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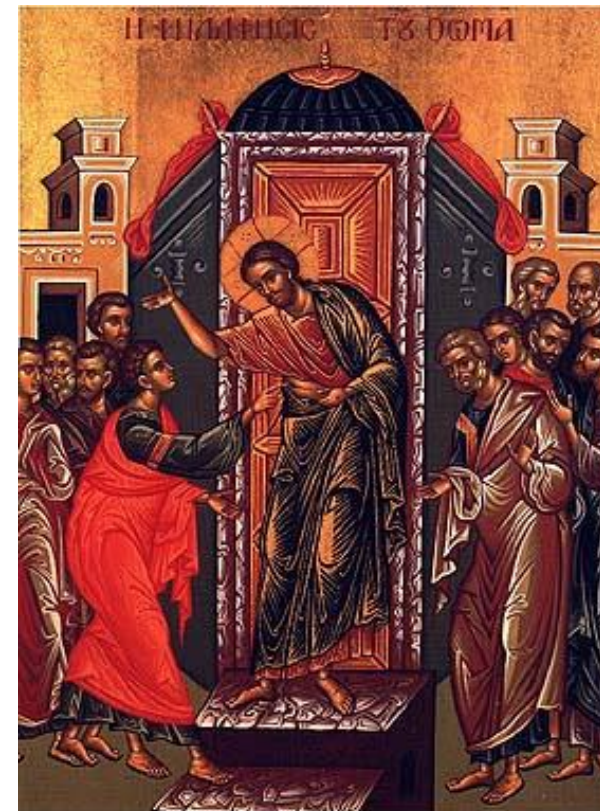
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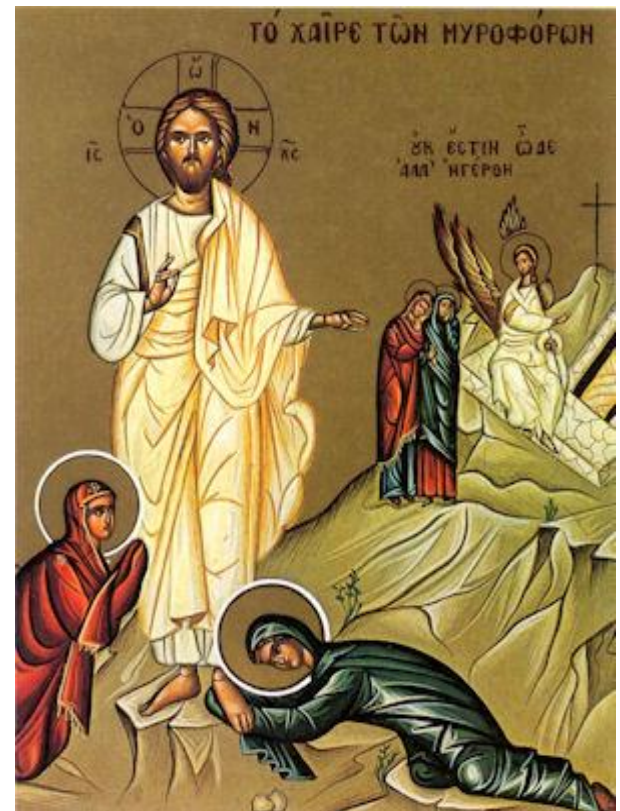
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**April 22 – 2012 – 22 Квітня**  
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**April 22: Myrrh-Bearing Women**

**11:00 PM** See **Julian**—диви Юліянський

**Mon., April 23 – Пон., 23 Квітня**

9:15 M +Helene Mysliwiec, John & Florence & Anna Jusela (Jim)

**Tue., April 24 – Вівторок, 24 Квітня**

9:15 M + ( . . )

**Wed., April 25 – Середа, 25 Квітня**

9:15 M + , , , ( . )

12:00 PM +Severyn Papisz (Luba Ciolko)

**Thu., April 26 – Четвер, 26 Квітня**

9:15 M ó For Parishioners

**Fri., April 27 – П'ятниця, 27 Квітня**

8:15 M + ( , )

**Sat., April 28 – Субота, 28 Квітня**

9:00 M . ( ø )

4:30 PM +Eva & Wasyl Borowiec  
(Borowiec Family)

**April 29: S of Paralytic – Н. Розслаб.**

12:00 PM Michael Michalow & +Slawko  
Michaliw ó birthdays (Michelle)

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**22 Квітня: Н. Св. Томи**

**11:00 р.** +Стефан і Юлія Гривняк  
(К. Лехновська)

**29 Квітня: Н. Жінок Миронос.**

**10:00 р.** +Vera Dorothy Dubas Liskiewicz  
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From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

The Icon of the Myrrh-bearing Women witnesses the Resurrection of Christ as it follows the Gospel accounts. The cave represents the burial place, originally belonging to Joseph of Arimathea. Now, there only remains the empty sepulcher and linen cloth. The faithful women stand by it as the Angel of the Lord reveals to them the good news. The Resurrection also serves as a living reminder of our Lord's genuine love and tangible presence in our lives at all times. The message of the myrrh-bearing women touches us deeply, because we know from their account that Christ is no longer in the tomb, but alive and with us. There is a theme throughout the story of the myrrh-bearing women of their continuing enlightenment, just like it was for doubting Saint Thomas, the skeptical Saint Peter, and for the other Apostles who doubted the promises of Christ. We see how the resurrection is applied in our own life, here and now. God has the ability to make us whole, to free us of our sins and our passions, and to help us overcome our difficulties which keep us distant from Him. We have been given this ability, through the Resurrection. And all the examples of people that partially believed, even the great Apostles, who were at times disbelievers, at times even cowards, these men who were at odds with each other and vied amongst themselves for who would be greatest - even them - the Lord purified, and brought them to a great wholeness. If God did this throughout the examples we read in Scripture, then God can certainly do this with each of us.

Most people that drive through rainy and foggy conditions will grab the steering wheel tightly and concentrate on safely reaching their destination. About 10 years ago, I was on my way home from NYC. Just after I reached Syracuse, an intense fog consumed the air making it very difficult to drive. At one point, I could barely see five feet ahead of my vehicle. It was the thickest blanket of fog that I had ever driven through, and it quickly became challenging to see anything on the road. If you are familiar with the NYS Thruway, then you know that there are very few areas to pull off safely, so I started to pray as I continued to drive and

worried about making it home in one piece. Just before anxiety got the better of me, I suddenly noticed something barely visible alongside the road – a solid white line. As I continued to drive, I made sure to keep my eyes focused on that white line. As I gripped the wheel and strained to see more than five feet ahead of me, I just followed that white line like a lifeline and realized that the weather that night was symbolic of life's journey. The white line was the only thing guiding me down the road that day, and since then I have often paralleled that white line to the values of family, faith and interests in life that guide all of us when we do not know for sure what the future holds. The danger of that situation and the thought of how that white line was the only thing keeping me on the road, keeping me safe when I could see nothing else in front of me, made me wonder about the people in our lives who personify that 'white line': our parents who raised us, nurture us and love us, our spouse or friends who console us and laugh with us, our children who rely on us just as much as we cherish their love. Each of us is a white line for someone else, for the people we love and care for, the people we live with, the friends we have made along life's journey. They all embody the person that we have become today. And what better time than the present, to remind those special people that they are our 'white lines', the people who keep us on track and push us and make us who we are today. As we celebrate Christ's victory over death, we also begin to realize how Jesus is the 'white line' of the ages. If we think back to the time of Jesus and his disciples, and how he touched the blind and gave them sight, or the way he moved the minds and hearts of sinners and made them whole. How Jesus offered hope to the hopeless, healed the sick, and raised the dead into new life. Because of the Resurrection and the gift of Eternal life, Jesus remains the ultimate white line in each of our lives - and His line will never fade, it will never die, but can only become bolder and more visible as we journey through life with God on our side.

## From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

Christ is Risen! He is Truly Risen!

April 22, 2012 A.D.

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

óí .today the resurrection of our Lord brings light and salvation to us... The whole world rejoices today in the Resurrection of Christ; the earth is clothed; the meadows are in flower." (from the Ambo Prayer for Pascha)

Some years, when I've read that prayer, we were very far from "meadows in flower." Not so this year! Part of the brightness and joy of Pascha 2012 has been the early spring we've been enjoying. The meadows indeed are blooming, and have continued to bloom, giving us an added vision of heaven as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord. I'm sure there are going to be even more wonderful flowers for us to enjoy in heaven. Remember Our Lady of Guadalupe, who showed, and gave, some of those heavenly flowers to Juan Diego? And how about our St. Ephrosynos, known as "the Cook?" He's the patron of all church cooks, you know. He also had a vision of heaven and was permitted to walk with great delight in the gardens and orchards there. So when I see earthly flowers, they make me think of the heavenly ones. That's what we mean when we say, "Heaven on earth!"

Western NY, and I suspect most everywhere in the US, is a glorious, magnificent landscape, painted by the Heavenly Artist with one bright and beautiful color after another! We are blessed with gorgeous sights of all the different flowers and trees that have blossomed. Spring has been gentle and mild, so the flowers seem to be enjoying extra long life this year. Our flowering crabapples are beginning to bust out these days and they, along with the flowering pear trees, are the icing on the cake! Nearly every property has one or both,

so they certainly are wonderful, and beautiful additions to the scenery. Truly, Heaven on earth! "In Wisdom You have made them all, O Lord."

Actually, there was more "icing on the cake" around here. Remember how last week, and into the weekend (April 15-16), there were terrible tornadoes out in the Midwest? We didn't get any of those dreaded storms, but did get several very windy days, especially last Saturday and Sunday. Those powerful winds caught migrating butterflies and blew them into this part of the state. There were so many, "Painted Ladies," "Red Admirals," and even a few "Monarchs" that the TV and radio stations began receiving calls and pictures from people wondering what was going on. I had my answer to that. It was Pascha on the Old Calendar!

When we were home, Baba always preferred the Old Calendar, and always saw "a sign" that told her she was right. For instance, "it always snowed beautifully on January 7<sup>th</sup>, and the weather was warm and the flowers always were out for "our Easter." And this year....always a sign of resurrection-Butterflies! Hundreds and hundreds of them!! She would be so happy to see the yards, trees and flowers flooded and decorated with gorgeous, delicate butterflies. Hmmm, maybe she sent them? Anyway, it was great to see that spectacular sight. They seemed to have survived the cold nights ok, and many can still be seen fluttering around.

We always pray for the sick, homebound and those in assisted living and nursing homes, and their caregivers. This past week we had Liturgy at Holy Protection for "all those on our parish prayer list," and "for all the sick." I hope you were warmed, comforted, and even healed, as we prayed for you.

I've been doing a lot of visiting, and always want to do more. Seems as if every time I'm on



my way to see you, something else comes up and I postpone it "till tomorrow." Please remember if you ever need a visit, or if it's been too long since I've seen you, or e-mailed you, or phoned you please free to call me. You are the joy of my ministry and I thoroughly enjoy coming to you, and bringing the Lord to you. I hope I will be seeing you, or hearing from you very soon.

This weekend and next, our parishes throughout the land, and around the world, will be having the traditional "Sviachenne," or Paschal meal. It is usually a bit of a fund-raiser for the parish treasury, but it is also a great bonding time for all parishioners. If your parish doesn't have the "Sviachenne," check out one of the sister churches, and go there for a great breakfast and support them, and have one more taste of those excellent paschal foods until next year.

As the Pascha activity slows down in our parish kitchens, our attention is now turning to the traditional time of First Confession and First Solemn Holy Communion. Parents, teachers, and of course the kids, are busily doing all their last minute preparations. One of these days I'll be meeting with the First Communion Class at St. Nicholas when we will bake *the Prosphora* (Bread for Liturgy) with them. It's actually become a nice tradition and I look forward to it once again this year.

This coming Thursday, April 26 marks the 26 anniversary of the horrible nuclear accident at Chernobyl when the nuclear reactor went out of control and blew up resulting in hundreds of immediate deaths and thousands upon thousands in the resulting years from exposure to the radiation. We cannot forget those horrible days. We cannot forget those who perished, nor can we forget the survivors. AND we cannot forget the godless, lying communist regime, who denied

"any problem" for days, which probably resulted in even greater tragedy.

The world is still a dark, threatening and scary place. The HHS mandate is still in place; attacks continue on the Church and on good people. For today, I won't write much about that. Right now I want us to be like the Apostles in the Book of Acts. They came to realize Jesus is risen and began to openly and fearlessly proclaim the Good News. As one reads those first pages of Acts, we can feel the relief, joy and promise of the future that those holy ones were experiencing. Our joy and celebration of Pascha is that same relief, joy and promise. Christ is Risen granting us eternal life! In Him we have our endless joy!

However, it takes only four chapters before we see Peter and the others being dragged into court. Our joy and the gifts of our God can never be taken away from us, but it will not be easy to live it and proclaim it. Even now, the Bishop of Peoria, Illinois is being condemned for his stand on mandates and actions of our government. At "A Call to Catholic Men of Faith," he gave a wonderful speech last Saturday to 500 men who had gathered at a march and Mass. Bishop Daniel Jenky C.S.C. is being ripped apart in the mainstream press for expressing his views. (Computer people can go to "The Catholic Post-Diocese of Peoria and find the entire homily on line). Pray for him and all bishops!

For today, put your hands over your ears, close your eyes and ignore the terrible things of the world. Only rejoice in your heart that our Jesus, who was crucified, is now alive and walks among us! Through the Cross, Joy has come into the world! This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

In the love of our Risen Lord,

Fr. Ray *Fr. Ray*

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

У нинішньому євангельському читанні від Івана чули ми, що Тома не був між апостолами, коли то Христос вперше їм з'явився. І кажуть йому його товариші: "Ми бачили Христа. Він – живий. Він з нами говорив." Аж 10 осіб, яким не можна не довіряти. Вони ж з Христом постійно ходили, і ніхто інший не міг би виступити замість Нього щоб їх обманути. Вони ж на власні очі бачили.

І жінки їхні потверджували. Ті самі, що з Христом так часто перебували, що були під хрестом коли його розіп'яли, і брали участь у його похороні. І вони також, з радістю промовляють: "Ми його насправді виділи, і доторкалися його одежі. Він дійсний а не дух."

О ні, Тома немає причини прийняти їхніх свідчень. Він же не помішаний. У нього розум упорядку. Він тверезо думає. Хіба ж Христа не розіп'ято на хрест між двома розбійниками? Хіба ж коп'єм ребра Його не проколено? Хіба Він не помер на тому хресті? Та ж свідків було аж забагато, бо хотіли подевитися на позорище, а може і бути свідками якогось чуда, де Христос зійшов би з хреста. Але ж це не сталося, і поховали його, і великий камінь над входом до гробу привалили, і сторожу коло нього поставили, щоб часами під час ночі хтось не украв його тіла і не сказав, що він устав із мертвих.

"Як сам не побачу на його руках ран від цвяхів і не поставлю своїх пальців у рани від цвяхів і не вложу свою руку у його ребра, не повірю."

І приходять Христос і знова каже усім: "Мир Вам", а тоді звертається до сумніваючого Томи кажучи: "Принеси сюди твій палець і поглянь на мої руки і принеси твою руку і вложи в мої ребра, і не будь невірним але вірним.

А що Тома на це. Тяжко собі уявити, що він міг безлично підійти до Христа, щоб поклас-

ти руки свої у Його ребра, алеправдо подібно він схиляє свою голову перед учителем кажучи: "Господь мій і Бог мій!"

І так, дорогі, святий Тома став доказом для нас, що Христос дійсно Воскрес. Бо коли той, що ніяк не міг прийняти Христа Воскреслого, аж поки сам не побачив, одержав зрозуміння, то і ми, взоруючися на його прикладі, можемо також те саме одержати і мати сильну віру.

Христос сказав до Томи: "Тому, що ти побачив, віруєш. Блажені ті, що не бачили а вірують." Між ними, очевидно, ми усі. Віримо на основі свідчення апостолів, а головню того Христового учня, що так багато сумнівався.

На кінці, дорогі в Господі, звернім увагу, що ми можемо доторкнутися Христових ран і сьогодні, так як це хотів зробити апостол Тома. Ці рани Христові є на тілі тих що постраждали у Великому голоді, на тілі тих що загинули в наслідок Чорнобиля, якого зловісну річницю згадуємо цього четверга, на цілі тих, що каралиця у концентраційних таборах, на засланнях і на кожному місці де людина людині завдавала і завдає ран. Кожний і кожна що терплять носять на собі Христові рани, яких ми можемо побачити і постаратися олекшити терпіння.

Важним є, щоб ми Христові самі не завдавали більше ран, щоб ми Його наново не розпинали своєю неухважністю, своїм себелюб'ям, своєю ненавістю. Христос є завжди на боці терплячих, переслідуваних, чи у який небудь спосіб покривджених, яким Він старається допомогти. Чи Господь і по нашому боці, чи Він у нас перебуває? Чи інші бачать Його у нашій поведінці?

Скажимо разом з Томою "Господь мій і Бог мій", і приймемо до себе Христовий мир, якого Він так щиро роздає тим, що хочуть його прийняти до своїх сердець.