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2011 Song Festival: "Songs of the heart..."



Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka, Rev. Volodymyr Kostyuk, Rev. Ivan Demkiv, Rev. Volodymyr Popyk and Rev. Roman Pitula posed for a picture with the performers of the "Songs of the heart..." Festival. The Festival was held at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia, PA, on June 5, 2011 and was organized by the Office of Religious Education of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia. The program featured performances by children and young adults. Congratulations to all the performers on a job well done! MNOHAYA LITA! *(Photo: Teresa Siwak)*

**Watch videos from the Festival on our blog at
www.thewayukrainian.blogspot.com**

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**Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church of
New Brunswick, NJ.**
Pastor Rev. Roman Pitula



"Твоя любов"
Juliya Voznyuk and Anastasia Kaspruk



"Я співатиму Тобі"
Anastasia Kaspruk

**St. Michael the
Archangel Church of
Jenkintown, PA.**

Pastor Rev. Volodymyr
Kostiuk



*" Молитва",
"Квітка душа"*
Ulia Stupin

**St. Michael the Archangel
Church of Hillsborough, NJ.**

Pastor Rev. Roman Pitula



"Молитва"
Sofia Pitula



Rev. Roman Pitula posed for a picture with the children from his parishes (Hillsborough and New Brunswick).



*" Божа Матір",
"Молитва"*
Viktoria Ficyk

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St. Josaphat's Parish of Trenton, NJ.

Pastor Rev. Volodymyr Popyk



Instructor Roman Kucharsky played the Accordion to accompany the ensemble.

Parish Song ensemble "Чисте джерело".

"Витай Маріє", "Боже Отче глянь на діти".

Daria Kindij, Veronika Popyk, Hrystyna Chuchuk,
Olesia Kozak, Olena and Olha Komarets



Rev. Volodymyr Popyk posed for a picture with the performers from his parish (Trenton).



Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka and Rev. Volodymyr Popyk presented the performers of the concert with an icon and each parish that participated in the concert received a certificate.

Rev. Volodymyr Popyk is the Director of the Office of Religious Education and also organized the Festival.

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Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church of Melrose Park, PA.

Pastor Rev. Ihor Royik



Choral and violin.
"Просимо тя Діво"
Andrij Perong



Choral with violin.
"Як славний, сильний Господь
в Сіоні." Cynthia Marianna and
Oksana Klingensmith



Violin.
"Ave Maria"
Ulja Kurilec



Violin Trio.
"О спомагай нас Діво Маріє"
Andrij Perong, Ulja Kurilec, Cynthia
Marianna Klingensmith



Rev. Popyk (Festival Organizer) posed for a picture with the performers from Melrose Park, PA, and violin instructor Larysa Odlyvanska.



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2011 First Annual Spring Carnival at St. Nicholas, Passaic, NJ

For the entire first week of May, the teachers of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic School in Passaic, NJ were sorely challenged to keep students at their desks – at every opportunity, the children pressed their noses to the windows and gazed in wonder as their schoolyard and parking lot were slowly transformed into a private little Magic Kingdom for the First Annual St. Nicholas School Carnival, organized by the school parents and PTA.

From May 5 through 8, children from the school and surrounding neighborhood squealed in glee on the Green Dinosaur and other kiddie rides, while their older siblings - and even some grandparents - enjoyed flying through the air on the Swings. Teachers patiently endured one, two, or even three rides on the Scrambler as one student after another cajoled them to “ride with me!” People young and old tried their hand at the Crazy Cat and Bean Bag Toss, even Father Andriy Dudkevych was spotted carrying a stuffed animal or two - while others gave in to the competing aromas of grilled burgers and franks, cotton candy, and popcorn. On Friday night, the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate from Sloatsburg all lined up in a row at the Water Balloon Race, while many a Mom and Dad posed for pictures with the Sisters who had taught them “a mere few” years ago. Officer Mike Skala and his colleagues from the Passaic County Sheriff’s Department provided security, while the Passaic Fire Department opened its shiny red engine for children to climb aboard. A wonderful time was had by all!

The PTA would like to thank our pastor, Father Andriy, our school principal Sister Anne, the Ladies Auxiliary, the church committee members, our many sponsors, and all the parents and parishioners who helped make this event happen in such a wonderful spirit of cooperation and camaraderie. As a fundraiser for our beloved school, the Carnival was a great success, while its sights and sounds brought joy and smiles to the young and the young-at-heart and promised that summer is just around the corner. All are already looking forward to next year’s Carnival!



Water Balloon Race





SAVE THE DATE

Come join the Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great
in celebrating 100 Years of Service in America!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2011
Philadelphia, PA

Divine Liturgy at 2pm; Reception and Banquet following
(ticket required for Reception and Banquet)

More details available in September; or email development@stbasils.com.



June 19th - Happy Father's Day!

On this Father's Day, the staff of "The Way" lovingly greets all our Fathers. We wish you good health, prosperity, and peace. May the Merciful Lord bless you and your family with His choicest blessings for many happy and blessed years. May He grant all our departed Fathers blessed repose and eternal memory in Heaven!



COME CELEBRATE WITH US! Rehoboth Beach, DE

St. Edmond's Roman Catholic Church will host the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, a Byzantine Liturgy at

5:00PM. on Sunday's June 26th; July 31st and August 28.

The celebrant will be the Rev. Volodymyr Klanichka, pastor of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church in Wilmington, DE.

St. Edmond's Church is located at King Charles Avenue and Laurel Street in Rehoboth Beach, DE.

Please come and celebrate with us. For more information call 302 762-5511.

Congratulations To Our 2011 Graduates! Assumption Catholic School, Perth Amboy, NJ

Our best wishes are extended to our seven school graduates this year: Leslie Class, Adriana Cruz, Nicole DeJesus, Robert Denton, Nicole Fidalgo, Jonathan Perez, Angel Silva. Our school welcomes students and families of any religion, race or nationality to receive a comprehensive learning experience combined with the Christian values of the Catholic Faith.





ANNUAL FESTIVAL

FREE PARKING / NO ADMISSION

SUNDAY - JUNE 26, 2011

12 to 6 PM



Dinner: Eat in (\$10/platter) / Take Out (\$10.50/platter)

Includes: 2 pyrohy (cheese/potato), 1 holubschi (stuffed cabbage), kielbasa w/sauerkraut and rye bread, dessert and beverage

A La Carte items and PICNIC GROVE (weather permitting)

Choice of all of the above and holushki (battered noodles & cabbage), Hotdogs, Hamburgers



UKRAINIAN DANCERS

“Voloshky” at 3 pm

LIVE MUSIC

“The Occasions”



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1545 Easton Road - Warrington**

Need Info?

215-343-3948 (Helene) or 215-343-2714 (Gretchen)



Warrington, PA is planning for their 50th Anniversary in 2013



50th ANNIVERSARY in 2013: We are putting together our invitations list and anniversary commemorative book and are trying to find former parishioners or organizations wishing to advertise or participate in our exciting event . We need names, current address, and the year(s) they were members of our parish or info to send your advertising /participation information .

WEEKEND (Sat/Sun) FESTIVAL in 2013: To commemorate our anniversary we also are planning a 2 day festival in June 22 and 23, 2013 . We would like to showcase everything Ukrainian and/or interesting vendors, crafters, etc. The following information is being gathered:

* VENDORS & CRAFTERS: if you have items to sell or are a crafter, please send your name, items you craft or sell, and a phone or e-mail address to contact you. We also have several events each year that you may be interested in participating in.

* UKRAINIAN DANCE ORGANIZATIONS: name of your group, the coordinator, phone number and e-mail address.

* MUSIC / BANDS: name of your group, the type of music you sing or play, coordinator, phone number and e-mail address

* UKRAINIAN ORGANIZATIONS: name of your organization, public relations official, phone number and e-mail address

* UKRAINIAN YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS: name of group, coordinator, phone number and e-mail address

Information can be sent to:

E-Mail: stanneseecretary@sbhcs.com

Mail to: St. Anne Ukrainian Catholic Church, ATTN: Helene, 1545 Easton Road, Warrington, PA 18976

Phone: 215-343-3948 - leave name and phone number and reason for call and I will call back in the evening or over the weekend.

Join the Public Policy Conversation Online

By Joelle Shea

Earlier this year, Pope Benedict XVI said of social media, "I would like then to invite Christians, confidently and with an informed and responsible creativity, to join the network of relationships which the digital era has made possible. This is not simply to satisfy the desire to be present, but because this network is an integral part of human life. The web is contributing to the development of new and more complex intellectual and spiritual horizons, new forms of shared awareness."

The Pennsylvania Catholic Conference (PCC) has answered "yes!" to the Holy Father's invitation. The PCC can now be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pacatholic and on Twitter at www.twitter.com/pacatholic.

Concerned citizens can log on and "like" or "follow" the PCC to stay informed about public policy issues affecting Pennsylvania's Catholics. There is an important conversation and exchange of information happening online about all issues, including those that related to the Catholic Church and her teaching and morals.

PCC recently notified its Facebook followers about important pro-life legislation in the house, posted pictures from a rally on school choice and shared a link to a site where advocates can directly contact legislators. On Twitter, PCC shared news stories, "tweeted" the latest photos and quotes from a press conference on school choice and offered a link to an explanation of a current pro-life effort in the state Senate.

Members of the Pennsylvania Catholic Advocacy Network and frequent visitors to PCC's website will still receive frequent updates on important legislation in their e-mail or at www.pacatholic.org. The use of these popular social media sites gives Catholic advocates two more ways to connect to the PCC as well as to other Catholics. The PCC invites everyone to please become a part of the conversation at www.facebook.com/pacatholic and www.twitter.com/pacatholic.

It is appropriate that the PCC has answered the Holy Father's invitation during this moment in the liturgical year as well. Pentecost celebrates Christ sending the Holy Spirit to His disciples, enabling them to communicate with the people in various languages. We are told in the Sacred Scripture readings on Pentecost, "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone" (1 Cor. 12:4-6). It is in this spirit of Pentecost that the PCC has joined social media – as a way to communicate, with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, with even more of Pennsylvania's Catholics and all citizens.



Joelle Shea

And so, as we mark Pentecost, please consider joining the conversation occurring at www.facebook.com/pacatholic and www.twitter.com/pacatholic.

June 2011 PCC Column by Joelle Shea, Director of Outreach for the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference – the public affairs arm of Pennsylvania's Catholic bishops and the Catholic dioceses of Pennsylvania.

SS. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Jersey City, NJ, May 2011 Activities



May 8 - The Annual May Procession in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary took place on Mother's Day. The Altar Servers (David Demianicz and Ores Polishchuck) let the procession followed by the children from Ridna Shkola. Olesya Hreb was the "May Queen" who presented a beautiful bouquet of flowers to the BVM. After the Divine Liturgy Rev. Vasyl Putera, Pastor, presented red carnations to all the mothers in the parish.



May 15 - After the Divine Liturgy, the parishioners sang "Mnohaya Lita" to Rev. Vasyl Putera on his 15th year in the Lord's Service, and surprised him with an anniversary cake.



May 22 - The Parish celebrated the First Reconciliation of four wonderful children: Pavlo Vintonyuk, Arthur Grubyak, Nicholas Jacewicz and Roman Semeniv.

Rinda Shkola is under the Directorship of Orest Polishchuck. The teachers are: Olena Halkowycz, Maria Polishchuck, Luba Chasto, Lucinda Demianicz and the Catechist is Marie Laski.



St. Stephen Ukrainian Catholic Church

1344 White Oak Bottom Road
Toms River, New Jersey 08755
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Ukrainian

Fourth Annual Cultural Festival

Saturday, September 10, 2011

12 noon – 6 p.m.

Sponsored by

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1344 White Oak Bottom Road,
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*(Two streets north of Church Rd, Between
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Ukrainian Dance Ensemble “BARVINOK”
will perform at 3:00 p.m.*

For more information call 732-505-6053



*Holubtsi
(Stuffed Cabbage)*



*Varenyky-Pierogies
(Dumplings)*



*Kovbasa (Sausage
and Sauerkraut)*



*Plyatski
(Potato Pancakes)*



*Borsch
(Beet Vegetable Soup)*



*Halushki
(Nudles and Cabbage)*

Blessed Nicholas Charnetsky and other Martyrs (June 27)



When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. (Mt.9, 36 – 10, 8)

Mykolay (Nicholas) Charnetsky was born to a large and pious peasant family on the 14th of December 1884 in the Western Ukrainian village of Semakivka. Mykolay was the eldest of nine children. He received his primary education in the village of Tovmach and then entered St. Nicolas gymnasium (grammar school) in Stanislaviv (now Ivano-Frankivsk).

Charnetsky discovered his vocation to the priesthood at a young age and soon declared his intention of becoming a priest. In 1903 bishop Hryhoriy Khomyshyn sent him to Rome for studies. During Charnetsky's short visit to Ukraine, Bishop Hryhoriy Khomyshyn ordained him a priest on the 2nd of October 1909. Fr. Mykolay then returned to Rome to continue his studies and received the degree of Doctor of theology.

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From the autumn of 1910 Fr. Charnetsky was professor of Philosophy and Dogmatic theology at the Stanislaviv seminary. He was also the Spiritual Director in the same seminary. Deep in his heart, however, Fr. Mykolay longed for the monastic life. Hence, in October 1919 he joined the Redemptorist novitiate in Zboiska near Lviv, and one year later, on the 16th of October 1920, he professed his vows as a Redemptorist.

Filled with eagerness to work for the reconciliation of Christians and to convert the spiritually abandoned people, in 1926 the Redemptorists of the Lviv Province founded a missionary center at Kovel in the Volyn region. Fr. Charnetsky, being an ardent missionary, was sent there. Very soon he gained the utmost respect of the local people and even that of the Orthodox

clergy. Having opened a monastery and a church in Kovel, Fr. Mykolay did his best to preserve the purity of the Eastern Liturgical rite. In 1931, taking into account Fr. Charnetsky's devoted work, Pope Pius XI appointed him titular bishop of Lebed and an Apostolic Visitor for the Ukrainian Catholics in the Volyn and Pidliashsha regions. These regions became the field of Charnetsky's activity - first as a missionary, then as a bishop - for almost 14 years.

As the first Ukrainian Redemptorist bishop he experienced persecution from the very outset of his activity. During the Soviet occupation of Western Ukraine in 1939 the Redemptorists were forced to leave the Volyn region, and bishop Charnetsky moved to Lviv, to a Redemptorist monastery in Zyblykevycha (now Ivana-

Franka) street.

After the revival of the Lviv Theological Academy in 1941, Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky joined the faculty of the Academy as a professor of Philosophy, Psychology, and Moral Theology. His calmness, based on a strong and unshakable faith, his spirit of obedience and prayer gave his students good reason to consider their professor a saint. Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky was for them an exemplary figure of both a monk and a virtuous person.

In 1944 the Soviet troops entered Galicia for the second time. This marked the beginning of bishop Charnetsky's Via Dolorosa. He was arrested on 11 April 1945. He was held in the prison of the Soviet secret police in Lonskoho street. There, the bishop suffered many afflictions: interrogations in the

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Blessed Nicholas Charnetsky

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middle of the night, cruel beating and torture. Later Bishop Charnetsky was transferred to Kiev, where he spent another year of suffering - until his case was taken to court. Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky was sentenced to ten years of imprisonment for the crime of being a "Vatican agent". He served this term together with the Metropolitan Josyf Slipyj first in the town of Mariinsk in the Kemeroc region (Siberia), then later at a number of other prison sites as well.

According to credible sources, during the period of his imprisonment (from his arrest in Lviv in April 1945 until his release in 1956), Bishop Charnetsky spent altogether 600 hours under torture and interrogations, and at different times was imprisoned in 30 prisons and prison camps. Despite all these sufferings, the bishop always managed to find a word of consolation for his fellow prisoners. He supported them morally and he knew all of them by name. It is no wonder that bishop Charnetsky was very popular among the prisoners, as he was the only source of consolation for them.

Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky spent the last years of his imprisonment

in a prison hospital in Mordovia. In 1956 his health declined to the extent that the doctors did not have any hope as regards his survival. A special robe, in which the prisoners were buried, had already been sewn for bishop Charnetsky. Taking into account the hopeless condition of the bishop and that the Soviet regime could avoid the blame of causing the bishop's death, the prison administration decided to release him and send him to Lviv. After his return to Lviv in 1956 and due to his contracting hepatitis and a number of other diseases, Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky was immediately hospitalized. Everybody was sure that Bishop Charnetsky would soon die. But, the Lord had a different plan: He decided to prolong the life of a man whose faith and work was so valued and needed by the Ukrainian Church. Soon the bishop recovered and moved to an apartment in number 7 Vechirnia Street together with Br. Klymentiy, C.Ss.R. There, Bishop Charnetsky continued his apostolate of endurance and prayer. He spent most of his time praying and reading. Those who visited the bishop in that period witnessed to have often found him in a state of

ecstasy. During his stay in Lviv, Bishop Charnetsky remained faithful to his mission of a Good Shepherd: he supported his confreres spiritually, prepared candidates for the priesthood and ordained more than ten priests.

Unfortunately, Bishop Charnetsky's "miraculous" recovery did not last long. On the 2nd of April 1959 the bishop died in a state of holiness. His last words were a cry calling on the aid of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. The funeral of Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky took place on the 4th of April 1959. The description of the funeral kept in the archive of Yorkton Province of CSsR (Canada) ends with the following words: "We all think that the day of his canonization will come - for he was indeed a saintly bishop".

Everybody who knew Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky gave an unanimous testimony of his sainthood. It was no surprise then that immediately after his death many people started addressing their prayers to Bishop Charnetsky. One finds this impression of sainthood and of a powerful intercession before God during prayers at the bishop's tomb in the Lychakiv cemetery.

Numerous people visit the place of Bishop Charnetsky's burial to obtain his intercession when praying to God for various favours. One woman, whose arm was about to be amputated, applied soil from the bishop's grave to her arm, which resulted in a complete healing. Since then, people have been taking soil from his grave to remedy various diseases.

Taking into account the testimonies of Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky's virtuous life, and particularly his endurance, courage and faithfulness to the Christ's Church during the period of persecution, the beatification process was started in 1960. On 2 March 2001 the process was completed on the level of eparchy, and the case was handed over to the Apostolic See. On 6 April 2001 the theological committee recognized the fact of Bishop Charnetsky's martyrdom, on 23 April his martyrdom was verified by the Assembly of Cardinals, and on 24 April 2001 Most Holy Father John Paul II signed a decree of the beatification of Bishop Mykolay Charnetsky, a blessed martyr of Christian faith. (www.sspp.ca)

Save the Date

"Grant me the wisdom of our Eastern rite, to hold it, to renew it and develop it."
From the *Servant of God Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky's Prayer of the for Divine Wisdom,*



73rd Annual Convention
League of Ukrainian Catholics
October 7, 8, 9, 2011



HOLIDAY INN- AIRPORT
(NEAR THE AIRPORT)
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WON'T YOU JOIN US
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Friday

- *Welcome
- *General Meeting
- *Workshop
- *Welcome Party



Saturday

- *Breakfast - Keynote Speaker
- *Visit Protection of BVM Ukr. Cath Ch,
- *Visit Niagara Falls area & Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Lewiston, NY
- *Banquet



Sunday

- *Divine Liturgy
- *St. Nicholas Ukr Cath Ch
- *Brunch
- *Farewell



53rd session of the Synod of Bishops of Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric of the UGCC

The 53rd session of the Synod of Bishops of Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric of the UGCC took place in Lviv-Briukhovychi 25-26 May 2011 presided by the newly elected Father and Head of the UGCC, His Beatitude Sviatoslav (Shevchuk). All the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Bishops with jurisdiction on the territory of Ukraine participated in the session. Also present at the Synod were the Most Rev. Milan (Shashik), eparch of Mukachevo, and Rev. Dmytro (Hryhorak), Apostolic Administrator of Buchach eparchy.

Discussed among the central topics of this session of the Synod were the issues on ecumenical activity in Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric of the UGCC. The participants also listened to the presentation about the Ukrainian Catholic University delivered by the Rector of the University, Rev. Borys Gudziak. Rev. Petro Rak, the Head of the Department of Church Commissions spoke about the activity of the Commissions. The Bishops also listened to the presentation of Rev. Rostyslav Pendiuk, the Head of the Youth Commission, who talked about the Commission's Activity and preparation for the World Youth Day in Madrid.

Once again the Synodal Fathers discussed the issue of catechetical ministry in the Major Archbishopric, and listened to the presentation of Rev. Mykhailo Harvat, the Head of the Catechetical Commission, about the preparation of "Pastoral care catechetical adviser".

The Synod voted on such normative actions as; Instruction of Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric on book publishing and Synodal Appeal on this matter, Regulation of Church Commissions, and Description of responsibilities of the Head of Church Commissions.

Reflecting on the current socio-political situation in Ukraine, the Synod issued a letter "Appeal of the Synod of Bishops of Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric to the faithful and all people of good will on preservation of the social peace"

There were also discussed the issues related to the financial-economic state in parishes with elaboration of appropriate instructions, especially about the need of proper documentation of church goods.

The Synodal Fathers also discussed the following issues: celebration of 200th birth anniversary of Rev. Markiyon Shashkevych; preparations to commemoration of 10th anniversary of John Paul II's visit to Ukraine; and preparations to celebrations of 1025th anniversary of Baptism of Rus'-Ukraine.

The Synod was also reported to about the state of construction of the Patriarchal Cathedral of The Resurrection of Christ in Kyiv and on the creation of all-church printed publication as well as on the visit of Bishop Josaphat (Hovera), Exarch of Lutsk, to Kazakhstan.

A considerable part of the session was dedicated to the discussion of the issue of voluntary movement in Major Archbishopric and of the celebration of 60th anniversary of the Holy Father Benedict XVI. The Synodal Fathers took into consideration an appeal of the Pope of Rome to pray for Christians in China and established 24 May as the Day of prayer for Catholic Church in China encouraging faithful to pray in this intention.

The 54th session of the Synod of Bishops of Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will take place in October 2011.

Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops
of Kyiv-Halych Major Archbishopric of the UGCC

Nuns of St. Basil the Great Celebrate with Bishop Paul at Sacred Heart Monastery in Middletown, NY

Bishop Paul Chomnycky, OSBM, graciously visited the Nuns of St. Basil the Great in Middletown, NY, on Saturday, June 4, in honor of his upcoming feast day and 5-year anniversary as our Eparch. At the invitation of the Nuns, his Excellency celebrated the Divine Liturgy in their monastery chapel. He delivered a beautiful homily on the Ascension of Christ, in which he highlighted the “marriage of heaven and earth” which our Lord accomplished in His Ascension into heaven. After the Divine Liturgy, His Excellency enjoyed brunch with the Nuns and with Roman and Bohdan Kostyk (sons of Most Rev. Yaroslav Kostyk), who had attended the Divine Liturgy and taken photographs.



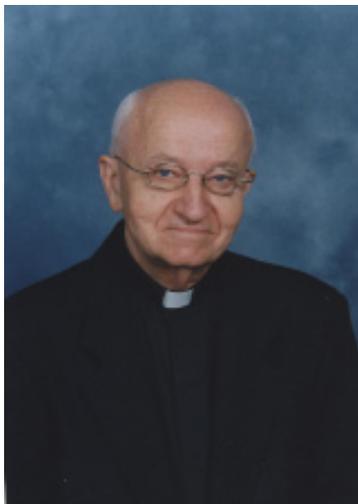
The Nuns of St. Basil the Great are the contemplative branch of the Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great. In their Eastern monastic life of prayer and sacrifice, the Nuns celebrate daily all Hours of the Divine Praises. Through communal divine worship and personal prayer, solitude and silence, monastic stability and consecrated service, the Nuns seek to dwell continuously in the presence of God and so call down blessings upon the people of God.

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Ukrainian American Veterans Memorial Service

On May 22, 2011, the Ukrainian American Veterans, Post 17 from Passaic, NJ held their Memorial Day Service at Cedar Lawn Cemetery. The service was officiated by Reverend Andriy Dudkevych, pastor of Saint Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church of Passaic.



+Rev. Augustine Molodowitz

+Rev. Augustine Molodowitz, fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday, June 15, 2011. Interment was private. We are asked to keep him in our prayers. Eternal Memory! Вічна пам'ять!



Tetrapod with the Holy Cross and Icon of the Sermon on the Mount
St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Seminary
Washington, DC

“Feeling” God’s Call

Have you ever had a feeling of indescribable peace and contentment? Have you ever felt a slow, but ever growing, unexplainable urge to explore something in your life? Sometimes, when it comes to matters dealing with God and religion, we experience such feelings, even though it might seem irrational or out of place.

God does indeed call to each and every single one of us, every day of our lives. As our Father in Heaven, He loves us and makes His love for us known in various and diverse ways. And because His love for us is unconditional, He wants nothing more than for us to freely, unhesitatingly, and unconditionally love Him in return. It is a love that is “felt” in the heart, rather than a love of utility that is rationalized (such as in a way we might “love” a store or restaurant because of the great service and products they have).

Just as we need to open our hearts to the Word of God in order to live it in our lives, so too must we open our hearts to God’s voice in our lives. Sometimes He speaks boldly and clearly, sometimes He speaks in a whisper. Whatever the case may be, we need to pray and meditate to discern what God’s call is in our lives. Above all else, have an open heart and an open mind. Who knows, perhaps God is calling you right now to serve Him and His Church!

Rev. Paul J. Makar

*Perhaps you feel that God may be calling
you to service in His Church?*

If you would like to discuss God’s call to a vocation in your life, do not hesitate to contact:

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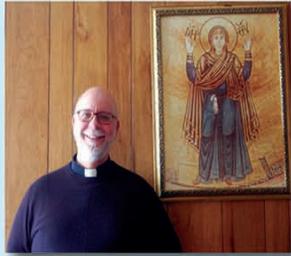
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**HOLY DORMITION PILGRIMAGE CONFERENCE SATURDAY
August 13, 2011 Sloatsburg, NY**



**MARY, A MODEL
OF CONSECRATED LIFE**

Most Rev. Paul Chomnycky, OSBM

Bishop Paul is the Eparch of the Eparchy of Stamford, CT. A native of Canada, Bishop Paul, was taught by the Sisters Servants in Vancouver.

**RELIGIOUS LIFE IN AMERICA
AMONG THE NEW
IMMIGRANTS**

Rev. Dr. Ivan Kaszczak

Rev. Dr. Bohdan Ivan Kaszczak is the Pastor of the Protection of the Mother of God Parish, Bedford Hills, NY. He holds a Doctorate in Religious Education from Fordham University.



**"FOLLOW ME" - A MODEL OF
CHRISTIAN LIVING IN THE
WRITINGS OF THE FATHERS
OF THE BYZANTINE CHURCH...**

Rev. Maxim Kobasuk, OSBM

Rev. Maxim Kobasuk is a member of the Order of the Fathers of St. Basil the Great. He is currently the Spiritual Director of St. Basil Seminary.

**MARY, THE HOPE OF
CHRISTIANS IN OUR
LITURGICAL SERVICES**

Rev. Archpriest Bohdan Danylo

Rev. Archpriest Bohdan Danylo is the Rector/President of St. Basil College Seminary, Vocations Director and Director of Youth Ministry for the Eparchy of Stamford.



**MARY'S ROLE IN THE
DOMESTIC CHURCH**

Natalya Pistun

Natalya Pistun works for St. Basil Seminary and the Eparchial Museum. She holds a Degree in Canon Law.

**MARY, MODEL OF GOD IN
ICONS**

**Rev. Msgr. Mitred Archpriest
John Terlecky**

Msgr. John Terlecky is the pastor of St. Peter & St. Paul Parish in Ansonia, CT. He serves as Econorm for the Stamford Eparchy.





*57th HOLY DORMITION (ASSUMPTION)
PILGRIMAGE
AUGUST 13 – 14, 2011*

*ST. MARY'S VILLA / SLOATSBURG, NEW YORK
SISTERS SERVANTS OF MARY IMMACULATE*

Theme: Mary Hope of Christians

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13TH

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy celebrated by Rev. Kiril Angelov (chapel) - **English**
followed by Panakhyda remembering deceased clergy, religious, pilgrims
Most Rev. Paul Chomnycky, OSBM, Eparch of Stamford

10:00 – 12:00 / 2:00 – 4:00 pm Workshops - Rooms to be announced

FOOD AVAILABLE AT PAVILION

5:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy, Rev. Jody Baran, main celebrant / homilist (grotto) - **English**
Choir of St. Michael the Archangel Cathedral, Passaic, NJ.
Blessing of Water (front of Villa)

8:00 p.m. Moleben to the Mother of God with candlelight procession (grotto) - English
Most Rev. William Skurla, main celebrant / homilist, Eparch of Passaic

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH

8:00 a.m. Lamentations to the Mother of God – Rev. Edward Young, celebrant (chapel) – English

10:00 a.m. Pontifical Divine Liturgy with procession to grotto followed by blessing of flowers

Most Rev. Stefan Soroka, Metropolitan Archbishop of Philadelphia, **homilist**
Most Rev. Paul Chomnycky, OSBM, Eparch of Stamford
Most Rev. Basil Losten, Bishop Emeritus of Stamford
Choir: St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Rochester, New York

12:00 p.m. Youth Liturgy, Rev. Vasyl Kornitsky, main celebrant / homilist (**chapel**) – **English**

1:30 p.m. Healing Service with Akathist (Villa chapel, grotto steps)
Blessing of Religious Articles (front of St. Joseph's)

2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. Moleben to the Mother of God (Ukrainian –grotto)
Rev. Bohdan Danylo, main celebrant / homilist

Blessing of cars and buses

CONFESSION AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE WEEKEND

Reverend Bohdan Danylo, Rector St. Basil Seminary – Pilgrimage Spiritual Moderator

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 26, 2011: 12 to 6 pm - Ukrainian Festival and Dinner at St. Anne's Ukrainian Catholic Church - 1545 Easton Road - Warrington, PA 18976

June 26, July 31, August 28: Liturgy in St. Edmond's Roman Catholic Church, Rehoboth Beach, DE at 5 pm. For information call 302-762-551

July 23, 2011: "Being an Eastern Catholic in Today's World", Holy Dormition Byzantine Franciscan Friary, Sybertsville, Pa, speaker Fr. John Seniw. For more information, contact: Bob Leggo at BLeggo127@gmail.com

July 31, 2011: 77th Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day at St. Nicholas Picnic Grove, PA Route 901, Primrose, Minersville, PA. For info phone 570-874-1101 or e-mail ibah@aol.com.

August 13-14, 2011: Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate's Holy Dormition Pilgrimage, Sloatsburg, NY.

August 20-21, 2011: Annual Picnic hosted by St. John's (Maizeville) and St. Michael's (Frackville) Ukrainian Catholic churches, Saturday, August 20, from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, August 21, from 12 noon to 8 p.m., at St. John's Picnic Grove in Maizeville. For info phone 570-874-1101 or e-mail ibah@aol.com.

September 10, 2011: Ukrainian Cultural Festival, St. Stephen Ukrainian Catholic Church, 1344 White Oak Bottom Road, Toms River, NJ 08755. Noon until 6pm. For more information call 732-505-6053.

September 26-29, 2011: Clergy Retreat in Long Branch, NJ.

October 2, 2011: Centennial Pilgrimage - Sisters of St. Basil the Great

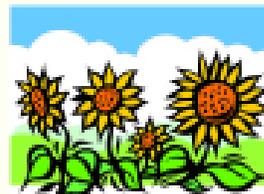
October 7-9, 2011: LUC Convention, Holiday-Inn Airport, Cheektowaga, NY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 6, 2011: Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great celebrate their Centennial with a Liturgy at the Cathedral, Philadelphia, PA.

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