

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 služit  
Tomu svjatyj Nikolaj  
Na vsjakij čas pomahaj  
Nikolaj, Nikolaj

## ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Divine Liturgy: 10am**

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**September 27, 2015**

**Cross Elevation**

**Epistle:** 1 Cor 1:18-24 **Gospel:** John 19:6-11,13-20,25-28,30-35 **Tone:** 8 **Troparion & Kontakion:** pg 48

**PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR:** John Beskid, Debbie Blue, Walter Bubniak, Ernie Canovas, Maria Ceselka, Tony Ceselka, Mary Fackovec, Ann Gaydos, Justine Gidicsin, Magdalena Ilanovska, Neil Ingenito, Helen Karpiak, Deacon Michael Kozar, Anna Mamrillova, Holly Marchak, Sean Merriam, Olga Petrick, Deacon Michael Pirich, John Salony, Toni Sikoryak, Miroslav Strenk, Miron Timoshuk, Peter Tymus, Lorraine Vira, Victoria Vislocky and Mary Zizik. Contact Fr. William to add or remove names: [fr.william.bennett@gmail.com](mailto:fr.william.bennett@gmail.com)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita**

Let us all wish Lubos Matlak, Sophia Timko, Justine Timko, Barbara Muhlenberg, Maria Korchak, Angela Kindya and Nicole Sikoryak many happy and blessed years!

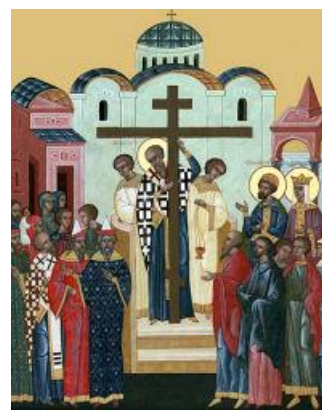
**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita**

Let us all wish Michael & Lorraine Bulko, Michael & Mary Chanat, Alex & Elaine Sirak, Dennis & Mary Krupp, Robert & Merka Stack and Michael & Barbara Macaluso many happy and blessed years!

**LOTS OF LUCK CALENDARS**

ACRY Lots-Of-Luck Calendars have arrived! They are \$25.00 each. Please see Dawn Krzyzanowski if you are interested in one. Checks should be made out to "Lots-O-Luck Calendar Fund".

**PLEASE NOTE:** The phone "dial-in" service is out of commission until we complete the renovation of the Sanctuary. We will let you know when it resumes.



### CROSS ELEVATION

This feast commemorates two events in the history of the Holy Cross:

1. The finding of the Cross by St. Helena in Golgotha, the place where Christ was crucified
2. The recovery of the Cross on which Christ was crucified, from the Persians.

Emperor Hadrian (117-138AD) gave orders to cover over the ground of Golgotha and the Sepulchre of the Lord, and to build a temple to the pagan gods. Pagans gathered at this place and offered sacrifice to idols there for many centuries. In 323AD, St. Constantine became the sole ruler of the vast Roman Empire. Ardently desiring to find the Cross on which Christ was crucified, St. Constantine sent his mother, St. Helena, to Jerusalem. The pagan temple built by Emperor Hadrian was destroyed and soon the Tomb of Christ was uncovered. Not far from it were three crosses, a board with the inscription ordered by Pilate, and four nails which had pierced the Lord's Body. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross was in 326AD.

The Persians captured the True Cross as a prize of war when they sacked Jerusalem in 614 AD. It was recovered by the forces of the Byzantine Empire (Eastern Roman Empire) in 627 AD, when Emperor Heraclius decisively defeated the Sassanid Persians at The Battle of Nineveh. The Elevation of the Cross took place on March 21, 630AD at the Church of the Resurrection.

## THE PRESIDENT'S APPEAL UPDATE

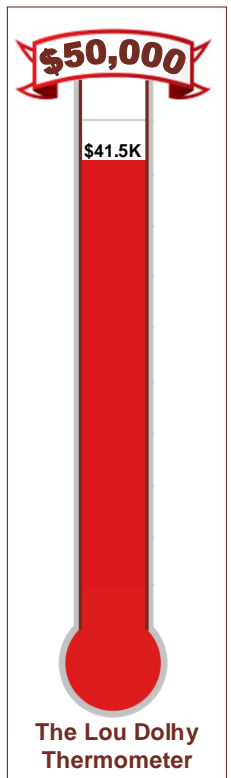
We are ever so grateful for the outpouring of love and support for the President's Appeal. As you can see, we are closing in on our \$50,000 goal. Please consider making a donation if you haven't done so already. Our needs are great but our determination to upgrade our beautiful church for the next generation is even greater! Donations can be split between two years to ease the immediate financial commitment.

This has been a top to bottom renovation – roof to the floors - with the majority of the work done by parishioners. Once the painting is complete, new carpet installed and the pews returned, there will be a comprehensive cleaning of the church prior to our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

## DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN DONORS PROGRAM

The American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese invites you to become a part of the Distinguished Diocesan Donors Program. A program that has steadily grown over the years to nearly 800 donors. Collectively, our generous donors have made an enormous impact providing over \$2.5 million dollars to the ministries and apostolates of our Diocese.

**If you have become a Distinguished Donor we invite you to attend our Distinguished Diocesan Donor dinners at Snuffy's in Fanwood NJ on Sunday October 25th at 4pm. You will hear about the accomplishments of our diocese through your generous support.**



**FOOD DRIVE:** St. Nicholas Church collects food year round. Please remember that there are many food-insecure neighbors that can use our help. Thank you for your donation to this worthy cause! The non-perishable food collection container is in #2 Hall.

## TRAFFIC ALERT - OCT. 4<sup>th</sup> Bike MS NYC

Bike riders experience Manhattan traffic-free via the FDR, Harlem River Drive and the West Side Highway. For drivers, it can be a tough commute into and around the city. The 100-mile route also travels heads upstate to Rockland County.



## BEHIND THE SCENES

The Altar Society prepared and hosted a special Luncheon for Fr. Alexandre and Fr. William. Thank you to all who helped prep on Saturday and those who came in VERY early Sunday. And what a dessert table! Thank you to everyone who brought in such delicious confections and our favorite European sandwiches. It was a lovely day shared by our St. Nicholas Family.



*Dear Fr. William, Paul Sikoryak, Robert Zizik, Nicholas Timko, Robert Stack, Board of Trustee's, Altar Society and beloved St. Nicholas Parishioner's:*

*Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Naviki Bohu!*

*Thank you all for the beautiful Pectoral Cross.*

*I am truly blessed and humbled by your kindness, love and generosity.*

*I will always remember my Ministry at St. Nicholas of Myra Orthodox Church on 10th Street.*

*With my sincerest appreciation and prayers for each of you.*

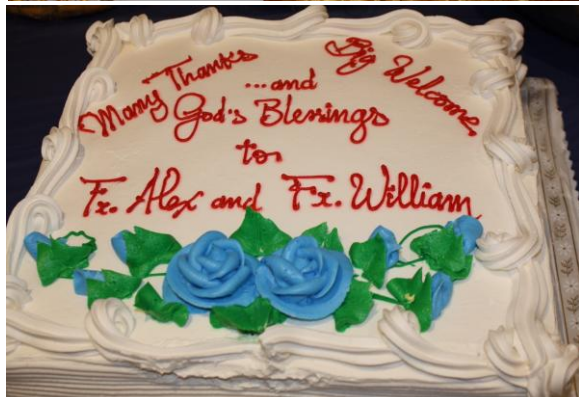
*Love in Christ,  
Fr. Alexandre Ioukliaevskikh*



On Thurs., October 1<sup>st</sup>, Fr. Alexandre will be elevated to the rank of Protopresbyter by Bishop Michael of the Orthodox Church of America (OCA) at the Cathedral of the Holy Virgin Protection, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Divine Liturgy starts at 9:00am.



**Sept.20, 2015** – Last week, we welcomed Fr. William Bennett and Pani Ileana to St. Nicholas Church. We also wanted to show our appreciation to Fr. Alexandre for leading us by example with his dedication to the Orthodox faith over the past year and a half. As Bob Zizik said, Fr. Alexandre was our “bridge over troubled waters”. Paul Sikoryak and Bob presented a Pectoral Cross to Fr. Alexandre with our deepest gratitude. After Liturgy, we enjoyed a small luncheon hosted by the Altar Society for Fr. William, Pani Ileana and Fr. Alexandre.



# SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER, 2015

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
27 Cross Elevation Team Kitchen Cousins	28	29	30	OCT 1 Elevation of Fr. Alexandre to Protopresbyter	2	3
4 Traffic Alert: MS Bike Tour DIY Coffee Hour	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Children Choir Rehearsal Team Koneval	12	13	14 Protection of Mother of God	15	16	17
18 Altar Society Mtg Slovakia & Poland	19	20	21	22	23	24 Kids Mtg with His Grace, Bishop Gregory of Nyssa
25 90 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Banquet	26	27	28	29	30	31
NOV 1 Traffic Alert: NYC Marathon	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Jr. ACRY Event A Team	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Cookie Walk KICK-OFF Event Team Black & White	16	17	18	19	20	21 CW Baking Day at the Stacks
22 CW Dough Day Team TriState	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving	27	28 Nativity Fast Begins
29 CW Dough Day Jr ACRY Rehearsal for Caroling	30	DEC 1	2	3	4	5 CW Dough Day
6 Hall Decoration Dough Preparation Slovakia & Poland	7	8 Baking - Evening	9 Baking – All Day	10 Baking – All Day	11 Baking – am	12 Cookie Walk 11 - 5
13 <b>COOKIE WALK</b> Noon – 3 DIY Coffee Hour	14	15	16	17	18	19 Christmas Caroling, JR ACRY
20 St. Nicholas Day Luncheon	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 DIY Coffee Hour	28	29	30	31	JAN 1	2

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