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**CHURCH BULLETIN - N<sup>o</sup>27**  
**July 1 - 2012 - 1 Липня**  
**ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК - Ч. 27**



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July 1: 5 S. aft Pent. – 5 Н по ЗСД **T4**

10:00 AM. Singing in Ukrainian  
No Liturgy at noon until September

Mon., July 2 6 ., 2

8:15 M + ,  
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Tue., July 3 – Вівторок, 3 Липня

9:15 M +Maria Petryshyn (P. Regula)

Wed., July 4 – Середа, 4 Липня

9:15 M .  
( )  
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Thu., July 5 – Четвер, 5 Липня

8:15 M +Helen Maxim (Peter)

Fri., July 6 – П'ятниця, 6 Липня

10:00 M +  
( . . , )

Sat., July 7 – Субота, 7 Липня

4:30 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян  
(This is Sunday Liturgy)

July 8: 6 S. aft Pent. – 6 Н по ЗСД **T5**

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1 Липня: 4 Н. По З.С.Д. **Гл. 3**

10:00 р. +Дануся Марія Литвин  
(Володимир і Ненсі)

7 Липня: Народж. Івана Хрестителя

10:00 р. +Петро Полішук  
(Ева Ковтало)

8 Липня: 5 Н. По З.С.Д. **Гл. 4**

10:00 р. +Теса і Володимир Правак  
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5 Серпня, 2012



**Sunday, August 19, 2012**

**League of Ukrainian Catholics  
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Saturday, June 30, We

welcomed fr. Vasile

Colopelnik in our

Deanery as he came

for Catechetical

Workshop. It was

very informative as we

understand the need for

evangelization and catechization better.

Thank you, fr. Vasile!

У суботу, 30 червня ми вітали о. Васи-  
ля Колопельника, який прибув до нас,  
щоб поділитися з нами своїми думками  
на тему «Отці Церкви і катехізація».

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Fr. Vasile Colopelnik with participants  
of Catechetical workshop, June 30, 2012

ōThe Vibrant Parish: A place  
to encounter the living Christō

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From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

One day a young woman, rather discouraged about her prospects in life, entered an antique store and noticed an especially beautiful teapot. "May I see that? I have never seen anything so beautiful." She said. After the attendant handed the teapot to the young woman, she looked carefully and admired its beautiful pattern, and smiled for the first time in days. Then, suddenly the teapot spoke to her. "Did you know," it said. "I haven't always been a teapot? There was a time when I was red and I was clay. My Master took me and rolled me and patted me over and over and I yelled out, 'let me alone, but he only smiled, 'Not yet.' "Then I was placed on a spinning wheel," the teapot continued, "and suddenly I was spun around and around and around. Stop it! I'm getting dizzy! I screamed. But the master only nodded and said, 'Not yet.' Then, just when I thought things could not get any worse, he put me in the oven. I never felt such heat. I wondered why he wanted to burn me, and I yelled and knocked at the door. I could see him through the opening, and I could read his lips, as He shook his head, 'Not yet.' Finally the door opened, he put me on the shelf, and I began to cool. 'There, that's better,' I said. And then he brushed and painted me all over. The fumes were horrible. I thought I would gag. 'Stop it, stop it!' I cried. He only nodded, 'Not yet.' Then suddenly my Master put me back into the oven, but not like the first one. This one was twice as hot and I knew I would suffocate. I begged. I pleaded. I screamed. I cried. All the time I could see him through the opening nodding his head and saying, 'Not yet.' I started to feel like there wasn't any hope; that I would never make it. I was ready and willing to give up. When suddenly the door opened and he took me out and gently placed me on the shelf. Some time later he handed me a mirror and said, 'Look at yourself! And I did. I said, 'That's not me; that couldn't be me. It's beautiful. I'm beautiful.' 'I want you to remember, then,' my Master said, 'I know it hurt you to be rolled and patted, but if I

had left you alone, you'd have dried all up. I know it made you dizzy to spin around on the wheel, but if I had stopped, you would have crumbled. I knew it hurt and was hot and disagreeable in the oven, but if I hadn't put you there, you would have cracked. I know the fumes were bad when I brushed and painted you all over, but if I hadn't done that, you never would have hardened nor would you have any color in your life. And if I hadn't put you back in that second oven, you wouldn't have survived for very long because the hardness would not have held. But now - you are a finished product - a fine work of art! You are what I had in mind when I first began with you." The young woman, who had been listening intently, suddenly smiled at the teapot, and realized that her own life was something beautiful after all.

God knows what He is doing with all of us. He is the Master Craftsman, and we are His clay - being molded, handcrafted, and carefully shaped into a beautiful work of art. The Lord will mold us and shape us, so that we too, may be made into His image. Imagine what life could be like if we were only willing to become the creation that the Lord intends for us to be. But that requires humility and complete trust in the Lord, to accept whatever we are given with a thankful and contrite heart. Just think of the difference we could make in the lives of others by entrusting ourselves to the Lord. The crowd of people gathered in today's Gospel reading refused to share their lives with Jesus; they did not care about making a difference for others. They did not even show concern for the two men whom Jesus had freed from the demons which possessed them. The people of Gerasa were content with the life they had, and did not desire any greater attainment in God. They could only see the means of their wealth and livelihoods, running as swine to be drown in the sea. They would not accept Christ, and went so far as asking Him to leave. They neglected the one, true God by whom we should all call Master.

## From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

July 1, 2012 A.D.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

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

Summer is definitely here. It's quite evident, not only from the temperature outside, but also from the list of events going on in our lives. I was just working on our bulletin for this Sunday, and in it there is always a section for Deanery and Eparchy events. I cannot believe how lengthy that part is becoming. Between pilgrimages, picnics, trips and other celebrations there's not going to be a free weekend from now until October! I'm sure you and your family have a wedding anniversary, birthday, baptism, graduation, family reunion or some other family get together. Enjoy every minute! It is one busy time of the year, that's for sure! I hope we remember that this is supposed to be a time to slow down, vacation and re-create. So we'll do what we gotta do, but also remember that little snooze under the apple tree.

I wonder what will be going on in the world when you read your letter for this week. I say that because it's Wednesday June 27 as I write, and this is shaping up to be an extremely important week in the political, health and religion arenas. Since last Friday the Supreme Court has begun to render decisions on various cases, which had been brought before it. The most important one, the ruling on "Obamacare," is expected to come down on Thursday, and your letter will have already gone to the printer by then, so I won't be able to say much about it till next week. Also, on that same day there will be a vote as to whether or not the United States Attorney General, Eric Holder should be held in contempt of Congress. The television and

radio commentators and pundits are going non-stop as they attempt to give their thoughts on these most serious matters for our country in general, and for our personal lives in particular.

All of this activity, conversation and often times just "blah, blah, blah" stuff should remind us of our current time of fasting and prayer, "Fortnight for Freedom." Writing to you on June 27 it is already the half-way point of this dedicated time, and if you read your letter on Sunday July 1, it will already be day 11 of those 14 days. I pray you are aware of all this and are taking advantage of this time of prayer, fasting, and learning. We pray also that our faith will deepen and grow as we come to realize what a serious obligation and what a great gift and blessing we have in our faith, those beliefs now under great assault by the enemy, that evil one.

In a recent talk in Indianapolis Archbishop Chaput reminded his audience, and us, that the bottom line of all this really comes down to us and to how and what we truly believe in. He says, "Politics and the courts are important. But our religious freedom ultimately depends on the vividness of our own Christian faith-in other words, how deeply we believe it, and how honestly we live it. Religious liberty is an empty shell if the spiritual core of the people is weak. Or to put it more bluntly, if people don't believe in God, religious liberty isn't a value. The worst enemies of religious freedom aren't 'out there' among the legions of critics who hate Christ, or the Gospel or the Church, or all three. The worst enemies are in here, with us-all of us, clergy, religious and lay-when we live our faith with tepidness, routine and hypocrisy." (+Charles J. Chaput O.F.M. Cap. Archbishop of Philadelphia 6-20-12)

Whatever the Supreme Court decision is, and whatever else is going on in politics, we need to know that our religious liberty, espe-

cially as Catholics, is under direct assault. Religion, especially Christianity and Judaism, is the only obstacle hindering COMPLETE secularism of our society! Knowing this, we must do something about it! That something, as the Archbishop said, is to become true people of faith, and to stop “fooling around” with this religion thing. It is also to take our voting responsibility seriously according to our faith. What does the candidate stand for? What does he or she say about life? What does he or she say about freedom? What kind of country do you really want? I’m sick and tired of hearing this stuff about “jobs and the economy!” You can have the best job and all the money in the world but without LIFE there is nothing! We are in serious, dire circumstances, and continue to have our basic freedoms stripped away piece by piece! You do realize there is only ONE answer to it all: Our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life. It is time we truly became serious about our faith and Church teaching. We must stop going through life as if we were living the prayer: “O my God, if there is a God, save my soul, if I have one.” The Elder Paisios, a holy monk who lived and died on Mt. Athos, in 1994 said this: “If Christians don’t begin to witness their faith, to resist evil, then the destroyers will become even more insolent. But today’s Christians are no warriors. If the Church keeps silent to avoid conflict with the government, if the metropolitans are silent, if the monks hold their peace, then who will speak up?”

So wherever we are and whatever we are doing and in whatever circumstances of life we find ourselves, let us pray for one another and for our country and the world. Sometimes it looks hopeless and we only hear the noise from the Tower of Babel. Other times we hear the gentle breeze bringing us renewal and joy and whispering blessed words of holy ones, like Archbishop Chaput above, or like

one of my favorites, dear Padre Pio. You remember what he always said right? “Pray, Hope and Don’t Worry.” In the death and resurrection of our dear Lord Jesus, the great Victory has already been one. Yep, there are some tough skirmishes, but we know He’s already our King. It is in Him that we become truly free and become filled with that joy that passes all understanding. He is all that we will ever need or seek after. And that joy, love and freedom is for all of us. It doesn’t matter if we are the healthiest person in the world, active in daily events, or if we are flat on our back in some hospital or nursing home. All of us have a role to play. All of us receive those great gifts of our Savior. Did you hear the epistle last week? “Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ!” (Romans 8: 35)

Have a great week, my dear one! Have a happy and safe Fourth of July! God bless the USA! Peace be unto all! Be Blessed! May our Holy Lady Theotokos protect you, and those you love, beneath the mantle of her heavenly protection.

In His Love,

Fr. Ray



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### З радія "Милосердний Самарянин"

Згадаймо сьогодні пам'ять св. Рівноапостольного Володимира Великого, який офіційно запровадив християнство на наших землях і його бабуню святу рівноапостольну княгиню Ольгу, яка своїми молитвами і боговгодним життям остаточно приспішила прихід Христа до нас.

Перед нашими очима світлий приклад святих мучеників Бориса і Гліба, які спромоглися на найбільшу жертву віддавши своє життя, щоб жити життям вічним і нам указати на дорогу до спасіння.

Пригадуємо святих монахів Антонія і Теодозія Печерських, що своїм життям показали, як потрібно нам відректися всього, не прив'язуватися до того що посідаємо, віддати все аби Христа придбати і від нього одержати вінець прослави.

Св. Аліпій Іконописець своїм талантом прославив Господа у своїх чудових іконах, перед якими наш нарід молився і даліше молиться.

Згадуємо Пратулянських мучеників, і тих недавно проголошених блажених так як єпископа Миколу Чарнецького, Архимандрита Студитів Климентія Шепицького, о. Еміліяна Ковча і інших з ними.

Пам'ятаємо про слуг Божих Митрополита Андрея, Патріярха Йосифа і тих угодників Божих які дали нам добрий приклад наслідування Христа. Молімся за їхню прославу.

Є такі, отже, побожні душі які проголошені святими, виставлені перед нами немов світила, що нам освітлюють дорогу, але є багато більше тих, що їх імена ніхто ніколи не буде знати, про них ніхто говорити не буде, не будемо укладати їхніх служб, не знайдемо їх у жодних реєстрах. Зате записані вони у Божій книзі. Господь

їх знає усіх по імені, бо вони до нього налажать, так само як і нас пізнає бо ми також його дітьми. Їх покликано до святости і вони відізвилися, і нас також Господь кличе і ми маємо можливість ідучи слідами святих увійти у царство Боже де немає болізни, ні печалі ні зітхання, але життя безконечне. При тому слід нам пам'ятати, що кожний і кожна з нас своєю дорогою прямує до єдності з Богом, а та дорога унікальна, це наша дорога, якою ще ніхто не йшов, а яку ми можемо з відзначенням перейти і добитися до своєї мети і інших потягнути за собою, щоб вони своїми дорогами прямували до Христа і остаточно сповнивши своє завдання у житті осягнули обіцяне.

Що таке святість? Це життя за Божими заповідями, це щоденне сповнювання Божої волі, це постійна вірність обов'язкам свого стану. Це знайти себе і своє місце у Божих плянах. Жити повнотою часу.

Святість – це євангеліє в практиці.

Євангелія це дорога до неба, це життя без плям, без закидів без пороків, це життя чисте, невинне, святе, досконале, в якому смертельна людина стримить до того, щоб уподібнитися до небесних ангелів.

Євангелія це хресна дорога на гору Голготу. Християнське життя, це життя, в котрому людина двигає хрест, терпить і йде слідом за Ісусом Христом...

Життя по наукам євангелії це надприродне життя Божої благодаті, це життя Божої любови й жертви для Бога, або одним словом: це життя, в якому людина шукає і змагає до святости...

Усі святі є нам близькі, бо вони у всьому подібні до нас. Вони членами тієї самої церкви, прославленої...