

**ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN**  
Sunday, October 14, 2018  
Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council  
Tone 3 / Epistle, Gal. 1:11-19 / Gospel, Luke 8:5-15  
Ven. Parasceva of Serbia / Ven. Nikola Sviatosha

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A LIGHT LUNCHEON will be held today, following the Divine Liturgy. All parishioners and guests are invited to attend.

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IT IS WITH GREAT JOY that we welcome His Eminence, Archbishop Melchisedek, the Head of our Archdiocese of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania, who will officiate at the Divine Liturgy today. May our Lord continue to bless him with good health and strength and enable him to lead our Archdiocese with wisdom and vision in the future. His Eminence will join us during the luncheon today.

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GENERAL CONFESSION will be held next Sunday, October 21 at 9:30 a.m.

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ST. NICHOLAS ETHNIC FOOD FAIR will take place next Saturday, October 20, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please spread the word to your friends and relatives. A sign-up sheet has been posted in the Church vestibule for anyone who wants to make a food or monetary donation. Also, please bring in items for the Flea Market. All items must be received by Monday.

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WORK SCHEDULE before the St. Nicholas Church Ethnic Food Fair:

- Tuesday, October 16, 9 a.m. Steaming of cabbage
  - Wednesday, October 17, 9 a.m., Making of halupki and halushki
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FALL HOAGIE SALE will be held Saturday, November 3.

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GIFT CARDS CAN BE ORDERED in the Candle Room. Take advantage of this opportunity to buy cards for your Christmas shopping and help benefit our Church.

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PLEASE REMEMBER the sick and afflicted in your prayers.

**VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, October 14, 2018**

ANN O'BRIEN and MARY BEHANNA (Virgin Mary Kiot) – In memory of parents, Andy and Petrina Gernat (2)

HEATHER MOLINA – For health of father, Paul Zolak / For special intentions (2)

SANDY CARROLL – Special intentions / For health of mother-in-law, Erma Carroll (2)

WILLIAM MULLEN – For health of wife, Lorraine

ISABALLA MULLEN – For health of grandmother, Lorraine

SANDY KLIZAS – In memory of Stephen and Helen Drake / In memory of Frank and June Drake / For health of Jean Zajac / For health of Bob Schultz (4)

PAULINE AITKEN – In memory of departed son, Kevin / In memory of departed grandson, Nicholas / In memory of departed husband, Lee / Special intentions / For health of uncle, Ralph Prystash / For health of granddaughter, Amanda (6)

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – For birthday of granddaughter, Rachel / For safe travel for family / For health of daughter, Christine and granddaughter, Alexandra (2) / For health of daughter, Kyra and grandson, Luke (2) / For health of Fr. Igor (7)

TOM and ELAINE BACKSTROM – In memory of mom and dad / Special intentions / God's healing hand upon sister, Michele / God's healing hand upon brother-in-law, Paul / God's blessings on our grandchildren, Sydney, Luke, Freddy and Madison / God's blessings on Aaron and Cara (6)

MIKE HORAN – For health of wife, Becky

MIKE and BECKY HORAN – For health of Olga Bogan

M/M NICK MILCHOVICH – Safe travels for family / Birthday blessings for mom, Pauline Petro / For health of parishioners / For health of Fr. Igor / Birthday blessings for niece, Rachel Petro (5)

MARK SOROKA – For health of father, Fr. Igor / In memory of mother, Matushka Irene (2)

FR. IGOR SOROKA – In loving and blessed memory of departed Matushka Irene

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**Wisdom from the Saints: On Prayer**

True prayer is undistracted and prolonged, performed with a contrite heart and alert intellect. The vehicle of prayer is everywhere and it is a manifestation of humility. For being conscious of our own weakness, we invoke the power of God. Prayer unites one with God, being a divine conversation and spiritual communion with the Being that is most beautiful and highest. Prayer is forgetting earthly things, an ascent to heaven. Through prayer we flee to God. Prayer is truly a heavenly armor, and it alone can keep safe those who have dedicated themselves to God. Prayer is the common medicine for purifying ourselves from the passions, for hindering sin and curing our faults. Prayer is an inexhaustible treasure, an unruffled harbor, the foundation of serenity, the root and mother of myriads of blessings.

– St. Nectarios