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July 8: 6 S. aft Pent. – 6 H по ЗСД

10:00 AM. Singing in Ukrainian No Liturgy at noon until September

Mon., July 9 ó ., 2 8:15 M + .

Tue., July 10 – Вівторок, 10 Липня

6:00 M +Paul Th. Nowadly (Elaine Nowadly)

Wed., July 11 – Середа, 11 Липня

10:30 АМ В нам. працівників в кухні Int. of Kitchen & Office Helpers **Happy Many Years!** МНОГАЯ ЛІТА!

Thu., July 12 – Четвер, 12 Липня 10:00 M +Olga Belmega ó (ukr.)

Fri., July 13 – П'ятниця, 13 Липня 10:00 M +

Sat., July 14 – Субота, 14 Липня 10:00 AM За Парохіян – For Parishioners

4:30 PM +Michael Iwanyczko (Family Iwanyczko & Wusaty)

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8 Липня: 5 Н. По Зісл. Св. Духа Гл. 4

10:00 р. +Тири Лин і Володимир Правак (родина)

12 Липня: Свв. Петра і Павла

10:00 р. +Ольга Бельмега (Леся Рабарська

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From "Good Samaritan" Ukr. Radio pr.

One day, a man, his heart heavy with grief, was walking in the woods. As he thought about his life, he knew many things were not right. He thought about those who had lied about him behind his back, even those that he had helped through difficult situations. His thoughts turned to those who had stolen his things and cheated him, even those whom he had opened his heart and home to. He remembered family that had passed on, and a sense of sadness lingered in the air. His mind turned to the illness he had that no one could cure, and the way that some people simply ignored him and treated him badly; those that he called his friends and neighbors, and even some from his family. His very soul was filled with anger, resentment and frustration. Standing there in that moment, searching for answers he could not find, knowing all else had failed him, he knelt at the base of an old tree with a carved crucifix, to seek the One he knew would always be there, and with tears in his eyes, he prayed: 'Lord, You have done wonderful things for me in this life. You have told me to do many things for you, and I happily obeyed. Today, you have told me to forgive. I am sad, Lord, because I cannot. I do not know how. I did not deserve these wrongs that were done against me, and I should not have to forgive. As perfect as your way is Lord, this one thing I cannot do, for I do not know how to forgive. My anger is so deep Lord, I fear I may not hear you, but I pray that you teach me to do this one thing I cannot do - Teach me To Forgive.' As he knelt there in the quiet shade of that old tree, he felt something fall onto his shoulder. He opened his eyes. Out of the corner of one eye, he saw something above him – as he raised his head, he saw two feet held to the wood of the tree with a large spike through them. He raised his head even more, and tears came to his eyes as he one another. Today, remember a time when you saw Jesus on the cross. As their eyes met, the man's tears turned to sobbing, and Jesus began to speak with the man. 'Have you ever told a lie?' 'Yes, Lord.' 'Have you ever been given too much

change and kept it?' 'Yes, Lord.' 'Have you ever taken something from someone that was not yours to take?' 'Yes, Lord.' 'Have you ever used my Father's name in vain?' The man continued sadly enough, 'Yes, Lord.' 'Have you ever ignored someone in need?' 'Yes, Lord.' 'Have you ever...' 'Yes, Lord - I am guilty of many things.' When the man glanced back up, he saw in the eyes of Jesus a look of love he had never seen or known before. Then Jesus spoke again. 'I didn't deserve this either - but I still love you and forgive

Forgiveness is something that must always remain at the forefront of our daily thoughts. All we need do is consider the suffering our Lord endured on the cross out of love for the world and have it serve as our living reminder. It may be hard to imagine how we are going to get through a difficult situation, or how we could possibly forgive those who have offended and hurt us so deeply in one way or another. But the love of Christ is always the answer! And whenever we look back on life, we will realize how true this statement really is: 'God's forgiveness is not for decoration - it is for use.' As fragile as life seems, we need to believe that through the love of Christ, forgiveness is possible and that genuine forgiveness from the heart can mend every hardship. When we decide to see what Jesus saw, feel what Jesus felt and are willing to do what Jesus did during His life here on earth - we will discover that the harvest is plentiful. Christ carried the love of God to the ends of the earth when He took the cross for our sins. We live as forgiven people, because of the love of Christ. Even St. Paul reminds us that forgiveness is the highest, most beautiful form of love. Christ taught us by His example that humanity is never more beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving were forgiven, and how wonderful that feeling was deep within you. Now, go to someone who has hurt you and extend them that same forgiveness in Christ's name.

From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

July 8, 2012 A.D.

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

OK, let's get it out of the way right off the bat! I told you in your last letter that because I was writing you prior to the Supreme Court decision regarding "Obamacare" I was unable to comment on it. This week it's different. On June 28th the verdict came down all right – like a ton of bricks! And to tell you the truth it has made me angry. frustrated, sick, disappointed, shocked, and very apprehensive about the future of our country. Talk about your fist to the gut, getting run over by a *Mack truck*, or hoping to awaken from a very. very, bad nightmare. It is all of the above! So now you know how I feel about that horrendous decision. I don't wish bad feelings on you, but I certainly hope you feel the same way. Our basic freedoms are being scattered to the four winds like so much shrapnel from the 4th of July fireworks. The news of that unbelievable, impossible, and very, very, wrong decision was, and is, completely mind-boggling and unbelievable. Everyone knows it, too!

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, John Roberts, for whatever reason or reasons, gave an opinion that swayed the court to say that "Obamacare" is completely constitutional. Reports state that Justice Roberts needed to find a way to say the law was constitutional, and he found it in declaring that the heart of the law, the individual mandate, was a "tax" and thereby made the law constitutional. That's it in a nutshell, but the whole affair, now one week later, is still being discussed, especially the fact that the decision is a wrong one, and not even lawful.

Everyone, including the president himself, has been denying that it was a "tax," and yet this one Supreme Court Justice calls it just that in order to "legalize" this awful government health care. And the blatant lies, deception and disregard for the laws continue! We go about as the Prophet Jeremiah, and the philosopher Diogenes searching for "one righteous person" in this land.

People, a lot smarter than I, and who are well versed and trained in the law, have said that this decision is an abomination. It seems as if Justice Roberts turned his back on the U.S. Constitution as he searched high and low for a way **not** to strike down "Obamacare." In doing so, he sounded like a third grade bully caught in some wrongdoing in the classroom. You remember that kid, don't you? In the face of being caught redhanded in some "crime" in the classroom, say stealing another child's lunch money, the bully would stand there, denying everything and lying until he was blue in the face. He knew he was lving, and he knew that everyone else knew that he was lying. But he continued to make up stories and explanations until he finally realized he was caught, as the evidence was so strong against him. Still he wouldn't give up, but would manufacture even more of a defense by continuing his outrageous statements. "It's a mystery how that money got into my desk. Maybe she put it in the wrong desk herself." And the saga would continue....

I see the Chief Justice doing the same thing as he had decided to uphold "Obamacare" no matter what. Reporters now say he made his decision first, then, went to find out something that would uphold it for him. They call that "grasping at straws," don't they? Even though four of his colleagues on the Court vehemently argued against his actions and they argued the law to be invalid and unconstitutional, the Chief Justice cast his

vote to declare it constitutional and legal. By that one vote (and the four other liberals, who would vote for it no matter what), "Obamacare" is now the law of the land!

By the way, don't you dare start calling that law the "Affordable Health Care Act!" Did you notice the press doing that, especially last week before the vote? From the time in Congress until this month it has been known as "Obamacare." to give honor to its architect. However, when the puppet press wasn't exactly sure how the Supreme Court would decide, they began to use the cuse and Johnson City. Every church bulletin and term "Affordable Health Care Act" in order to deflect any possible blame away from the president. tival or fund-raiser. Maybe I'll see you at one of

So what do we do now that the third grade bullies continue to lie and cheat? What do we do now that our government continues to be unfaithful to their oath to support and defend the Constitution? What do we do with those who seem to have turned their backs on the Constitution? Impeachment, anyone? We definitely must continue to educate ourselves in our faith and in our "civics classes." In my opinion, there is one last great day left for this country, and that will be November 6, 2012, Election Day. The results of will be living in from that day on. Wake up America! The frogs are in the water and it's gettin' hot! God bless America!

tional things of the day such as picnics, parades and fireworks and just being with family. Before we enjoyed the hot dogs and apple pie we went to a parade. Everybody loves a parade, but those little Martelli's are **really** loving them, as I'm sure yours are too. It is such a joy to be with the little ones and see them excited and wondering about everything around them. We always say we wish we could have some of their energy. I wish we also could capture, or recapture, the joy and

wonder that our little ones have for everything in the world. Be it a bug on the ground, a balloon floating to the sky, or a puddle of water, they are always so joyful and inquisitive in their discoveries. They make everything exciting and beautiful. Their "oohs" and "wows" are their way of saying, "Glory to God for all things!" Should be our prayer too.

I mentioned last week about all the activities coming one after the other. This week we received notice of festivals at our parishes in Syranearly every town is promoting some kind of festhese gatherings. There is certainly no shortage of choices for our summertime entertainment. As for me, I'm content with "Veranda Beach," the shady backyard and spitting watermelon seeds. (Found the real ones again this year!) ©

OK, that's the good, the bad and the ugly for this week. Be strong in our Faith! Be of good courage and know that our Lord is always with us in all the good, the bad and the ugly. "Come to Me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn that vote will determine what kind of a country we from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden light." (Matthew 11: 28-30)

Our fasting time is over for now; the Fortnight We celebrated the 4th of July by doing the tradi- for Freedom has come to a close. Please continue to pray and fast and be watchful for we battle the unseen enemy. "Pray! Pray! Pray!" she tells us. May the blessing of the Lord be upon you with His grace and love for mankind! May our holy Lady protect you beneath her heavenly veil.

In His Love.

Fr. Ray

З радія "Милосердний Самарянин"

Ми завжди маємо можливість вибору. Нераз насувається питання: вибирати добро чи нам зло вибрати, бо воно вигідніше. Різьні речі надовкола нас приваблюють нас своєю красою, і нераз не звертаємо уваги на небезпеки.

Підпадаємо під вплив алькоголю, тратимо своє здоров'я і спокій і зароблені гроші.

Так само справа мається з наркотиками. Ті, що вживають їх руйнують не тільки своє здоров'я, але часто допускаються різних злочинів, служаться брихнею, крадуть, щоби тільки одержати гроші на придбання забороненного.

Замість поволи розбудовувати своє життя ми з поспіхом його руйнуємо.

Наші родини нераз розлітаються через брак довір'я між подругами, через відчуження. Очевидно це все стається під впливом поганого духа.

Кілько невільників гніву, помсти, ненависти. Гнів на ближнього і на Бога. Помста за кривду заподіяну. Ненавість на інакше думаючих.

А кілько опановиних духом лінивства, гордости, самопохвали, брехні. Людина любить себе величати і щоб одержувати похвалу від інших. Нераз злість веринає, коли чуємо, що про інших розповідають краще як про нас.

А при тому всьому говоримо про волю. Але нема волі коли ми під впливом вище сказаного, хоча нам може здаватися, що все є упорятку, що нічого нам не бракує, що то інші повинні змінитися.

Грецькі стоїки навчали, що лише мудра людина може бути вільною, а нерозумна людина – це невільник. А Сократ казав: "Як можна називати людину вільною, якщо вона опанована пристрастями"

Оскільки ми під впливом противного духа, ми є невільниками гріха.

Христос є той, що може визволити. Так яй звільнив двох біснуватих з нинішного євангельського читання і нас може звільнити.

> Важним є тільки побачити небезпеку, принести відповідне рішення іти за Господом і триматися цього, що ми порішили. Потрібно мати довіря до Нього, бо Він є дорога, правда і життя.

Ми усі покликані до святости, але щоб до неї доходити, ми постійно повинні визволятися від впливу того що нас відводить він ташого Творця, Відкупитиля і Того що нас освячує.

Пам'ятаймо, що ми легко, через свої немочі можемо зійти з дороги справедливости і іти дорогою безаконня нераз думаючи, що робимо правильно.

Ми, напевно, не просимо Христа залишити наші околиці, але чи приймаємо Його насправді як нашого Спасителя? Тобто, чи остерігаємося, щоб не ввійти в спокусу? Бо батько лжі, спокусник, завжди саме з цього починає свою справу насилля над людиною з метою заподіяти їй смерть. Спокуса – це перший напад, перший прихований наступ наи серце людини... Зневіра, послаблення в молитві, надмірна вразливість, яка робить трагедію з кожної дрібниці, а найбільше – забуття, забуття вірности й любови Отця. А ще надимання нашого марнославства і весь той шум, той внутрішній шум, що веде нас до браку правдивости стосовно нас самих. У всіх цих спокусах треба бути пильними, (Жан Корбон, Це називається світанком, Львів, Свічадо 2007) пам'ятати, що Христос з нами бориться. Ми не самотні. Його сила найкраще виявляється в нашій безсилі. Через Нього одержуємо оздоровльення. Через Нього одержуємо спасіння.