

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

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SUNDAY, November 24, 2013

Martyr Mennas of Egypt

Epistle Reading: Gal 6:11-18 **Gospel Reading:** Luke 10:25-37 **Tone:** 5 **Troparion & Kontakion:** pg 45

CONFESSION REQUEST Father Michael is available to hear confessions up to fifteen minutes before every Liturgy, and always by appointment.

SERVICES NEXT WEEK – There will be a 40-day Parastas for Justina Nankova, grandmother to Michal Derevjanik, after Liturgy next week. There will be a Komašna in the Main Hall.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Mikulas Derevjanik, Paul Federico, Anne Gaydos, Chelsea Gerstein, Mary Koneval Krupp, Irma Poyda, Michael Ryan and Florence Walcyk many happy and blessed years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - Mnohaja i Blahaja L'ita

Let us all wish Jan and Renata Hubka many happy and blessed years!

PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYERS FOR: Mary Fackovec, Peter Tymus, Christine Whitaker, Mike Kelcho, Magda Matlak, Helen Karpiak, Rich Vislocky, Paul Sikoryak, Deacon Michael Kozar, Lorraine Vira, Mary Strenk, Steven Gaydos, Ann Gaydos, Mary Lichvarik, Anna Lichvarik, Seman Kovalcik, Olga Petrick, Deacon Joseph Hotrovich, Joyce Rusinak, and Neil Ingenito. Please notify Fr. Michael to add and/or remove names:
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HELP WANTED

We are looking to fill the position of Caretaker for our church with an anticipated start date in early December. If you know of anyone who is interested in the position, please contact Paul Sikoryak - 908-534-2685. Please pass the word around. The Compensation for the Caretaker Position would include the apartment in the church, all utilities paid (except phone), and a small monthly salary.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING TODAY will be held after Liturgy in #2 Hall.

ST MENNAS OF EGYPT, MARTYR AND WONDERWORKER



The Holy Great Martyr Menas of Egypt, was a military officer and served during the reign of the two brutal emperors Diocletian (284-305) and Maximian (305-311). When the emperor began the fiercest persecution against the Christians, the saint refused. He removed his soldier's belt (a sign of military rank) and withdrew to a mountain, where he lived an ascetic life of fasting and prayer.

On the Emperor's birthday, which the people celebrated with outdoor spectacles, St. Mennas openly mocked belief in pagan gods. He was preaching faith in Christ and was seized by Pyrrhus, the official in charge. At his trial, the saint bravely confessed his faith, saying that he had come to denounce the impious. Pyrrhus offered to restore the St. Mennas' former rank if he would offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. When he refused, he was put to cruel tortures and death. This occurred in the year 304. Christians gathered up the martyr's relics by night and later, they were brought to Egypt and placed in a church dedicated to St Mennas southwest of Alexandria.

ENVELOPES

The envelopes for this calendar year are in Hall #2. Be sure to pick them up today! Thank you. Or, if you are tired of writing checks, please stop by the office to sign up for monthly auto-payments on your credit card.



CAN YOU STAY AWHILE TODAY? We will also be making dough during coffee hour today and could use some help if you have an hour or so to gather ingredients or help roll the dough we made yesterday. Speaking of yesterday, a large group of parishioners and friends of St. Nicholas Church met at Robert & Merka's house and baked four kinds of rugelach. Team Stack stayed busy all day. Having the freezer is a big help for the Cookie Walk. Your help is even better!

HOW CAN I HELP THE COOKIE WALK IF I DON'T LIKE TO BAKE?

Not everyone is a baker or even likes to bake. There are plenty of non-baking things that need to be done. Next week, we will need a crew to help put up the two banners (new ones, I might add). On December 8th, we will be decorating the Main Hall. We even have some new decorations to hang and village scenes to create in the windows.

The best thing that all of us can do is to talk to our neighbors, colleagues and friends and see if they would be interested in buying a box (or two!) of cookies. Attached to this bulletin is an order form but better yet, they can order online at www.stnicholaschurchnyc.org/order-cookies.html. Talk to Kim Busel if you have any questions.

REMINDER (excerpted from <http://www.acrod.org/readingroom/spirituallife/on-the-nativity-fast>)

The Nativity Fast begins this week on Thursday (yes, Thanksgiving). It is one of the four Canonical Fasting Seasons in the Church year. This is a joyous fast in anticipation of the Nativity of Christ.

The Nativity Fast begins after Filipovka or "Philip's Fast" on Wednesday. According to legend, St. Philip the Apostle called down the wrath of God upon those who were torturing him to death. As a penance for presuming on the vengeance of God, an angel revealed to him that he would not enter paradise until forty days after his death. Philip then sent word to the other living Apostles and begged them to fast for forty days after his death.

While it is entirely possible that this fast began as a popular custom not necessarily associated with Christmas, it is more likely that the forty day fast grew out of an attempt to imitate the fast of Great Lent preceding Pascha. It is the preparation for the arrival of the Messiah in the birth of the Christ Child.

NEW IDEA FOR COFFEE HOURS – A COFFEE HOUR NETWORK

Here are the teams! We still have room for one more team and will be recruiting today. Each team leader is asked to see Kim and Helenka for a quick five minute **at most** "meeting" right after Liturgy in the kitchen. It won't interfere with the Board meeting. Each team will be assigned to three Sundays between the beginning of December through the end of June. Thanks to the many volunteers!!

Team 1 – Team BQE

Captain: Debbie Derevjanik
Members: Joanne Medvecky, Lorraine Medvecky, Merka Stack, Justine Timko

Team 2

Captain: Pat Sikoryak
Members: Olga Gubinsky, Danuta Horbal, Dawn Krzyzanowski, Meagan Sikoryak

Team 3 – Kitchen Cousins

Captain: Lauren Tymus
Members: Danielle Hofmann, Matt Stack, Nicole Stack, Rob Stack, Mike Tymus

Team 4 – The Black & White Team

Captain: Anka Ludwig
Members: Pani Ann Marie Ioukklievskikh, John Gidicsin, Bill Vislocky, Annie Vislocky

Team 5 – Team Koneval

Captain: Mary Krupp
Members: Helena Gajdos, Anna Gajdos, Amanda Krupp, Maria Koneval

Team 6 – The A Team

Captain: Tanya McAusland
Members: Lillian Benc, Olga Rosina, John Rosina

Team 7 – Team Slovakia & Poland

Captain: Stephanie Salony
Members: Iveta Canjura, Irena Derevjanik, Maria Salonova, Nataalka Sikorjak, Olga Vanatko,

Team 8

Captain:
Members:

The calendar with Coffee hour assignments (between December and June, 2014) will be in the next bulletin.

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

COOKIE WALK

December 14 & 15
Sat: 11-6
Sun: 12-3
Volunteers are needed for both days! Please see the Volunteer Board to sign up

ST. NICHOLAS DAY LUNCHEON

Date: December 22
Cost: Adults: \$12, Children over 12: \$6
Free for children 12 and under
Luncheon prepared by Chef George Chobor and his assistant, Justina

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

January 11, 2014
Save the Date!
Gourmet dinner prepared by Chef George Chobor & Justina
More details to follow in the coming weeks.

NEXT TRIP – Set Sail on January 23, 2015 on the newest Royal Caribbean ship – Quantum of the Seas.

Come join us as will set sail from Bayonne, NJ for a 10-night Eastern Caribbean cruise on the newest Royal Caribbean ship. A full deposit of \$900/cabin is due by December 14, 2013, which would also be FULLY refundable up until November 9, 2014 when the Final Payment is due. All rooms are Oceanview Balconies. You have nothing to lose! There is limited space available, so you if think you would be interested, contact Stephanie Salony at stephanie.salony@comcast.net or at 908-284-0561 right away.

Want to see more: Video: <http://bcove.me/jtja97hl>

OVER 60 PEOPLE ARE ALREADY GOING! HOW ABOUT YOU?

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

*Bohemian Citizens Benevolent
Society of Astoria
Bohemian Hall and Beer Garden*

You are invited to our Annual
Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
on Friday December 6th at 7pm

Family and friends are welcome
Cookies and hot chocolate for all

R.S.V.P. By December 1st
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HOLIDAY MARKET at BEER GARDEN

Saturday, Dec 21 12pm – 6pm
Sunday, Dec 22 12pm – 6pm

Enjoy the fresh crisp air of the season in our spacious garden with a cup of hot chocolate or mulled wine while shopping for that someone special.

To reserve space as a vendor or for more information contact us at events@bohemianhall.com



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SUMMER STUDY ABROAD

Attached to the bulletin is information regarding the Prešov University's (in Prešov, Slovakia), fifth annual three-week Studium Carpato-Ruthenorum International Summer School for Rusyn Language and Culture to be held from June 15 - July 5, 2014 The program is hosted by the university's Institute of Rusyn Language and Culture. To read more about the program, click here: <http://www.unipo.sk/pracoviska/urjk/1/LS5/AJ>

Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Galatians 6:18

The Epistle today is the conclusion of the Apostle Paul's letter to the Galatians. St. Paul takes the stylus from his scribe and writes the last of his letter to the Galatians himself. He wants to punctuate what has been said in his letter, one last time. St. Paul's words are a poignant reminder of a simple truth – on our path to salvation, we must avoid the false gospel of self-salvation and instead, we should boast only and exclusively in the Cross.

What does self-salvation mean, exactly? Here in New York, our papers are full of high profile politicians that tout their “tough on crime” stance in the media with hard-hitting sound bites and yet within a few years are convicted of the very laws that they enacted. Sound familiar? In his letter to the Galatians, Paul warns us of this behavior. The very people who argue for self-salvation are often the same people who don't measure up to their own standards, **because none of us do**. None of us can keep the standards **set by man** in order to save ourselves.

Human nature makes the path to salvation a tall order. The Nike ad “Just do it” underscores our basic belief that our efforts are the core of us getting from point A to point B. As children, we want to please our parents, our teachers, our friends. We do nice things, get good grades and try to make and keep friendships. This may be true on earth, but our relationship to God is very different, according to St. Paul. We must go against our human nature to please in order to be rewarded. St. Paul emphatically states that following a man-made law to prove faith will not contribute to a person's salvation nor will a person be accepted by God for following it. If we believe in the Cross, we already have that Acceptance. Belief is our salvation, not works – even good works.

It sounds so simple, but this concept is a hard one for me. I remember as a teenager that I had made an intricate set of banners to hang up in the Church (I was raised in the Methodist Church). I spent hours and hours on the project and was quite proud of my work considering that I am not a very “crafty” person. The minister was complimenting the beautiful banners during his homily, but gave the credit for the work I did to my best friend, Lynn and thanked her profusely for all of her effort. I was very upset. My mother gently asked me what my motivation was behind the project. Was I seeking the recognition on earth of my faith, boasting of my effort, and if so, then I should correct the mistake. She was right and I never said anything, but I sure did grumble a lot under my breath.

The second half of the simple truth as outlined by St. Paul is the very concept of “boasting”. In 1994, it was reported by Pyongyang media outlets that Kim Jong Il shot a 38 under par on a regulation 18-hole golf course – including 5 holes in one made even more amazing by the fact that it was his first time playing the sport! We can all roll our eyes at the ludicrous claims made but look a little deeper. It is again, human nature to boast on some level – to play up an accomplishment, talent, income, or good work, to validate our importance, to ultimately say that we measure up. We all do it, if even just a little.

According to St. Paul, our boasting, however, should come from one place and one place only – the Cross. In today's Epistle, St. Paul writes *But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ*. Paul looked at the Cross and saw that God loved us enough to send his Son to die for us. He looked to the Cross and saw his salvation. Christ paid the full price for our salvation. We've been forgiven. You can't boast in the Cross and yourself at the same time. If you glory in the Cross, you have to stop trusting in your own merits and trust in Christ alone.

As I leave the bulletin for the time being, I have one wish. May Christ be your greatest joy and your deepest glory. And in the words of St. Paul the Apostle, *may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.*

Kim

There will be one more “bulletin” next week with the entire month of December outlined and only general announcements. After that point, it is unclear how the bulletin will continue.



WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Do you like to read? I am a great fan of Dr. Seuss. Of all the wonderful characters, my very favorite is Horton the Elephant from *Horton Hears a Who*.

Horton is such a kind and compassionate character. At the beginning of the story, Horton heard a small voice crying for help. He looked all around, but he did not see anyone. All he saw was a tiny speck of dust floating through the air. Horton realized that there was someone on that speck of dust who was calling for help. As it turned out, there was a whole town of people on that little speck of dust. They were calling out for help because they were afraid that the speck of dust would fall into the pool of water and they would drown. Even though they were so small that he couldn't even see them, Horton made up his mind that he was going to help them. "After all," he said, "A person's a person, no matter how small." All of the other animals in the jungle thought Horton was crazy. None of the other animals in the jungle would help him, but Horton refused to give up. He remained faithful to the task of saving the tiny people who needed his help. Because of his faithfulness, the tiny people were saved and finally, the other animals realized that just as Horton had said, "A person's a person, no matter how small."

The story of Horton reminds me a little bit of the parable in today's Gospel. A parable is an easy teaching story that Christ used to give a religious message. One day, a lawyer asked Jesus what he had to do to have eternal life in Heaven. When Jesus asked him what the Bible said, the lawyer answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself." Jesus answered, "You are right. Then the lawyer, then asked another question. "Who exactly is my neighbor?" he asked.

To answer this question, Jesus told a story about a man who was traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho when he was attacked by robbers. They hurt him, took his money, stripped him of his clothes, and left him beside the road to die. Two men saw what had happened and rather than help, they walked on the other side of the road. Finally, a man from Samaria came along, and when he saw the man, he stopped to help him. He put medicine on his wounds and wrapped them with bandages and took the man to an inn. In the time of this story, the man who was hurt was the same religion of the two men that walked by him and didn't help. The Samaritan was not and they were even considered enemies. That's what makes this act of being nice that much more amazing.

Who was Horton in this parable? The lawyer answered, "The one who helped him." "You are right," said Christ, "now you go and do the same."

Jesus has told us to love our neighbor. If you have trouble knowing who your neighbor is, just remember the story of *Horton Hears a Who!* and the parable of the Good Samaritan -- then you will know that *every* person is your neighbor.

STORY OF THE FIVE KERNELS

Legend says that during the first winter the Pilgrims spent in their new home, the food was very scarce. There were some days when all there was to eat were five kernels of corn. The Pilgrims knew that the corn that they had in storage would be for planting in the spring so they couldn't eat it all.

How did they survive during these hard times? Did they give in to bitterness and despair? NO! The Pilgrims chose to trust the Lord and thank Him for what they were given, no matter the size. Those five kernels were a blessing.

From then on, every Thanksgiving, the Pilgrims put five kernels of corn aside their plate each year to remind them of their many blessings.

The **first kernel** reminds us that God loves us.

The **second kernel** reminds us that God provides for all our needs.

The **third kernel** reminds us of the friends God has given us — like the Native Americans that helped the Pilgrims

The **fourth kernel** reminds us of all the people God has given us who love us.

And the **fifth kernel** reminds us of our freedom, under God.

This Thanksgiving consider placing 5 kernels of corn (corn, candy corn, etc.) at each guest's place setting. Spend a few minutes before the meal going around the table and having everyone share 5 things that they are thankful for — a reminder of those 5 kernels of corn at the Pilgrim's Thanksgiving..





Thanksgiving Fun

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BLESSING	CORN	CRANBERRIES
DINNER	FAMILY	FEAST
FIVEKERNELS	FOOTBALL	HAM
INDIANS	MAYFLOWER	NOVEMBER
PARADE	PILGRIMS	PLYMOUTHROCK
PRAYER	PUMPKINPIE	STUFFING
SWEETPOTATOES	THANKFUL	TURKEY

Knock Knock.
 Who's there?
 Gladys.
 Gladys who?
 Gladys Thanksgiving! Aren't you?

Knock Knock.
 Who's there?
 Dewey.
 Dewey who?
 Dewey have to wait long to eat?

Knock Knock.
 Who's there?
 Luke.
 Luke who?
 Luke at all the food!

Knock Knock.
 Who's there?
 Tamara.
 Tamara who?
 Tamara we'll have turkey leftovers!

Q: Why did the Pilgrims want to sail to America in the spring?
 A: Because April showers bring Mayflowers!

Q: Why was Plymouth Rock so brave?
 A: It was a little boulder!

Q: Why was the United Nations concerned when the waitress dropped the meat platter on Thanksgiving?
 A: It meant the fall of Turkey, and the break-up of China

Thanksgiving Math Equations

UFO + Thanksgiving Fruit Sauce = Cranberry Saucer

Corn + Turkey = Cobble, Cobble

Drum + Thanksgiving Dinner = Tom Tom Turkey

Fruit + Turkey = Peach Gobbler



THOUGHTS TO CONSIDER

1. Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout your life.
2. Why is a car windshield so large & the rear view mirror is so small? Look ahead to a bright future.
3. Friendship is like a book. It takes few seconds to burn, but it takes years to write.
4. All things in life are temporary. Enjoy the good times while here and know the bad times will end, too.
5. Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!

6. When we think that this is the end, "relax, it's just a bend, not the end!"
7. When God solves your problems, you have faith in His abilities; when God doesn't solve your problems He has faith in your abilities.
8. A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
9. When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
10. Worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles, it takes away today's PEACE

Nov. – Jan, 2014

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
24 Trustees Mtg. CW Preparation & Dough Making 	25	26	27 Filipovka Apostle Philip Fast	28 Nativity Fast Begins Thanksgiving	29	30
DEC 1 40-day Parastas for Justina Nankova and Komašna 	2	3	4 Entrance of Theotokos	5	6	7
8 Hall Preparation, Dough Rolling & Cookie Baking 	9	10	11 Baking at Church 	12 Baking at Church 	13 Baking at Church 	14 5th Annual Cookie Walk 
15 5th Annual Cookie Walk 	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 St. Nicholas Day Luncheon	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	JAN 1	2	3	4
5 Year Anniversary Parastas - Anna Salony	6 Nativity Vigil	7 Nativity of Christ	8	9	10	11 New Year's Dance

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Studium Carpato-Ruthenorum 2014

International Summer School for Rusyn Language and Culture

University of Prešov in Prešov, Slovakia

June 15 - July 5, 2014



Prešov University in Prešov, Slovakia, announces its fifth annual three-week Studium Carpato-Ruthenorum International Summer School for Rusyn Language and Culture to be held from June 15 - July 5, 2014 (applicants from North America may begin arriving from Saturday, June 14, 2014). The program is hosted by the university's Institute of Rusyn Language and Culture. Prešov University is the only university in the Slovak Republic offering a full-time academic program in Rusyn language and literature accredited for both the B.A. and M.A. in Rusyn Language and Literature.

The Studium summer school is intended for those interested in studying the Rusyn language and the history of the Carpatho-Rusyns, including high school (18 and over) and college students, as well as Slavists and any who wish to broaden their knowledge of East Slavic language, history, and culture. Participants can expect to acquire a familiarity with or strengthen their competency in the Rusyn language, as well as gain an understanding of Carpatho-Rusyn history, culture, literature, and ethnography.

The Studium Carpato-Ruthenorum is held on the campus of Prešov University, at 17th of November Street, #15 (ulica 17. Novembra, č. 15), with the dormitory, cafeteria, and classroom building all located in close proximity. Instruction is provided by university professors, distinguished Slavists, and specialists in Carpatho-Rusyn studies from Slovakia, Ukraine, the United States, and Canada. The language of instruction, in parallel courses, is either Rusyn or English. The program offers 20 hours of history lectures and 20 hours of language instruction. A ten-hour minicourse in Carpatho-Rusyn ethnography will also be offered in both English and Rusyn as part of the curriculum. Extra practice sessions outside of the classroom will help participants strengthen their conversational skills. Participants who complete the program receive official certificates from the Studium, and transcripts will be available for students who wish to earn credits for the program through their home universities.

Carpatho-Rusyn History:

The history lecture series focuses on Carpathian Rus' and the Carpatho-Rusyns worldwide from the earliest times to the present. Lecturers include Professor Paul Robert Magocsi, University of Toronto, and Dr. Valerii Padiak, Researcher and Publisher, Center for Carpatho-Rusyn Studies, Uzhhorod, Ukraine.

Carpatho-Rusyn Ethnography:

The mini-course in Carpatho-Rusyn ethnography is taught in English by Associate Professor Patricia Krafcik, The Evergreen State College (Olympia, Washington) and in Rusyn by Professor Mykola Mušynka, External Faculty in the Institute for Rusyn Language and Culture, Prešov University, and covers selected topics in folklore.

Rusyn Language:

The Rusyn language is offered for beginners, for students who have some knowledge of Russian, Ukrainian, or another Slavic language, and for native speakers of Rusyn. These classes are intended to help participants acquire an understanding of the theoretical linguistic aspects of the Rusyn language, as well as to develop proficiency in the spoken and written language. Instructors include from Prešov University: Associate Professor Anna Plišková and Dr. Kvetoslava Koporová.

Extracurricular Activities:

The following activities take place outside of class and include:

- presentations on Rusyn traditions, folklore, and the socio-cultural life of Carpatho-Rusyns in Slovakia, including a visit to the Svidník Folklore Festival and Rusyn cultural institutions in Prešov;
- presentations on Rusyn folk architecture and culture, including visits to museums, skazens, and wooden churches, and excursions in the Prešov Region of northeastern Slovakia where Rusyns reside;
- a Rusyn literary evening;
- visits to the Alexander Dukhnovych Theater and film viewings;
- *pyranký* (wax resist egg decorating) and folksong workshops.

Housing and Meals:

Participants are housed in a Prešov University dormitory in standard 2-bed/2-room suites with Internet access for laptop computers and dine in the university cafeteria. The dormitory provides a communal kitchen with refrigerator, washing machines, and dryers. Wireless Internet is accessible in the cafeteria building. Available in the university neighborhood are grocery stores, a pharmacy, restaurants, Internet cafes, bookstores, and easy access to city transportation.

Applications:

Applications and a complete program schedule for the Studium may be found at <http://www.unipo.sk/pracoviska/urjk/1/L55> and <http://www.c-rs.org>.

Applications will be accepted online until March 1, 2014, and should be sent to the following email address: urjk@unipo.sk. The online application process is much preferred, but hard copies may be sent to the following postal address:

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Cost:

The cost for the three-week session, including tuition, housing, three meals daily, all excursions, and all museum admissions, is 1200 Euros or \$1670. A non-refundable administrative deposit of 100 Euros or \$140.00 is due by March 1, 2014. This fee will be applied to the total cost, with the remainder of 1100 Euros or \$1530.00 due by May 15, 2014. Participants are responsible for their own travel costs to and from Prešov.

Some financial aid for undergraduate and graduate students registered in a college or university may be available on a needs basis. Please address any requests for financial aid to Assoc. Prof. Anna Plišková at:

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We'll pack our homemade cookies and deliver them to you!

2013 Cookie Walk Order Form December 14-15th

Three sizes are available:

Holiday Take-out Box



\$15

White Box - 6"x6"x4"



\$25

Gluten Free



\$25

Holiday Takeout Box _____ x \$15 = \$ _____

White Box w/ ribbon _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

Gluten Free _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____
(cash or check accepted)

Preferences (check all that apply):

- Love Chocolate!
- Less Chocolate
- Love Nuts!
- Less Nuts
- Sweeter the better
- Prefer less sweet
- Mix 'em up – I like them all!

Your Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

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