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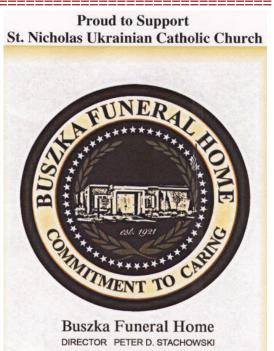
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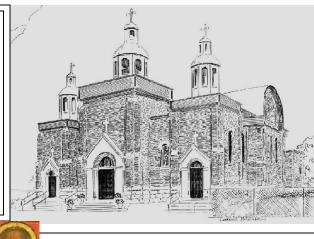
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CHURCH RULLETIN

 N^{o} 46 – November 14 – 2010

Church Bazaar – Церковний Базар

Today is the last day of our Church Bazaar. Thank you all who prepared this event, who worked during the Bazaar, who donated your time and supported financially. Please remember:

We still need help cleaning up after the Bazaar today. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Thank you Father and parishioners of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish for allowing us to use your Church hall. Thank you for your support, and may the Lord richly bless you!

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Останній день нашого Церковного Базару сьогодні, 14 Листопада.

Просимо прийти і допомогти при Базарі а на кінці також усе забрати і поскладати. Сердечна подяка усім, що у який небудь спосіб допомогли!

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14 Листопада – 2010 – Ч. 46

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There you can read the newest bulletin as well as listen to "Good Samaritain" Ukrainian Radio Program. We will also post activities of the churches of our deanery and other important items.



Просимо зайти на нашу Web-сторінку. Там можна перечитати найновіший бюлетин і послухати радіо передачу "Милосердний Самар'янин", як рівно ж довідатися про інші події у нашому деканаті. Дякуємо!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE ПОР'ЯДОК СВ. ЛІТУРГІЙ

Nov. 14: 25 H. по ЗСД – 25 S. aft. Pent. Т8

10:00 АМ +Євген Луковський (родина) 12:00 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян Monday, Novem. 15 – Пон., 15 Листопада 8:15 АМ +Михайло і Марія Логаза (О. Чмола)

Tuesday, Novem. 16 – Вів., 16 Листопада 9:15 AM +Julia Hrynczak (Anna Holowaty) Wed., Novem. 17 – Сер., 17 Листопада 10:00 АМ +о. Олексій Кобрин (р. Гіль) 12:00 PM +Nathanael DuBois req Pat Hughes Thu., Novem. 18 – Чет., 18 Листопада 9:15 AM +Helene Mysliewic & Anna Jusela

Friday, Novem. 19 – П'ят., 19 Листопада 9:15 AM +Michel & Julia Michalow (Michael & Michelle)

(Jim)

Sat., Novem. 20 – Субота, 20 Листопада 9:00 АМ +Анна Дзік (брат Роман) 4:30 PM +Mychajlo Nesteruk (sister Rose Serediuk)

Nov. 21: 26 H. по ЗСД – 26 S. aft. Pent. T1 10:00 AM For Parishioners – За Парохіян

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PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

The 73 Annual Convention of the League of Ukrainian Catholics will be

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V. Rev. Marijan Proyh

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25 Неділя по Зісланні Святого Духа

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Христос вміло використовує оце відношення одних до других, щоб нам пояснити про любов до інших. Тут бачимо, що свій свойому не допомагає, а ворог ворогові стає в пригоді...

Христос, запевняє: "Я з вами по всі дні аж до кінця віку. Він з нами у Церкві будучи головою цієї церкви, він з нами у святому євангелію як наш учитель, Він з нами в Присвятій Євхаристії під видами хліба, Він з нами в образі наших ближніх, хто б вони не були.

Покійна праведна монахиня Мати Тереза з Калькути часто пригадували цю правду своїм сестрам, кажучи "Дорогі сестри! В каплиці ви поклоняєтеся Ісусові Христові вкритому в кивоті під видами хліба, і ви радо це робите, але коли обов'язок кличе вас із каплиці до хворих у лікарні ви також повинні це радо робити. Ви тоді залишайте Ісуса Христа у кивоті, і спішіть до Ісуса Христа укритого у хворій людині." Все що робимо для хворих, ми робимо для самого Ісуса Христа. (з радіо "М.С.)

5th Sunday after Pentecost

The Gospel gives us this parable of the Good Samaritan. As Jesus tells his audience, a man is traveling down the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. The man is attacked by robbers, and left by the side of the road, half dead. The first person to pass the scene was a Priest. He faced an enormous moral dilemma. His office required him to remain ritually pure. If a priest came in contact with a Samaritan, a Gentile, or a dead person, he would be considered ritually defiled. For the priest, it was easier for him not to become involved, so he crosses to the other side of the road and goes on his way, leaving the man to die. The next person passing by on the road to Jericho is a Levite. He arrived at the place where the hurt man was lying. More than likely, he went a little closer than the Priest because the consequences for defilement are not as strict for Levites. But he too, looks at the man lying there and decides it would be easier to not get involved, so he walks on his way and leaves the man to die. Well, if you were in Jesus' audience listening to this story, you would be anticipating the next character. He started with the Priest, and he moved to the Levite, so next will be the Jewish layman. But instead, Jesus introduces a radical twist to the story. The next character coming down the road is a Samaritan! This Samaritan came upon this injured man and offered him a helping hand. He demonstrated love toward his neighbor, which went beyond what anyone in that society could imagine. We need to understand that the Jewish people considered the Samaritans as the lowest of the low. But this Samaritan knelt and took wine and oil and applied it to the man's wounds. He then placed the man on his own donkey and took him to an Inn to care for him.

In the movie "Pay It Forward," a twelve year old, seventh grader takes the assignment to come up with a way in which to improve the world. His concept was simple. Instead of living life trying to pay people back, he would begin to pay people forward. He would begin to do random acts of service for all kinds of people, and when they attempted to pay him back, he would tell them to return the favor to three more people. He figured that if every day he did three acts of service and those three individuals did three acts of service the next day, that over the short time of three weeks, over 4.5 million people would have been impacted. Of course this concept is not new, but the implications are important. Helping someone along the way is the core of the teachings of Christ. The meaning of today's parable is not to contrast the inhumanity of the Priest and the Levite who pass by with the generosity of the Samaritan who tends and takes charge of the wounded man, nor to condemn the ethnic and religious antagonism between the Jews and the Samaritans, but rather to proclaim this general truth: that my neighbor is not exclusively someone connected to me by blood, or country or creed, but that my neighbor is, at each instant, someone whom God has brought near me, has put in my path; my neighbor is the person I become close to through serving their need, even if they are a stranger or an enemy. It depends very largely on me, whether this or that person does or does not become my neighbor. I can try to act in such a way that every person becomes my neighbor. As Jesus comes to the end of his parable, he asks the lawyer, "Which person proved himself to be a neighbor?" The lawyer has to conclude, "The one who showed mercy." Then Jesus says, "Go and do the same." (from "Good Samaritan" radio pr.)

З радія "Милосердний Самарянин"

У книжці про життя св. Івана від Бога записана зворушлива легенда. Цей святий залюбки доглядав хворих, перев'язував їхні рани, милосердився над недужими, навіть цілував огидні рани, щоб олекшити їхню долю, щоб вони мали в собі почуття вартости, що їх не всі полишили. Одного дня, каже легенда, приклякнув він коло пораненого і почав водою обмивати його покалічені ноги. Аж ось побачив святий Іван на стопах того раненого чоловіка глибокі рани від цвяхів, які несподівано заблищали ясним світлом. Подевився він на його руки, і там побачив те саме. Зачарований цим дивом святий прошептав: "Це Ти, Господи Ісусе?" В цій хвилині глипнув він на обличчя і побачив Христа Спасителя в небесній славі і почув слова: "Це я, бо кожного разу коли ти допомагаєш потребуючому, ти мені помагаєш і ти виконуєш моє доручення бути усім для усіх." Видіння зникло, а перед Іваном залишився тільки нещасний поранений.

На світі завжди було, є і буде багато горя, терпіння, болю і сліз. Можна сказати, що ціла наша земна куля вкрита горем, сльозами, недугами, ранами, нещастями і терпіннями. Всюди потрібно милосердних Самарян, потрібно помочі, потіхи, розради і діл милосердя. По наших родинах, по наших парохіях, на місцях нашої праці є широке поле для діл милосердя. Можна розрадити, потішити, відвідати, послужити. Часами одне слово, одна усмішка, одна порада є великою втіхою для тих, що тижнями, місяцями, а часами і роками не можуть нічого собі зробити, нікуда не мають змоги вийти, з ніким поговорити.

На Божому суді щасливими будуть ті, що почують Господні слова: "Я голодував і ви дали мені їсти; мав спрагу, і ви мене напоїли; чужинцем був, і ви мене прийняли; нагий, і ви мене одягли; хворий і навідалися до мене.

На питання: "Господи, коли ми бачили тебе в потребі і помогли тобі?" дістанемо відповідь. "усе, що ви зробили одному з моїх братів найменших, ви мені зробили".

"Іди і ти твори так само", сказав Господь законовчителеві, який був звернувся до Христа з питанням що він має робити, щоб осягнути життя вічне, і якому Господь і розповів оту притчу з нинішного Євангелія.

Ці Господні слова відносяться і до кожного і кожної з нас. Ідім і наслідуймо діла милосердного Самарянина. Будьмо милосердні, бо Господь Бог буде милосердний для кожного що творить милосердя...

У місяці Листопаді ми згадуємо Слугу Божого Митрополита Андрея, який як милосердний Самарянин старався завжди допомагати потребуючим. У своїй проповіді на його похороні, Слуга Божий Патріярх Йосиф Сліпий так говорив про свого попередника, Митрополита Андрея: "Не підрядну ролю в Його діяльності займають гуманітарні функції, основані порадні, вакаційні оселі, опіка вдовами і сиротами, немічними, гуртожитки, бурси, захисти й інтернати. Між ними як свідок Його великого співчуття стражденним красується "Народня лічниця", яка тисячі немічних повертала їх рідним спосібними до праці." Прослав Господи слугу Божого Митрополита Андрея!

From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

Dear

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

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! And Good Evening or Good Morning or Good Day! I'm never sure how to start your letter, because I know you might get it on Saturday evening, Sunday morning, Tuesday in the mail, or even sometime later. Anyway, whenever it is, thanks God, we can get together for a few minutes here again this week.

And here it is...that special weekend in November, the Saint Nicholas Bazaar. Everybody is going to the church hall in Lackawanna for some great food, great bargains and that great fellowship of our community. I hope to see you there! These bazaar days certainly create a holiday atmosphere around here, not quite like Super Bowl Sunday, but really up there on the list of special days for our parishes and community.

Congratulations and thank you to all who organized, planned and made it happen; thank you to all who worked and/or donated to the success of the bazaar; to all who came and patronized the event and offered a few dollars for the good of the church. God bless all of you for your kindness and charity in all that you did, and continue to do, for the glory of God and His Church! I'm sure the bazaar will be a success as it usually is!

You should have seen the sunshine last Saturday during the 4:30 Liturgy. I wonder if anyone other than myself noticed it? It was cloudy when I went inside the church to prepare for the Liturgy, and it remained that way as the Liturgy began. That is, until we got to the time of the Consecration,

more particularly, when the "Words of Institution" were being said. Right at that moment-"This is My Body...This is My Blood..." the sun came out and was shining directly over my shoulder, right on to the Holy Gifts on the Holy Table. And that golden glow stayed there right till the very end of the Liturgy! I loved it and think it was even better than a rainbow! Thanks God for all His blessings known or unknown, evident or concealed! Thanks God for His great consolations to us!

Remember how last year was called "The Year of the Priest?" At Holy Protection we took it seriously and actually offered prayers for priests each day of that year from June 2009 to June 2010. We did this by choosing a priest, or several priests, or a bishop, first from our Eparchy of Stamford, and then from the other eparchies. We offered a special prayer after each Sunday Liturgy for the priest or bishop we had chosen and prayed for him all during that coming week. Over the course of the year, we managed to include all the Bishops, all of the priests of the Stamford Eparchy, and others in various parts of the US, Canada and the world.

When the priest or bishop was chosen we sent a note to let the person know that we were praying for them. The very last one to go out was for the conclusion of that special Year of the Priest, and we thought it fitting and appropriate to pray for our Patriarch Lubomyr. So that's what we did.

Two weeks ago we received a beautiful letter from His Beatitude thanking us for our prayers for his intentions. The Patriarch's words were warm and kind to be sure and certainly made us feel like a million bucks!

I spoke of consolations above, and again there was something very special in this letter from Patriarch Lubomyr because he mentioned that we had mailed the letter to him in July 2010, but it was only on his desk to be read on October 14, 2010. He wrote that this fact was very significant because October 14 is the feast day of our parish according to the Julian calendar. Because he would our letter to him on that holy day, he saw it as a special blessing from God, and a sign of the protection of our Holy Mother. It was a tremendous joy to have His Beatitude remind us of that blessing and consolation!!

It's not every day that we get a letter from the Patriarch so it was very exciting. It was even more exciting to read his beautiful words of thanks and prayer as he showed us how we have been specially blessed. The letter is on our bulletin board for all to see, and eventually it will be framed and kept there for all to see. Next time you are in our church, be sure to read it. Our 90th anniversary year continues with surprises and blessings!

This "Indian Summer" weather has been real easy to take, hasn't it? I only hope it will stay around awhile longer. One more day in November without snow! Gotta love it!

However, it is Buffalo, and it is November, so one of these days....

Sunday November 14 is the Feast of St. Philip. This means that on Monday we begin the fast of 'Pylipivka' or St. Philip's Fast. This is a voluntary time of fasting, prayer and preparation as we prepare to meet the Lord in His Nativity. We all must try to pray more and party less during this holy time.

I hope you had a good week and will have a blessed one coming up. Remember: "Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to dance in the rain!"

So let's dance in the rain (or the snow)! May God bless you and our Holy Lady protect you beneath her heavenly veil.

> In His Love, Father Ray

To All Visitors, Friends And Parishioners:

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

It is strongly recommended that every couple or single person over 18 years be registered with the parish. Attendance and support (according to your ability) is encouraged. We use the system of envelops. 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!

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

Подружжя і самітні особи понад 18 років можуть регіструватися. Якщо ви не бажаєте вживати систему коверт, просимо подати ваші адреси і телефони, щоб могти бути в контакті. Ваші датки просимо вложити до коверту і написати Ваше ім'я, бо в противному пожертви будуть анонімними.

From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

While Roman was growing up as a boy, his mother and other friends recalled how keenly impressed they became at the extraordinary traits and virtues which the young lad displayed and in which he progressed amazingly. Each passing day his mother could see his growing passionate soul. Simultaneously and without mutual hindrance, Roman developed from year to year an angelic piety, a goodness, a gentleness on one hand, and a chivalry on the other, manifesting itself at first as compassion and protection of the weak and lowly, the oppressed, and finally in a perfect courtesy. Roman was always helping the poor, asking his parents for extra provisions at school so he would be able to buy a warm meal for the children who had none. Roman was also a defender of the lowly, making sure that other children did not tease those who were less fortunate. Roman even corrected his mother one time, when she was speaking indignantly of a man who was neglecting his most important duties, he calmly replied: "Mother, if you think how much Jesus loves him, you would not say such a thing." Roman had a sincere concern for people of all afflictions; he loved all people and was deeply connected and concerned for those who were in need around him. Roman was always a cheerful boy, playful, but always the first to remind others of the presence of God in their lives. People had never met with such delicacy as his when expressing his gratitude for the slightest proof of recognition. When someone had pleased Roman, for instance, when bringing something or other from town or the village, he knew how to express his thanks and his joy knew no bounds. When Roman was five years old, his mother noticed in him such emotion when she talked about Jesus, His Passion and His Crucifixion, so much so that Roman would stare at the cross for hours with tears welling in his eyes. And as a result of his own spontaneous discoveries, Roman developed a love and awareness for the mysteries of the rosary as well. He questioned, jotted down notes,

studied until he was familiar with every mystery. He always carried the rosary on his person and recited it while in the presence of his brothers or even the other children at his school. The rosary was his first apostolate in the family environment, and whether he advised or instructed his brothers, or whether they followed his example on their own accord, every one of them always carried a rosary, recited it and fell asleep with it in their hand, just as Roman did. Even from his earliest years, Roman was giving and sharing his love for God and for his neighbor with all those the good Lord placed in his path, often lending his ear to the words of St. Paul and Holy Scripture, searching for unity among his people and his faith. So it should be no mystery that the Roman of whom I speak of was none other than our beloved, Metropolitan Andrew Sheptytsky.

The term "neighbor" does not only refer to those of one's own interests, one's own religion, or even one's own national or ethnic background. The word "neighbor" refers to all human beings. With the parable of "The Good Samaritan", we are challenged to a higher standard of love - higher in that the definition of "neighbor" is more inclusive and higher in that the definition of "compassion" is much greater. This should not be surprising in light of what Jesus told His disciples earlier: "For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the Kingdom of God" (Matthew 5:20). We need people in our lives, among our churches, in the workplace and at home, who remind us to look for the love of Christ in one another. We need the memory of people like Metropolitan Andrew Sheptytsky to remind us of what it truly means to be Christlike. We must allow the Holy Spirit to flow through us, guiding us in the ways of becoming good neighbors to those in need. Only as we emulate the example of the Good Samaritan, can it be said that our righteousness might be worthy of the Kingdom of God...