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Saturday, 11:45 AM – Субота, 11:45 р.

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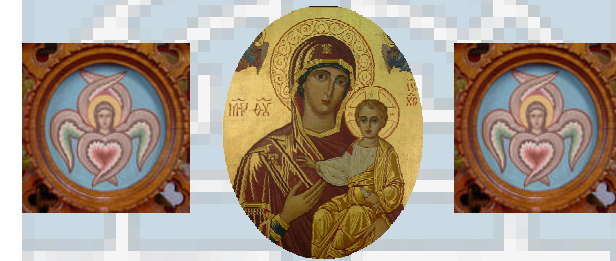
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CHURCH BULLETIN – N^o26

June 26 – 2011 – 26 Червня
ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК – Ч. 26



Saints Peter & Paul – Свв. Петро і Павло
Holy Apostles Saints Peter and Paul are named by the church as the first supreme apostles. They are such not because of advantage over other disciples and followers of Christ, but in virtue of their great zeal, great love, great proceedings executed in the name of the Lord. In spite of the fact that their way to Jesus Christ was different they are the evidence of God's wisdom and real Church pillars. Saint Peter and Saint Paul – Pray for us!

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
ПОР'ЯДОК СВ. ЛІТУРГІЙ**

June 26: 2 S. Aft Pent. - 2 Н. По ЗСД **11**

10:00 AM +о. Андрій і Емілія Стасюки
(М. Л. Стасюк)

12:00 PM За Парохіян-For Parishioners

Mon., June 27 – Понеділок, 27 Червня

8:15 AM +Богдан Мороз (А. Паращій)

Tue., June 28 – Вівторок, 28 Червня

8:15 AM В нам. Романа Кобрин (І. Гіль)

10:00 AM Moleben – Молебень Хр. Чол.

Sts Peter & Paul – Свв. Петра і Павла

Wenesday, June 29 – Середа, 29 Червня

9:00 AM Health of Slawko Klaczany

(V. & Ch. Chebeniak)

Thursday, June 30 – Чет., 30 Червня

8:15 AM +Володимира Гіль (р. Кобрин)

12:00 AM Intention of Chrystyna and Damian
(wedding anniversary) req L. Steeb

Christ Lover of Menkind – Хр. Чолов.

Friday, July 1 – П'ят., 1 Липня

9:15 AM +Софія Волчук і Юрій Волчук
(Олег Борачок)

10:00 AM Moleben – Молебень Хр. Чол.

Saturday, July 2 – Субота, 2 Липня

9:00 AM +Володимир Петрівський (Леся)

4:30 PM За Парохіян-For Parishioners

July 3: 3 S. Aft. Pent. - 3 Н. По ЗСД **12**

10:00 AM +Дануся Литвин
(Влодьо і Ненси)

12:00 PM For all sick in the parish

Eternal Light burns for
+Paraska Smetaniuk
Requ. Vy. Joanne Vader

In the Beginning . . .(cont.)

(week 13) Chris now has teeth buds for all 20 teeth. Teething will come later. Chris is almost 3 inches long and weighs in at one ounce. Chris is still exercising and practicing inhaling and exhaling. All Chris's nourishment is now coming through the placenta. Vocal cords begin to form, and although they may not be ready for a rock band, Chris will use them immediately following birth for that first cry!

Now mother usually feels better and has more energy. She's spreading the good news.

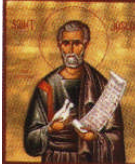
"God blessed them (Adam and Eve), saying to them, 'Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth...'"

Chris' body is forming, just like The Body of Christ was formed in the womb of Mary.



St. Peter and Paul Pray for us!
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EVENTS**

Просимо звернути
увагу на дати:



Sunday Coffee Hours: If any one would like to volunteer to host a Sunday, please contact Elaine, Dora, Emily, Mary (B.) or Anna.

- KITCHEN – is closed for the Summer. Thank you for your help and patronage.
- Coffee Hour - Usually Every Sunday after Liturgy in Church Hall. Please join us!
- August 7: Church Picnic. Please help!!!

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Інформації подавати до четверга вечора.

**SAINT NICHOLAS
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Please call if you are hospitalized,
homebound and need a priest.
Просимо закликати якщо ви у
лічниці або приковані до ліжка!

Коли плянуєте дату вашого вінчання
чи хрещення то просимо поговорити
з парохом, щоб потім не було непорозуміння. Може статися, що в цей день
буде неможливо відбутися заплановане.
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If you are planning a Baptism or Wedding,
please contact Pastor about the date before making other arrangements.

V. Rev. Marijan Brygh

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Anna Hanicki - \$25.00
Anastasia Wojchak - \$15.00

Total collected
as of June 13, 2011 - **\$7,840.00**

We reached our Goal, but if you still wish to contribute, you can do so, because there is always a need. Thank you!

**Donations Towards Coffee Hour
To benefit Communication Assessment Fee
Eva Kowtalo
Luba Joven**

**DONATIONS TO ST. NICHOLAS
"Special Appeal"**

IMO Diana (Hawryluk) Burns
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IMPORTANT!
**PICNIC MAILING MEETING, TUESDAY,
JULY 5, 2011 AT 4:00PM. ----- HELP IS
NEEDED IN MAILING OUT THE RAFFLE
BOOKS. PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP.**

SAVE THE DATE!!!!
**Annual Parish Summer Picnic
Sunday, August 7, 2011
12:00PM - ?
On the Church Grounds
Volunteers needed to help!**

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

On Sunday, August 7, 2011 our parish will be holding it Annual Picnic on the Church Grounds beginning at noon.

As always we are asking for your help and support in make this year's picnic a success.

Your help and support is needed in many ways:

- We need Theme Baskets – to donate contact Mary Beth Sukmann 824-1433 before July 24, 2011.
- Items for Kitchen Jar Table such as: paper towels, sugar, flour, kitchen gadgets etc. (Make sure items are new and please watch the Expiration dates)
- Help is needed during the week preceding the picnic preparing the food. Contact Anna Melnyk to volunteer your services.
- Baked Goods are also needed, to sell in the kitchen and the baked goods table. It would be nice if each family could donate some sort of baked good.

Please remember
We DO NOT need items for Attic Treasures, since we do not have this booth at the Picnic. If you have any ideas or can help in any way, Please contact Lesia Petriwsky at 826-7321.

**REMEMBER: THIS PICNIC IS ONE OF
OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISING EVENTS
OF THE YEAR. PLEASE SUPPORT US!**

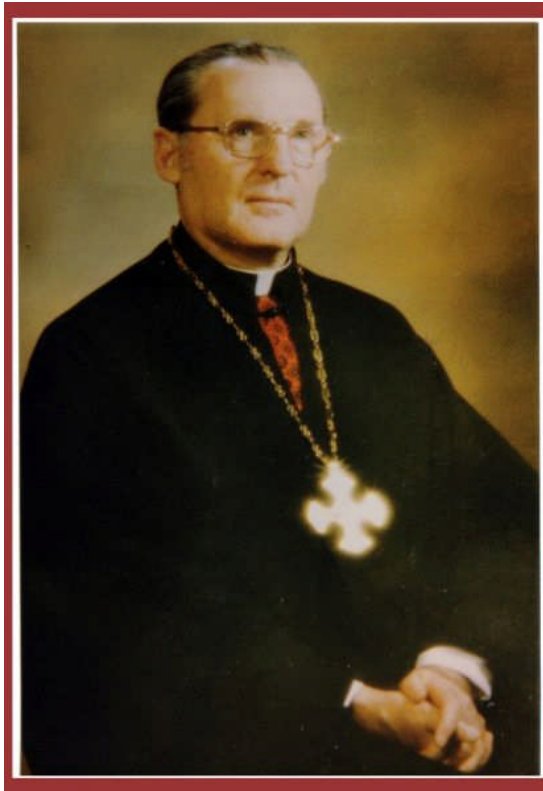
End of the Kitchen Year
Pork Chop Dinner
Today, June 26, 2011 – After the Liturgy

Український Конгресовий Комітет Америки – Відділ Боффало запрошує Вас на Святкування УКРАЇНСЬКОГО ДНЯ В неділю 21-го Серпня, 2011 р. При Українському Домі „Дніпро” 562 Дженесі Вул. Боффало, Н.Й. Початок о 1 год. (Спільний молебень в наміренні Українського Народу о 1:45.) Програма Дня:
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The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, Inc. – Buffalo Branch Invites everyone to attend Our Annual UKRAINIAN DAY On Sunday, August 21, 2011. Ukrainian Cultural Center “Dnipro” 562 Genessee St., Buffalo, NY Beginning at 1 PM (Moleben at 1:45 P.M.) Featuring Traditional Ukrainian foods, pastries, beverages, music, crafts, lottery, raffles. Free Admission – Ample Parking available.

For more Information contact:
Dr. A. Diakun: 632-4212;
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+Rt. Rev. Mykola Komar
(22-6-1916 – 24-6-2011)

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at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church
in St. Catharines

Parastas -Part I
Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Parastas - Part II
Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Divine Liturgy with Bishop
Stephen and concelebrating clergy
Wednesday, June 29, 10:00 a.m.

Please pray for the repose
of the soul of late Fr. Mykola.
May his memory be eternal.

An Evening with Dr. “Bo” Dejneka
(Thursday, July 21st)

We would like to invite all families to spend an evening with local Ukrainian pediatrician, Dr. Bohdan Dejneka, who will be present from 6 – 7:30 PM on Thursday, July 21st, in St. Nicholas Church Hall to meet with parents, grandparents, children, and expectant moms. Dr. ‘Bo’ is fluent in English and Ukrainian and able to answer any questions that parents or even expectant parents may have regarding healthcare issues, pediatric health concerns, and any other topics related to how we can raise healthy and happy children. Hope to see you there.

The 73 Annual Convention

of the League of Ukrainian Catholics will be held in Buffalo October 7, 8, 9, 2011 at the Airport Holiday Inn. We ask the support of our local Ukrainian community in this endeavor. We especially ask that our organizations not schedule any events that weekend. Thank you!

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Ліга Українців Католиків повідомляє, що Конвенція Ліги відбудеться тут у нас в Жовтні. Просимо в цей час не влаштовувати своїх імпрез.

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From the archives – 3 Архівів



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Fr. Robert Moreno from Lancaster, NY



St. Nicholas–Solemn Holy Communion

З радія "Милосердний Самарянин"

У сьогоднішньому євангельському читанні чули ми як Христос вибирає перших своїх учнів. Побачив Він насамперед двох братів, Андрея і Симона, що якраз закидали мережі в озеро, будиши рибалками, і закликав їх словами: "Ідіть за мною і я зроблю вас рибалками людей." Змістя покинули вони свої мережі і пішли вслід за Христом.

На іншому місці у євангелії читаємо, що ці два брати ловили рибу цілу ніч і нічого не зловили, а Христос ранком каже їм, щоб ще раз закинули свої мережі, і вони наловили так багато риб, що мережі рвалися. Петро побачуши це наявне чудо припав до ніг Ісусових і сказав йому: "Відійди від мене, бо я грішна людина." Христос не тільки що не відійшов від нього, але закликав його іти за ним. І то в час коли здавалося все добре іде, бо ж ловитва виявилася успішною.

Поклик Христовий не одержуємо тоді коли нема іншого виходу, але тоді коли маємо можливість вибору, бо іти за Христом має бути добровільно, маємо цього бажати, і старатися ніколи від Господа не віддалюватися, не звертаючи увагу що одержимо, або що стратимо, не дивлячися чого нам треба відректися...

Часами, коли трудніші прийдуть, було б вигідно залишити усе і піти далеко, шукати за спокоєм де інде. Але спокою не може бути якщо ми не сповни-



мо свої обов'язки супроти своєї родини, супроти тих, які на нас покладають надію.

Буває так, що ми ціле життя трудимось, щоб знайти своє щастя. Нераз починаємо сумніватися, а чи ми є доволі сильними, щоб перебороти усі труднощі, які виринають на нашому життєвому шляху. Часто опиняємося в положенні з якого здається немає виходу. Чи ми зможемо нести ті хрести що їх покладено на нас. А ми їх мусимо нести і донести до кінця. Несім свої хрести достойно, а по дорозі до єдності з Христом допоможим іншим нести їхні хрести, щоб ми разом прославляли Господа тут на землі і перебували разом у Царстві Божім, де не має болісті ні печалі ні зітхання, але життя безконечне.

Христос нам по дорозі допоможе. Він кожного і кожну з нас, так як тих апостолів, кличе: "Іди за мною". Ідучи за Христом ми осягнемо це чого наше серце бажає. Робім так як він робив. Своїми ділами проповідуймо розп'ятого і воскреслого Хреста. Хай інші у нашій любові до них побачать любов Христову до нас усіх.

Ми також є апостолами на тому місці де нас Господь покликав і доручив завдання виконати. Апостоли виконали Господні доручення і дали нам добрий приклад як і ми можемо сповнити свої. Ми не можемо сто процентово наслідувати кого небудь зі святих. Кожний і кожна з нас своєю дорогою має іти за Христом, а всемілостивий Господь дасть нам вистарчально сили на цій дорозі.

From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

GLORY FOREVER!

June 26, 2011

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

Good Morning to you! Right off the bat let me get some very unpleasant and disturbing news out of the way – "Father John Corapi." Thousands and thousands of good people have felt devastated, abandoned, betrayed, and yes, I suppose, more than a few even have had their faith shaken at the almost unbelievable news that he has left the priesthood. It's been a real nightmare for believers! His departure came last Sunday, the 20th anniversary of his priesthood, as a result of his being charged with "actions not befitting a priest." Translate that to: sex and drugs.

As of now no one knows if he is guilty or innocent and, in a way, that's even beside the point. What needs to happen now is that each and every one of us once again must confirm our own faith in our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ and, as we say in our Liturgy, "commend ourselves and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God." And in the words of our Savior to Peter when Peter asked Him, "What about him? (referring to St. John) John 21:21 The Lord answered by saying, "...what does it matter to you? You are to follow Me." John 21:23 Basically, Jesus was telling Peter that he should mind his own business. In other words: "Peter, you have heard my message, you have said you love Me three times, you have said you will follow Me. Now just do it. Don't worry about anybody else."

We do not know for sure what is going on right now, but it is a story that will defi-

nately be continued. As for now, all of us need to remain faithful and prayerful (for ourselves, for each other, for Fr. John, for the Church, and for all those involved) and take to heart and listen to the words of our Savior, so often repeated by Pope John Paul II, "Be not afraid! Be of good courage!" Let us be faithful and continue on... we have said we love HIM, we will follow HIM, now let us just do it! Things are so often confusing and mixed up but we know only HE is "the Way, the Truth and the Life." HE has the words of eternal life. "It doesn't matter what the crowd believes about the Lord. What matters is: Do you believe what God says in His word?" (anonymous)

OK, and life goes on...sure is a battle sometimes though. What's that about "persevering to the end?" Right now it is early Thursday morning on this first full day of summer. I'm sitting with "ol' Mr. Mac," enjoying that first cup of coffee and the early morning sights and sounds of a glorious day. A pleasant breeze is making the curtains dance to the music of the wind chimes in the tree outside my door. We no longer have any kids in grade school or teachers in our house so I'm not sure exactly when is, or was, the last day of school. From the sounds late last night and even this morning I would say it's VACATION! I can hear those wonderful "happy voices" in several of the yards around us.



I like to mention our visitors to “Holy Protection” whenever we have them. Yesterday we had Liturgy at noon, and just as I was finishing and closing the Royal Doors, there was a loud call from the back of the church that we had a visitor. “There’s a bird in the church!”

It was a bit warm so we had the main door open and the little chickadee flew in. He must’ve been Roman Catholic because he didn’t want to stay long and was trying to get back out. ☺☺ Fortunately, he stayed in the vestibule, and after a few attempts, and a few tricks by those who were at the Liturgy, Father in all his vestments, was able to pick up the poor, scared little thing and release him out to the ‘wilds’ of the Niagara streets. He was so happy that he had attended our Liturgy when I went outside afterwards he was on the roof and actually followed me to the back of the Church singing his little song as I locked gates, etc. I translated his chirping to mean, “Thanks for your help! Nice Mass, Fodder!” And then he flew away! St. Francis pray unto God for us! ☺☺

I’m sure your calendar is jam-packed with all kinds of things for these summer days and weekends. I know ours is. Weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, parades, picnics, etc., etc., are all on the agenda. How about breakfast on the patio? Or ‘just sittin’ on the back porch! And don’t forget that vacation when we are supposed “to rest and “re-create ourselves.” As a matter of fact we all have those weekends when there are just too many things going on and we have to decide which event is most important.

I hope you can enjoy some of these happy times with family and friends. In all our comings and goings we praise the Lord for

His many gifts and blessings to us, especially the gift of Life. In all our days, let us walk with Him, giving thanks as we sing: “This is the Day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!. Have a safe and happy summer, wherever you go and whatever you do!

God willing and the creek don’t rise (and there have sure been a lot of rising creeks these days) I’ll write again next week. May God bless you and cause His face to shine upon you! May our Holy Lady protect you!

In His Love

Father Ray



To All Visitors, Friends And Parishioners:

Welcome to our Ukrainian Catholic parish of Saint Nicholas. Make yourself at home.

Every married couple or single person over 18 years old should be registered with the parish. Your donations to support our parish indicate your willingness to be a member of St. Nicholas Parish. In other words, to be considered a member of this parish attendance and support is strongly recommended. We use the system of envelopes. In the case you decide not to use envelopes, you can choose other method of supporting the parish, but your support is appreciated and much needed. May good Lord bless you all!

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Вітаємо до нашої і Вашої Церкви Св. Отця Нашого Миколая. Двері завжди відкриті. Господній дім є нашим домом. Хай Господь благословить усіх!

Подружжя і самотні особи понад 18 років можуть зареєструватися. Якщо ви не бажаєте вживати систему коверт, будь ласка дайте нам ваші адреси і телефони, щоб могли з вами сконтактуватися по потребі.

From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

One day St. Francis was giving out money which he had collected for the poor, to those in the community who were suffering from famine, poverty, and disease. A wealthy man who had done some building work in a Church for St. Francis saw this and was envious. He went up to St. Francis asking for money on the basis that he had been underpaid for his work. St. Francis simply filled the builder’s hands full to overflowing with coins and told him to come back if the money was insufficient. The builder left and did not return for some time. He had wanted this money more than anything; he had even planned on how he would use this money for his own benefit. But before the builder could even spend a single coin, a tremendous feeling came over him, and he knew right away what he must do. When the builder returned to St. Francis, he had sold all he owned, he gave the money to St. Francis to give away to the poor, and he joined the religious order. Sometimes giving can seem like giving in, like losing, even like madness, but only God can give us the wisdom and power for this sort of giving. We will always be amazed by the wondrous things that can happen when we place our trust in the hands of the Lord.

Christ’s power to give came from His intimacy with God and it is this same intimacy that we Christians are offered through the Holy Spirit. With the Holy Spirit dwelling inside of us, we can grow an inner knowledge that God’s ways are not only right - but good. Then, knowing by experience the goodness of His righteousness, we find we can agree with the will of God much more easily. There is no order to obey but a divine ‘yes’ to follow, and it fills us with Christ’s innate ability to give. We too can want to give, see the goodness and righteousness in giving, and be empowered to give, if we ask Jesus to transform our hearts and minds for the better. When Nelson Mandela was a political prisoner in South African jails for twenty some years, he discovered even there he had something he could give to others: dignity and re-

spect. The privileges he fought hardest for were things which would give the prisoner’s in general, some small amount of dignity and respect. And as a result he became their spokesman. And even when he was taunted, abused and beaten by his captors, he tried with all his might to treat even the abusers with dignity and respect, and encouraged others to do the same. This spirit gave both prisoners and guards hope, and significantly reduced the violence that occurred. It also marked Mandela as a man who could be respected and trusted, a man with whom the government could negotiate the hand over of political power with safety. And what an incredible change it made for the people of South Africa...

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? We witnessed in today’s Gospel, that the first disciples did just this. They left everything behind them, every worldly pursuit that had, and followed Christ. God is always calling, always summoning us into being - our Lord is never inactive, never uninvolved. I believe our Lord is always calling out to each of us, saying: ‘Come and follow Me’. In the same way St. Paul once wrote, “Let us cease in fighting one another, so we may learn to forgive and love one another”. It is the personal duty of every Christian to demonstrate this kind of love to everyone...