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**CHURCH BULLETIN**

July 31 – 2022 – 31 липня

**ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК**



## ANNUAL PICNIC



**St. Nicholas  
Ukrainian Catholic Church**

Sunday, August 7, 2022

11:30 – 5:00 PM

308 Fillmore Ave. Buffalo, NY

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**Theme Baskets, Raffles**

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# CHURCH BULLETIN

July 31 – 2022 – 31 липня

## ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



St. Nicholas Ukr. Cath. Church  
Церква Святого Миколая  
(Під Опікою П.Д.М.)  
ПОРЯДОК СВ. ЛІТУРГІЙ

4:30 PM +Michael Liskiewicz (Christine & Dolores Palczewski) **STREAMING**

July 31: 8 S. aft. Pentecost – 8 Н. По Зісланні  
**No noon Liturgy during the summer**

Monday, August 1 серпня, понеділок  
6:00 PM +Мирослав Шмиченський (Гарасимчук)  
Tuesday, August 2 серпня, вівторок  
7:00 AM У приватному наміренні – річниця  
Private Int. – Anniversary (Procyk family)

Wednesday, August 3 серпня, середа  
10:00 AM +Богдан Глинський (внучка Люба)

Thursday, August 4 серпня, четвер  
7:00 AM My +brother Nate DuBois (Mary Ann)

Friday, August 5 серпня, п'ятниця  
9:00 AM +Dmytro & Marija Dranka (family)

Transfiguration – Переображення →  
Saturday, August 6 серпня, субота

9:00 AM За Парохіян – For Parishioners  
Blessing of the fruits – благословення овочів  
4:30 PM +Lawrence Gemeniuk  
(Prawak Family) **STREAMING**

August 7: 9 S. aft. Pentecost – 9 Н. По З. Св. Д.  
**No noon Liturgy during the summer**

Eternal Light burns  
for the PEACE in Ukraine  
Вічне світло горить  
за МИР в Україні

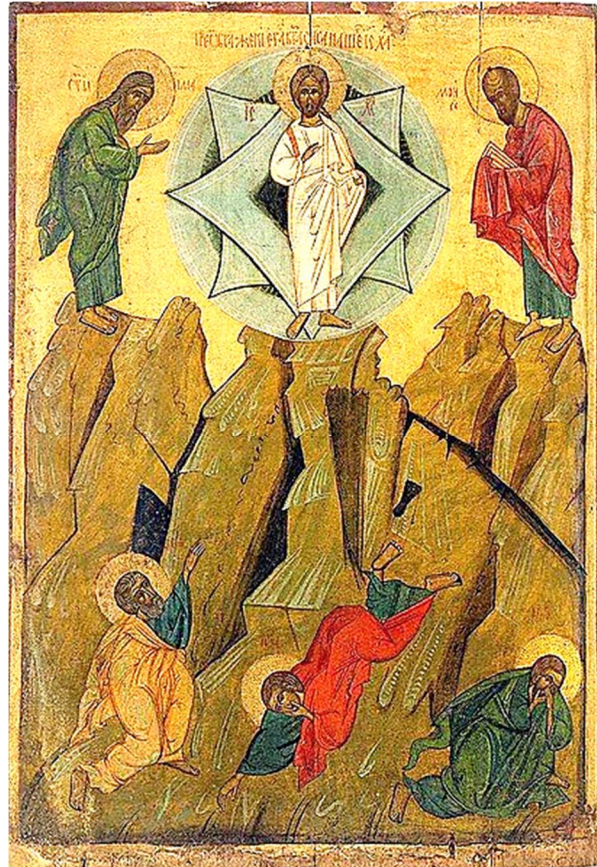
Вічне Світло в честь Преч. Діви Марії  
Горить за МИР в УКРАЇНІ  
Eternal light honoring Holy Theotokos  
Burns for the PEACE in UKRAINE

31 липня: 7 н. По З.С.Д. **STREAMING**

10:00 р. +Андрій Петришин  
(родина Петришин)

7 серпня: 8 н. По З.С.Д. **STREAMING**

10:00 р. +Михайло Петрович  
(родина)



Переображення Господнє  
Село Жогатин, XV століття  
«Добре нам тут бути» - св. Петро  
Transfiguration of Our Lord – XV c.  
“It is good to be here” – St. Peter

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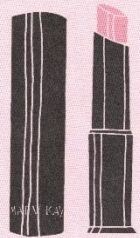
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### 2022 Stamford Bishop's Appeal

Each member of our Parish is also a member of the Eparchy and should support and participate in this fundraiser.

We received the following contributions:  
Procyk Family - \$250.00  
Marie Glenn - \$100.00  
**Total collected as of July 28, 2022 - \$7,500.00**

**2022 Goal for St. Nicholas Parish - \$7,500.00**  
**WE HAVE REACHED OUR GOAL!**  
**ALL DONATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE STAMFORD EPARCHY**

Thank You for your GENEROSITY  
Сердеча подяка за ваші пожертви!  
Donations will still be gladly accepted.

Reminder:

OUR ANNUAL PICNIC IS 1 WEEK AWAY! THE HELP OF OUR PARISHIONERS IS NEEDED!

→ **\*\*\* WE WILL BE MAKING VARENYKY \*\*\***

**ON THURSDAY MORNING AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:00 AM.**

→ **IF YOU ARE FREE THURSDAY MORNING, PLEASE COME AND HELP!**

→ **WE WILL ALSO NEED HELP ON WEDNESDAY, 9 AM TO PEEL POTATOES.**

**ANY AND ALL HELP WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

→ **\*\*\* ПРОСИМО ПРИЙТИ У ЧЕТВЕР \*\*\***

**4 серпня, О 8 ГОДИНІ РАНО РОБИТИ ВАРЕНИКИ.**

→ **ПОТРЕБУЄМО ПОМОЧІ, ЩОБ СТРУГАТИ БАРОБОЛЮ У СЕРЕДУ О 9 ГОД. РАНО.**

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## How to help for Church Picnic

- Theme Baskets- Please bring theme baskets to the church hall by Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>; If you would like to donate money for a basket, please do so by July 31<sup>st</sup>. Today is the last day to donate money for a basket.
- Baked Goods, (Contact Luba Joven and Olga Pucak )- donated baked goods still needed
- Kitchen Items for the kitchen jar game (Make sure items are not expired). WE NEED DONATIONS FOR THIS GAME. As of Thurs. July 28, there have been no donations dropped off in the church basement for the kitchen jar game.
- Help also needed at various booths and in the kitchen the day of the picnic.
- **PLEASE!** Help is needed on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM. to set up tents, tables and chairs. Gentlemen of the parish- we need your help!



**Msgr. Paul Iwachiw Scholarship Luncheon** to honor scholarship award winners:

Sophia Nazarevych

Marko Kasiyan

Nazariy Drofych

Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 12:00 PM St. Nicholas Church Hall. Donation for Luncheon \$20.00.

Donations to the **Msgr. Paul Iwachiw Scholarship Fund** will be gratefully accepted and greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Anna Melnyk for preparing the luncheon.

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Celebrating the 31st Anniversary  
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on  
Sunday, August 28, 2022  
at

the Ukrainian Cultural Center "Dnipro"  
562 Genesee Street, Buffalo, NY

Hours: 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Memorial Service  
("Panachyda") at 1:30 pm

Authentic Ukrainian food, live vocalists and musicians, Ukrainian dancers,  
art displays, craft vendors, full selection of Slavic beer,  
huge basket raffle, bounce house and children's activities.

**FREE ADMISSION**                      **Ample parking available**

**For more information contact:**

Yuri Hreshchyshyn: 238-1731 Akacia Belmega: 674-4916

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Please visit our website at [www.UkrainiansOfBuffalo.com](http://www.UkrainiansOfBuffalo.com)



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Buffalo Branch Thanks our Sponsor:



- **CHURCH KITCHEN is now CLOSED**  
Check with us later.
- Thank you for your help and patronage!
- Thanks are extended to all volunteers!
- Coffee Hour - Usually Every Sunday after Liturgy in Church Hall.

**See you there!**

**HAVE A BLESSED DAY!!!**

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See bulletin for scheduled dates.

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**Family members should call the Rectory**

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**V. Rev. Marijan Procyk, pastor**

**Please call if you are hospitalized,  
homebound and need a priest.**

**Просимо закликати якщо ви у  
лічниці, або приковані до ліжка!**

**Sloatsburg Pilgrimage** – The Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate joyfully announce the 68th Holy Dormition Pilgrimage, August 13-14, 2022 at their motherhouse in Sloatsburg, NY. Considering the current and sad events happening in Ukraine the Sister Servants chose the theme for this year:

**“Our Loving Mother, Under your Patronage, Welcome Your children, We beseech You”.**

For additional information please visit the Sisters Servants webpage at: [www.ssmi-us.org](http://www.ssmi-us.org)

On August 6<sup>th</sup> 2022 consulate general of Ukraine will be offering services to Rochester/Buffalo/Syracuse communities. Info as to what services will be available can be found on our website.

<https://ukrainianfcu.org/community/news-events/consulate-general-of-ukraine-in-new-york-to-visit-rochester-on-august-6/>

Registration is open and members can start signing up for the services via this link:

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**Come Celebrate St. Josaphat's**

**50<sup>th</sup> Annual Ukrainian Festival**

940 East Ridge Rd., Rochester, N.Y.

August 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> start time at 6:00 PM

August 21<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> start time at 1:00 PM

Ukrainian Food – Ukrainian Arts & Crafts – Ukrainian Folk Dancing, etc.

→ The League of Ukrainian Catholics is ← sponsoring a **Fundraising Raffle**. It has been four years since our last Convention, which was held in Buffalo. The proceeds of the Conventions are our main source of revenue besides dues. So, for four years, the only source of revenue has been dues and expenses have exceeded income. The raffle will be held on Sunday, August 21<sup>th</sup>. **The cost of a ticket is \$5.00 or 6 for \$25.00.** For tickets see LUC National Board Members – Father Marijan, Elaine, Nadia or Maria LaPaglia



## Celebrate Jesus' Mom's Birthday, Yes into Heaven!

(Fr. Czeslaw Mychaylo Krysa)

**Saturday August 13, 2022 11-4pm.**

Featuring 15+ soul venues, including Mystical Rose Garden, Ukrainian Protection Towels, Hussar Knights Forest, Supernatural Hardware, Heaven Door Installation, Ol' World Treasures, plus body refreshers: King's Feast, Spud Cakes, Queen Bees: Liquid Sweets, traditional Corn Horns, Harvest Coolers, Golden Grain & Loaves. As grand/parents meander, Young @ Heart games and scavenger hunt for kids.

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**2<sup>nd</sup> annual, brow raising, Street Fair.**

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Young dads and moms last August said, "I hope this is an annual celebration." And "I've never been to a lawn fete on the lawn. It is always on asphalt!" and I've been to many church festivals and never learned anything about my faith. Just spent \$ on food, beer, and gambling.

**Let ur soul rejoice, for all creation blesses the Lady! on her BDay in heaven!**

**The View From Up Here** July 31, 2022 (Fr. Ray)

**“Come, O You Lovers of the Feast!”**

Greetings Dear Climber on the Holy Mountain, “Come, O You Lovers of the Feast!” Quite often throughout our services, especially at Vespers and Matins, we hear those words during the prayers of the Church. Imagine that! Lovers of the Feast! And yet, that is exactly who we should be...that is exactly what we are! Our God has blessed us with His Divine Life which we celebrate and come to know and love in the Feasts and Fasts of our Liturgical Year. Father Demetrius Wysochansky, OSBM in his excellent book “*A Byzantine Rite Liturgical Year*” writes: “**For us the festivals of the Liturgical Year, according to the Church, should not be commemorations of past historical events, but should rather be opportunities, here and now,** (emphasis mine) *to re-live these events and participate in them as though they were just now taking place.*” (p-18) And I would add: **Because they are indeed taking place here and now!** We go to the temple and hear the hymns and prayers of the Church and we are blessed, uplifted, enter into the events of the Feast and into the presence of Our Lord, our Holy Mother, the angels, saints and are touched with a heavenly joy! We become “Lovers of the Feast!”

At every moment of this earthly climb as we go to meet our Savior, we are in constant need of vigilance to keep us from any danger.....we are in constant need of help from those God has put in our path and in our life as we go forward. We welcome and travel with all those walking with us! Nowhere else but in the Church can we truly tap into the treasure and gift that is ours, as we come to realize the strength and joy that can be ours as we go on to our heavenly home.

A few weeks ago the title of this note to you was, “*Like Stars in the Sky*” and in those words we discussed the beauty of our Church as it unfolded during the month of July. The beautiful, sunny days of July now are slipping into the gorgeous and bountiful weeks of the new month of August. The earth is covered with every kind of flower and the fields (God bless our farmers!) are filled with all kinds of wonderful things for our nourishment and delight! Go to any highway stand or farmer's market (or maybe your own backyard) and you will see what I mean. During this time of year, and in so many places, we can

truly see Heaven on earth. There just has to be flowers in heaven, don't you think?!

Yes, Heaven on earth with so many blessings from our good God! As we turn the page of the calendar we become aware of the places we call Heaven on earth! The fields, the lake, the vegetables, the flowers, our backyard are all places of holiness and serenity and reveal the presence of God. All we have to do is go and open our eyes! Our parishes are some of those places, every single day of the year, but somehow in July and August we become aware of it so much more. August, I think is a happy month....sorry kids, I know Mom is talking about school supplies and bus schedules, etc.! ☺ Every day of the year is filled with heavenly blessings and God's revelation. Truly, August is a month of deep and very special blessings! Please, please come to the church, if you can and when you can. Come to the Lord of all Creation, find Him...walk with Him....let Him touch you and heal you and set your heart on fire! The Holy Mother will be there with her arms around you keeping you safe and happy in her motherly love, just as we were so many years ago on the lap of our Mom as she held us, sang to us and prayed with us and for us! Come to the Feasts and soon you will be “A Lover of the Feast!” Have you ever looked forward to a Holy Day? Have you ever rejoiced in the prayers and ceremonies of that day when you attended the services? Have you ever been at the Divine Liturgy and said, “I wish this would never end!”

August...truly is a month of blessings, especially because of the beautiful, meaningful and important days we celebrate in our Church. Do you know there are “Three Feasts of the Savior” in August? Tomorrow, August 1, is the first Savior feast, “The Procession of the Holy and Life-giving Cross.” Many people don't know this feast even exists because it always falls on August 1, which is usually a weekday. Most people don't attend church on a weekday, hence it is completely missed. What a beautiful feast, opening up to us the rest of the month. The Cross is decorated and venerated exactly like you would see on the Third Sunday of the Fast, or on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross in September. This first August holyday is only for the one day. The second “Feast of the Savior” is August 6, the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord on Mt. Tabor. Finally the third Feast of the Savior is August 16, and is Feast of the Icon

Not Made by Hands. Three feasts of our Savior calling us all to Him! Carry His cross...see Him transfigured, full of divine glory...see His face miraculously appear on a veil as it is touched to His face!

August 15 brings us the Feast of the Holy Dormition, a major feastday like Transfiguration. Every single parishioner, if he or she is able, should be in the church for Liturgy on these two days! On the Feast of Transfiguration we bless fruit...bring your basket of fruit when you come! We do this as a remembrance of this glorious time of the year when the first fruits are appearing and the land is becoming rich with the summertime harvest. As we bring fruit to the church for blessing, we recall that all the world is blessed by our heavenly Father, who cares for us and gives us all that we need. On August 15 we bring flowers to the church where they will be blessed after the Liturgy of the Dormition, the Falling asleep of our Holy Mother. Both of these feast days, being major feasts, last eight days, so from August 6, to August 22 the church is indeed in full celebratory mode!!! Additionally, during August we will remember and enter into the life of St. Matthias, St. Lawrence, St. Myron, St. Bartholomew, Sts. Adrian and Natalia, St. Augustine, St. John the Baptist, and, last but not least, on August 31, again the Mother of God. And remember, August 31<sup>st</sup> is New Year's Eve! Yep, the New Church Year begins September 1!! Make your resolutions now!!! ([August 1 until after Liturgy on August 15 is a time of Fast and Prayer in preparation for the major feastday of Holy Dormition.](#))

Yes, the world is blessed and so are we, if we want to be. So much fruit on the farms, thank God! So much fruit in our churches, THANK GOD!!!! By the way, as Baba always asked: "When was the last time you were in church, and Christmas and Easter do not count?!" Heaven on earth is ours if we want it to be! Yes, the places we call heaven on earth...our homes, our yards, the beautiful, beautiful work of the Divine Artist all around us! All our friends, neighbors, parishioners and all our fellow climbers on this Holy Mountain of Life are Heaven on earth! August is truly, truly a month of blessings, but so is every day of the year. Please come to the church, if you can, for any of these services. Come as if your very soul depends on it...because it does! You will be so happy you did! You will be so blessed because you

came! You will be glad you did! The life of the Church is not history, but Divine Life, even here and now! It will not be like a history lesson of things that happened centuries and centuries ago, but you will be allowed to enter into Divine Life and be with God, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, the Holy Theotokos, the Saints, Angels and yes, even our loved ones both here on The Mountain, and those already on the top of the mountain in the Lord's arms! The Lord is waiting for you to knock so He can open the door for you. He wants you to live in Him and with Him. He wants to shower you with His blessings!! I know a beach with a sign: "I wish I could stay here forever!" Pray that all of us can say that about our Divine Services! Come! Be a Lover of the Feast!!

### **Pope Benedict XVI reflects on today's gospel (back on July 31, 2011):**

"This Sunday's Gospel describes the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves that Jesus worked for a great throng of people who had followed him to listen to him and to be healed of various illnesses (cf. Mt 14:14). As evening fell the disciples suggested to Jesus that he send the crowds away so that they might take some refreshment. But the Lord had something else in mind: "You give them something to eat" (Mt 14:16). However they had "only five loaves... and two fish". Jesus' subsequent action evokes the sacrament of the Eucharist: "He looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds" (Mt 14:19). The miracle consists in the brotherly sharing of a few loaves which, entrusted to the power of God, not only sufficed for everyone but enough was left over to fill 12 baskets. The Lord asked this of the disciples so that it would be they who distributed the bread to the multitude; in this way he taught and prepared them for their future apostolic mission: in fact, they were to bring to all the nourishment of the Word of life and of the sacraments.

In this miraculous sign the incarnation of God and the work of redemption are interwoven. Jesus, in fact, "went ashore" from the boat to meet the men and women (cf. Mt 14:14). St Maximus the Confessor said that the Word of God made himself present for our sake, by taking flesh, derived from us and conformed to us in all things save sin, in order to expose us to his teaching with words

and examples suitable for us" (*Ambigua* 33: PG 91, 1285 C). Here the Lord offers us an eloquent example of his compassion for people. We are reminded of all our brothers and sisters in the Horn of Africa who in these days are suffering the dramatic consequences of famine, exacerbated by war and by the lack of solid institutions. Christ is attentive to material needs but he wished to give more, because man always "hungers for more, he needs more" (*Jesus of Nazareth*, Doubleday, New York 2007, p. 267 (*English translation*)). God's love is present in the bread of Christ; in the encounter with him "we feed on the living God himself, so to speak, we truly eat the 'bread from Heaven'" (*ibid.* p. 268).

Dear friends. "in the Eucharist Jesus also makes us witnesses of God's compassion towards all our brothers and sisters. The Eucharistic mystery thus gives rise to a service of charity towards neighbor" (Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Sacramentum Caritatis*, n. 88). St Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) whom the Church is commemorating today, also bore witness to this. Indeed Ignatius chose to live "finding God in all things, loving him in all creatures" (cf. *Constitutions of the Society of Jesus*, III, 1, 26). Let us entrust our prayers to the Virgin Mary, so that she may open our hearts to compassion for our neighbor and to fraternal sharing.

### **Here is a quote from Saint Ignatius of Loyola (his feast is July 31).**

"One of the most admirable effects of Holy **Communion** is to preserve the soul from sin, and to help those who fall through weakness to rise again. It is much more profitable, then, to approach this divine Sacrament with love, respect, and confidence, than to remain away through an excess of fear and scrupulosity."

(St. Ignatius of Loyola)

(Prepared by Fr. Robert)

**"Київська Оранто, Пресвята Богородице, Нерушимая стіно, покрий наш народ, який стікає кров'ю у тій війні, Твоїм небесним омофором. Святі угодники Борисе і Глібе, перші наші святі, заступайтеся за цей ваш Божий народ. Нехай у його житті, його стражданнях, навіть у його смерті, а відтак у його прославі славиться і святиться святе і величне ім'я Отця, Сина і Святого Духа, і нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні!"**

### **День української державності**

*Держава, у якій почалась історія християнства Східної Європи, коли 1034 року тому її охрестив Великий Київський Князь Володимир.*

*Держава, у якій почалась історія незламності, якою захоплюється зараз уся Європа й цілий світ. Це наша держава. Наша країна. Це Україна.*

*Історія її державотворення налічує тисячі років. Але тільки цього року ми вперше відзначаємо День Української Державності.*

*Нам не потрібні салюти й помпа, щоб показати, яке значення має власна державність для українського народу. Сьогодні ми захищаємо її зі зброєю в руках. 155 днів поспіль. Можна сказати, що для нас День Державності – це кожен день.*

(Президент України Володимир Зеленський)

### **Ukrainian Statehood Day**

*The great people of the great country and the great state, which existed on this land from time immemorial, and from time immemorial there have been attempts to both enslave and destroy it. By many people and many times. And which has not allowed it to be done from time immemorial. Never to anyone.*

*The state in which history of Christianity in Eastern Europe began, when it was baptized 1034 years ago by the Great Prince Volodymyr of Kyiv.*

*The state in which the history of indomitability began, which is now admired by all of Europe and the whole world. This is our state. Our country. This is Ukraine.*

*The history of its state formation dates back thousands of years. But only this year we celebrate the Day of Ukrainian Statehood for the first time.*

*We do not need fireworks and pomp to show the importance of our own statehood for the Ukrainian people. Today we defend it with weapons in hands. For 155 days in a row. We can say that for us, Statehood Day is every day.* (President Volodymyr Zelensky)