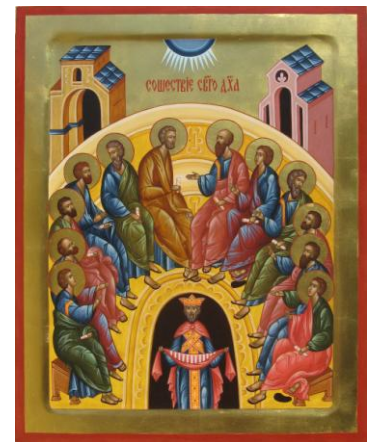
Let us all wish Anna Ceselka, Michael McCormick, Jennifer Munich and Nicholas Spontak many happy and blessed years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish John and Justine Gidicsin many happy and blessed years!

COFFEE HOUR: There is no formal coffee hour today. There will be light refreshments (desserts and cold drinks) in #2 Hall.

ALTAR FLOWERS AND TWO, THREE BAR CROSSES are donated in honor of our first confession and communion classes by the Gajdos, Kante and Mammoliti families on this special day.



The Feast of Holy Pentecost is celebrated each year on the fiftieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter) and ten days after the Feast of the Ascension of Christ. The Pentecost icon depicts the descent of the Holy Spirit onto the Church. The icon has the Apostles sitting, as on Mount Sion, representing the first Church community, the beginning of the Christian Church. They form a semicircle to express the unity of the Church, the Mystical Body of Christ. The icon is not a depiction of the historical events of Pentecost, but it signifies that this is a great event for all time.

FIRST HOLY CONFESSION/COMMUNION

Today will be a special day for three of our Sunday School children. Gabriela, Mara and Giana have worked very hard to prepare this year for their first Holy Confession that took place on Saturday.



Gabriela Gajdos



Mara Kante



Giana Mammoliti

SPIRITUAL HYMNS

In addition to upgrading our sound system in the church, we have also added pre-recorded spiritual hymns, which are played 30 minutes prior to Liturgy. This music has been very well received, and has increased the spiritual atmosphere of our beloved St. Nicholas Church prior to Liturgy. If you haven't already done so, try to make it a point to come into the church a little earlier than usual to hear the beautiful hymns of our Orthodox Church, and for some quiet time in thought and prayer.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – A brief Altar Society Meeting is scheduled for June 15th during Coffee Hour. There are a few important agenda items, including rescheduling the Flea Market.



CALLING ALL GRADUATES:

Do we have any eighth grade, high school, college or post-graduate graduates this year?? Please let Kim Busel know as soon as possible: k.busel@att.net

SECOND PILGRIMAGE/OTPUST TO TAYLOR, PA

We are discussing organizing a second trip because of the interest by those who went to see the icon and want to witness the miracle again (and take other people) and those who were not able to attend the first pilgrimage. Several dates are being discussed during late summer. If you are interested in going on the second pilgrimage, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Main Hall. Please indicate if you would want to travel to Taylor, PA by a mini-bus. For those who are interested from other locations, please contact Stephanie Salony, stephanie.salony@comcast.net, so we can include you on the list.

GOD IS EVERYWHERE (Translated from the Our Lady of Vladimir Calendar)

"Mother", asked a young boy, "how must one live to sense God's presence at all times? I didn't quite understand the lesson about this."

"I'll explain it to you", answered the mother, "as I myself heard it when I was a child. Listen".

"Live as if you always see God before you. Don't do anything which you wouldn't want The Lord to see you do. Don't say anything you wouldn't say aloud before God. Don't write anything which you would be ashamed to show God. Don't go any place where you wouldn't want to be seen by The Lord. Don't read the kind of books that you wouldn't want to show The Lord. Never spend your time in such a way that you might fear the question, "What are you doing?" or "Aren't you ashamed of yourself?"

*The eyes of the Lord are in every place,
keeping watch on the evil and the good.*
Proverbs 15:3

STEVE'S MEMORY LANE

Next year, St. Nicholas Church will be celebrating its 90th Anniversary. During the late 50s, 60s, and 70s, the “man with the camera” was Steve Fuscko. Fortunate for us, Steve has been sorting through his photos from this era and has forwarded them for us to enjoy. Here is the first of many that will be included over the next months.

Since this week is First Confession and Communion weekend, how many of these young ones can you identify?



(With thanks to Helen Gajdos for passing on this wonderful resource) Fr. John Bannon is a young, newly ordained priest in the Carpatho-Russian Diocese. Pani Marianna has a highly informative blog (<http://orthodoxwoman.wordpress.com>) that is both relevant and interesting to Orthodox Christians. The following is a post that has received enormous attention and has prompted her to begin a 12-part educational series of the Orthodox Liturgy for study with children.

WHERE ARE THE CHILDREN?

This Holy week I attended Holy Protection Russian Orthodox church for the rite of the washing of the feet.

In the church were many, many children...from 0-12 attending the service.

~ A twelve year old solemnly and perfectly read the prayers after communion

~ A three year old danced and spun in the beam of sunlight coming through the dome windows as she tried to embrace it

~ A younger child stared in awe at the icons and demanded to be brought to each one on the walls to reverence.

The church was without talkativeness, cell phones or plastic wrappers. Everyone solemnly paid attention and stood through the service which was nearly five hours long.

Where are our children you say? Why do you ask now that they are grown?

Where were your children when they were young?

~Did you take them out of school to come to the services?

~Did you bring them to everything, or did you say, “this service is not for children”

~ Did you insist that Sunday was the Lord’s Day, or was it ok to be in soccer or little league—because it’s only a few weeks?

~Did you pry them from bed as you would for School or a camping trip on Sunday mornings or did you say, “that’s ok, it’s been a tough week”.

“Where are our children?” “Why do they not understand the importance of the church?”

The children have a natural desire to know God, their Father and their creator. But like most things which are natural in a child, unless this love and desire is fostered and nurtured it will become silenced in the face of our world.

Bring the children to church from the day they are baptized.

Bring the church into your home.

Be the example of the faithful Christian you desire your children to become.

Encourage each of the youth in your parish.

Encourage and support the young mothers.

Be the example of the faithful Christian you desire the children of your parish to become.

GIFT SHOP CORNER

Stop by before or after Liturgy to browse through our display case in #2 Hall. We have some beautiful icons, wall crosses, gold crosses, bibles, incense, CDs, etc. If you don't find what you are looking for, we can probably order it for you. Please see Stephanie Salony before or after Liturgy.

Our featured items for the month are:

- The Blessed Mother round framed icon with stand/chain - great for a night stand, traveling, or for your car
- Legacy of Faith DVD - The Story of St. Nicholas Church "10th Street" - a must have for your video collection



If you do not attend St. Nicholas Church regularly and would like to place an order, please send your request, along with your name, telephone #, and mailing address to: stephanie.salony@comcast.net

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JUNE 2014

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
8 10:00 am Liturgy Pentecost First Holy Confession/ Communion Light reception in Hall #2	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 10:00 am Liturgy Fathers' Day	16 Apostles Fast Begins	17	18	19	20	21
22 10:00 am Liturgy Team 2	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 10:00 am Liturgy Last Coffee Hour Team BQE	30					

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