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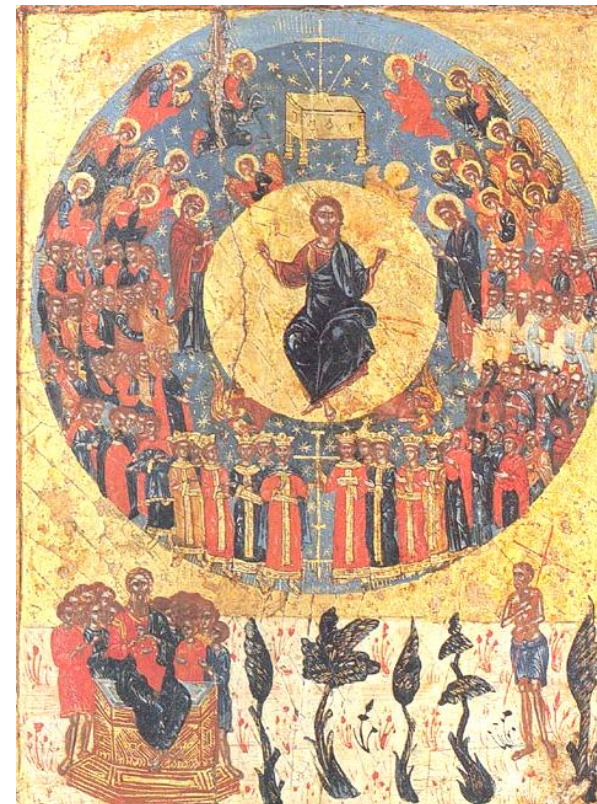
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CHURCH BULLETIN - N^o24
June 10 - 2012 - 10 Червня
ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК - Ч. 24

Подевімся на небо над нами підчас гарної місячної ночі і там побачимо так багато зірок, що їх навіть полічити не можливо. Одна світліша від другої. Не можемо собі уявити ці безмежні простори які відділяють нас від тих зірок. Вони для нас виявляються недосяжні.

Рівно ж якщо подивимося на духовне небо, завважимо там також багато зірок. Одна гарніша від другої, і безмежні простори нас розділюють. Ці зірки - це святі які жили життям праведників і вмерли в надії на Вічне Життя, яке дав їм Господь за їхню віру і безмежну любов.

Кожний і кожна зі святих має повноту святости. Можна б їх порівняти до шклянок різних велечин медом наповнених. Усі вони повні, і нічого більше до повноти додавати неможливо і непотрібно. Ми які пємо з тих чаш можемо більше скористати з одної як з другої, але це вже залежить від нас самих, від наших спроможностей.

Усі дні церковного року присвячені отим різним святим – а сьогодні згадуємо їх усіх.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

June 10: 2 S. aft Pent. – 2 Н по ЗСД **T1**

12:00 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян
Mon., June 11 – Пон., 11 Червня

9:15 M +Helene Mysliwiec & Anna Jussela
+John & Florence (Jim)

Tue., June 12 – Вівторок, 12 Червня

9:15 M ()

12:00 PM Moleben - Молебень

Wed., June 13 – Серeda, 13 Червня
No Liturgy – Нема відправи

Thu., June 14 – Четвер, 14 Червня

11:15 M + (.)

12:00 PM Moleben - Молебень

Fri., June 15 – П'ятниця, 15 Червня

6:00 M + 40 . .
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Sat., June 16 – Субота, 16 Червня

9:00 M ,

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4:30 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян
Father's Day and Thanksgiving

June 17: 3 S. aft Pent. – 3 Н по ЗСД **T2**

12:00 PM +Wasył Prystajko (Family)

Останній дзвінок в «Рідній Школі»
У суботу 16 Червня.

Програма:

9:00 р. Св. Літургія

10:00 р. Концерт

11:00 р. Обід.

Запрошуємо до участі!

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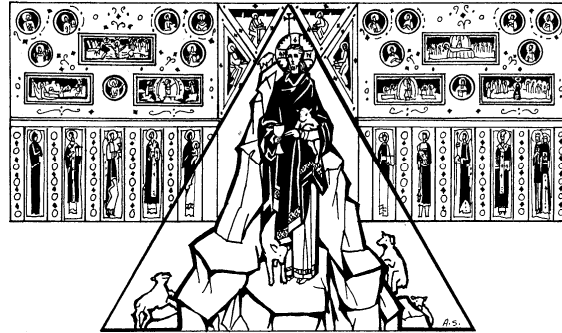
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10 Червня: ВСІХ СВЯТИХ

10:00 р. +Іван і Марія Правак
(родина)

17 Червня: 2 Н. По З.С.Д. **Гл. 1**

10:00 р. +Василь Романюк
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Anna, Wasył
Requ. By: Tekla Moczerniak

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Sunday, August 19, 2012

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Church Hall. Every one is welcome. More
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SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, June 16th

4:30PM

**60th Birthday Celebration of
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Picnic to follow after Liturgy
Desserts and picnic items (such as baked
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**If you would be willing to help put up
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After Liturgies
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--- 5 Серпня, 2012 ---

In Memoriam – Вічна Пам'ять!

Упокоївся в Господі Св. Пам.

+Михайло Іваничко

(17. IX. 1947 - 5. VI. 2012)

Мамі Улянці та іншим ченам родини, приятелям і знайомим складаємо співчуття, а йому хай буде Вічна Пам'ять!



Fell asleep in the Lord

+Michael Iwanyczko

(Sep. 17, 1947- June. 5, 2012)

Beloved husband of Paulette (nee Kwasnieski); devoted father of Melissa, Aaron (Katrina) and Michael John Iwanyczko; loving grandfather of Briana Bestine; step-father of Vincent, Kelly and Gerald; dearest son of Eliana and the late Mychajlo Iwanyczko; step-son of Eugene Wusatyj; dearest brother of Luba (William Windahl) Szyszkowski, Mary C. (Brian) Muhs and late John (Regina) Iwanyczko; also survived by nieces, nephews and cousins.

We extend our sympathy to the members of the Family and friends. Rest in peace! Eternal Memory! Vichnaya Pamiat!

To My Papa,

Papa, I love you with all my heart. All the things we use to do together. We use to go fishing and you use to take me go-karting. When we use to go go-karting you would wave to me when I would go in front of everyone, and I knew you would do anything for me. Papa, you are like my father. You took care of me since I came home from the hospital. I remember when you went to sleep, how I would crawl into your arms and cuddle with you. I love you Papa, please remember me.

Your grandchild,

Briana

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"THE VIBRANT PARISH – A PLACE TO ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Glory to Jesus Christ!

The mission of the Church, founded by Jesus Christ, continues for over two thousand years. While Christ calls men and women to follow him down through the centuries, every generation faces unique challenges in living and proclaiming the “Good News.” The world around us is constantly changing, but we are always called to follow Christ and build the Kingdom of God.

Last September the Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, while gathered for their synod in Curitiba, Brazil, asked us to reflect on our vocation in the Church, our service and ministry in our parish communities and in society at large. We all know that a vibrant parish provides the ideal place to *encounter the Living Christ*.

This is why I am asking the priests and religious of the Stamford Eparchy to begin preparations for an *Eparchial Sobor* which is scheduled for April 18-20, 2013. This *Sobor*, that is, our own gathering of priests, religious, and faithful of the Eparchy, will give us the opportunity to reflect on our Christian calling and mission in today's world.

In advance of this important event in the life of our local Church, we are planning a series of gatherings on the eparchial, deanery and local parish level in preparation for the Sobor. I encourage you all to take part in these activities as they take place in your area!

I pray and hope that with renewed vigor we may proclaim the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and be witnesses of His loving presence to those who search and wish to follow Christ!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Paul

Most Rev. Paul Chomnycky, OSBM
Eparch of Stamford



With the picturesque Catskill Mountains providing them with a glorious backdrop for their deliberations, the clergy of the Stamford Eparchy gathered at the Soyuzivka Ukrainian Resort near Kerhonkson, NY from Monday, June 4 to Wednesday, June 6 for their annual Spring Clergy Days. These eparchial clergy gatherings are held twice a year - in the spring and in the fall - and provide an opportunity for priestly fellowship as well as prayer and lively discussions concerning current pastoral issues in the Eparchy. In the above photo Bishop Paul Chomnycky stands with the assembled eparchial clergy.

The main topic of discussion at this year's Spring Clergy Days was the newly-inaugurated strategic plan for the renewal of the Ukrainian Catholic Church entitled: "The Vibrant Parish: A Place to Encounter the Living Christ", specifically about the implementation of the first three points contained in His Beatitude Sviatoslav's Pastoral Letter to the faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Church: "The Vibrant Parish: A Place to Encounter the Living Christ", which are:

- 1) the Word of God,
- 2) the Holy Mysteries and Prayer, and
- 3) Serving One's Neighbour.

The training sessions for the implementation of the strategic plan will continue at the Fall Clergy Days in October. At that time the implementation of the final three points of His Beatitude Sviatoslav's Pastoral Letter will be discussed: 4) Leadership, 5) Fostering and Serving Unity, and 6) A Missionary Spirit.

From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

The second Sunday after Pentecost shows us the practical application of the great call to discipleship given by Jesus in today's Gospel, which tells of the calling of the first Apostles. On the shore near Galilee, Jesus sees Simon and Andrew fishing. He says to them: "Follow me". He wants to make them fishers of men. "And they straight away left their nets, and followed him". Further on, Jesus meets James and John, also fishermen, in the company of their father, Zebedee. Jesus calls them and scripture tells us that: "They immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him". The new disciples abandon their nets and their ships: Jesus sometimes asks us to forsake the things we want most in life in order to follow Him. Yet Jesus' call also has a very positive aspect: one must follow the Master in order to learn the way to salvation. But the first Apostles could not have followed the Master if they had not first of all left their ships and their nets behind. Today's Gospel reading compels us to ask ourselves the following questions: What have we abandoned in order to follow Jesus? What else does the Lord want us to leave behind? Truthfully, we all know the obstacles that separate us from God, we all know the things that we could do better or need to eliminate completely. Lord knows, it is not easy to make those sacrifices; we all want to do things our own way. And yet, what Christ did for each of us was much harder than any sacrifice we would ever be asked to make. When He took the cross for our sins, we were given the gift of Eternal life, and no one will ever outdo the sacrifices Christ made on our behalf.

When we think of discipleship, we think of the men and women who follow Christ on their journey toward salvation, but this should not be confused with the real meaning behind the call to discipleship. "Follow me" is not an invitation to be saved; it is the call of

the believer to service. It is no small decision to follow Jesus. It is possible to have heard the Lord's teaching and still not be a disciple, to be a camp-follower without being a soldier, to be a hanger-on in some great work without pulling one's weight. But to really follow Jesus is to set aside our own goals and pleasures in order to embrace the purposes for which God created us. Those purposes are: to know the Lord in a personal way and to make disciples of others by teaching them the way of the Lord. All those who truly follow Christ must exchange their affections, their personal goals and priorities for His alone. When Jesus called Peter and Andrew, their goal was to be successful fishermen. In asking them to forsake this goal, Jesus asked them to follow Him, and He would "make them fishers of men's souls." Jesus did not simply command His disciples to become fishers of men, but rather He promised to make them fishers of men. The requirements for following Jesus are not the same for everyone. But for each of us it certainly involves a willingness to exchange our personal desires for those of the Lord.

I have discovered over the years that the worst thing in life is not failing, but rather succeeding in a worldly pursuit that leaves no room for God in our lives. There have been times in the life of every Christian when we recognize that the greatest thing we can do with our life is to bring someone else closer to Christ. The call of the first disciples was to make them 'fishers of men's souls' - a discipleship that would bring people closer to Christ and ultimately closer to God the Father. We all know people that we have wanted to give up on in life, because we forget to consider the following: Jesus wants us to be someone whose heart is moved to reach out to all the people around us and bring them closer to the Lord. But in order to accomplish this goal in life, are we willing to lay aside our personal ambitions and plans in order to fully follow Christ?

From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

June 3, 2012 A.D.

Dear _____,

(Your name here, for your very own personal letter)

If you could see me now, and see what I'm doing, you'd be really proud of me. First of all, I don't like to mess around with machines or new fangled gadgets, and I consider myself a computer illiterate, who still has not mastered the TV remote. But here I am sitting in the beautiful building called The Main House at Soyuzivka writing to you on a laptop computer. Who woulda thunk it?! And they used to call me a "Shaftie!" (That would be a derogatory term meaning, "one who hails from the beautiful hard coal region of Pennsylvania," a name which was coined by some wise guy "Preppies" at St. Basil's). So let's just click away as we say, "happy Sunday, Monday or whenever you are reading your letter this week."

We are here for our spring clergy days, and what an important gathering it is! There is always a clergy meeting at the beginning of June, but this time we are part of an historical, and extremely important gathering, as we have begun to study and discuss the pastoral letter of our Patriarch Sviatoslav, entitled "The Vibrant Parish-a place to encounter the Living Christ," as well as prepare for next year's Eparchial Sobor, recently proclaimed by Bishop Paul. As a group the Bishop, all of us priests, and a deacon are studying, discussing and offering suggestions on implementing the "Vision 2020" program in our eparchy. Much of what is being discussed here these few days will become the basis for the eparchial sobor to be held in April of 2013.

The idea is to have a re-awakening of the clergy and laity in order to have a renewal and strengthening of our Faith and Church life, not only here in the USA, but in our entire world-wide Church. The Patriarch has stated that he is just as con-

cerned about the parish in the jungles of Brazil as he is about the Cathedral in Kiev. All of us must ask ourselves how we can contribute to making the parish a "vibrant one, where we can encounter the Living Christ." Once we encounter this Living Christ we will be forced to examine ourselves and ask, "How am I doing? Am I in love with Jesus Christ? Do I love and am I faithful to the treasure of our Faith? Am I faithful to the call of my Baptism?"

In asking these questions, and others like them, and then reflecting on the answers that come to us, we realize it's all about holiness of our life, and the purpose of our life. As we delve into these deep realities and search for answers, it makes us feel as we are on a retreat, rather than merely attending study days. We truly have entered into some very serious and grace filled days for our Church. We'll be hearing more and more about this in the days ahead, and even years ahead. Indeed let us all pray, "Come Holy Spirit!" I don't like "programs" and "strategic plans," but this is going to be a wonderful opportunity for our Church to "talk about the elephants in the room" and to begin a journey of renewal and promise. Hop on, hang on and get ready for a great and interesting ride! And for sure, "Be not afraid!"

Right about now I should be out walking around the beautiful grounds of this wonderful "aging resort," but, if you can believe it, it's too dangerous these days. No there aren't any terrorists lurking in the woods to keep me from enjoying the sights, smells and wonder of these beautiful mountains... just a Mama bear and two cubs!

Shortly after our arrival they came walking past the fountain outside of "The Main House as if they owned it (which she definitely does!). Evidently, Mrs. Bear has been teaching the young ones about the joys of the garbage cans behind the kitchen. So "smachnoho-bon appetit," Mommie Bear! You do what you gotta do for your kids and we'll just let you have your space.

We've always heard there could be bears around here, but this is the first time we've been this close

to them. Hopefully the kitchen will secure the garbage and the "cute little family" will head on to better hunting grounds. It's only the priests this week, but this place is very active during the summer and they certainly would be a disruption for the guests. Imagine what would happen if the animals would decide to go for a walk when a wedding was in progress at the "Chapel in the Woods." I can just hear the groom saying to his new bride, "I told you we shoulda got married in a real church!" So the bottom line is that the bears own the territory. Any outdoor exercise will have to wait till I get home and can walk down Main St. in West Seneca where the concern is a distracted kid on a bike, or maybe a dog off his leash. Since I can't go hiking, I've decided to write.

We'll be here till late Wednesday afternoon, and if all goes well, we will arrive back in Western NY around 10pm. Our last trip was for our retreat when we drove home in a blinding snowstorm. The only worry this time might be a few scattered showers.

As I write to you on this Tuesday, I'm reminded that tomorrow, June 6, is the 68th anniversary of D-Day. If you didn't remember it, maybe you can stop and say a prayer for those valiant warriors who lost their lives on that fateful and "longest day" that changed the world. And how valiant they were! Every time I see the pictures of those young boys coming off the landing craft into that hail of bullets, I just shudder. May their memory be eternal! Thank God for all the blessings that have come through their sacrifice, and the sacrifices of all who served! God bless that "Greatest Generation!"

Let us pray that they did not die in vain! Let us pray that they did not sacrifice and serve in vain! Friday, Jun 8th is going to be another big day in many of our cities. On June 8th here in Buffalo, and all across the US, concerned citizens of faith and conviction will come together to call attention to the serious attacks on our freedom, particularly religious freedom.

In that same light we have just received handouts entitled "Protecting Consciences." It is a document issued by the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops), which tells us "to get informed, pray and advocate." It encourages us to send a message to Health and Human Services and Congress telling them to uphold religious liberty and conscience rights. In doing this the Bishops have also announced a "Fortnight for Freedom-June 21-July 4. This will be two weeks of prayer, fasting and encouraging more of the faithful to be aware of the serious attacks on people of faith. During this time we will remember St. John Fisher, St. Thomas Moore, St. John the Baptizer, St. Peter and St. Paul, all who were martyrs because they stood up to the dictator, king, president and courageously proclaimed their faith. "Viva Christo Rey!"



The bottom of the page is rapidly approaching, signaling that I've got to close for now. Don't forget: "Next Sunday is Father's Day!" I know I'm not going to get a tie!

I pray this note finds you well and happy in the Lord. Have a beautiful week, say your prayers and please remember me. BTW, it was wonderful seeing you! Thank you for your encouraging comments regarding "your letter." Sometimes I wonder if you care, and then you say beautiful things like that! Much appreciated! "The Lord is my strength and salvation!" May He bless you and keep you! May our holy Lady protect you!

In His Love,

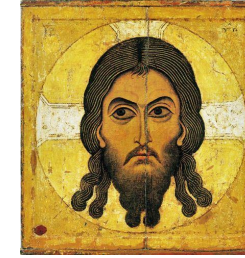
Fr. Ray

З радія "Милосердний Самарянин"

... Ми живемо у суспільстві. Маємо вплив один на одного. Важним є, щоб це був добрий вплив, позитивний, щоб інші, бачачи нас, були певні, що наслідуючи наш приклад вони будуть на добрій дорозі.

Ніхто не спасається сам і ніхто сам не буває засуджений. Бо якщо спасаємося, то ми на чолі тих, на яких мали вплив, які ідучи за нами дійшли до місця де немає болізни ні печалі ні зітхання але життя безконечне, а якщо ми засуджені, то ми стоїмо на чолі тих, на яких мали негативний вплив, а які нам довір'яли і сліпо далися нами вести.

Не вистарчить бути охрещеними і миропомазувани, і приступати часто до Пресвятої Євхаристії. Для нашого спасіння потрібно троха більше святости. Святими зможемо стати тільки тоді, коли будемо старатися добро робити, але не тому що мусемо, бо Господь нам це наказує, ані тому що інші нам так сказали, але тому, що любимо робити добро. Усі ми повинні взяти на себе свій хрест, тобто свої менчі чи більші терпіння, недомагання і прямувати до святости, а по дорозі помагати іншим, щоб і інші могли якнайкраще наслідувати нашого Господа. Станьмо усім для усіх. Робім добрі діла завжди, бо це є найкраща молитва, і просім святого Духа, якого зіслання на апостолів і на нас ми прославляли минулої неділі, щоб він дав нам силу зрозуміти наші завдання в житті. Просім його, щоб зійшов освятити наш нарід, і щоб нам приніс свій мир, так дуже потрібний у сьогоднішні часи. Хай нам дасть зрозуміти, що в єдності є наша сила, та що єдності нема без любови і взаємного прощення.



Дорогі! Так як перші Християни могли бути святими і ми можемо. Спосіб, як ту святість досягнути, напевно буде різнитися від їхнього способу, бо ми живемо у інакших обставинах, і кожний і кожна з нас є інакшою особистістю. Не сміємо і не можемо 100 процентово наслідувати когось, бо нічого з того не вийде. Кожна особа своїм шляхом має прямувати до єдності з Богом, до синівства Божого. Для нас святі є тільки доказом що можна досягнути царство Боже. Придивляймося їм пильно, але стараймося жити своїм життям любови. Хай усі побачать Христа в нас. Поможім тим, що потребують нашої допомоги і тим сповнимо закон Христовий. Таким способом ми будемо на добрій дорозі, щоб себе освятити, на дорозі, яка поведе нас до єдності з Богом, і напевно сповнемо завдання, що нам доручено.

Щоб могли досягнути святість у нашому житті, ми мусимо плекати свою віру, старатися зрозуміти її вимоги, і жити нею.

Віра є та, що провадить нас до Христа, яка остаточно дає нам участь у царстві Божім, дає нам можливість дійти до неба. Де те небо є, коли воно в дійсності приходить? Чи щойно після смерті, після того як ми багато натерпілися. Зовсім ні. Терпіння немає вартости, якщо Христос його не освячує. Смерть не є знищенням, бо Христос своєю смертю на хресті смерть переборює. Той що з Господом постійно живе, той і по смерті з Ним буде жити, бо він насправді не вмере, а переставиться до вічного Божественного Життя, а той, що без Господа живе, і при життю він мертвий, і смертю помре і не буде мати участі у Небесному Царстві.