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 Мау 20
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 20 Травня

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 Ч. 21



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

May 20: S of Holy Fathers – Н. Св. Отців

12:00 PM +Olena & Stefan Chomyn (Maria Bodnarsky)

Mon., May 21 – Пон., 21 Травня 8:15 М + . . ()

Tue., May 22 – Вівторок, 22 Травня 9:15 М Health of Jerry Szczublewski)

Wed., May 23 – Середа, 23 Травня

7:15 M Private intention

12:00 PM Moleben - Молебень

Thu., May 24 – Четвер, 24 Травня See Julian

Fri., May 25 – П'ятниця, 25 Травня 9:15 М +

(Regina Kotula)

12:00 PM Moleben - Молебень

Sat., May 26 – Субота, 26Травня 8:15 М +

4:30 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян

May 27: PENTECOST - Зісл. СВ. ДУХА

12:00 PM +Irene Voychak, Olha & Lev Voychak, Semen & Mychajlyna Voychak, Mykola & Maria Bratash, Yrij & Andrew Voychak, Yulia & Volodymyr Bilous (Roman Voychak)

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20 Травня: Неділя Сліпородженого

10:00 р. +Іван і Ксеня Сеньків (р. Сеньків і Ткалич)

24 Травня: ВОЗНЕСІННЯ

10:00 р.+Мирослав Грещишин (родина)

27 Травня: Неділя Святих Отців

10:00 р. +Станіслав Вашак (родина)

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HOLY SPIRIT CEMETERY ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE June 10, 2012

From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

The Feast of our Lord's Ascension always falls on the Thursday of the fortieth day after Christ's resurrection. St. John Chrysostom in his homily on the Ascension wrote: "Today the human race is completely reconciled with God. The ancient battle and enmity have disappeared. We, who were unworthy to live on earth, are now lifted up to Heaven. Today, we become heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven and inherit the throne of the King and Lord. Human nature, against which the cherubim guarded paradise, is now raised up above all the cherubim." ...

... Jesus does not return to His Father alone, for He brought into it the human nature which He had assumed; thus opening the doors of the Kingdom of Heaven to all of humanity...

... In today's Gospel reading, Jesus' parting words to His disciples are: "And this is Eternal life ters. We also need to nurture the faith of our chilthat they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent." Eternal life is about love and relationship. Relationship with God, relationship with Jesus, relationship with one another lived out in love. It is experienced when we encounter the Almighty and His unbelievable love first hand. A priest knows Eternal life at the Lord's Supper, when he looks down into the face of a child waiting to receive the Body and Blood of Christ with wide-eyed awe and anticipation. As someone once said, 'Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged with mankind.' A medical professional knows Eternal life when he or she sits with a person on their death bed or watches a person whose body has failed them, whom the medical world can no longer help, whose life is coming to a quick end, and yet they are at peace; for they have lived in relationship with God, and the step across the threshold from this world into the next holds no fear for them. A counselor knows Eternal life when he or she is with a group of men and women who trust each other enough to talk about their failures and disappointments in life, and are still able to support and pray for one another. A

volunteer at a city mission knows Eternal life when they can help the poor or hungry. They may even hear the words of Jesus echoing in the back of their minds, "As you did it to one of the least of my brethren, you did it to me." Every day, men and women are able to see God at work in their lives. Each and every one of us knows Eternal life when we are using the gifts that God has given us, and we feel as though what they allow us to do is worthwhile, because they permit the work of God, through the Holy Spirit, to flow through us and fill this world with His love.

It is a conscious choice to take the time to nurture our relationship with God. To allow God to become a part of our lives, to receive the love He intended for us, and to share that love with one another. We need to take time for prayer and worship and unity with our fellow brothers and sisdren, allowing them to be in the presence of God and God's people, so that they too may experience the love of the Lord and allow their relationship to take root. Every night, when my son and I pray together, we say: 'Lord, teach us to love you better and to love you as we find you in one another'. So often, we neglect this love by failing to recognize it. As a Church, we need to make choices that allow all persons to be touched by God. We need to allow for those personal encounters with Jesus that can grow into a genuine relationship, giving life new joy, purpose, and meaning. When Christ Ascended to Heaven, He brought with Him the whole of humanity, and He reconciled us once and for all with the love of the Father. Mother Theresa put it best when she said, "To show great love for God and our neighbor, we need not do great things. It is how much love we put into doing that makes our offering something beautiful for God". We find joy when we share it freely with others. We find love when we consider those around us before ourselves. We glorify God when we participate in sharing His love with one another, and what better time to remember Christ's Love then when He Ascended into Heaven with God the Father.

From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Christ is Risen! He is Truly Risen!

May 20, 2012 A.D.

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

As you can see by the greeting above, we are once again separated by the use of the two liturgical calendars. I'm writing to you on Wednesday, May 16 after having returned from Holy Protection Church in Niagara Falls where we celebrated Divine Liturgy and the "leave-taking of Pascha." No more "Christ is Risen! Anhel Vopiyashe, etc.," until next year. © Tomorrow we will celebrate the great Feast of the Ascension of our Lord. Hmm, wonder where we will be next year when the priest, with cross in hand, will be standing outside the closed doors of the church, to once again proclaim those glorious words of the Resurrection and of our salvation?

Next year Pascha according to the Gregorian (new) calendar will be March 31 and according to the Julian (old) calendar, it will be May 5! Yikes! That's gonna be one logistical problem in our churches. For example, will there be lilies for May 5? When will we have our "Sviachennes?" Think about it...the Great Fast will begin on February 11 for the new calendar people, while on the old calendar it's March 18. Pentecost on the old calendar is June 23 next year. That is going to be one great stretch of Pascha, that's for sure. Maybe in the "Vibrant Church" we will have only one calendar. Just sayin'....

It's still a gorgeous and exciting time of year for most of us. This morning I was out early for a walk around the neighborhood and I couldn't help noticing the kids as they waited at their pick up spots for the bus to come. As I said, it's that exciting time and the kids can smell the end of the year. Mentally, they are just about done as their little globs of gray matter have begun to slow

down, while the good and faithful teachers are still trying to teach them! The grade school kids are like the birds in spring-they take on a whole new sound, don't they? "Vacation-itis" anyone? What did teachers do during this time of the school year before the invention of the video? Just asking. ©

Many colleges and universities have had their commencement exercises by now, so "the big kids" are done for the year. The "high-schoolers" are still somewhere under their piles of notes and books as they cram for their final exams. We live close to the senior high school and I felt sorry and said a prayer for them as I passed. It can be a tough and stressful time for a lot of our young people that's for sure. But that too shall pass, and in a few weeks it'll be summertime! Congratulations to all our graduates!

I try to walk a little bit just about every day. Even though it's kinda urban around here, we do have some woods and a lot of nice space around us to simply enjoy the beautiful world. Besides, since we've lived on this street for over thirty years, and I'm the self-proclaimed "Mayor of the Street." I need to go out and check things whenever I get the chance. © © BTW, all's well on Iris Ave. Over half the homes daily fly the US flag and everyone is a good neighbor. Only one big problem I know of is a woman who claims, "Barack Obama is our savior!" She is supposedly a Christian, but must have been sleeping in Sunday school when they taught about the real and only Savior!!

Unless you like the Circus, you should stay away from Niagara Falls until after June 15. I'm sure you've heard of the famous "Flying Wallendas," the circus high wire acrobat family. One of them, Nik Wallenda, is going to walk across the Horseshoe Falls on a high wire. That wire will be a two inch cable strung from the US side to the Canadian side (over 1800 feet) and it will be 150 feet above the Falls.

As of now, the city is getting crazier and crazier day by day as "the walk" has become a national

news story. Restaurant and hotel people are salivating at the thought of all those extra tourists who will be coming to see "this great event." One of the major TV stations is going to do a threehour special the day of "the walk." The national and local papers and TV stations have begun to report this story on a daily basis as Wallenda has already arrived for his set-up, promos and practice, and to iron out various details with the governments, and his sponsors and his promoters. He is already practicing each day in downtown Niagara Falls on a wire which is strung over a large parking lot between the big Niagara Casino and St. Mary's of the Cataract, a big RC church down there. How's that for a combo? There are crowds everyday and they are growing. It's a crazy world, huh?! Anyway, if you know any of "our people" who are coming this way, tell them to visit us at Holy Protection...Liturgy is at 9:30 am eve- Be strong! Be not afraid! Padre Pio says it best, ry Sunday morning. For weekdays, call us or check the bulletin. We love to have tourists and quests visit us!!

Another plus for this time of the year is the return of family and friends, who have been avoiding the snow and cold by hiding out in Florida and other warm southern spots. Ken and Carolyn, our beloved "snow birds," recently returned from their migration to Florida and landed with us for a little while. It was great to see them! There are rumors of other local sightings of other "snow birds," too. Maggie and Dave, Harry and Elaine are among those reported to have returned. Welcome back home, ya'll!! We missed ya!

In just about 3 weeks, June 8 to be exact, there will be major gatherings throughout the country to call attention to the attacks on our freedom of religion. These rallies are entitled "Stand up for Religious Freedom" and will be held in many of our cities and towns all across this once great country. I hope you will seriously consider going to one near you. Godless governments and people are all around us and we are being attacked on all sides. It's time to do our part to stop it. Brian Burch writes this in "Catholic Vote. Org:" The

'status quo' gave us record deficits, bankrupt entitlement programs, abortion on demand, and a culture war on the family. Catholic voters have long been taken for granted, or lost in the shuffle. Those days are gone. We are making progress. but there's a lot more work to be done." (Brian **Burch-Catholic Vote.org)**

I hope this letter finds you healthy and happy in the Lord. As you read it, we will be celebrating the great feast of the Holy Ascension...He has gone from us, but He promised that He would not leave us orphans. He has gone to prepare a place for us and He will send us His Holy Spirit. What great and awesome Good News we have! And "I believe He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and of His Kingdom there will be no end." God bless you! Our Holy Lady protect you! Be blessed!

"Pray, Don't worry, be happy!"

In His Love, Fr. Ray



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Коли в нас світла нема, то все бачимо у викривлиному виді, неґативному, відкидаємо усе що добре, а любуємося в злому, уповаючи на себе самих, на свії власні сили.

Коли в нас світло перебуває, то ми стараємося робити добрі діла, і маємо завжди добрі наміри, і прикладне відношення до інших, не залежно як інші до нас ставляться, і ми принемаємо усе, що на нас приходить, постійно уповаючи на Всевишнього, у нього набираючи сили.

Це світло, це сам Господь Ісус Христос, що за нас зійшов на землю, проповідував, творив чуда, пішов на хрест, помер ал й славо по трйох днях воскрес із мертвих, і вознісся на небо, і післав нам Святого Духа, який нас освячує і утверджує у вірі. Це світло, це наш дороговказ. До нього прямуємо, і завдяки йому не зібємося з дороги.

Пригадаймо собі як Савло перед Дамаском побачив надзвичайне світло і осліп, бо духовно ще не був готовий, щоб Його прийняти. Щойно коли духово прозрів тоді й фізично міг бачити, і це світло яке в ньому засвітилося, випромінювалося на всіх з якими він стрічався, і до сьогодні випроміннює через його послання, що ми їх в церкві читаємо майже кожного дня.

Просім нашого Господа, щоб Він відкрив нам наші очі, щоб Він просвітлював нас кожної хвилини нашого життя, щоб це Господнє світло ми могли випромінювати на зовні, на всіх з якими по дорозі життя стрічаємося, і в такий спосіб розганяти темряву і освітлювати іншим їхню дорогу до досконалости.



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40 днів по Воскресінні, перед тим заки вознісся на небо до свого Небесного Батька, Христос навчав своїх учнів, приготовляв їх, просвітлював їх. Помимо того ми бачимо, що учні не розуміють у чому полягає Христова місія тут між ними, і в чому лежить їхнє завдання. Вони питаються Господа, «Чи нарешті відбудуєш ізраїльське царство?»

Очевидно - Христос володар, але не політичний. Він духовний провідник, ідучи за Ним ми опановуємо себе, стаємо провідниками для тих які бажають побачити світло.

За 10 днів буде Зіслання Св. Духа. Коли Дух зійде на апостолів, вони просвітляться уповні і зрозуміють. Ми також під впливом Св. Духа розуміємо свої завдання, бачимо світло і освітлюємо іншим дорогу.