

# ST. NICHOLAS NEWS

Vol. 3 No. 2.3

## ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

505 Jefferson Avenue, Scranton, Pa. 18510

Fr. Nicholas Ferencz, Ph.D., pastor  
Rectory: 570-344-5917  
Cell: 724-953-6046

Hall - 570-344-1522  
www.stnicholasorthodoxscranton.org  
nferencz35@gmail.com

February 16, 2014

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

### PARISH CALENDAR

- Sun., Feb. 16 *Sunday of the Prodigal Son.* Synaxis of the Prophets Simeon and Anna.  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy – Special Sheets  
Parish Board Meets.
- Wed., Feb. 19 Virgin Martyr Dorothy.  
6 AM *Pirohi Prep*  
9 AM-ish *Pirohi Making*
- SAT., FEB. 22 1<sup>ST</sup> ALL-SOULS SATURDAY. Leave-taking of the Encounter.  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Reading of the List of the Deceased (Hramoty).
- Sun., Feb. 23 *Meat-Fare Sunday.* Martyr Charalampas.  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy - Special Sheets  
Church School - All Classes

### FEASTS AND FASTS

#### FEASTS:

ALL-SOULS SATURDAYS: The first of the five All-Souls Saturday is this Saturday, February 22. These days we especially pray for our deceased loved ones and the deceased of our parish. We are often enjoined by the Fathers of the Church to pray for the dead. If you do not remember them, who will?

If you would like to have your loved ones remembered, please fill out an envelope and include the list of your deceased. Please return these to Fr. Nik as soon as possible.

#### FASTS:

*Meat-Fare Sunday:* In the traditional Fast of the Church, next Sunday is the last day to eat meat until Pascha (hence, “Farewell to Meat” Sunday). This was intended to be a way to ease into the stricter fast of the Great Lent. Diocesan regulations only require the usual Wednesday/Friday abstinence from meat.

### PEOPLE STUFF

*Please remember in your prayers:*

*Living:* Stephanie Bonk. Gloria Bracey. Mary Chupron. Susan Danchak. Michael Danchak. Fr. George Dursa. Jada Eiden. Robert & Eddie Hawley. Lorraine Kacaba. Anna Mae Kuklis. Dee Lositski. Peggy Majcher. Emma Sacco. Amy Shimo. Connie Lou Slater. Faye Snell. Marion Sosnowski. Jeff Thomas. Ann Marie Tigue. Gary Wassel. Michael Wassel. Julia Worobey.

*At Home:* Michael Andreosky. Elizabeth Basalyga. George & Anna Senich. Kathryn Stocoski.

*In Assisted Living Homes:* Julie Kovacs. Julie Roberts.

### PARISH STUFF

#### Church School.

- All classes meet next Sunday, Feb. 23.
- **Adult Enrichment Gatherings:** We are finally back on track. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 25 at 6 PM. We’ll be talking about Liturgy again.

**Parish Board** meets today.

**Maintenance Person needed:** The Parish Board is looking for a person to do regular maintenance in the church and the hall. Salary is \$100/month. If you are interested, or if you would like to see a job description, please see Jane Togher.

**PIROHI MAKING:** this Wednesday we will begin Pirohi Prep at 6 AM as usual. How much we make will depend upon sales this week.

PIROHI MAKING (WED)	PIROHI SALE (FRI)
February 19	
February 26	February 28
<i>Not March 5</i>	
March 12	March 14
March 19	
March 26	March 28
<i>Not April 2</i>	
April 9	April 11 - Last Sale

**Priests' Retreat:** I will be at Camp Nazareth from Wednesday evening until Friday. In case of an emergency, please call my cell phone.

### YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND HIS CHURCH

#### Sunday, February 9, 2014

\$ 770.00	General Collection
\$ 2.00	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday
\$ 79.00	7 Day Lights
\$ 100.00	Holy Days
\$ 90.00	Church Dues
\$ 25.00	Maintenance & Repairs
\$ 9.00	Tapers
\$ 10.00	Vigil Lights
<b>\$ 1085.00</b>	<b>Total Collection</b>

### PARISH STUFF – LOOKING AHEAD. . .

**Cheese-Fare Sunday (Forgiveness Sunday)** is March 2. As in past years, we would like to plan a *Parish Brunch*, followed by *Forgiveness Vespers* to start our celebration of Lent off right. More info soon.

**Lenten Missions** - There will be only 4 Missions this year. *Our parish* will host the first one on *Sunday, March 16*, with Vespers at 3:00 PM and the usual Lenten dinner afterward. Let's start clearing our calendars.

### FROM THE DIOCESE & OTHER STUFF

**Prenten Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner** – Father Myron Myronyuk and his parish family of St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Scranton PA, cordially invite you to join us for our annual Pre-Lenten PORK & SAUERKRAUT/KAPUSTA DINNER on Sunday, February 23, 2014, beginning at 12:30pm at St. Vladimir Parish Center, 428 North Seventh Avenue, between West Lackawanna Avenue and West Linden Street. *Menu:* Adults \$13.00; Students \$6.00 (age 6-12); Age 5 and under free. *Advance reservations required:* phone Dorothy Fleck at 570 346-4164 for reservations and for take-out info. Doors open at 11:30 AM.

**Myasopusna (Meat-fare Sunday) Celebration** – Dinner tickets are now available for Transfiguration of Our Lord Church's Myasopusna festival. Place: the church's banquet hall, at the corners of Bliss Street and Center Street, in the Hanover Section of Nanticoke. on Sunday, February 23, 2014 from noon to 3:30 pm. Dinner (a platter of haluptsi, kobasa, varenyky, kapusta, borscht, blackbread and butter, and a homemade dessert) will be served from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. A variety of Ukrainian crafts, will be on display and available for sale or by raffle. This year's raffle features Ukrainian Easter hand-embroidered basket covers, and hand-made gerdany (Ukrainian necklaces). Following dinner, live entertainment will include the Holy Year Choir, Kazka Ukrainian Folk Ensemble, and the Saint Mary's Ukrainian Dancers. Dinner tickets are \$15. Tickets can be purchased by calling 570-735-4654 or 570-824-3880.

**Camp Nazareth – Looking Ahead for this summer:** The 2014 Schedule has been posted on the Camp's website - [www.campnazareth.org](http://www.campnazareth.org). With all the necessary forms.

We ask our parents and parishioners to especially encourage our parish children to participate in the Camp this year. *Please remember* that we have historically covered the camp fees for all the children in the parish who attend the camp.