

ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Tone 4. Epistle, 1 Cor. 16:13-24 / Gospel, Matt. 21:33-42

Martyrs Adrian and Natalia

ALL PARISHIONERS of ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH ARE INVITED to a "Sunday of Togetherness Picnic" today, following the Divine Liturgy. Please join us for an afternoon of food and fellowship. There will also be games for the children.

NEW FALL SCHEDULE WILL BEGIN on Sunday, September 9 at 10:00 a.m.

ST. NICHOLAS ETHNIC FOOD FAIR will take place on Saturday, October 20, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please spread the word to your friends and relatives.

ORTHODOX STUDY BIBLES are available for purchase in the Church Hall.

THIS COMING WEDNESDAY is a day of strict fasting as the Church remembers the Beheading of St. John the Baptist.

VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, August 26, 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)

SANDRA KLIZAS – In memory of Stephen and Helen Drake / In memory of Frank and June Drake / In memory of Bill Vrabel (3)

SANDY CARROLL – In thanksgiving to God / Special intentions (2)

BILL MULLEN – For health of wife, Lorraine

ISABELLA MULLEN – For health of grandmother, Lorraine

ELEANOR PRYSTASH – In memory of husband, John / For health of Becky Horan (2)

JIM PRYSTASH – In memory of dad

OLGA BOGAN – For health of family / For health of Becky Horan / For health of Stephanie and Tobias (3)

MARSHA REIDMILLER – For health of family / For health of Becky Horan / For health of Tobias (3)

GINNY and DAVID CASCIANI – For God's healing hand upon granddaughter, Gianna

BOB and MARY BEHANNA – For health of daughter, Debra / For health of nephew, David (2)

M/M FRED RUEV JR. – In memory of John Dimitri Culyba Sr. / May God's healing hand be upon Priscilla Kaluponov, Becky Horan and grandson, Joshua and all those afflicted in our parish – May God grant them a speedy recovery (3)

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 / For health of Becky Horan (7)

BILL PRIATKO – God's healing hand be with all the afflicted in our parish / God's watchful hand be with all of our troops who are in harm's way / God's healing hand be upon brother-in-law, John Dutka / Blessed Memory Eternal to my beloved Katrinka

DEBBIE and DAN PRIATKO – In memory of our beloved mom / In memory of our beloved sister-in-law, Dottie / For health of uncle, John Dutka / For health of cousin, Don Pollock / For health of aunt, Marion Campbell / For health of all parishioners / For health of Fr. Igor / God's blessings upon our parish (8)

DEBBIE PRIATKO – Special intentions (3)

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – For birthday of grandson, Russell / For birthday of son, Theodore / For health of Dolores and Ralph Veschio / For health of daughter, Kyra and grandson, Luke (2) / For health of daughter, Christine and granddaughter, Alexandra (2) / In memory of newly departed John Culyba Sr. / God's healing hand be upon Becky Horan (10)

SANDY AITKEN – In memory of dad, Lee / In memory of godson, Nicholas / For health and well-being of mother, Pauline / For health of Priscilla Kaluponov / For health of Fr. Igor / Special intentions (6)

VLAD KASH (3)

KASH FAMILY – In memory of Helen Lelekacs

MIKE HORAN – For health of wife, Becky

MIKE and CINDY HORAN and FAMILY – For health of mother, Becky Horan

ERIKA and LOGAN HORAN – For health of mom, Becky Horan

M/M NICK MILCHOVICH – For health of Becky Horan / For health of Priscilla Kaluponov / Birthday blessings for son, Nicholas (8/28) (3)

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 / In blessed memory of brother, Fr. Vladimir (2)

Souls that hasten to work willingly in the lifegiving vineyard and to become its vines, cut away everything that's superfluous. Unnecessary things are an obstacle to providing worthy fruits for God's storehouse. What are they? Riches, sensuality, vain glory, the vanities which come and go, every abominable and wicked passion of the soul and body, the whole welter of the conceited thoughts in the mind, everything heard and seen and every word that can injure the soul. As Saint Gregory Palamas tells us, unless you take the greatest care in pruning and cleaning these offshoots of the heart, you will never provide fruit for eternal life. As good tenants of God's vineyard, we must provide fruit, our vines must blossom with virtues. We must drink the sweet wine of Christ and cut off the sinful pleasures of perceptible things.