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Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great Hold 81st Annual Pilgrimage in Fox Chase

The Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great held their 81st Annual Pilgrimage under the Protection of the Mother of God on September 30, 2012 in Fox Chase Manor, PA. The theme of this year's Pilgrimage is "A Time to Encounter the Living Christ" with emphasis on healing. Celebrants during the 1:00pm Liturgy included Bishop Paul Chomnycky, OSBM, Bishop-emeritus Basil Losten, V. Rev. Philip Sandrick, OSBM, V. Rev. Archpriest Daniel Troyan, V. Rev. Ivan Demkiv, Rev. Msgr. Mitrat Martin Canavan, Rev. Deacon Michael Waak, and Rev. Deacon Roman Sverdan.



Photo l to r: Seminarian Walter Pasicznyk, Seminarian Carlos Semchechen, Rev. Deacon Roman Sverdan, V. Rev. Philip Sandrick, OSBM, V. Rev. Ivan Demkiv, Bishop Paul Chomnycky, OSBM, Bishop-emeritus Basil Losten, Rev. Msgr. Mitrat Martin Canavan, V. Rev. Archpriest Daniel Troyan and Rev. Deacon Michael Waak.

The responses to the Liturgy were sung by the choir from Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church in Chester, PA.

Rev. Msgr. Mitrat Martin Canavan was the homilist during Liturgy. In conclusion of his homily, he stated, "Imitating Mary,

let us pick up our cross and open our hearts to the needs and difficulties of others. And so following her, may our hearts become like her. Blessed are the pure at heart for they shall see God."

After the Liturgy a "Healing Prayer and Anointing"

Service was offered to all of the faithful.

The pilgrimage concluded at 4:00pm with a Moleben to the Blessed Mother and the homilist was Rev.

Joseph Szupa.

For more information on the Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great, please visit their website at www.stbasils.com.

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

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(Photo: T. Siwak)



**More coverage of the Basilian pilgrimage
will be included in the next issue of "The Way."**

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Archieparchial Clergy Attend Annual Spiritual Retreat

(Photo: Msgr. Waslo)



Clergy gather for group photo with Very Rev. Philip Sandrick, OSBM, Retreat Director (center) after the concluding Divine Liturgy and Panakhyda for all the deceased clergy.

Long Branch, NJ—From Monday, September 24 through Thursday, September 27, priests of the Philadelphia Archeparchy gathered here at the San Alfonso Retreat House for their annual spiritual retreat. The retreat director was Very Rev. Philip Sandrick, OSBM, Provincial Superior of the Fathers of St. Basil the Great, Glen Cove, New York

Often as priests absent themselves from their parishes for this time of spiritual renewal, well-intentioned parishioners may say “Enjoy your vacation” or upon return inquire “How was your vacation?”

However, a retreat is not a vacation, but a necessary and even obligatory requirement for clergy to withdraw from the daily routine of normal parish life for a time of prayer, reflection and spiritual renewal.

This concept of withdrawal for spiritual renewal can be found in the life of Jesus Christ, where the evangelists Matthew, Mark and Luke relate how Jesus, after his baptism by John, withdrew into the desert and fasted for forty days and nights.

In the 1520’s, St. Ignatius of Loyola developed his Spiritual Exercises, which greatly influenced the development of retreats as a way of deepening one’s spiritual relationship with God.



Very Rev. Philip Sandrick, OSBM Retreat Director, conducts a conference during the annual clergy retreat.

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Clergy listen during one of the spiritual conference sessions.

Father Sandrick chose as his theme for the retreat the Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude Sviatoslav, “The Vibrant Parish—A Place to Encounter the Living Christ” and incorporated aspects of this pastoral document into his presentations to the clergy, reminding them of the awesome responsibility entrusted to them as parish priests. “The parish is the place where Christian holiness most often germinates, grows and matures. . . . The goal of this pastoral program is to help all the faithful of our Church to learn ‘to live in order to please God’ (1Th 4:1), and thus to grow in holiness and unity in Christ Jesus.”

During the retreat, Father Sandrick offered reflections for spiritual renewal and the clergy participated in daily liturgical services, including morning prayer, vespers and the Divine Liturgy.

After the concluding conference on Thursday, the clergy thanked Father Philip for serving as the retreat director and expressed their gratitude to him with the traditional singing of “God Grant Him Many Years.”

Very Rev. Archpriest John Fields



Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church, 1204 Valley Road, Melrose Park, PA will be celebrating 50 years of its founding on Sunday, October 28th. A Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be offered at 1:00 pm by Most Reverend Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka, followed by the Jubilee Banquet at Spring Mill Manor, Ivyland, PA.

Rev. Ihor Royik and the parishioners of Annunciation of BVM extend an invitation to you to participate in this festive and historic jubilee. If you desire to have your name placed on the banquet invitation list or would like additional information, please call (215) 635-1627.

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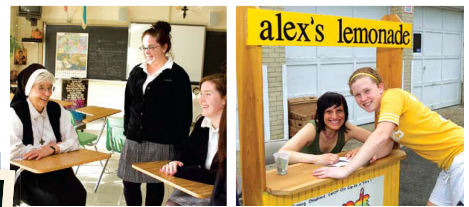
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WORLDWIDE PILGRIMAGE TO PATRIARCHAL SOBOR OF THE HOLY RESURRECTION, KYIV Sunday, August 18, 2013

His Beatitude, Sviatoslav Shevchuk together with the Hierarchs of the Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops invite clergy, religious and faithful to participate in a pilgrimage to the Patriarchal Cathedral for the Holy Resurrection in Kyiv, Ukraine on Sunday, August 18, 2013. The pilgrimage will celebrate the 1025th anniversary of Baptism of Ukraine and the “Year of Faith” announced by Pope Benedict XVI. The formal blessing of the newly constructed Sobor of the Holy Resurrection in Kyiv will take place upon its full completion anticipated in the year 2014 or 2015.

The meeting of the Synod of Ukrainian Catholic bishops in 2013 will precede the pilgrimage, and is planned to be held from August 11 – 18, 2013 in Kyiv. The Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia is hoping to offer interested pilgrims travel packages for the event. It is an excellent opportunity to renew one’s spiritual and cultural roots.



His Beatitude Sviatoslav addresses members of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Tuesday, 25 September, Sainte-Adele, Quebec, Canada: His Beatitude Sviatoslav (Shevchuk), Major Archbishop of the Kyiv-Halych, and father and head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church addressed Canada’s Catholic Bishops who were assembled at their annual meeting near Montreal, Canada. In greeting the more than 70 bishops of the Catholic Churches in Canada, he reminded the bishops of the suffering of his Church during the communist era. The Church witnessed to Christ both “in the catacombs” as well in open defiance to the regime. “So many martyrs and confessors have suffered for the faith in the last century. Let their example and witness be an inspiration for all of us,” Shevchuk said. “Fully embracing its identity of being ‘Orthodox in faith and Catholic in love’ we are aware of our role in allowing the Catholic Church to breathe with both its lungs, East and West,” he said.

“Today we are renewing the life of our Church in a country, which seems torn between old influences and new attempts to integrate with the broader European community.” He continued to say, “We are acutely aware of the traps and pitfalls that stand before us. Adapting the image given by the prophet Amos of fleeing from the lion only to encounter a bear, we recognize that for our post-communist society intense secularization processes, which come from the West, are a more subtle real spiritual danger.”

The major archbishop is the first head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church to address the Canadian bishops at their annual plenary session. He emphasized that the Church must find “new courage” to proclaim

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the truth of the Gospel to contemporary society to provide “an anchor and compass.”

“We live in societies where virtue and goodness are frequently a veneer for religious intolerance, personal gratification and moral decay,” he said. “Secularism would like us to be closed in a little box of Sunday worship.”

This is the year of Canada, Shevchuk said. It is the 100th anniversary of the appointment of the first Ukrainian Catholic Bishop to Canada in the person of Blessed Martyr Nykyta Budka. This year the Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Greek Catholic Bishops held their annual meeting in Canada. He also reminded the bishops that in April of this year he was in Ottawa with members from the Ukrainian Council of Churches when the members of parliament in the Canadian House of Commons approved a declaration acknowledging “the heroic virtues” of his predecessor the great archbishop of Lviv, Metropolitan Andriy Sheptytsky for his role in saving hundreds of Jewish children during the Nazi occupation of Western Ukraine.



His Beatitude Sviatoslav addressing the members of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops at their Plenary session. Photograph by K. Sharp, CCCB

The Head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church went on to thank the Canadian Catholic Bishops for their “fraternal spirit of cooperation.”

“My brother Bishops here in Canada speak highly of this body and greatly appreciate the support and understanding our Church receives throughout Canada.”

The president of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Most Reverend Richard Smith, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Edmonton, thanked His Beatitude Sviatoslav on behalf of those assembled for his visit to the plenary session of the Conference and assured him and the faithful of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church of the support and prayers of the Bishops of Canada.

The Major Archbishop was on a pastoral visit to Canada that began on August 29th with a visit to the Pacific West Coast to the faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster in British Columbia. He then journeyed to Manitoba where he was able to meet with many faithful of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg in the days prior to the Synod of Bishops meeting that was held near Winnipeg. His pastoral visit continued after the Synod to the faithful of the Eparchy of Saskatoon in the Province of Saskatchewan.

Bridgeport, Pa. Students Honor the Mother of God



The Parish Sunday School students and Staff of SS. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Bridgeport, PA, paid homage to the Mother of God at the Parish Grotto. Shown here are the students with their teachers (back row) and Pastor Fr. Ronald Popivchak. (Dan Francis Photo)

Clifton Heights, PA, Christmas Pierogie/Kielbasa Sale Orders Now Being Taken!



Due to a continued huge demand, we are back with offering two traditional Christmas/New Year's favorite foods - Kielbasa & Pierogies. Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Clifton Heights, in conjunction with one of the area's well-known kielbasa makers, proudly announces the opening of the 2012 "Christmas/New year's Kielbasa Ring Sale". We are offering mouth-watering, high quality kielbasa for the unbelievably low price of only \$11.00 per ring (each ring is approximately 2 pounds) or 3 rings for \$30.00. We are also offering our homemade, mouth-watering, flavorful, potato-cheese pierogies for the unbelievably low price of only \$7.00 per dozen or 3 dozen for \$20.00! Stock up for Christmas and New Year's (or for your freezer to satisfy those special winter cravings). For your convenience, we now are able to accept your orders via email. To place your pierogie and/or kielbasa orders, please email us at SSPeterandPaul@verizon.net or call Kathy at (610) 328-4731. Pickup will be at noon on Sunday, December 18th, at our Church which is located at 100 South Penn Street in Clifton Heights, PA. Please place your orders early since high demand and our desire to fully satisfy all orders may require us to limit quantities and stop taking orders.

October 7, 2012

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St. Vladimir Parish, Scranton, PA Flea Market

The Annual Flea Market sponsored by St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will be held in the Parish Center, 428 North Seventh Avenue, Scranton on Saturday, October 20, 2012 from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Doors will not open before 9:00am. This event benefits the Parish Children’s Religious Education Program. Table reservations are \$15.00. Slavic and American foods will be available for purchase. To reserve a table or for additional information contact Daria at 570-963-1580.



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Clifton Heights, PA, “Home-made Soup & Artisan Bread Sale” Now through October 15th

Just in time for that chill in the air, from now through Monday, October 15th, Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 100 South Penn Street, in Clifton Heights, will be holding its ever popular “Home-made Soup and Artisan Bread Sale”. During this time, we will be taking orders for 3 home-made, hearty soups that will be freshly made especially for you and loaves of freshly-made Artisan Bread. Your orders will be ready for you to pick up at 6:00 pm. on Saturday, October 20th. We are offering the following soups and breads: 1 Beef Vegetable, 2 Chicken Noodle, 3 Crab Bisque, 4. Artisan Bread (rye /bulgar wheat /olive oil and Italian herbs). Quart containers of soup are only \$7.00 each or 3 for \$20 and a loaf of Artisan bread is only \$6.00 or 2 for \$10 or 3 for \$12. To place your soup & bread orders, please email us at SSPeterandPaul@verizon.net or call Kathy at (610) 328-4731 by Monday, October 15th.

A Beautiful Day for a Picnic Passaic, NJ

On Sunday, September 9, 2012, under sunny skies and the first cool hints of the coming fall, St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Passaic, NJ, celebrated its 28th Annual Parish Picnic, a major fundraiser for the **PARISH and SCHOOL**. Parishioners savored the delicious pyrohy, holubtsi, borshch, halusky, and other delights prepared all week by the hardworking sisterhood of the parish, while youngsters squealed with glee in the Bouncy House, and young and old tried their hand at various Carnival games.

In the afternoon, picnic-goers enjoyed performances by four dance ensembles from the Passaic Branch of SUM. First, the smallest "Sumeniata", ages 3-5, performed "Pershi Kroky", or "First Steps". They were followed by 6-7 year-olds in beautiful costumes performing "Hutsulka", and then the 8-9 year-old boys performed the comic Kozak dance "Povzunets." Finally, 8-12 year olds performed the "Volynianka" couples dance. The first two dances were choreographed by former dance director Ivan Lenczuk, and the last two by current director Dmytro Lenczuk. The Ukrainian folk dancing was interspersed by the well-polished classes of Natalia Lemishka's School of Ballroom Dancing, which gracefully performed the Viennese Waltz, the Samba, and Rumba, and by the vocal group "Chetverta Khvyliya," under the direction of Roman Radzikh, whose beautiful voices rendered several Ukrainian folk songs in lovely harmony. Afterwards, people mingled in good spirit and fun until evening, to the rousing zabava music of "Cheremosh."

Pastor Rev. Andriy Dudkevych expressed his thanks to the ladies of the parish for their many hours of labor preparing all the delicious food, to the PTA, for coordinating the games, children's activities, 50/50 raffle, and ice cream, and to everyone who came out to spend a beautiful September day in fun and fellowship.

Sonia Lechicky





St. Luke the Apostle and Evangelist (October 18)

The Lord said, "He who listens to you listens to me; he who rejects you rejects me; but he who rejects me rejects him who sent me." The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name." He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure. "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom

the Son chooses to reveal him." (Luke 10, 16 – 22)

Saint Luke came from the city of Antioch, probably of a pagan family. From his youth he applied himself to seek after wisdom and to study the arts and sciences. He traveled all over the world to quench his thirst for knowledge, and had particular skill as a physician and in painting. The Gospel he wrote shows his excellent command of Greek; he also knew Hebrew and Aramaic.

There is a tradition that Luke was one of the Seventy Disciples that the Lord Jesus Christ sent before Him, two by two, to announce salvation in the towns and villages. Luke was in Jerusalem at the time of the life-giving Passion and, on Easter morning, walked with Cleopas (October 30) towards the village of Emmaus, distraught at the loss of the Master. But sadness was turned into unspeakable joy when Christ, whom they were unable to recognize when He joined them on the way, revealed to them in the breaking of bread that He was really and truly risen (Luke 24:35). After the descent of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, Luke remained for a time in Jerusalem where there were already disciples. Some say that on his way back to Antioch he stopped to preach the Good News at Sebaste in Samaria, where he obtained the relic of the right hand of the Holy Forerunner, which he took as a precious trophy to his own city. It was, therefore, at Antioch where he met Saint Paul in the course of his second missionary journey and accompanied him thence to proclaim salvation in Greece.

But another tradition says that Luke did not know the Lord during His earthly sojourn, and that he met Saint Paul while working as a physician at Thebes in Boeotia during the reign of Claudius (c. 42 AD). The Apostle's fiery words convinced him of the Truth that he had vainly sought in the wisdom of this world for so many years. Without hesitation, he gave up all that he had and his profession in physical medicine to follow Paul and become the beloved physician (Colossians 4:14) of souls.

He went with the Apostle in his journeys from Troas to Philippi, where Paul left him to nurture the newly born Church. Luke remained in Macedonia for some years and, when Paul visited Philippi again during his third journey (AD 58), he sent him to Corinth to receive the collection made by the faithful there for the needs of the poor at Jerusalem. They went together to the Holy City, strengthening the Churches on

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their way. When Paul was arrested in Jerusalem and transferred to Caesarea, Luke remained with him. He accompanied Paul to Rome and describes their difficult and eventful voyage at the end of the Acts of the Apostles (chapters 27-28).

Luke wrote his Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles at Rome in obedience to Paul, dedicating the Acts to Theophilus, the Governor of Achaia, who was a convert. In his Gospel, Luke adds details which are not found in the first two evangelists: in telling of the Savior's life, he especially stresses His mercy and compassion for sinful humanity that He has come to visit as a Physician (Luke 4:23; 5:31). And in the Acts, after telling of all that happened in the foundation of the Church at Jerusalem, he gives most attention to the work of his master, Saint Paul, who labored more abundantly than all the other Apostles in spreading the glad tidings of salvation.

After two years of imprisonment in Rome, Paul was released and immediately resumed his traveling ministry, followed by his faithful disciple Luke. But Nero launched his furious persecution of the Christians in Rome soon after, and Paul returned to the city at the risk of his life to strengthen the faithful there. He was arrested, put in chains, and held in far worse conditions than before. Luke remained steadfastly faithful to his master while others forsook him (Timothy 4:11), and he was probably present at Saint Paul's martyrdom, although he left no written testimony to the fact.

After the glorious death of the Apostle of the Gentiles, Luke made his way back to Achaia, preaching the Gospel in Italy, Dalmatia and Macedonia. It is said that, in his old age, amid great tribulations, he also evangelized the idolaters in Egypt. He is supposed to have gone as far as the remote Thebaid and to have consecrated Saint Abile, the second Bishop of Alexandria.

On his return to Greece, Luke became Bishop of Thebes in Boeotia; he ordained priests and deacons, established churches and healed the sick in soul and body by his prayer. The idolaters arrested him there when he was eighty-four years old. They flayed him alive and crucified him on an olive tree. Many miracles were wrought afterwards by a miraculous myron trickling from his tomb, which was particularly effective in the cure of eye diseases for those who, in faith, anointed themselves with it.

Many years later, the Emperor Constantius, the son of Saint Constantine the Great, sent Saint Artemius (October 20) to Thebes to bring the relics of the Apostle Luke to Constantinople, where they were placed under the altar of the Church of the Holy Apostles with the relics of the Apostles Andrew and Timothy. It is the tradition of the Church that Saint Luke was the first iconographer and that he painted an image of the Holy Mother of God in her earthly lifetime. The All Holy Virgin praised this representation and said, "May the grace of Him who was born of me be upon this image." Saint Luke afterwards painted other images of the All Holy Virgin and of the Apostles, giving rise in the Church to the devout and holy tradition of veneration of the icons of Christ and of His Saints. For this reason, Saint Luke is honored as the patron of iconographers.

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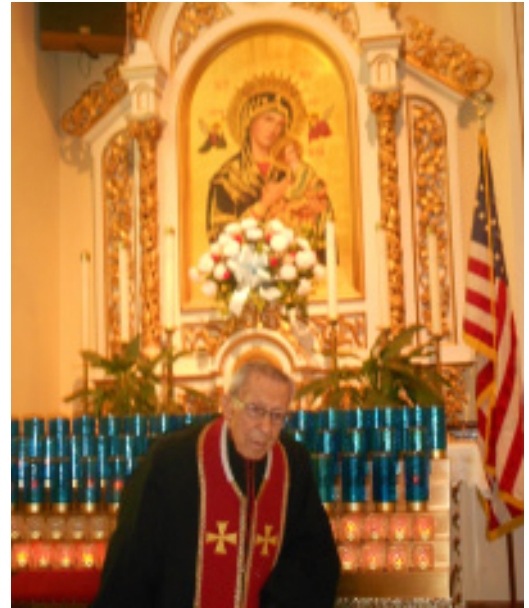
Monsignor Stephen Hrynuck officiates at Novena in honor of "OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP" for the last time

On Wednesday, September 26, 2012 Monsignor Stephen Hrynuck celebrated his last Novena at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Olyphant, Penna. in Honor of "Our Mother of Perpetual Help."

Monsignor who will be 101 years old in Dec. 2012 has officiated at this Novena in the church, every Wednesday for over 60 years. Monsignor has been a priest for over 74 years, which he served the Olyphant Parish for over 57 years. In 2008 Monsignor was the oldest serving Catholic Pastor in the entire USA at the age of 97. He retired in Dec. 2008.

The Novena was held every Wednesdays afternoon when Ss. Cyril's Grade school was open and all the school children attended. Many parishioners have been going since they were children and young adults.

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