



Visit to Turkish Cultural Center & City Hall (Iftar Dinner)



Mychajlo Staszkiw's 90th birthday with his family. Mnohaya Lita!



Ann Serediuk's 50th birthday & wedding p. memb. Mnohaya Lita!



Preparing for LUC Convention in October (photo: 2011 Convention)

## SAINT NICHOLAS UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## УКРАЇНСЬКА КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВЯТОГО МИКОЛАЯ



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### CHURCH BULLETIN

August 11 – **2013** – 11 Серпня  
ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК

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Наступної неділі, 18 серпня, Українська Греко-Католицька Церква планує освятити Патріарший собор Воскресіння в Києві. Його будували одинадцять років на кошти вірян УГКЦ. Церква принципово відмовлялася від інших джерел фінансування.

Про деякі особливості найбільшого греко-католицького храму Києва розповів на прес-ніданку Глава УГКЦ Блаж. Святослав:

"Це історичний момент. Якраз 380 років тому, 1633-го, на празник Петра й Павла, унійного митрополичого намісника вигнали з Софії Київської. Стільки років ми не мали катедрального собору в Києві. І це, напевно, промисел Божий, що ми повертаємося додому. Освячуємо тут наш новий собор".

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2013

Над внутрішнім оздобленням собору ще довго працюватимуть, розповів Блаженніший. Невдовзі оголосять конкурс на проект іконостаса та фресок або мозаїк усередині храму. Триватиме він близько півроку. Тоді вноситимуть рішення й підбиратимуть найкращий проект для втілення. У соборі також міститиметься крипта, де ховатимуть очільників УГКЦ та деяких їхніх попередників.



"Зараз вона ще порожня зі зрозумілих причин. Ми дуже хотіли знайти мощі Київського митрополита Ісидора, який від імені Русі 1439 року підписував Флорентійську унію, задовго до Берестя. Це видатний наш унійний митрополит з дуже складною та цікавою долею. Завжди обстоював єдність нашої Церкви з Римом. І був присутній при падінні Константинополя. Турки безуспішно намагалися його розшукати, а він утік до Італії. Так от ми планували перенести з Рима його мощі, коли будемо освячувати Патріарший собор. На жаль, досі їх не знайшли. Але сподіваємося, що він повернеться на українську землю. **Перенесемо, очевидно, мощі Патріарха Йосифа (Сліпого).** Він заповідав поховати себе в Софії Київській, то ми принаймні в частині Києва хочемо виконати його волю", - зазначив Блаженніший Святослав.

<http://news.ugcc.org.ua/>

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**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

4:30 PM +Jerry Szczublewski  
(Mary Ann & Norma DuBois)

**Aug. 11 12<sup>th</sup> S. aft. Pent. – 12 Н.по ЗСД**

12:00 AM За Парохіян – For Parishioners

Monday August 12 – Пон., 12 Серпня

8:15 AM +Ірина й Іван Жуковський  
(Ігор Гіль)

10:00 AM Funeral of +Rita Nowadly  
Похорон +Ріти Новадлей  
Eternal Memory – Вічная Пам'ять!

Tuesday August 13 – Вів., 13 Серпня  
Нема відправи – No Liturgy

Wed. August 14 – Сер., 14 Серпня

9:00 AM +Гриць Святківський  
(жінка і діти)

**Dormition B.V.M. - Успіння П.Д.М.  
Thursday August 15 – Чет., 15 Серпня**

9:30 AM +Paul & Helen Nowadly (Elaine)

Friday August 16 – П'ятниця, 16 Серпня

5:30 PM +Anna Koman (O. B.)

Sat. August 17 – Субота, 17 Серпня

10:00 AM В наміренні родини Правак  
(р. Правак)

4:30 PM За Парохіян – For Parishioners

**Aug. 18 13<sup>th</sup> S. aft. Pent. – 18 Н.по ЗСД**

12:00 AM +Iwan, Kathryn & Eugene  
Nyznyk (Mary Rozmus)

Eternal Light burns i/m of  
+Muchajlo Iwanyczko  
Requ. By: mother Eliana



Saint Nicholas Church  
Церква Св. Миколая  
(Під Опікою П.Д.М.)

**ПОР'ЯДОК СВ. ЛІТУРГІЙ**

**11 Серпня 7 Н. по Зісланні Св. Духа**

10:00 р. +Ніна Трегуба Сметана  
(родина)

**18 Серпня 8 Н. по Зісланні Св. Духа**

10:00 р. +Ірена Войчак (Роман)

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Проба хору – Понеділок 7. год. веч.

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**Annual Parish Picnic**

All expenses for the bar paid by Michael & Michelle Michalow in memory of their cousin Slawko Michaliw. Thank you! Prizes for our raffle was also donated by Michael & Michelle Michalow. Thank you! Дякуємо!

Thanks are extended to all those, who worked at our picnic, before to prepare, during to work whatever was needed and after to clean. Thank you for your donations for theme baskets and other donations.

Picnic - 8/4/13	Income	Expenses	Profit
Kitchen	\$1,537.75	\$547.11	\$990.64
Slawko's Bar	\$417.50		\$417.50
Baked Goods	\$192.50		\$192.50
Kitchen Jar	\$163.00		\$163.00
Julia's raffle	\$107.00		\$107.00
Outside Grill	\$44.50		\$44.50
varia		\$37.40	-\$37.40
Theme Baskets	\$1,960.00		\$1,960.00
TOTAL	\$4,422.25	\$584.51	\$3,837.74
RAFFLE	\$1,345.00	\$550.00	\$795.00
Grand Total	\$5,767.25	\$1,134.51	\$4,632.74

Everything was excellent. Your hard work and dedication made possible for this year's Church Picnic to be the second best in last 11 years, excelled only by last year's success.

Congratulations to the winners!  
Thank you all for your support.  
God Bless!

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**Consider to attend.**

**NEED YOUR THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS -**

In the near future we are trying to start a Senior Citizens group that will meet here in the church. Also one of the resolutions of the Sobor held in April, was that each parish have Bible studies. To get your interest in these endeavors, there will be surveys on the bulletin table and in the church hall. If you are interested in becoming a part of one of these two groups, please fill out the survey as to your day and time preference, and put it in the basket at the back of the church or in the church hall.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

The next Children’s Liturgy will be Sun., September 15, 2013 at 10:00AM. We will celebrate Grandparent’s Day on that Sunday. It will be “Children Bring your Grandparents to Church Day” and “Grandparents Bring your Grandchildren and Great- Grandchildren to Church Day”. Refreshments will follow after the Liturgy.

**SAVE THE DATE: LUC CONVENTION**

The 75th Annual Convention of the League of Ukrainian Catholics will be held in Buffalo October 4, 5, 6, 2013 at the Airport Holiday Inn. We ask the support of our local Ukrainian community in this endeavor. We especially ask that organizations not schedule any events that weekend. Thank you!

75 Конвенція Ліги Українців Католиків буде в Бюфало, 4-6 Жовтня, 2013.

Просимо взяти участь.

Рівно ж просимо не влаштовувати  
Ваших імпрез в той час. Дякуємо!

**From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko**

August 11, 2013 A.D.

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

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

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

It’s only Tuesday August 6 and I’m already thinking of a prayer I remember from a long time ago. It is attributed to St. Richard as he was going out to a battle, and my friend in the seminary, “Richie B.,” of Blessed Memory, often showed it to me on busy, hectic days. It read, “O Lord, I shall be very busy this day. I may forget Thee, but do not Thou forget me.” We can keep that prayer and use it every day, can’t we? “Lord, I’m going to be running here and there today. I may forget You, please do not forget me!”

I don’t normally write to you this early in the week, but we’ve just come through a busy few days, and the schedule for the week is showing the pace will continue right into the services for Sunday. I already know I shall be saying, “Lord, I shall be very busy...”

It is all good, and definitely part of the job description, but there is absolutely no moss growing on the rocks around here, I can tell you that! ☺ And as I wrote last week, “Time sure flies when you’re having fun.” Since I see the schedule lying ahead, I am getting this head start on my jobs.

I’m sure, too, that our printer will be pleasantly surprised to receive it a few days early.

Ya know, I hate to tell you, but I’m a bit sad today. Not because anything is very wrong, but mostly because so much is right. Let me explain....This past Sunday all the parishes of our Stamford Eparchy were instructed by our Patriarch and Bishop to have a prayer service at all the Liturgies in remembrance of the 1025<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Baptism of Rus-Ukraine. The highlight of the service in all our churches was the renewal of the “Baptismal vows.” Boy, did that ever turn out to be a powerful and moving service as we heard each other reject Satan



and accept Christ! Talk about the power of the Spirit!!! It was a blessed time for sure, and everyone thoroughly rejoiced in the New Life of our Savior! Answering those questions was such a soul-stirring moment for all of us.

Immediately following a short prayer to St. Vladimir (Walter), the congregation turned to the west, the place of darkness, and in response to the question of the priest, “Do you reject Satan?”, everyone boldly, loudly and clearly said, “I do reject him.”

Then, turning to the east, the place of the rising sun, the place of light, all again responded to the questions of the priest. This time, however, it was “Do you accept Christ?” to which all responded “I do accept Him! I accept Him as my King and God!” after which all recited “the Password of our Faith,” the Creed.” It was a powerful and deep spiritual moment for all as they responded with lighted candles in hand, and maybe for the first time in their life, affirmed their Baptism and stated openly and clearly that they were Christians, followers of Christ.

Besides that showering of graces, our temple was exquisitely beautiful, even if I do say so myself. We recently received some traditional Ukrainian embroidery donated by a family in memory of their mother. Sunday was the first time we had it in place on the tables and icons, and it

brought a great added beauty to the church. If the truth be told, it is awesomely beautiful! Then the icing on the cake was the flowers which were brought in honor of the occasion. Each vase had a number of sunflowers to add to our “Ukrainian celebration,” It was a beautiful place to affirm the Faith of our Fathers and to rejoice in this great gift which has been passed on to us. We indeed are Christians. I do reject Satan! I do accept Jesus Christ!

Today we were once again in the temple to celebrate the great and holy feast day of the Transfiguration of our Lord. And once again our souls were stirred by the beauty of the church and

the great message for our salvation. We heard the teaching of how Our Lord showed His divinity to His disciples, as much as they could stand...as much as they could deal with, as He revealed Himself as God, the Messiah. In the Gospel reading from Matthew we heard Him say, "Arise, be not afraid." Peter was so filled with joy that he said, "Lord, it is good for us to be here!" He didn't want to leave that wonderful place. Remember? He offered to build tents for the Lord and also for Moses and Elijah who also appeared there. What joy they must have had! He knew then and there, that his true and only home would be with Jesus.

That was us again today. What a joy it was to celebrate the glorious feast day Liturgy. We were up there on that mountain with Him and saw His glory as much as we could behold. We, too said, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." And He told us to arise, be not afraid and come down with Him from that mountain. All eleven of us at the Liturgy praised and glorified God and knew how good it was to be with Him!

That's why I'm a bit sad today. I've been thinking about our Faith and even basking in the graces of these past few days with "my people" as we celebrated the presence of our God among us. And then I sorrow for all those who do not know our Lord. Even more, I grieve for those who were baptized, but have gone off to some foreign land, and no longer care about or practice the Holy Faith and Tradition of our ancestors. I pray for those enemies who attack the Church. I cry for those who live day to day, never thinking of the spiritual and holy....just pulling one garbage bag after the other from the roll...just never thinking that today's might be the final one... that this day might be the last. Then what....what did they live for? What did they strive for? I cry for their empty lives and pray for their souls. Yes, the world and all that is in it is good and beautiful and blessed. (That is why we even blessed the fruits of the earth after Liturgy today. To give

thanks and glory to God who gives us all good things). But we are called to higher things. We are called to know God; to love God; and to serve God. I am sad when I see so many who don't know or don't care. What a world this would be, if they could find or re-find the Savior. What a world this would be if they could reject Satan and all his works and all his powers and receive and accept Jesus as the only Savior, as the only pursuit! He came to give us Life to the fullest.

I have an old and very worn T-shirt I received long ago from an Orthodox bishop. On the front left chest is a star, and in the middle of that "T/C Phil. 1: 27-28." On the back, in big letters are the words "Totally Committed," followed by: "*The choice has been made. There is no looking back. I have stepped over the line. I won't let up, back up, give up, or shut up. My focus is clear, my path straight, my God reliable. I'm a disciple of Christ.*" Phil. 1: 27-28 and Phil. 3: 13-14. That is what happens when we are baptized. That is what happens when we sincerely answer those questions. No turning back...

"Do you reject Satan and all his works and all his angels and all form of service to him, and all his empty promises? I DO REJECT HIM!" and "Have you joined yourself to Christ? I HAVE JOINED MYSELF TO HIM!" Someone said it for us when we were babies; now we must answer those questions for ourselves. Thank you to our Patriarch Sviatoslav, who directed we do this renewal service. It is indeed a good thing!

May you see our Lord transfigured on the mountain! May you be filled with His glory, as much as you can behold! May you rejoice and celebrate His presence and New Life among us! May our Holy Lady protect you! Be blessed, my Dear Reader

In His Love,  
*F. Ray*  
 Father Ray

## **In Memoriam – Вічна Пам’ять!**



Rita Nowadly of Buffalo, NY entered into rest August 8, 2013. Beloved wife of the late Stephen Nowadly; devoted mother of Stephen A. Nowadly and Sharon (Guy Otis) Healy; cherished grandmother of Brian (Christy) Healy, Katherine (Eric) Johnson, Sarah Brown, and Laura (Matt) Kendall; treasured Babci/GG of Allison, Reagan, Noah, and Lila. Loving daughter of the late Stanley and Eva Barnas; dear sister of the late Dorothy, Michael, and James, as well as Stanley and Paul. Survived by her relatives and many friends. No prior visitation. Relatives and friends are invited to attend a mass of Christian burial in St. Nicholas Ukrainian Church on Monday morning at 10 o'clock. In lieu of flowers contributions to Hospice of WNY would be appreciated. (Family)

Our sympathy to the Family. May she rest in peace! Eternal Memory! Vichnaya Pamiat!

## **In Memoriam – Вічна Пам’ять!**

**Fell asleep in the Lord  
 +Nathaniel DuBois**



(+August 4, 2013 - age 66)

Beloved husband of Karen Bucktooth; loving son of Norma and the late Nathaniel L. DuBois; dearest father of Nathaniel DuBois Jr., Jacquelyn (Jacob) Kalyan; stepfather of five children; grandfather of many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; brother of Edward (Hazel), Maryann DuBois and Margaret Mary (David) White. Divine Liturgy and Panachyda was held Friday, August 7 at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church.

We extend our sympathy to the Family. May he rest in peace!

Eternal Memory! Vichnaya Pamiat!



## Sacraments of Confirmation, Baptism, and Holy Eucharist

Was bestowed this Saturday,  
August 10, 2013, upon:

Austin Michael Znaczko

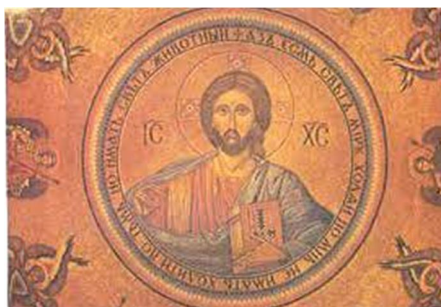
And Alexa Rose Znaczko

Son and daughter of

Mark Znaczko and Jill Buchwald.

May our good & loving Lord grant His blessings of peace, health, and happiness upon Austin Michael & Alexa Rose as we welcome them into our Church of faith!

**Congratulations!  
Mnohaya Lita!**



Остін Михайло Значко

і Олеся Розалія Значко

Син і донька

Михайла Значко і Джіл Бухвальд прийняли в суботу 10 Серпня тайни хрещення, миропомазання і Пресвятої Євхаристії. Хай Господь благословить щастям і здоров'ям!

Гратулюємо батькам!

**На Многая і Благая Літа!**

### **З радія "Милосердний Самарянин"**

Просім Господа щоб і нас вилікував, щоб розв'язав наш язик до добрих слів, і щоб світло Христове нас постійно просвічувало.

Важним є, щоб ми усі, не залежно що в житті робимо, бачили Христа поруч себе. Він є усім для усіх.

Для архітектів, Христос є наріжним камином,  
Для пекарів, він є живим хлібом,  
Для банкерів, Він є незміряним багатством, Для біологів-науковців, він життям,  
Для будівельників, Він є певним фундаментом,  
Для лікарів, Він є найкращим цілителем,  
Для виховників, Він є чудесним учителем,  
Для хліборобів, Він є сівач і господарем жнив,  
Для квіткарів, він є прекрасною рожою і запашною лелією,

Для геологів, Він є камином відвічним,  
Для ювілрів, Він є дорогоціною перлиною,  
Для адвокатів, Він є порадином і правником,  
Для репортерів, Він є особою, що приносить добрі вісті,  
Для філософів, Він є знанням,  
Для гончарів, Він посудиною на честь,  
Для моряків, Він Господарем Моря,  
Для слуг, Він Добрим Господарем,  
Для пастухів, Він є Божим Ягням,  
Для рабів, Він є Ізбавителем, тим, що дає викуп і визволяє,  
Для вояків, Він капітаном вашого спасіння,  
Для політиків і урядовців, Він Бажання усіх Народів,  
Для спраглих, Він є живої Води, що тече в Життя Вічне,  
Для нечистих, Він є джерелом очищення,  
Для слабих, Він є силою Божою,  
Для віруючих, Він є Сином Бога Живого.

Кожний і кожна з нас сьогодні хай себе запитає: А ким для мене є Христос? І дальше: Чи через мене Христос доходить до потребуєчючих, чи я дозволяє Йому користуватися, мною щоб зробити чудо в їхньому житті.

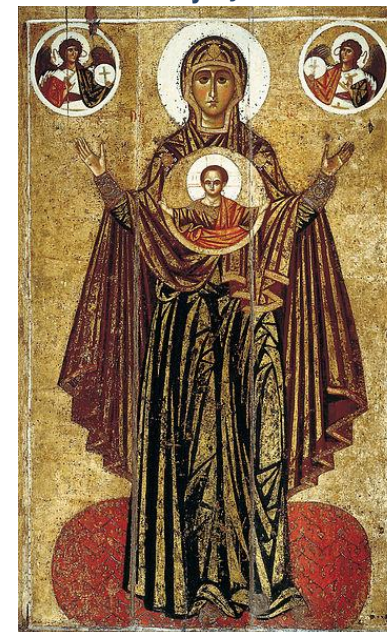
### **From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.**

When I think of everything that the Mother of God endured in order to play a vital role in our salvation and the beautiful serenity of her nature, I often think of the sea oyster and the pearl of great sacrifice. Through the everyday events of our lives, God reveals simple lessons to us, and not that long ago, while I was on vacation near the seashore with my

son, we decided to take a walk. We came upon a little open-air stand called 'The Oyster Shop.' Inside, an older woman stood with a large bucket of oysters. She said that each oyster had a pearl and, for five dollars, the children could choose one. She would open it for them, and whatever was inside would be theirs. Next, she began a slide presentation and explained the story of how a pearl develops. The woman told us that, at some time in the course of the oyster's development, a foreign substance such as a grain of sand gets into the little muscle and irritates the oyster. In response, the oyster covers that irritant with a secretion. The longer the irritation is there, the more the oyster coats it. Pearl oysters vary in size and can be quite rough and ugly. Yet what happens inside of them is a combination of rainbows, moonlight, and bits of flame. Once the oyster accepts the irritation as part of itself, the pearl begins to develop. The worst storms, gales, even hurricanes will not dislodge it. As time goes by and this oyster is finally pulled up from the bed where it has been for many years, it is opened only to reveal a beautiful pearl. Later, when I had time to think about, I meditated on the story of how a pearl forms and it reminded me of how something comes into our spiritual life; it comes because the Lord has chosen us to do something special that we may offer our own pearl up to God. Thinking about other details of the pearl, you realize

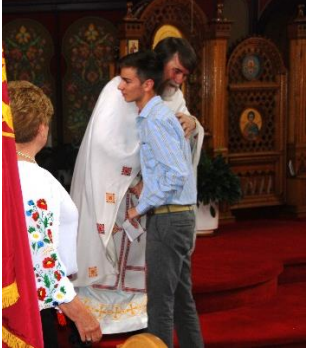
that the longer the pearl stays in the oyster the more valuable it becomes. Therefore, the longer we stay committed and the more we do for God, the more beautiful will be the pearl that each one of us can give. It is through our own personal hardships that we find the strength to become the people of faith that God intends us to be. It comes from years and years of steadfast obedience to God in spite of our hardships and the everyday irritations of life. Somehow, we too develop something beautiful inside of us. The Pearl is just one more analogy of how God can take our brokenness and turn each of us into something beautiful -- if we let Him. And there was no greater 'Pearl' in the entire world than the one created through the Most Holy Mother of God.

Our Mother of God, the beloved Theotokos, could have never imagined that the Lord would send to her an angel who would ask her to become the mother of the Son of God. And still she accepted without hesitation, she took upon herself the burden of humanity's struggle to live with God once again. By giving birth to the Son of God, she provided the means by which mankind could be redeemed through the love of her Son. Our Blessed Mother accepted one of the greatest hardships, to watch her own son be crucified on the cross, and yet she continues to be our source of strength and intercession. Without her struggles and the hardships she bore, we would not have been given the gift of salvation; her sufferings prepared her for leading a life of holiness and grace. She is not only the Mother of God, but she remains our Mother, our Theotokos in whom we pray to and trust for guidance during the most difficult times of our lives. May we continue to pray to the Mother of God for our strength and her intercession before the judgment seat of Christ!





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Marta Victoria & Dmytro Jason – at our picnic year ago



Marta Victoria & Dmytro Jason – at this year's picnic

