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St. Mary's Church Bulletin



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DIVINE LITURGY:

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) **SUNDAY** 10:30 a.m. (English)

SATURDAY : 4:00 pm (English)

Confession: Before Divine Liturgies 9:00 am and 10:30 am on Sundays or anytime upon request.

Baptisms & Marriages: By prior arrangement (at least 1 year before the marriage date), through the parish office.

Visitations & Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the office if a member of your family is in need of a visit.

June 03, 2018 - Всіх Святих – All Saints

Epistle: **Heb 11:33-12:2** see explanation on page 532

Gospel: **Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38** see explanation on page 30

Propers for the Divine Liturgy: **576**

Hymn on page: **957**

Prayer Intentions June 3-10

Monday	4:30 p.m.	No Divine Liturgy
Tuesday	4:30 p.m.	No Divine Liturgy
Wednesday		Clergy Conference -Hamilton
Thursday	4:30 p.m.	No Divine Liturgy
Friday	4:30 p.m.	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy – English – for Parishioners
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Health of Mr. & Mrs. Buba, Sr. – Klys/Selisnyj Family
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – English

June 17 – There will be only one Bilingual Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m.

17 червня – буде тільки одна Служба Божа о год 10 ранку.

FOOD WORKSHOP: Help is needed to make cabbage rolls on Monday, June 6, 2018 at 9:00a.m. Everyone is welcome! Please come.



14th ST. MARY'S MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL GOLF

TOURNAMENT - 14th annual golf tournament, Sunday, July 08, 2018.
Four Person Scramble Draw, (Male & Female) Cost \$60.00 per person 9
holes of golf, steak BBQ dinner in the Church Hall and prizes BBQ Steak
Dinner only - \$20.00 Contact Lou Bukatowicz 705 (522-9056)
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APRIL FINANCES:

Please pick up a copy of the bulletin at the church to view financial information.

Thank you very much for your generosity!
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SUMMER STUDENT DONATION: St. Mary's Parish will not be accepting a grant from the CSJ this year. However, we would very much like to hire one student for 10 weeks this summer. With minimum wage being increased to \$15.00 per hour, the estimated cost for one student is \$5,000.00.

We are asking our parishioners for donations to off-set this cost. Any support you may offer will be greatly appreciated.

PARISH PICNIC: June 17th 2018 at Villa Maria. Celebrate Father's Day Villa Maria Picnic with Ukrainian food, music, Ukrainian dance performance by Nasha Rodyna. Everyone is invited. Save the date! From 11:00 – 5:00 pm

A friend once confided that there were certain topics her family considered rude to discuss with others. Religion was one of them. Many people share this view, often out of fear that conversations about religion may provoke conflict or discord.

However, this is hardly the approach that Jesus urged his disciples to take: "What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops" (Matthew 10:27).

For some people, spreading the gospel seems to come easily. For others, the very idea strikes fear in our hearts. Perhaps we need to pay some attention to the "what you hear whispered"

part of Jesus' command. We are not sent out to evangelize on our own! Through the Holy Spirit, God is at work in and through us. Day in and day out, the Spirit wants to whisper the truths of the gospel to our hearts. "You are precious to me. I have counted every hair on your head. Don't be afraid. I have given my all for you. Trust me. I love you."

Here's the best part: When the Spirit whispers to us, the truths he speaks actually bring about in us the realities they describe. They don't just fill us with knowledge about what to say. They transform and empower us to proclaim what we have heard in the depths of our being.

At Mass today, just before you receive the Eucharist, listen for the Spirit. Give him a chance to speak to you. You can count on him to tell you the truth and to give you all you need for announcing it to others. Over time, these intimate encounters with your Lord—especially the ones you experience in times of deepest need—will have their effect. Like the disciples, you will be more than willing to "proclaim upon the housetops" the truths that God has whispered in your heart.

"Jesus, I am ready to listen to every whisper of your Holy Spirit. May my words and my whole life proclaim your love and power from the housetops!"

Can Easter be considered as a peculiar Christian holiday of victory and freedom of a human's will? Are we able through terrestrial examples cognize the whole majesty of the holiday we are celebrating today?

Moreover, in our life there are other complicating moments. Quite clear and frequent it happens when terrestrial and heavenly are intermingled and it's hard for a person to decide what is more important for her at that particular moment. Thus, in this case not less important question is brought up: what is the quality of a Christian life? To what extent material, cultural and spiritual aspects have an influence on quality of our life in Ukraine?

Head and Father of UGCC His Beatitude Sviatoslav is trying to find and give answers for these questions during his Easter interview on "Channel 5".

"When someone has enough courage and strength to face death with a hope for a resurrection – he is an undefeated one".

Resurrection of Jesus Christ answers the hardest questions about our life, society and reveals the sense of our sufferings. Hence, it answers the question: is there life after death? I assume that modern culture does not have much serious and deep answers for these questions. One philosopher used to say: if a person doesn't know why she is dying, she doesn't know what she is living for.

In our hearts we feel that a human isn't created for a death, as she is created for a life. And a human craves to live forever.

In a feast of Resurrection Christ not only with His word, His teaching but with His personal life story gives an answer for these deep questions. Death is not the end. Life is something more than just a terrestrial life. When someone has enough courage and strength to face death with a hope for a resurrection – he is an undefeated one. Thus, Christ says, there is nothing impossible for the one who believes.

“Christians are those who witness resurrection not only with their lives but with their deaths too”.

Here is meant that there is life worth being sacrificed giving up a terrestrial one. It is no longer a secret that Christian martyrs throughout life and among all nations, being ready to meet their deaths were singing “Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death...” Since “martyr” means “witness of resurrection”.

In the letter to Hebrews we find words, saying that devil keeps a man in its power of fear before death. Once a fear before death is destroyed, devil loses its power. Looking into death face, mainly with the eyes of our soldiers, who are defending our country today, our life at the front line, we see a victory. We see the victory over the death. That’s why it is so much important to sing “Christ is risen from the dead” during this Pasch with our soldiers and chaplains at the frontline. He granted us freedom to live, live in fullness. This freedom is not given us by some world’s master or according to an international agreement, but this freedom is given us by death and resurrection of our Savior.

“The quality of life is to live eternal life here, on earth, as eternal life is different from terrestrial one with a quality of it, not the number of years”.

The philosophy or theory of quality of life by its nature is absolutely atheistic, based on very simple basements. The quality of life of a human is influenced by the ability to feel pleasure or experience pain as less as possible, on the contrary, to enjoy life as much as possible. And when a moment comes when someone is no longer able to enjoy life because of some physical imperfection or social status, then such kind of theory doubts a fact of life itself.

From a Christian perspective the quality of life does not mean to escape suffering in a pursuit of pleasures. Specifically, it is a psychology of a slave. The quality of life is to live eternal life here, on earth, as eternal life is different from terrestrial one with a quality of it, not the number of years. Christ, through His death shared with us His eternal divine life.

If we, being Christians, really believe in Resurrection, we will be able to change the world around us. We are able to conquer evil. We will be able not to be afraid of sufferings, but these sufferings turn into a capital of a personal growth. We know that mystery of the cross in life of every person is an inevitable part of our paschal entrance.

Pasch is a chance to receive life in a resurrected Christ right today, what gives us sheer joy and great optimism, grant us strength and courage to change the world we live in, filling it with a new quality.

“Першочерговою річчю для людини в цьому світі, яка сповідує ім’я Всевишнього, — виконати Його святу волю. Здається, що це проста справа — наслідувати Небесного Отця в Його Заповідях, ходити стежками Його доріг, Його слова, Його благовісті. Проте водночас це важке завдання, адже Він каже нам: “Ви — світло світу... Нехай світить перед людьми ваше світло, щоб вони, бачивши ваші добрі вчинки, прославляли вашого Отця, що на небі!” — такими словами звернувся на початку своєї проповіді владика Йосиф.

“Чи не торкається це слово пророка до стовпа і світоча нашої Церкви, який світить нам вже з кriptи цього собору, — Блаженнішого Любомира, у річницю його представлення до вічності, до Божого Царства, яке сьогодні ми з вами відзначаємо?!” — додав і зауважив проповідник.

На думку владика Йосифа, Блаженніший Любомир мав відвагу і сміливість, а також завдання — бути світлом для цього світу, бути сіллю землі, щоб нічого й ніхто не пропав у цьому кораблі Христової Церкви на бурхливих хвилях житейського моря. За словами проповідника, Блаженніший Любомир міг всіх гідно прийняти: “Чим можу послужити?” — завжди запитував він.

“Мабуть, його постать перед нашими очима є для того, щоб ми навчилися, як маємо жити далі без нього. Адже він, крім глибоких гуманістичних проявів людяності, мав ще одну особливість — бути чоловіком Божим, бути ще одним Ісаєю, бути невгамовним, коли йшлося про справедливість Божу, а також про виконання Божої волі ним і кожного з нас”, — зазначив Єпископ-помічник Київської архієпархії.

Владика Йосиф вважає, що своєю діяльністю (життям) Блаженніший Любомир показував нам, що означає бути людиною. Адже він був світлом, виявляв скромність, молитовність і людяність. Ба більше, особливого шарму йому додавало і те, що він міг пожартувати над собою.

“Спробуймо ще раз відновити світло власної душі, щоб світло наших сердець та Божого Духа (який живе і горить у нас), освітило нам шлях у майбутнє; просвітило нам дорогу до миру і ту силу, аби ми могли відповісти своєму покликанню і виконати в своєму житті Божу волю, як він — Блаженніший Любомир — умів це зробити!” — наостанок підкреслив владика Йосиф (Мілян), Єпископ-помічник Київської архієпархії.

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