

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 svajatyj Nikolaj
Na vsjakij čas pomahaj
Nikolaj, Nikolaj

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TWO WEEK EDITION 2014

SUNDAY, August 31st – 9:00 am Liturgy

Epistle Reading: 1 Cor 15:1-11

Gospel Reading: Matt 19:16-26

Tone: 3 **Troparian & Kontakian:** pg 43

August 31st Announcements

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

August 31st: Let us all wish Maria Ceselka, Gregory James Gidicsin, Michele Heidenfelder, John Kania, Katarina Kumta, Robert Stack, Jr, James Vislocky, Mary Anna Vira and Alexandria Vira many happy and blessed years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Richard & Mary Ann Bulko (celebrating their 50th anniversary) and John & Olga Rosina, 56 year today, many happy and blessed years!

Blessing of Flowers on the Feast of the Dormition

Flowers and medicinal herbs will be blessed after the Divine Liturgy today. At the Theotokos' assumption, her tomb was filled with a "heavenly fragrance" and flowers. The herbs are blessed in commemoration of the numerous healing and extraordinary graces bestowed on the pilgrims at her tomb.

SUNDAY, September 7th – 10:00 am Liturgy

Epistle Reading: 1 Cor 16:13-24

Gospel Reading: Matt 21:33-42

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September 7th Announcements

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

August 31st: Let us all wish Rev Fr John J Beskid, Christopher McCormick, Anna Salony (Albany), Ryan Salony, Slavomir Stenko, Michael Tymus and Nicole Vanatko many happy and blessed years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Paul & Helenka Tymus many happy and blessed years!

Blessing of the Children: During Liturgy, we will be having the Blessing of the Children service for all school-age children.

Coffee Hour Today We will resume regular coffee hours starting today. Team Kitchen Cousins will be the first team. Please see the calendar for the rest of 2014.

Board of Trustees Meeting Today

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 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, Magda Matlak, Sean Merriam, Olga Petrick, Joyce Rusinak, Toni Sikoryak, Mary Strenk, Peter Tymus, Lorraine Vira, and Mary Zizik. Please contact Kim Busel to add and/or remove names: k.busel@att.net

August 26, 2014

Dear Faithful,

Slava Isusu Christu!

We have reached the Labor Day weekend and the summer is drawing to a close. Students are returning to school, people are returning from vacations and, hopefully, our church will again be filled each Sunday with friends and family.

As we resume the normal and busy aspects of our church lives, many of you have asked about the status of a new priest for our parish. All I can say is that the Board of Trustees is working with His Grace, Bishop Gregory, our Dean, Father Andrew Fetchina and the Chancery in Johnstown to identify our next priest. We met with His Grace in New York earlier in the summer and discussed our needs and desires. His Grace is committed to finding a replacement as soon as possible; however, there is no specific timetable for this. Hopefully, with God's grace, it will come sooner rather than later.

In the interim, St. Nicholas Church has been blessed by a number of individuals who have stepped in to fill the void and serve us in our time of need. It is important to acknowledge and thank all of these individuals who have sacrificed their own time and needs to assist us. Please join me and our Board members in extending our warmest thanks and love to:

Rev. Alexandre Ioukliaevskikh

Very Rev. Andrew Fetchina (Rahway)

Rev. Michael Chendorain (Perth Amboy)

Rev. Kenneth Ellis (Manville)

Very Rev. John Fencik (Bayonne)

Deacon Gregory Benc

Seminarian William Bennett

And on the rare occasions when neither Nick nor I were available, we thank Stephanie Salony and John Busel for their singing and reading.

And, most of all, we thank you, our beloved parishioners for your support and your patience. God has been good to St. Nicholas Church because He knows what a strong and dedicated family we have been and will continue to be. May He continue to bestow His blessings on us all.

With love in Christ,

Bob Zizik
Chairman

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our annual **BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN** will be held September 7th during Liturgy.

We pray for Your Blessing upon all students, young and old, as they begin a new school year. Watch over them and keep them safe as they travel to and from school. And as they grow in knowledge, help them also grow in kindness and compassion, learning respect for themselves and for others. Help them also to discover the different gifts that you have given each one. And finally, bless them with eagerness to learn, that their world may grow large and filled with Your Love. Amen.

PLEASE JOIN FOR THE SECOND PILGRIMAGE/OTPUST

St. Nicholas Church is planning their 2nd Otpust/Pilgrimage to visit the weeping icon at St. George's Orthodox Church in Taylor, PA on **Saturday, September 13th**.

We have a total of approx. 50 people who have expressed an interest in going, which includes 13 who have signed up for transportation via mini-bus. **Please let Stephanie know as soon as possible if you are interested in traveling with us via mini-bus.** If we do not get enough people to fill the mini-van, **we will not be able to offer transportation.**

We need 12 more passengers!

If we have the mini-van, there will be 2 pick-up locations as follows: Brooklyn, NY (92nd Street/7th Avenue - near SUNY Downstate Hospital), and Manhattan (St. Nicholas Orthodox Church - 288 E. 10th Street - Corner of Avenue A). The time of the first pick up will be 7:30AM in Brooklyn and 8 AM by the church. The bus will leave St. George's Church to return to NY at approx. 2PM.

The first trip to St. George's was a very emotional, spiritual, and full filling trip. We had over 60 people (youngest being 18 months old, and the oldest 91 year young). It is something that everyone should experience. Father Mark later sat down with us to explain when the icons started to weep the fragrant oil and the miracles that have occurred since then.

The price of the van will depend on how many people we will have. Please contact me either via e-mail - stephanie.salony@comcast.net or on my home # 908-284-0561 if you have any questions.

Those traveling with their own vehicles should plan on arriving at St. George's by 11AM.



SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

On September 14th, we will be having a **Service of Remembrance** for those who perished during 9/11 and then singing of patriotic songs

Looking for Sunday School Teachers! Looking for You!

One of the wonderful things that is happening at St. Nicholas Church is that we have so many children, we need more Sunday School teachers! It's wonderful because there is room for you!

Some reasons you should consider teaching:

The students are delightful: They will enrich your spirit, expand your horizons and grow your faith - you need them in your life and they need you!

The lessons are compelling: They will challenge your thinking, give you new ways of sharing your faith, and deepen your own relationship with Christ.

You promised: As a member of the Orthodox Church, we vow to guide and nurture our children by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to become faithful members of His church. Volunteering to lead Sunday School is a terrific way to make good on this vital promise.

Please see Dawn K. if you are that special person who wants to teach, encourage, instruct, praise, guide & inspire.

It takes a big
heart
to help shape
little
minds.

NOTE TO PARENTS: If your child is in second grade (or higher) and has not received the Sacrament of Holy Confession, please contact Dawn K. as soon as possible to confirm if it is your intention for them to make confession this Sunday School year. Thank you.

COOKIE WALK MEETING – September 28th after Liturgy
 Believe it or not, it is time to start the initial planning for this year's Cookie Walk! If you were a part of the Cookie Walk last year, we could use your advice. All ages are welcome to the meeting, especially the enterprising young stars who were such a big part of last year's events. Please bring your great ideas and love of cookies because we are going to try out several new and exciting recipes and need your opinions. More details to follow.

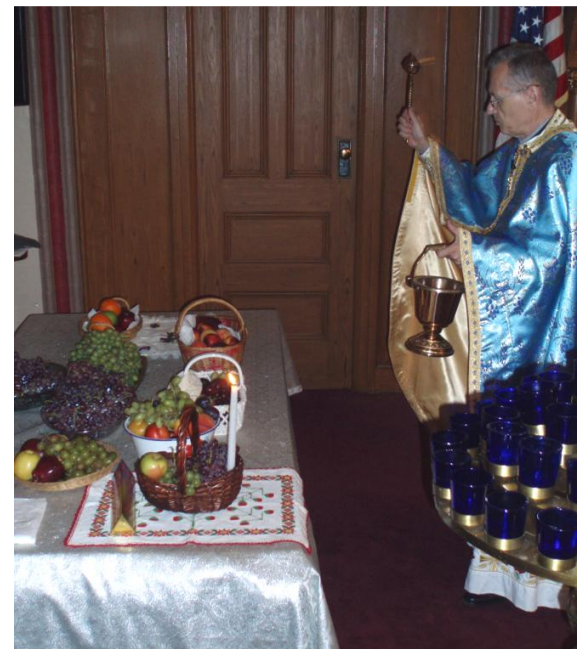
COFFEE HOUR TEAMS – The plan is to continue the Coffee Hour teams after a successful Spring trial run. A tentative list of assigned weeks will be available for the next two weeks in the kitchen for review. Thank you to all of the teams that participated and we hope to create one or two more...maybe a group of men may take on the challenge?

PICNIC – Father Andrew wanted to let us know that the Rahway Parish is having their annual picnic on September 14th from 12:00pm – 4pm. All are invited.

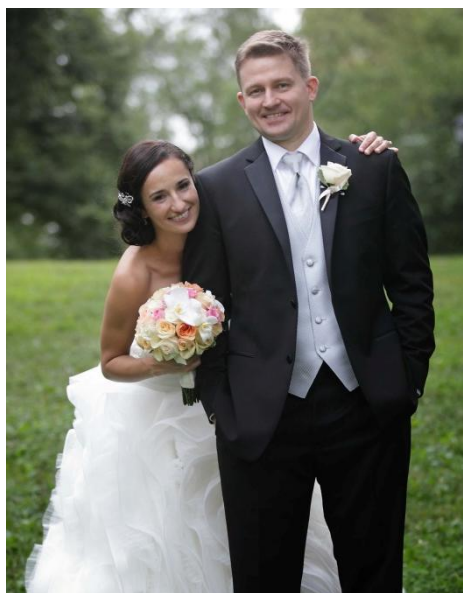
PARISHIONER NEWS FROM OVER THE SUMMER

MEMORY ETERNAL: We extend our deepest condolences to sons Michal, Jan and Mikulas Derevjanik after the passing of their mother Anna Derevjanikova (Firerka) in Jarabina on August 11th. We ask God to give them, and their extended family, the strength to get through this very difficult time. Vičnaja Jej Pamjat! Eternal Memory! There will be a 40-day Parastas on September 21st with a komašna after Liturgy.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT: We offer our congratulations to Anna and Stano Petrik on the birth of their son Lukas John. Lukas weighed 5 lbs. 14 ounces and 19" long. Everyone is doing fine. He was born on July 30th. Na mnohaja i blahaja lita! May God grant you all many blessed years!



Father Alexandre blessing fruit on August 24th in commemoration of the Transfiguration of Christ.



CONGRATULATIONS to George & Monika (Vislocka) Sikorjak on their first week of marriage! They were joined in Holy Matrimony on August 23rd at St. Nicholas Church. May God grant them a long and happy married life.



We'll miss you...
 Victoria Kante and her daughter Mara have left NYC and moved to Johnstown during this past week. They will be joining Victoria's son, William, a Seminarian at Christ the Savior Seminary. May God's Blessings and Grace be with you both, always (and visit us often!).

TRAFFIC ALERTS

**OCTOBER 5th
 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 the city. The 100-mile route also travels through the Holland Tunnel into Jersey City and the George Washington Bridge and Palisades Parkway into Rockland.



**NOVEMBER 2nd NYC
 MARATHON**

More details will be given as we get closer to the event.
<http://www.tcsnycmarathon.org/race-day/course>

CAMP NAZARETH 2014



Front Row (left to right): Alex Ioukhaievskikh, Luke Petricha, Julia Clemente, Leo Rael, Andrew McAusland
 Back Row: Sophia Timko (Camp Counselor), Katarina Kumta, Julia Timko, Adriana Kumta, Audrey Rael, Kate Rael (Camp Counselor)



**New England/New York/New Jersey/Florida/Canada Deaneries
 July 28 - August 2 2014**



Sept. - Dec 2014

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
31 9:00 am Liturgy Dormition of the Blessed Theotokos Blessing of Flowers & Herbs ACRY Convention	SEPT 1 ACRY Convention	2	3	4	5	6
7 Resumption of 10:00 am Liturgy Blessing of the Children Board Meeting Team: Kitchen Cousins	8	9	10	11 Beheading of John the Baptist	12	13 2 nd Pilgrimage Otpust to Taylor, PA
14 Start of the Liturgical Calendar Year Commemoration 9/11 Memorial Service Team: The A Team	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Birth of the Theotokos Parastas after Liturgy: Anna Derevjankova Komašna	22	23	24	25	26	27 Elevation of Cross
28 Cookie Walk Planning Meeting	29	30	OCT 1	2	3	4
5 Traffic Alert: MS Bike Race	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Protection of the Mother of God	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25

26 Halloween Costume Party	27	28	29	30	31	NOV1
2 Traffic Alert NYC Marathon	3	4	5	6	7 Tentative "Women's Woodloch Weekend"	8 Tentative "Women's Woodloch Weekend"
9 Tentative "Women's Woodloch Weekend"	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 CW Dough Preparation Day	17	18	19	20	21	22 Cookie Walk Baking – Stack home
23 Annual Kermes	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
30 Dough Making/Rolling	DEC1 Nativity Fast Begins	2	3	4 Entrance of the Theotokos	5	6
7 Hall Preparation, Dough Rolling & Cookie Baking	8	9	10 Baking at Church	11 Baking at Church	12 Baking at Church	13 6th Annual Cookie Walk
14 6th Annual Cookie Walk	15	16	17	18	19 Wonderworker St. Nicholas	20
21 St. Nicholas Day Luncheon	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	JAN1	2	3
4	5	6 Vigil of the Nativity of Christ	7 Nativity of Christ	8	9	10

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