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CHURCH BULLETIN
January 1 – 2022 – 1 січня
ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК

№ 01 ❖ JANUARY 01 ❖ 2022 ❖



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!
2023 – PEACE and VICTORY**

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



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Церква Святого Миколая
(Під Опікою П.Д.М.)
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4:30 PM For Parishioners **STREAMING**

NEW YEAR – НОВИЙ РІК

January 1: S. before Theophany–H. перед Бог
St. Basil the Great – Св. Василій В

12:00 PM For Peace in Ukraine – За мир в Україні

Monday, January 2 січня, понеділок

6:30 AM +Marusia Procyk (Family)

Tuesday, January 3 січня, вівторок

7:00 AM +Stefania, +Rev. Julian, +Oksana (Steven)

7:00 AM Special Intention (Daniel Offut)

Wednesday, January 4 січня, середа

7:00 AM +Catherine Wajda (J. Drahushuk)

7:00 AM +Sophie Sudyn (Elizabeth Kitt)

Thursday, January 5 січня, четвер

9:00 AM +Andrij Wojchak (Family)

Friday, Jan. 6 Theophany - Богоявлення

9:30 AM +Metr. Constantine Bohachevsky

Great Water Blessing – Вел. Водосвяття

Saturday, January 7 січня, субота

10:00 AM See Julian

4:30 PM +Jessica Mysliwiec

(Valerie)

STREAMING

January 8: S. after Theophany - H. по Богоявл

12:00 PM For God's Blessing – За Боже Благ.

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Довгоочікуваний Мир в Україні

Eternal Light honoring
Holy Theotokos

Burns for all pregnant women and
Those couple praying for child



1 січня: Н. Перед Різдом **STREAMING**

10:00 р. +Мечислава і Александер Ганицькі
(Анна Ганицька)



Нинішній новий рік – Today's New Year
Illustration: Midjourney

6 Січня: СВЯТИЙ ВЕЧІР

9:00 в. Вел. Повечеря і Різdv. Літургія

7 Січня: РІЗДВО Г.Н.І.Х.

10:00 AM За Парохіян – For Parishioners

8 січня: Н. По Різdvі

STREAMING

10:00 р. За Парохіян – For Parishioners

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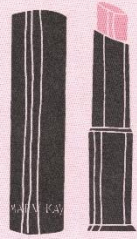
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У Вифлеємі із-під руїни розбомленого хліва
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Вони у пелюшку піксельну загортають Людське Дитя.
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Коні, що мали зігріти диханням, згоріли на стайні в Гостомелі...

Аж ось, обличчя втопивши у бородах —
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У камуфляжі й масивних брониках
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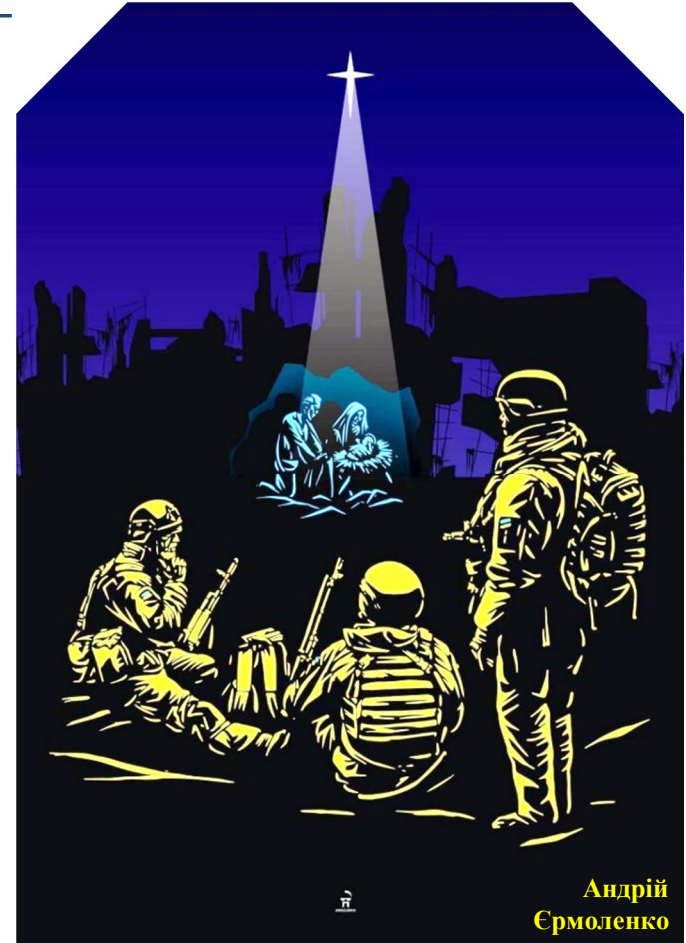
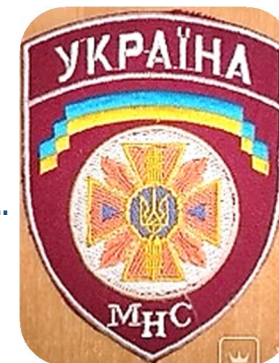
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Halyna Nazarevych 11
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Julia Blenonohy 28
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And our children

Michael Stasiuk 6
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Yuri Darmograi 18
Ruslan Ivan Darmograi 20
Renata Mazepa 22
Zorianna Maria Mencilwicz 22
Bohdan Nazaruk 24
Maksym Welsh 26

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На Многая і Благая Літа!



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Папа-емерит Бенедикт XVI помер сьогодні (субота) о 9:34, в монастирі "Mater Ecclesiae" у Ватикані. Папа-емерит Бенедикт XVI — був найстаршим з усіх Пап в історії Церкви. Він перебував на Престолі Петра 2005-2013рр. Бенедикт XVI випередив у списку «Пап-довгожителів» Лева XIII (Вінченцо Джоакіно Печчі, 02.03.1810р.-20.07.1903р.), який був Папою 25 років.

Бенедикт XVI народився 16 квітня 1927р. Це перший Папа за понад 700 років, який зрікся свого уряду (наприкінці лютого 2013р). Відтоді він мешкав в колишньому монастирі Mater Ecclesiae на території Ватиканських садів.. (PICU)

"With sorrow I inform you that the Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI, passed away today at 9:34 in the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery in the Vatican," wrote Matteo Bruni, director of the Holy See Press Office.

The Vatican added that Pope Benedict's remains will lie in St Peter's Basilica, Rome from January 2 to allow "the greeting of the faithful."

His funeral will then be held on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. local time in St. Peter's Square, presided over by his successor Pope Francis, *The New York Times* reported Saturday, citing a Vatican spokesman, who added that the service would be a "solemn but sober funeral."

The View From Up Here

Christ is Born! Happy New Year!

January 1, 2023 Anno Domini

My Dear Companions on the Holy Mountain: Christ is Born! Glorify Him! Wow! What a storm!!!! What has now become known as the Great Blizzard of 2022 is now mainly over as far as the terrible danger people had to endure for so many and dreadful and awful days. I realize there is still much work to be done as far as clean up, but I pray you have been spared the tragedy and suffering of so many. Thanks God and Our Holy Mother for all heavenly protection! Thanks for all the Good Samaritans who cared for their brothers and sisters who were in distress and dire need. Eternal Memory to those who were so suddenly called! It was a most unusual Christmas Day, to be sure. Glory to God for all "blessings, known or unknown, evident or concealed." (from the Liturgy)

Happy New Year! As we begin the new pages of the civil calendar, I am reminded of the letters I write to you in September as we begin our Church New Year. The bottom line of those letters tells us: "Come and sanctify our time! Come and find the ONLY answer.....not "WHAT?" or "WHY?", but "WHO?" Our Lord and God and Saviour Jesus Christ has come to save us! "For what does it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?" (Mark 8:34....)

We need only one New Year's resolution and that is to resolve to follow our Lord, the new born Babe of Bethlehem come to save us! As we journey higher and higher up the mountain we find ourselves, as we have recently been saying,

discarding much of what distracts us, or blocks the view of our goal. As we journey higher and higher up the Holy Mountain of our Life, becoming more and more excited, hopeful and joyful about the day we will actually see our God face to face, we purposely cast aside the extra weight of our worldly distractions, and free ourselves of so much, that we can almost run up the mountain! We will be



running and dancing on that Holy Mountain! As the priest vests for Liturgy, while putting on the "poyas" (belt) he says the following prayer: "Blessed is God, who girds me with strength and makes my way blameless. He made my feet like hind's feet, and set me secure on the high places." Yes, even after the long journey we will be renewed and we will be light and free to run to Him!

I pray for you, my Dear One, as you journey. Again I want to give you two prayers for this day of the New Year....this day as we

look back in Thanksgiving for the year now spent, giving Thanks for all we have received in those days, now gone forever. We now look to the future days left to us and pray our Lord God for His salvation through the prayers of the Holy Mother of God and of all the saints.

A Prayer for the New Year:

O Lord! You stand between the years. The Light of Your Presence is splashed across the year to come-the radiance of the Son of Righteousness. Backward over the past year is Your Shadow thrown, hiding trouble and sorrow and disappointment. Let us not dwell on the past, only now look to the present day. We must use the past as trees use Your sunlight-to absorb it. So, too, we must absorb all Your blessings, You Who are the

Христос Раждається! Славимо Його!

Eternal Memory! – Вічна Пам'ять!

Light of the world, as we hear You say: “Bury every fear of the future, of poverty, especially spiritual poverty, of those dear to you, of suffering or of loss. Bury all thoughts of unkindness and bitterness, all your dislikes, your resentments, your sense of failure, your disappointment in yourselves and others, your gloom, your despondency, and leave them all buried. Go now forward to the New Year, to the New Day! Go forward to a **New and Risen Life!** Remember that you must not see as the world sees. I hold the New Year in My hands-in trust for you. And I shall guide you-one day at a time. Leave the rest to Me. You must not anticipate the gift by fears or thoughts of the days ahead. For each day I will supply the wisdom and the strength. **TRUST IN ME!** You are to help save others. Never let a day pass when you have not reached out an arm of Love to someone.....a note, a visit, an e-mail, a prayer, a help in any way! Refuse to be downcast. Do not refuse your upward climb! **I AM WITH YOU!** I bear your burdens. Cast your burdens upon ME and I will sustain you. And then, you in turn can help another with the burden that is so heavily pressing upon him or her. How many burdens can you lighten this year? How many hearts can you cheer? How many souls can you help? Love is the conquering power.....**BE NOT AFRAID! I WILL HELP YOU!** Show us Your Way, O Lord! Let us walk in Your Paths. Lead us in Your Truth and teach us and save us! Amen! (Prayer reprinted from Nativity of Most Holy Mother of God parish bulletin in Middleport, PA. (In this writer’s opinion one of the most beautiful churches, physically and spiritually in the WHOLE world, and my home parish!!)

Another Prayer for the First Day of the New Year:

O Lord our God, who have placed times and seasons under Your own authority; who in Your infinite compassion and goodness, have counted us worthy to enter a New Year of Your loving kindness, bless it and keep us in peace. Loose

remit and forgive any sins that we have committed during the year that is now past, and keep us free from sin in the New Year. Enlighten us with the light of Your truth and Your divine commandments. Establish in our souls Your holy will, and guide us to every good work that is good and pleasing to You. Guard well our holy Church with Your divine grace. Remember, O Lord, our nation; train up the youth; protect the elderly; encourage the faint-hearted; gather the scattered; bring back those who have gone astray, and reunite them to Your holy Church. Overshadow our Land with Your might, and grant it gentle rain and abundance of the fruits of the earth. Speak goodness in the hearts of your rulers; support and strengthen them, together with our armed forces by land, sea and air. Let Your Kingdom come upon us, O Lord; the Kingdom of love, goodness, peace and justice; and make us worthy to praise and glorify, with one mouth and one heart, Your most honorable and majestic Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen (Prayer from “The Priest’s Service Book”. Translated from original Greek by Fr. Evagoras Constantinides – 1989- Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America)

We indeed have been given the glorious and awesome gift of life He has put “talents” into our hands and expects a return when He comes again to collect them. We go through this life but once and we are called to make the most of it; to be thankful at all times and in all circumstances to be alive. He has a plan for us right up until we take our last breath on this earth. Celebrate Christmas! Celebrate the New Year! Celebrate your life! You are special because He has come! Happy New Year! Merry Christmas! Christ is Born! Glorify Him! May the Lord bless and keep you and let His face shine on you! Holy Mary Mother of God, keep us beneath the veil of your heavenly protection!

Fr. Ray

Christmas Collection in Fatima Shrine and OLV Basilica

Fr. Roy Herberger writes:

I started collecting the nativity sets about 300 years ago after I saw one carved out of ebony wood from Africa. It got me thinking about how people from other cultures or ethnic groups that were different than my own, would celebrate and artistically portray the birth of Christ: who came for people of all races, languages and nationalities, With my collection of 670 sets being broken up into two separate locations (and more in storage) you will see some but not all of the following at your location. You will notice how some of the artists used whatever material was available to them: straw, clay, corn husks, banana leaves, metal, automobile parts, newspapers, wool, pine needles etc. They also put their own personal touch as to what they were familiar with: a zebra and a giraffe (instead of a cow and a donkey) or gifts of fish, a blanket and some berries (instead of gold, frankincense and myrrh).

(From his flyer at the exhibit)

Father Roy Herberger displays his vast Nativity creche collection at Fatima Hall at the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Lewiston and at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in the Town of Lewiston, and at Our Lady of Victory Basilica and Shrine in Lackawanna.

Perhaps the oddest set in the collection may be found at the Fatima Shrine exhibit, a “hipster” Nativity scene. It features a more modern Holy Family. As the Christ Child rests, Joseph takes a selfie of the family while Mary holds her coffee. The Magi arrive riding on Segways, bearing gifts packaged in Amazon boxes. The nearby cow is stamped “100 percent organic,” while the sheep eats from feed that is identified as “gluten free.”

Father Herberger was asked about whether some of the sets may raise concerns about taste and appropriateness.

“Very honestly, I’ve had some people say, ‘Oh, how disgusting to have that.’ And I’ve said listen, even the bishop a number of years ago came when I was at SS. Columba-Brigid, and he saw it, and he had a smile,” he replied. “He said ‘I just can’t believe it.’ But (then) he said, ‘You know what, if maybe Christ came in this day and age ... who knows what it would look like? Who knows what would have gone on?’ You know, He was born in a different time, a different place. Who’s to say that it couldn’t have been somehow different, in a different time and location?”

(From Western NY Catholic)

Fr. Roy will be in Fatima exhibit Friday, Jan 6 from 5 to 9 P.M. as well as Saturday and Sunday Jan. 7-8 from 1 to 9.

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With Marija we visited Fatima to see lights

← Fr. Roy was gracious to us explaining why he did this exhibit and pointed out to some interesting items on display



Merry Christmas! Christ is Born! Glorify Him!