

METROPOLITAN-ARCHBISHOP SOROKA VISITS OUR MISSION IN LANCASTER, PA

On May 5, our Lancaster mission at St. John Neumann Roman Catholic church was privileged to receive a special pastoral visit from His Grace Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka.

Metropolitan-Archbishop Soroka was greeted by the Grechaniuk sisters, Tetiana, Oksana and Anna, with a traditional welcome with bread, salt and flowers in both English and Ukrainian. His Grace blessed the faithful who gathered that afternoon as he celebrated the Divine Liturgy with Father Andriy Raby, pastor of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church in Reading, PA. Easter baskets were also blessed by His Grace at the end of the Liturgy for those who were celebrating Easter on that day.



Rev. Andriy Raby and Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka

Approximately sixty people attended the liturgy and took part in a social that followed. The social was very graciously organized by our host church, St. John Neumann, along with contributions and assistance from several of the Lancaster faithful and parishioners from the Reading church.

Metropolitan-Archbishop Soroka expressed his joy at the hope of our Ukrainian Catholic Church spreading throughout the area and sharing the Catholic faith with all through our beautiful liturgy and traditions.



Social after the Liturgy

The Ukrainian Catholic mission in Lancaster was initiated in February and continues to spread the Gospel by inspiring all who attend the services. <https://www.facebook.com/ukrainianmissionlanasterpa>

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES FROM METROPOLITAN STEFAN SOROKA

The month of June is an exciting time for all graduates. Some will complete their studies and will begin fulfilling their anticipated dreams in life. Others will celebrate their graduation from one level of education to yet another.

Ensure that your graduation celebration will involve expressing gratitude to God. It is His Grace in your life which enables you to have the spiritual strength to complete your studies, and to move on. Celebrate with God by giving Him thanks and praise in His holy Church.

Give thanks to the many that have been instruments in your education. Many teachers, administrators and support staff steadfastly guided and instructed you, motivated by their desire for you to reach your best. Parents, extended family and close friends offered much needed support and encouragement. Their love, offered with much hope and patience, enabled your maturing in the process of achieving your educational goals. You did not journey alone. Be thankful for that gift.

Be proud of your part in your achievements. Recognize your gifts and the self-motivation it took to reach success. Build on newly acquired self-confidence to pursue your new dreams in life. Go for broke with your personality to achieve that which you see as important in your life's ambition.

Know that your new journeys are not meant to be traveled alone. Your loved ones and friends will support you. You will enjoy the challenge and excitement of new fellow travelers in your journeys. Be assured of God's presence with you to gently guide you in His ways, in the pursuit of His abundant life promised to all who love and serve Him. And, our Blessed Mother will always be present to listen with patience, and to offer comfort and guidance when needed.

My heartfelt congratulations to all the new graduates of 2013. God bless you richly in ways only He can as you pursue your dreams.



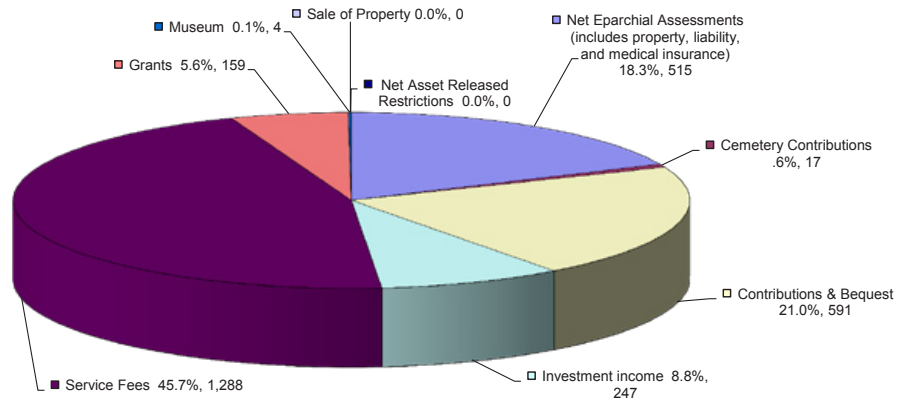
**FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY OF ADMINISTRATION
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF PHILADELPHIA**

The Archbishop, members of the Archdiocesan Finance Council and the Finance Office of the Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia are pleased to share the audited financial report of revenues and expenses for the year ending December 31, 2012. This is the annual presentation of this information to all of its parishes and faithful. This information and format is meant to be shared particularly by the parish priests with their faithful in parish bulletins and in this news site. We are committed to the transparency of our financial administration. This has been required and expected of all parish priests and their finance councils to report yearly parish finances to their parishioners. We are thankful for the generous and thoughtful support received from our faithful for the administration and fulfilling of pastoral and evangelizing needs of the Archdiocese. Know of our remembrance of you in our prayers and in our Liturgies. God bless you richly for your generous sharing with your Church.

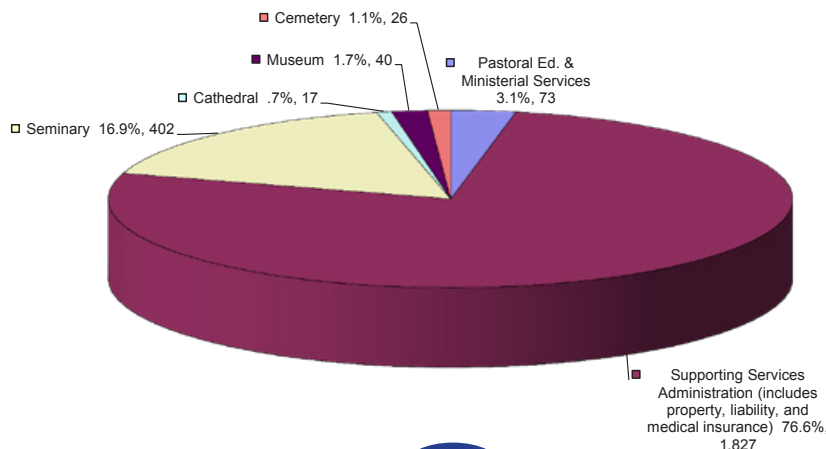
Audited Archdiocesan Financial Information

Values in Thousands (000's)	2012	Percent %
Revenue Gains & Other		
Net Eparchial Assessments (includes property, liability, and medical insurance)	515	18.3%
Cemetery Contributions	17	0.6%
Contributions & Bequest	591	21.0%
Investment income	247	8.8%
Service Fees	1,288	45.7%
Grants	159	5.6%
Museum	4	0.1%
Sale of Property	0	0.0%
Net Asset Released Restrictions	0	0.0%
Total Revenue	2,821	100%
Expenses		
Pastoral Education & Ministerial Services	73	3.1%
Supporting Services Administration (includes property, liability, and medical insurance)	1,827	76.6%
Seminary	402	16.9%
Cathedral	17	0.7%
Museum	40	1.7%
Cemetery	26	1.1%
Total Expenses	2,385	100%
Archdiocesan Gain or (Loss) (primarily bequests)	436	

2012 Archdiocesan Revenues & Gains



2012 Archdiocesan Expenses



SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

May 26, 2013



The Lord said: "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven. "Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Peter answered him, "We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?" Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first. (Mt. 10: 32-33, 37-38; 19: 27-30)

The Feast of All Saints - Celebrated by the Early Church on the Sunday after Pentecost

All Saint's Day is a Christian holy day observed by Eastern churches on the first Sunday after Pentecost, keeping the traditional date as celebrated in the early church. The feast was transferred for the Latin church to November 1 in 835 by Pope Gregory IV. The day now honors all saints of the church, even those not known by name.

All Saint's Day is celebrated by Roman Catholics, Eastern Christians, both Catholic and Orthodox, Anglicans, and Lutherans. However, because of their differing understandings of the

identity and function of the saints, what these churches do on the Feast of All Saints differs widely. For Roman Catholics, Eastern Christians, both Catholic and Orthodox, and to some extent, Anglicans, All Saints is a day to remember, thank God for, but also to venerate and pray to the saints in heaven as intercessors for various helps.

In the early days the Christians were accustomed to solemnize the anniversary of a martyr's death for Christ at the place of martyrdom. In the fourth century, neighboring dioceses

began to interchange feasts, to transfer relics, to divide them, and to join in a common feast. Frequently groups of martyrs suffered on the same day, which naturally led to a joint commemoration. In the persecution of Diocletian the number of martyrs became so great that a separate day could not be assigned to each. The Church, feeling that every martyr should be venerated, appointed a common day for all.

The first trace of the observance of this feast on the Sunday after Pentecost is found in Antioch. In the fourth and

fifth centuries there is also mention of a common day in a sermon of Saint Ephrem the Syrian, and in the 74th homily of Saint John Chrysostom of Constantinople.

At first only martyrs and Saint John the Baptist were honored by a special day. Other saints were added gradually, and increased in number when a regular process of canonization was established. As early as 411 there is in the Chaldean Calendar a Commemoratio confessorum for the Friday after Easter.

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In the sixth century, Pope Boniface IV accepted the Pantheon as a gift from the Emperor Phocas and proclaimed May 13, 610 Feast of All Holy Martyrs held. He dedicated it

as the Church of Santa Maria Rotonda in honor of the Blessed Virgin and all martyrs.

During Pope Gregory III's reign, the festival

was expanded to include all saints and a chapel in St. Peter's church was dedicated accordingly. In 835, Pope Gregory IV changed the date to November 1 for the Latin

Church and the name to Feast of All Saints.

The Head of the UGCC Addresses Parents of Children who Received of the Mystery of Holy Reconciliation

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The preparation of children to their first Reconciliation is perhaps the most visible ministry of catechetical service in Ukrainian Greek-Catholic parishes. According to a statistic released by the catechetical commission of the Archeparchy of Kyiv, nearly 35,000 Ukrainian Catholic children in Ukraine participated in their first reconciliation in the past year. His Beatitude Sviatoslav took the opportunity to address the parents of these children:

"Foremost, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for seeing to your children's participation in catechetical activities." - wrote His Beatitude Sviatoslav in his letter to parents. He notes, "if we teach children God's message, then they will grow up as faithfully conscious citizens, ultimately bringing the Church great good, and your pride and joy."

Catechetical learning is an ongoing process which does not last for simply the year leading up to one's first reconciliation. It is for this reason that His Beatitude Sviatoslav insisted that parents continue to send their children to religious-based schools.

The head of the UGCC reminded his faithful that, "the calling of parents is to pass on a message of living faith in Jesus Christ. I encourage you to partake of the Holy Eucharist and the Mystery of Reconciliation often, become involved in the life of your parish, and teach each of these values to your children.

The UGCC's Department of Information
Adapted from the article on <http://www.ugcc.org.ua>

Congratulations on your First Reconciliation Class of 2013 - Assumption Church, Perth Amboy, NJ

May Christ's life and love fill you today and every time you receive him in Holy Communion.

Congratulations to: Joshua Paul Manuel Bouchard, Alexander Nicholas Brandafi, Natalie Ann Daly, Gabriel Johan Gomez, Victoria Gomez, Laura Anne Grausam, Diana Maria Kalynyak, Brody Joseph Kist, Nathaniel Michael Perez, Jada Rodriguez, Destiny Marie Saez, Adrian Rainer Anatole Wowk, Andrew James Zulin. Our special thank you goes to Mrs. Khouzam (2nd grade teacher) and Sr. Yosaphata , MSMG for preparing children for their special day. Please view more pictures on our school site.



First Reconciliation at Warrington, PA



Pictured above: are the Communicants with Father Vasil and the Altar Servers.

Picture at right: are the children, teachers and Father Vasil of St. Anne's Religious Education Program.

Warrington, May 5, 2013 - The children and families of St. Anne's Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Program gathered today to witness the children receiving First Reconciliation and Solemn Holy Communion. Karen Kolodij and Mark Sarachman were our special guests today. Their proud parents and family sat with them and the whole parish family witnessed their special day. Father Vasil reminded them that this is just the beginning of their journey in faith. May God Bless them all on their special day.



First Confession at St. Nicholas, Passaic, NJ

On Saturday, May 11, 2013, 14 children received their First Penance, and on May 12, Mother's Day, their Solemn Communion at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Passaic, NJ. The children's preparations for these Holy Sacraments in a special way began in September with Sr. Eliane Ilnitski, SSMI, Principal, and included renewal of catechetical instruction and preparation for confession for the parents as well. Since children are brought as babies to their very First Sacraments by their parents, why not include the parents once again to accompany and to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist together with their child at this special moment in their lives?



Two weeks before the children's First Penance and Solemn Communion, Sister Eliane met with all the parents for a "refresher course" in preparation for the Sacrament of Penance, reminding them that their children need examples to emulate - they need to see that their parents cherish the Sacraments, as well. We can compare our lives to a walk we take up a hill with a bag on our backs, and every time that we fall, we collect a rock (our sins); the bag gets heavier and heavier, and when we get to the top of the hill, we need to put the bag down - this moment is the moment when we go for the Sacrament of Penance. Christ is waiting for us, ready to embrace us when we approach Him. He doesn't ask us where we were - He is happy we came back. The Sacrament of Penance is a Sacrament of Healing for us and for others around us.

On Saturday, May 11, 2013, the day of the children's First Penance, all their parents went to confession as well. On Sunday, the altar-servers and Father Andriy Dudkevych, pastor, and guest Father Andrew Figol, of St. Demetrius in Toronto, Canada and uncle of one of the Communicants, led the procession, followed by two angels (Kindergarten students Maria Lebid and Adriana Hutsal). As each Communicant entered the beautifully decorated church, accompanied by the soft music of hymns and holding a candle, he or she was immediately followed by his/her parents: Sebastian John Callie, Sophia Natalka Doblosky, Kalyna Olia Figol, Vitaly Habura, Pawel Kamil Holak, Madeline Tekla Karlicki, Victoria Khytryak, Yulian Kotovych, Olena Kurpita, Rachel Anne Maszczak, Michael Peter Mychalko, Artur Toporivskyy, Nadiya Vorobets, and Joshua Paul Wolfer. Adding to the family theme, Madeline Tekla Karlicki wore a Communion veil that has been handed down through her mother's family for three generations. It was made by her great-grandmother Mrs. Renata Lodato; it shows the "continuity of a Faith heritage" in the passing down of a tradition, evidence of the treasure of a Christian family. The Epistle was read in Ukrainian and English by Kalyna Olia Figol and Madeline Tekla Karlicki.

The many schoolchildren who attended the Liturgy sang Ukrainian children's hymns from Brazil during Holy Communion. After Liturgy, both Father Andriy and Father Andrew greeted the children and spoke to them about the special gift they had just received. At the end of Liturgy, Father Andriy prayed a special prayer to the Blessed Mother over all the mothers, followed by Panahyda for all the mothers who watch over us from heaven, and then intoned Mnohaya Lita in honor of all the moms celebrating Mother's Day. Upon leaving the church, each mother received a little gift, a pin of the Blessed Mother and child.

St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic School Honors the Blessed Mother

On Friday, May 3, 2013, the children of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic School, Passaic, NJ, welcomed in the month of May with a procession in honor of our Blessed Mother. Singing *Витай Діво*, all 93 schoolchildren, from Pre-K through grade 8, entered the church carrying colorful carnations, which each child carefully placed into a vase before the icon of the Blessed Mother at the front of the church. At the end of the procession, 7th grader Adrianna Oliver and 5th grader Alexandra Peltyszyn, wearing Ukrainian embroidered blouses, draped an embroidered *Rushnyk* over the Icon as a sign of petition for protection for our children and families. After the procession, pastor Father Andriy Dudkevych and Father George Worshak celebrated the Liturgy for the schoolchildren, parents, and parishioners. Later that evening, Father Andriy blessed a set of new *Moleben* books to the Blessed Mother and Jesus for parishioners to use as they honor and pray to the Blessed Mother throughout the month of May. We pray asking the Blessed Mother for protection, guidance and blessings for all our families.

Sonia Lechicky



Hillside, NJ Parish Children Honor the Blessed Mother

On Sunday, May 5, 2013, Immaculate Conception Ukrainian Catholic Church in Hillside (Union County), NJ held a May Crowning and Procession in honor of the Blessed Mother.

Rev. Vasyl Vladyka blessed the children for honoring the Blessed Mother and for participating in the parish's Religious Education Program which is designed for children ages 3 to 18 years old.



"Super 4th of July/Summer Barbeque Kielbasa Sale" Orders Now Being Taken!

In time for the July 4th Holiday and your summer barbeques, we are offering delicious Kielbasa Rings. Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Clifton Heights, in conjunction with one of the area's well-known kielbasa makers, proudly announces the 2013 "Super 4th of July/Summer Barbeque Kielbasa Ring Sale". We are offering mouth-watering, high quality kielbasa for the unbelievably low price of only \$11.00 per ring. For your convenience, we now are able to accept your orders via email. To place your kielbasa orders, please email us at SSPeterandPaul@verizon.net or call Kathy at (610) 328-4731 by Monday, June 24th. Pickup will be at noon on Sunday, June 30th, at our Church which is located at 100 South Penn Street in Clifton Heights, PA.

UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL

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Region I National (Open and Amateur) Cups Championship Tournament

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

PROGRAM

10:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M. – National Cup Games (continuous)

1:00 P.M. - Festival Begins

**2:00 pm - 3:00 pm: Festival Stage Show Featuring:
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**THE KARPATY ENSEMBLE
And more.....**

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm – “ZABAVA”

**UKRAINIAN POLKA and BALLROOM DANCE featuring:
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Authentic Ukrainian Foods & Baked Goods ~ Picnic Fare ~ Cool Refreshments

ADMISSION (all events & soccer included): \$5.00; Kids 14 & under: Free; Free Parking



Reserve the Date:

Sunday, August 25, at 12 o'clock noon

UKRAINIAN FOLK FESTIVAL

Voloshky Ukrainian Dance Ensemble

(Philadelphia, PA)

Violinist Innesa TymochkoDekajlo

(Lviv, Ukraine)

The Fourth Wave Ensemble

(Philadelphia, PA)



Iskra Ukrainian Dance Ensemble

(Whippany, NJ)

The Vox Ethnika Ensemble

(New York City)

The Karpaty Ensemble

(Philadelphia, PA)

“Zabava” Public Dance ~ The Vox Ethnika Dance Band

Metropolitan Stefan Attends Pa. State Council Knights of Columbus Convention

Lancaster, Pa.—Metropolitan Stefan Soroka attended the 115th Annual State Convention of the Pennsylvania State Council of the Knights of Columbus which was held here Friday May 3 through Sunday May 5.

On Saturday, Metropolitan Stefan was the homilist at the Eucharistic Liturgy celebrated by the Pa. State Chaplain Father V. David Foradori. Metropolitan Soroka also delivered remarks to the Knights and their Ladies during the Convention Banquet on Saturday evening.

Metropolitan Stefan is a member of the Bishop Stephen Soter Ortynsky Council 14088 in Philadelphia.



Metropolitan Stefan Soroka of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, and Metropolitan William Skurla of the Byzantine Catholic Archeparchy of Pittsburgh pose with Pa. State Officers and their Ladies during the 2013 Pennsylvania State Council Knights of Columbus Convention held in Lancaster, Pa.



Metropolitan Stefan delivers the homily during the Convention Eucharistic Liturgy.



Metropolitan Stefan delivers remarks during the Annual Pa. State Council Knights of Columbus Convention Dinner on Saturday, May 4.

PARMA EPARCHY WELCOMES BASILIAN ASSOCIATES

In 1991, the Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great founded the Basilian Lay Associate Program. This invitation to the laity offers adult Christians the experience of coming together with the Sisters to share in a mutually enriching and broadening relationship focused on living more fully the Gospel way of life.

The first group of Basilian Associates was initiated at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Basil, Jesus Lover of Humanity Province, located in Fox Chase Manor, PA. Although the program was located solely in the Philadelphia area, it recently expanded, taking in the Parma, OH, region where a vibrant Parma Prayer Group had gathered under the guidance of Sr. Judith Piszyk, OSBM. Sr. Judith recognized the good will and the desire for spiritual growth of these individuals and introduced them to the concept of the Basilian Associate Program. Those of the group who desired a covenant relationship with the Sisters requested membership in the Program and entered a one-year candidacy under the direction of Sr. Olga Marie Faryna,

OSBM, Pastoral Minister with the Parma Eparchy and now coordinator for the newly formed Parma, Ohio Regional Basilian Associate Program.

Throughout their year of candidacy, the prospective associates met with Sr. Olga Marie for shared reflection on scripture and the Liturgy, the praying of the Divine Office, discussion and clarification of the Basilian Associate Program Manual One in Spirit and the call to membership, the building up of relationships through prayer, community and service and a fuller understanding of St. Basil and his spirituality in the Eastern Church.

At the year's end, five candidates—Eugene Apostoluk, Audrey Fedak, Andrew Szepiwdycz, Oksana Szepiwdycz and Margaret Zysek—felt ready to enter a covenant with the Sisters of St. Basil the Great and the date for their commitment was set for April 27, 2013.

In preparation for their evening covenant ceremony at the 5:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy at St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral, the Associate candidates gathered for a quiet day



Photo (l to r) : Eugene Apostoluk, Sister Laura Palka, OSBM, Oksana Szepiwdycz, Sister Marina Bochnewich, OSBM, Andrew Szepiwdycz, Audrey Fedak, Sister Olga Marie Faryna, OSBM, Margaret Zysek

of prayer and reflection guided by Sr. Marina Bochnewich, OSBM, Director of the Basilian Spirituality Center, Fox Chase Manor, PA. Sr. Marina was the first coordinator and writer of the Basilian Lay Associate Program and Sister also served at one time on the Pastoral Ministry Team in the Parma Eparchy in Adult Spiritual Formation. Following the theme "Living in God's Presence", Sr. Marina led the group's reflection on how the ebb and flow of the tide of one's prayer and contemplation extend to the community, leading one to do service and then return to prayer and contemplation.

Before the beginning

of the Divine Liturgy, Rev. Claudio Melnicki, Cathedral Administrator, welcomed the Basilian Sisters and the area laity who were aspiring to profess a mutual covenant relationship in accord with the Basilian Associate Program "One in Spirit".

During his homily, Fr. Claudio commended the candidates for their decision to share in the Sisters' mission to be the praying, healing and life-giving presence of Jesus to God's people, and encouraged all parish members to keep them in their prayers.

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PARMA EPARCHY WELCOMES BASILIAN ASSOCIATES

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After the reading of the Divine Liturgy Ambo Prayer, Sr. Laura Palka, OSBM, Director of the Basilian Associate Program, thanked Fr. Claudio for preparing the parish logistics for the day and, at Father's request, introduced the Associate candidates and explained the Program and how it took root in the Parma Eparchy. Parishioners were also able to refer to an explanatory flyer distributed earlier. Additionally, and prior to the covenant ritual, Sr. Laura expressed Bishop John Bura's regrets at not being able to be present and the assurance of his blessing upon the five candidates.

Sr. Laura also read a letter from Sr. Dorothy Ann Busowski, OSBM, Provincial Superior, who was unable to be present, but who commended the new members for their desire to be of service to the Church, to the Basilian community and to one another. "You are an inspiration to us as you juggle family, work and still have time to devote to your pledge-One in Spirit."

A letter from coordinators Sr. Rita Stremba, OSBM, and Sr. Germaine Senita, OSBM, and all the members of the Fox Chase Manor Regional was read welcoming Eugene, Audrey, Andrew, Oksana and

Margaret as new members and assuring them of their prayers. As Sr. Laura had stated earlier, "Your names... will be entered into our Basilian Chronicles as the first and foundational Basilian Associates of the Parma, Ohio Regional."

At the direction of Sr. Olga Marie, the Sisters

and candidates then gathered before the tetrapod to pledge their commitment, candidates to the Basilian Sisters, Sisters to the candidates, for a term of one year. The joyous singing of "Many Happy Years" ended the ceremony.

To learn more about the Basilian Associate Program, please contact:

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Lancaster Mission Parish

A Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom will be celebrated at St. John Neumann Roman Catholic Church (601 East Delp Road, Lancaster, PA) every Sunday at 1:30PM. Officiating celebrant – Very Rev. Andriy Raby, pastor of Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church in Reading. The services are bilingual, in Ukrainian and English. For more information, please call 610.376.0586, send email nativitybvmucc@mail.com, or find us on FACEBOOK, <https://www.facebook.com/ukrainianmissionlancasterpa>

Rehoboth Beach, DE

Rev. Volodymyr Klanichka will celebrate Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom at St. Edmund's Roman Catholic Church, Rehoboth Beach, DE, at 6:00 PM on Sundays: June 30, July 28 and August 25, 2013. (Last Sunday of the month during June, July, and August.) St. Edmund's Roman Catholic Church is located on the Intersection of King Charles Avenue and Laurel Street, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Job Openings at Ascension Manor



Social Services Coordinator

Ascension Manor Apartments is searching for a full-time Coordinator who will be responsible for coordinating social related services to the residents of Ascension Manor's I & II. Qualifications include a degree in social work or psychology or other undergraduate degree with a specialization in Gerontology. At least 2 years of supervised social work experience is required with the ability to relate to and work with, disabled and elderly residents. Ability to speak and write in either Ukrainian, Spanish or Cantonese is highly desirable. Pre-Employment background and drug testing is

required. For immediate consideration, please fax your Resume with Cover Letter and Salary Requirements to (215)922-3735. E.O.E.

Assistant Site Manager

Ascension Manor Apartments is searching for a full-time Assistant Manager who will be responsible for assisting the Site Manager in the day-to-day operation of the property, including, but not limited to, the general administration, leasing, maintenance; budget preparation and control, and direction and control of all personnel and resources of the property. The ideal candidate will have two (2) plus years of prior property management experience in Affordable Housing, Excellent written and oral communication skills, knowledge of financial matters and must be able to take direction. Ability to speak and write in either Ukrainian, Spanish or Cantonese is highly desirable. Pre-Employment background and drug testing is required. For immediate consideration, please fax your Resume with Cover Letter and Salary Requirements to (215)922-3735. E.O.E.

Part Time Office Assistant

Ascension Manor Apartments is searching for a Part Time Office Assistant who will be responsible for answering the phone, filing, greeting visitors, handing out applications, preparing mailings, distributing notices to tenants, updating records and other duties that are assigned by the property management staff. Candidate must be proficient in Microsoft office – Excel and Word. Ability to speak and write in either Ukrainian, Spanish or Cantonese is highly desirable. Pre-Employment background and drug testing is required. For immediate consideration, please fax your Resume with Cover Letter and Salary Requirements to (215)922-3735. E.O.E.



Vibrant Parish meeting in Ukraine

Brukhovitsi/Lviv, Ukraine, 13/14 May 2013: The Working Group for the Strategic Development of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church for the period until 2020 under the leadership of Most Rev. Ken Nowakowski (Bishop of New Westminster, Canada) and Most Rev. Bohdan Dzyurakh (Secretary General of the Synod of Ukrainian Greek Catholic Bishops) held a working session in Brukhovitsi on 13 May. The Working group is comprised of clergy and lay-faithful from Europe, North & South America and has the responsibility to assist



the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops in implementing the pastoral plan based on the Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude Sviatoslav, father and head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church "The Vibrant Parish, the place to encounter the Living Christ!"

On May 14th the Working Group met with coordinators of each of the Archeparchies, Eparchies and Exarchates (Archdiocese, Diocese) of Ukraine to review the progress, and challenges of the last few months in Ukraine with regard to the Pastoral Plan. The coordinators were also introduced to new documents produced by the Working Group to assist parish priests with pastoral planning and the administration of the parishes.

The members of the Working group also had an opportunity to celebrate the Divine Liturgy with clergy from the Sokal-Zhokva Ukrainian Greek Catholic Eparchy who were on their annual retreat. The Liturgy was celebrated in Blessed Nykyta Budka Chapel. Blessed Nykyta Budka was the first Ukrainian Catholic Bishop in Canada.



Bishop McFadden: Tireless Advocate in the Public Square

Bishop Joseph McFadden passed away on May 2, 2013, after three years of service as the president of the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference. The conference is the public policy agency of Pennsylvania's bishops. "Bishop McFadden had all of the attributes that make an effective leader in public policy, including his willingness to engage with legislators and his ease around all people. He did not shy away from spirited discussion," said PCC Executive Director Dr. Robert. J. O'Hara.

Bishop McFadden guided the PCC's work during his time here, with particular focus on legislation that upholds the dignity of every human person from conception to natural death, supports Catholic education, safeguards religious liberty and protects the poor and vulnerable.

Notable successes included the expansion of the Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program and the creation of the Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) program. About school choice, Bishop McFadden said, "When we look across the education landscape in

Pennsylvania...we see that some parents, especially low-income families, have no choice but to send their children to a school that is not helping them reach their potential. This is why the bishops of Pennsylvania see school choice as a defining social justice issue for our time." Education was particularly important to Bishop McFadden as he served as the Chair of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Catholic Education.

"Bishop McFadden did not impose Catholic teaching on the legislators and legislative staff he worked with. He willingly engaged them in matters of public policy, and that helped to advance so many of the issues that impact Catholics," said O'Hara. In addition to the EITC and OSTC programs, he also worked to pass legislation that held abortion clinics to the same standards as other ambulatory surgical facilities, increased support for alternatives to abortion programs and championed services that support the poor.

During the budget debate last year, when line items supporting Pennsylvania's



A picture from September 2009 of +Bishop Joseph McFadden, Cardinal Justin Rigali, Archbishop emeritus, Bishop John Bura, and Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka.

most needy people were being discussed, Bishop McFadden wrote "...we do not always give the poor in our community the attention they deserve... The human impact of the state budget debate in Harrisburg often is overlooked. Particularly troubling is the potential loss of funding for long-supported programs that help those in dire need and provide a sound, reasonable safety net for our citizens."

He was also a champion for religious liberty. During last year's Fortnight for Freedom, Bishop McFadden led an online daily video Novena; the prayer sessions included a special daily reflection on the importance of religious liberty. He was particularly skilled at using new media to

communicate, hosting video chats with school students and engaging in conversations on Facebook and Twitter.

Bishop McFadden also kept before him at all times the Eucharist and the person of Christ. "I can remember after one particularly long day, Bishop McFadden said to me 'We don't have to save the world, Bob. Jesus has already done that for us, and we simply have to follow him.' Seeing our efforts, which bump up against politics regularly, in that eternal and Christ-centered way, has kept us focused in our work," said O'Hara.

<http://www.pacatholic.org/bishop-mcfadden-tireless-advocate-in-the-public-square/>

Rummage Sale

St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic parish of Scranton PA will conduct a Rummage Sale on Saturday, June 1, 2013 from 8:00am to 4:00pm in the Parish Center adjacent to the church at 428 North Seventh Avenue.

Items for sale include jewelry, clothing, housewares, small furniture, holiday decorations, electronics, tools, linens, toys, Ukrainian crafts, etc. Luncheon fare will be available along with a bake sale.

For additional information call 570 457-8487.



The Ladies Auxiliary of St. Nicholas in Passaic Holds Fundraiser

Continuing a fund raising tradition established in 1939, the Ladies Auxiliary of St. Nicholas Church recently held their First Annual Beefsteak Tricky Tray evening at The Fiesta in Ridgewood, NJ. With the assistance of honorary Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Michael Najda, guests were entertained with fine food, drink, side-splitting humor, and great prizes.

The year 1939 was seminal in parish history; in June the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate came to the parish to establish a catechetical program for the children, especially for those preparing for First Solemn Confession and Communion, and to recruit pupils for the full day parish school that opened its doors for the first time in September of the following year.

Funding for these endeavors added to the burdens of a growing parish during hard economic times. With his vision, +Rev. Emil Ananevich and the mothers of the parish established the Ladies Auxiliary whose primary focus would be fundraising.



To this day, the Auxiliary upholds this tradition. Though fewer in numbers, the ladies are no less enthusiastic in their mission to raise funds for the beautification of the church and needs of the parish school. Over the years they have donated new carpeting for the church, vigil lights for the altar, a stove and sink for the school kitchen, heating system repairs, and other projects too numerous to mention.

At the conclusion of the evening, Rev. Andriy Dudkevych, pastor, extended his sincere gratitude on behalf of the parish to these dedicated ladies and to all who assisted them in making the evening a success. The Ladies Auxiliary has already begun planning for next year and you are all invited to join the fun!

The Heritage Foundation makes a donation to the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia

Mr. Julian Kulas of The Heritage Foundation along with Mr. Paul Bandriwsky of MB Financial Bank, present a donation from The Heritage Foundation to Metropolitan Archbishop Stefan Soroka for the needs of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia. Metropolitan Stefan participated in the MB Financial Annual Meeting held at the Ukrainian Educational and Cultural Center in Philadelphia on Wednesday, May 8, 2013. The archeparchy and various Ukrainian organizations were recipients of donations from The Heritage Foundation to assist them in their respective missions.



Julian Kulas, Mr. Paul Bandriwsky, and Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka.

MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day, is a day on which we remember those who gave their lives in the service of our country and the freedom that we treasure so very much. We are forever indebted to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom. There are so many who have willingly given of themselves so that we may continue to live in freedom. In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that the greatest love is to lay down your life for someone else. That is the kind of love that Jesus has for us and the same kind of love He calls us to have for one another.



I think we should remember, in a very special way, those who recently gave their lives in the war in Iraq. People may have different opinions as to why we went to war with Iraq, but, when all was said and done, it seems to me that the people of Iraq were pretty happy that we were there. Their many years of oppression is over, and now they must build a new government for themselves. Hopefully, it will be one that safeguards the dignity and freedom of all their people. Popular or unpopular opinion concerning the war in Iraq does not take anything away from those Americans who went over there and made the ultimate sacrifice for the good of others so that others could have the opportunity to live in freedom.

As we remember those who gave their lives in the defense of freedom, we also remember their families whose lives are forever changed because of the loss of their loved ones. So, we pray that these brave soldiers may rest in the peace of Christ and that their families and loved ones may be consoled and comforted.

UGCC Bishops in Kazakhstan pray for the victims of Stalinist political repressions

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During May 20-29th, members of UGCC Permanent Synod of Bishops are visiting Kazakhstan. Their goal is to familiarize themselves with the current life of UGCC faithful and to hold work meetings of the Synod.

On the first day the Synod Fathers, led by UGCC Head His Beatitude Sviatoslav, visited places related to the past and the present of Ukrainians in Kazakhstan. In particular, the Synod members visited the Spas Memorial Cemetery where the victims of various nationalities of Stalinist political repressions are buried. Almost twenty monuments built on the places of mass burials remind one of the tragic fates of tens of thousands of prisoners of the communist regime who found their final resting place in the steppes near Karaganda.

UGCC Church head placed flowers at the Ukrainian monument on which are carved out the words: "To the sons and daughters of Ukraine. We bow our heads to those tortured in hard slavery. Ukraine will not forget

you." Then the gathered held a Memorial Requiem Service for Ukrainians who died in Stalinist camps located in Kazakhstan.

Together with His Beatitude Sviatoslav, there prayed at the graves of the innocent dead, members of the Permanent Synod who accompanied UGCC Head on this trip – bishops: Volodymyr (Viytyshyn), Ivano Frankivsk Archbishop and Metropolitan; Yaroslav (Pryriz), Sambir-Drohobych Eparch; Ken Novakivsky, New Westminster Eparch; Borys (Gudziak), Eparch of Paris Eparchy of St. Volodymyr the Great for Ukrainians of the Byzantine Rite in France; Bohdan (Dziurakh, Secretary of UGCC Synod of Bishops.

Visitors from Ukraine were guided by Rev. Vasyl Hovera, Apostolic Delegate for the Greek-Catholics in Kazakhstan and Central Asia, Rev. Kyryl Hryhoriev, assistant at the Parish of the Intercession of the Blessed Mother in Karaganda, Sister Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Anastasia



Balinsky, Tetiana Holovchak, Volodymyra Zazuliak from the Monastery of the Holy Family of Karaganda and Mr. Volodymyr Okun, the son of repressed Ukrainians and a long-term assistant at the Parish of the Intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

There was a poignant moment when during the Memorial Requiem Service cranes appeared in the sky above the cemetery and circled several times over the Ukrainian supplicants, contributing their craning sounds to the words of prayers of the gathered, said on that day for their innocent victim compatriots.

During the afternoon the members of the Permanent Synod visited the Ukrainian

Center in Karaganda and held Vespers in the local Church of the Intercession of the Blessed Mother. While visiting the Ukrainian Center, UGCC Head thanked all who were involved in its creation and continue to support its activities and expressed his wishes that the Ukrainian community in Karaganda continues to expand and transmits to its children and youth knowledge about their homeland and love for Ukraine.

On Tuesday, May 21st, the Working Session of the Permanent Synod will begin and it will last until Thursday, May 24th. Also the schedule of the Permanent Synod includes numerous meetings, particularly with Roman-Catholic bishops, UGCC clergy

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in Karaganda, as well as with laity and youth.

On Saturday there will be observed a Day in Memory of Bishop Oleksandr Khira, a confessor of faith and a prisoner of many years in Karlag (the

Karaganda Reformatory Camp). On Sunday, May 26th, members of the Permanent Synod will visit various UGCC communities in Kazakhstan.

<http://www.ugcc.org.ua>



Patriarch Sviatoslav Celebrates 15th Anniversary of Community Established by Him in Athens

13 May 2013

Patriarch Sviatoslav of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church made a pastoral visit to the Greek Catholic Exarchate in Athens on May 10-12 for the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Ukrainian community of St. Nicholas, which functions under the umbrella of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in

Athens, the Information Department of UGCC reported.

On May 10, Patriarch Sviatoslav was met at the airport of Venizelos by Apostolic Visitor for Greek Catholics of Greece, Bishop Dymytrii, Bishop Yaroslav (Pryriz) of Sambir-Drohobych, Archimandrite Lubomyr and Advisor of the Ukrainian Embassy in

Greece, Mr. Yevhen Ostashevskiy.

“The visit of His beatitude Sviatoslav is especially important for Ukrainians in Athens because 15 years ago, a young priest, Sviatoslav Shevchuk, who studied in Rome, laid the foundation of this community. Thanks to his efforts, Basilian sisters came to Athens to help Ukrainian children and a Ukrainian school was established thanks to him. Therefore, the community of Ukrainians in Athens welcomes His Beatitude Sviatoslav with special joy in order to thank the Lord together for His mysterious ways and fatherly care,” reported the press service.

15th anniversary of the establishment of the Ukrainian Catholic community. Together with the Apostolic Visitor for Greek Catholics of Greece, Patriarch Sviatoslav visited Apostolic Nuncio in Greece, Archbishop Edward Adams on May 11.

The ambassador of the Vatican informed the visitors that the Congregation of the Eastern Churches granted a scholarship for five years to a parishioner of the Ukrainian community in Athens, Ivan Lykhopater. According to the report, this was a pleasant surprise for the exarch as it is the first vocation in the last 50 years.

The primate participated in a conference on the

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Greek Catholic Head 'Our church is a thorn in the side for those who do not seek true unity'

14 May 2013

"Reconciliation between our churches will help the Russian and Ukrainian people understand one another. As often happens between neighbors, we have many mutual historical problems, but we cannot build a future without Christian communication. The process of reconciliation will also help overcome Ukrainophobia in Russia and stop the Russification of Ukraine," Patriarch Sviatoslav Shevchuk, head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church (UGCC), said in an interview with KAI (Catholic Information Agency).



Talking about the relationship of the UGCC with the UOC-MP, the head of the church said that until now there has only been informal discussion. "Furthermore, we believe that we are the heirs of the same tradition of the Kyivan Church, that we originate from the same Baptism of Rus', the 1025th anniversary of which we are celebrating this year," he said.

Now, according to the head of the UGCC, Greek Catholics seek understanding and reconciliation with the Orthodox to "keep to their roots and bear witness to Christ."

As for ecumenical cooperation of the UGCC, Patriarch Sviatoslav said that in this respect the testimonies of the UGCC martyrs are important because they were "martyrs for the unity of the church."

"Our church is a thorn in the side for those who do not seek true unity. My predecessor, Cardinal Lubomyr Husar, said that the biggest obstacle to the unity of the church is that not everyone wants it. We feel it is not good when we are separated, in the Catholic Church, and in relations with the Orthodox. Our mission is to remind about our unity," he continued.

The Primate of the UGCC supported his statement with an example. He said Metropolitan Hilarion, head of the Department for External Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate, said that the Orthodox Church is interested in forming a strategic alliance with the Catholic Church to come together and bear witness to traditional moral values. However, according to the metropolitan, we have to tolerate each other, work together, but not unite.

"I was recently in Istanbul, where I met with Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople. I was surprised by his openness and desire to unite our churches. He did not treat us as Uniates that interfere with the Orthodox-Catholic dialogue. We saw the great patriarch and his desire to seek church unity," said the Patriarch Sviatoslav.

According to the Primate of the UGCC, Greek Catholics should seriously think about how to do the will of Jesus Christ, "so that all may be one."

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Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Kolomyia – Chernivtsi

Glory to Jesus Christ!

The hierarchy, clergy, religious and faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia offer our heartfelt sympathies to the clergy, religious and faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Kolomyia – Chernivtsi, on the unexpected loss of your spiritual shepherd, Bishop Mykola Simkaylo. We also extend our sympathies to the family members of the departed Bishop Simkaylo.

Bishop Simkaylo was loved and respected by all with whom he ministered to as a dedicated priest and bishop of his eparchy. His ministry reflected a sense of privilege to serve others. His voice was authoritative in its strength and volume, proclaiming truths without reservation. Bishop Simkaylo celebrated his life with much joy and enthusiasm out of a deep gratitude to Almighty God. His life was a source of inspiration and hope for many.

We are deeply saddened with the news of his death and share in the pain of your loss. We join you in praying for the soul of our beloved brother in Christ, the Most Rev. Mykola Simkaylo. May his soul receive the commendation, “well done, my good and faithful servant”, and be granted the eternal peace promised to all who love and serve Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Everlasting memory! Вічна йому пам'ять!

+ Stefan Soroka

+Most Reverend Stefan Soroka
Metropolitan of Ukrainian Catholics in the United States
Archbishop of Philadelphia for Ukrainians



+ Bishop Mykola Simkaylo

MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

The Sisters of St Basil of Fox Chase Manor have set the theme of *Accepting the Cross: Martyrs of the Ukrainian Catholic Church* for their Pilgrimage October 6, 2013 in Fox Chase. Special emphasis will be centered on Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky CSsR whose life & relics will be honored during the Pilgrimage.

To honor the 26 martyrs of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church proclaimed Blessed by Pope John Paul II, Moleben to the Mother of God will be celebrated at the grotto dedicated to our Lady of Pochaiv, 710 Fox Chase Road, Fox Chase Manor at 12:15PM every Sunday until the pilgrimage. Prayers for a miracle, and the veneration of the relic of Blessed Vasyl Velychokvsky will be celebrated at the conclusion of each Moleben. During inclement weather the Moleben will be celebrated in the Sisters Chapel.



Grotto

We invite the priests, parishioners, Religious societies to join with us at 12:15PM in our prayers to the Mother of God, for a miracle. A miracle which will declare our martyrs, Saints of the Catholic Church. The faithful of the Archeparchy are invited and encouraged to come & join with us in prayer, for healing, for honor and for God's glory through those who have given the ultimate sacrifice of their lives for their faith.

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM PLANNED FOR JUNE 21 TO JULY 4

WASHINGTON—The second annual Fortnight for Freedom will take place from June 21 to July 4, and will consist of national and local efforts to educate Americans on challenges to religious liberty both at home and abroad. As with last year's Fortnight, the event will begin and end with a special Mass.



Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the USCCB Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, will open the 2013 Fortnight for Freedom by celebrating Mass at Baltimore's historic Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, scheduled for June 21 at 7 p.m. EDT. Cardinal Donald Wuerl of Washington will celebrate the closing Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington on July 4 at 12 p.m. EDT.

"The need for prayer, education, and action in defense of religious liberty has never been greater," explained Archbishop Lori. "The Fortnight for Freedom exists to meet that need. This year's Fortnight occurs just weeks before August 1, when the administration's mandate coercing us to violate our deeply-held beliefs will be enforced against most religious non-profits. During the Fortnight the Supreme Court's decisions on the definition of marriage will likely be handed down as well. Those decisions could have a profound impact on religious freedom for generations to come."

Further details about the Fortnight can be found at www.Fortnight4Freedom.org. The site hosts resources such as one-page fact sheets outlining current threats to religious freedom both in the United States and abroad; frequently asked questions about religious liberty, including quotes from the Founding Fathers, the Second Vatican Council and Popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI; and a study guide on *Dignitatis Humanae*, Vatican II's document on religious liberty. The website also lists sample activities already planned in several dioceses, an image gallery of photos from last year's Fortnight celebrations, as well as resources and recommendations for other local efforts, such as prayers for use in special liturgies.

June 2013 - Червня 2013

Happy Birthday!

З Днем народження!

June 6: Rev. Mark Fesniak
June 9: Rev. Volodymyr Klanichka
June 17: Rev. Deacon Charles Schultz
June 30: Rev. Yaroslav Kurpel

**May the Good Lord Continue to Guide You and Shower You with His Great Blessings.
Многая Літа!**

Нехай Добрий Господь Тримає Вас у Своїй Опіці та Щедро Благословить Вас. Многая Літа!



Congratulations on your Anniversary of Priesthood!

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June 6: Rev. Nestor Iwasiw (20th Anniversary)
June 13: Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka (31st Anniversary of being Ordained a Priest)
June 14: Rev. Stepan Bilyk (12th Anniversary)
June 14: Rev. Paul Labinsky (32nd Anniversary)
June 14: Most Rev. Stephen Sulyk, Archbishop-Emeritus (61st Anniversary of being Ordained a Priest)
June 17: Rev. Leonid Malkov, C.S.s.R. (23rd Anniversary)
June 17: Rev. Deacon Roman Sverdun (1st Anniversary)
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June 29: Rev. Msgr. Peter Waslo (27th Anniversary)
June 30: Rev. Volodymyr Baran, C.S.s.R (28th Anniversary)

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