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# Shroud of Turin Replica on display in Washington, DC

The Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family in Washington, DC, is hosting an exhibition of an authentic replica of **The Shroud of Turin.** This is the 9th replica of the Turin Shroud sanctioned by the Vatican.

Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka, of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, has been able to procure this relic for exhibition that began Sunday, March 6, 2011 through April 14, 2011 at the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family at 4250 Harewood Road, Washington DC. The official beginning of the Exhibit was celebrated at the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, March 6, 2011 at 10:30am with Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka as the main celebrant.



## ВИ БАЧИТЕ ЙОГО!



Have You Seen HIM!

The **Shroud of Turin** is the most analyzed artifact in the world yet remains a mystery. The 14-foot long linen cloth that has been in Turin Italy for over 400 years and bears the faint front and back image of a 5'10" bearded, crucified man with apparent wounds and bloodstains that match the crucifixion account as recorded in the Bible. Millions of people over the centuries have believed it to be the actual burial shroud of Jesus of Nazareth. The historical trail of the Shroud trails back through Italy, France, Asia Minor (modern day Turkey) and may have originated in the Middle East according to botanical evidence.

A team of 24 scientists in 1981 concluded that it was not the work of an artist. They found no visible trace of pigment, paint or dye or other artistic substances on the cloth. Other discoveries have defied explanation such as why the image shows up as a positive image in a photographic negative. The image also contains 3-D or distance information indicating the cloth must have wrapped a human form at the time the image was created. The blood is AB positive

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with human DNA. Skeptics have mounted numerous attempts to show how a medieval artist could have produced the image but all have been inadequate to fully explain how the mysterious image was formed. The image is so superficial it only penetrates the top microfibers to the depth of a single bacterium. addition there is no image under the blood, meaning the blood was on the cloth before the image. No attempt at replicating the image has resolved these two key attributes. If the cloth indeed wrapped a corpse, there are no stains of decomposition.

# Schedule of Divine Services:

Sunday: Divine Liturgies 9:00 a.m. English 11:30 a.m. Ukrainian Friday: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7:00 p.m. Ukrainian and English

**Saturday:** Divine Liturgy 12:15 p.m. Ukrainian and English



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On Display at the
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Holy Family
Washington. DC

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- . A work of art?
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# Women's Day 2011: God's Presence in the Seasons of a Woman's Life

On March 26, 2011, the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, in partnership with the Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great, the Sisters of Servants Marv Immaculate, and the Missionary Sisters of the Mother of God will sponsor a special Women's Day event, which will be held at the Ukrainian Catholic Immaculate Conception Cathedral Hall on Franklin Street in Philadelphia, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will feature four sessions corresponding to the four seasons of the year. Three quest speakers will focus on the seasonal theme, creating a sequential view of a woman's life in spring, in summer, and in fall. The event is a perfect opportunity for women of all ages to experience God's presence in their lives and the self-discovery that comes with recognizing and acknowledging that presence.

Our Spring speaker is Lada Pastushak, who presently works as Program Director at U.S.-Ukrainian Business Council. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., this organization includes over 100 major American

Saturday, companies that do business in Ukraine and works with federal agencies, Congress, and Ukrainian government officials to enact better business practices and laws to improve business relations between the two countries. Born and raised in Philadelphia, Lada has a master's degree in Foreign Relations and has held an internship position Ukrainian the Federation of America. She is active in the Ukrainian community and has taught Ukrainian as a second language to children at Philadelphia's Ukrainian Saturday School. The energetic and enthusiastic Lada is an excellent example of a young woman in the springtime of her life.

> Our Summer speaker is Christine Hayda, a Chicagoan by chance and by choice, with close ties to the local and national Ukrainian community. The mother of four children, Christine earned her Master of Science degree in Organization Development from Loyola University and is currently completing a second master's degree, exploring the identity crisis of women who have experienced events that have reshaped their personal identity and

their role within the community. Her work with the Ukrainian Catholic community has included chairing eparchial conferences, serving as General Secretary for Encounter of Eastern Churches, and facilitating retreats for eparchial clergy and parish councils. She exemplifies the Summer woman who has harnessed youthful exuberance and given it a deliberated focus and purpose.

Our Fall speaker is Dr. Zenia Chernyk, who is known in the Philadelphia area as a physician and a dedicated humanitarian. Born and raised in war-torn and occupied Ukraine, Zenia pursued medical studies in two languages (Polish and English) in two countries (Poland and the United States). While serving as staff physician in various hospitals in the Philadelphia area, she also ran a private practice, specializing in diseases of the kidney and hypertension. She is currently part of a group practice specializing in this field. Zenia's passion for humanitarian and charitable work is balanced by a keen awareness administrative logistics and a knowledge of cultural,



legal, and professional differences between those capable of providing aid and those desperately needing aid. Since 2001, she has served as Chair of Ukrainian Federation of America, working to strengthen ties between the U.S. and Ukraine, to promote democracy in Ukraine, and especially to promote better health care in Ukraine. She is the recipient of numerous certificates of appreciation, awards, and other tributes from colleagues in the medical profession, from presidents (Leonid Kuchma and Viktor Yushchenko), and from a succession of ambassadors representina a grateful Ukrainian government. A gentle and refined lady, Zenia has also been shaped by widowhood and the loss of a child. In her we see the mature woman of Autumn, one who has seen great successes and suffered great hurts and has risen above both to do what needs to be done.

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# Women's Day 2011

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Each of the hour-long presentations will be followed by a group workshop feedback. The day will end with a continuation and culmination of the seasonal theme—the focus on how each of the three stages of a woman's life align and how the journey into the winter season is not an ending but merely another step toward resurrection.

We cordially invite you to take some time for yourself on this day—to listen, reflect, share, and learn. We anticipating a good turnout encourage guests to pre-register for the event. To pre-register, please contact Sister Dorothy Ann Busowski, OSBM at 215.663.9153. The fee for the event is \$25 (with preregistration) or \$30 (at the door). Bring a friend!

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# South Anthracite Deanery 2011 Lenten Confession Schedule

During the Great Fast, the priests of the South Anthracite Deanery visit neighboring churches to offer the Holy Mystery of Penance. It provides an excellent opportunity for the faithful to receive the Holy Mystery of Reconciliation as they spiritually prepare for the celebration of Pascha.

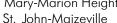
The following is the visiting priests' confession schedule for the parishes of the South Anthracite Deanery. Confessions will be heard on the listed dates from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

#### Monday, April 4

St. Michael-Frackville St. Mary-Middleport Transfiguration of Our Lord-Shamokin

#### Tuesday, April 5

St. Nicholas-Minersville St. Michael-Shenandoah St. Mary-Marion Heights





#### Thursday, April 7

St. Mary-McAdoo Ss. Peter & Paul-Mt. Carmel St. Michael-Hazleton St. Nicholas-St. Clair

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# In the Stillness

Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her. Luke 10:42

## A LENTEN AFTERNOON OF PRIVATE PRAYER SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2011

2:00 - 4:00 P.M.

"STILLNESS IS THE BEGINNING OF THE SOUL'S PURIFICATION"
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The purpose of stillness is to descend with the mind into the heart and there to stand in the presence of God. It is not just the time of silence, of not speaking but a time of listening to God Who dwells in the inner temple of the soul. (From the Philokalia)

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Call 215-922-2917 to register. Class limited to 15 participants COST: \$10.00 LUNCH INCLUDED

#### **SATURDAY**

APRIL 9 2011

1:30 Registration 2:00 – 6:00 PM

Donation: \$40

# Spring Symposium

#### BASILIAN SPIRITUALITY CENTER

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#### Topic: St. Basil- Times, Family, Spirituality

The story begins with Origen of Alexandria, through Gregory Thaumaturgos to Basil's grandparents, his parents and their nine children, including Basil himself, touching on the state of the Church in what is now Turkey, the Arian problem and Basil's significant contribution to monasticism as well as church life.

#### Topie: SCENIC VIEW: LAND OF CAPPOCOCIA

A pictorial tour of a trip to Cappadocia will be presented in a Power Point presentation and will tie in with a history of the area and its relationship to St. Basil and the early Christian Church.

#### Topic: BASILIAD OR "NEW CITY":

## IMPLICATIONS FOR OUR CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY

*Thesis:* Saint Basil the Great is most known as a prolific writer, eminent theologian and founder of Eastern monasticism. He was also socially conscious through his concept of the Basileiad or "New City". We will explore the implications of Basil's social consciousness and its relevance to contemporary social issues.

#### Presenter: REV. MSGR. GEORGE APPLEYARD

Lectures, gives retreats on Byzantine tradition, has published two books and numerous articles in various journals. Recently appointed the Prelate of the American Priory, serves as pastor of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church in Carnegie, PA, is Vicar General of the Eparchy of St. Josaphat, Eparchial Consultor, Protopresbyter of the Central Deanery, and Director of the Deacon training program.

#### Presenters: EDWARD & MARY QUINN

Principals in their own consulting firm, they are active members of the Advisory Committee of the Basilian Spirituality Center. Both have been active within the parish community with adult and school-age education classes, the parish food ministry and other functions.

#### Presenter: SR. DOROTHY ANN BUSOWSKI, OSBM

Earned a BA in Education, an MA in History and Political Science both from Villanova University, and an MA in Holistic Spirituality from Chestnut Hill College. She taught elementary and secondary school, and served as the St. Basil Academy's principal. As Provincial from 1995-2005 sister oversaw the construction of the Holy Trinity Chapel and Basilian Spirituality Center. She also has worked as Development Office Administrator, Director of the Basilian Legacy Institute, and coordinator of Trafficking of Women issues for the community. Sister is currently serving as Provincial..

#### Panel discussion - question and answer period will follow.

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PCC - March 2011 article

### Caring for the least of these

by A.B. Hill

The Gospel compels us to provide for the poor and care for the sick.

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me...The righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry, thirsty, naked, ill, in prison?' cf. Matthew. 25: 35-36, 39

Most people are lucky enough to work for an employer that offers health insurance to employees and their families. For the poorest of the poor, Medicaid has provided access to health care for almost 50 years. But more than 800,000 Pennsylvanians fall somewhere in between - without health insurance coverage.

In 2002, Pennsylvania created the adultBasic health insurance program, offering affordable coverage to working adults who earn too much to qualify for Medicaid, but too little to afford coverage on their own. In 2010, 40,000 people participated in the program; another half a million eligible adults were on a waiting list. With funding from the Tobacco Settlement Act and support from the Blue Cross and Blue Shield companies, the Commonwealth was able to offer insurance coverage for a premium much more within reach.

On February 28, 2011, the low-cost adultBasic program expired. The people covered by adultBasic will be eligible to move into a Special Care Program. However, participation in the Special Care Program requires higher premiums and covers less care. The premium increases for the working poor are likely unaffordable for most and the limited health care provided is a far cry from the important coverage previously provided by adultBasic.

The Pennsylvania Catholic Conference and the Pennsylvania Catholic Health Association have advocated for the adultBasic program over the years. We are urging the governor and the General Assembly to consider a way to reinstate and sustain the adultBasic health insurance program.

Beginning in March, a lot of focus will be on the state budget debate. With significant economic constraints, some very difficult decisions will be made. As the Commonwealth considers which programs it can afford, we as a community must remember our Gospel obligation to care for not just the poorest of the poor, but everyone who cannot provide for themselves. Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40

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Interested in Catholic health care issues? Join the Pennsylvania Catholic Advocacy Network to receive news and action alerts about legislation and public policy considerations. Log on to <a href="www.pacatholic.org/advocacy">www.pacatholic.org/advocacy</a>. You can choose to receive information on health care issues alone or many other issues. Join us. Let the Catholic voice be heard. Make a difference.

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Hill is Communications Director of the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference – the public affairs arm of Pennsylvania's Catholic bishops and the Catholic dioceses of Pennsylvania.

MARCH 2011

### Religious Information Service Celebrates 10 Years

By Matthew Matuszak

The website of the Religious Information Service of Ukraine (RISU), www.risu.org.ua, on February 1 celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. With news stories, articles, and other materials available in the English, Ukrainian, and Russian languages, RISU is a project of the Ukrainian Catholic University. It has received major support from two US-based organizations, the National Endowment for Democracy and The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation, for a number of years.

RISU organized presentation at the university on the anniversary day, "10 years on the pulse of religious life." Myroslav Marynovych, vice rector for university mission at UCU and also the president of UCU's Institute of Religion and Society, of which RISU is a structural component, spoke at the event about RISU's mission and vocation. RISU's director. Taras Antoshevskyy, gave a talk "10 years like 10 days," about RISU's activities and achievements.

Before RISU "western sources generally used information from the Moscow patriarchate about religion in Ukraine," noted Marynovych. "The strength of RISU's team is that it knows that the truth, though sometimes bitter, can also sometimes heal a situation... Also, so much good is being done, and this information needs to be reported."

Though RISU actually started just a few months before Pope John Paul II's historic visit to Ukraine in 2001, it had been planned before that. So said Prof. Jeffrey Wills, RISU's first director and, according to Antoshevskyy, RISU's "godfather."

"I remember during the papal visit there was a blitz, only three or four days," recalled Wills. "Thousands of journalists came... And there was a lady from the Washington Post who had this story which ended talking about the burning of a church in a village nearby. I knew there had been no burning of any church in that area. But she had a source. She talked to a woman. She could quote somebody.

"But I had no way to correct this situation. There weren't enough journalists out there... International journalists were told about Orthodox-Catholic conflict... And they would find it, whether it existed or not.

"The real story of religion in Ukraine has only been told for 10 years now. It's a much more interesting and complicated story," said Wills.

Antoshevskyy recalled how, at the beginning, RISU posted a few stories a week, and only in English. Now there are a dozen every day, in three languages. RISU also has commentaries from experts, interviews, a theology portal, a tourism portal, an electronic library, and more.

And according to Olena Firstova-Zanichkovska, assistant director of the company E-design, RISU has plans to expand through social networks, cooperation with radio and tv stations, and printed publications. It already has an RSS (Real Simple Syndication) feed, which makes it very easy for tech-savvy enthusiasts to access it even more quickly.

Not surprisingly, RISU has numerous materials about various Orthodox, Catholics, and even



Taras Antoshevskyy, director of the Religious Information Service of Ukraine (RISU), speaks during a presentation at the Ukrainian Catholic University on the occasion of RISU's 10th anniversary.

Protestants in Ukraine. But that is not the extent of its coverage.

"RISU brings together the representatives of various religions," said Siva Feinerman, assistant to the chief rabbi of the Ukraine Union of Progressive Jewish Congregations. "Each of us has the opportunity to tell about our religion, how we see our tradition, from the inside."

Further information about UCU (in English and Ukrainian) is available on the university's website at www.ucu.edu.ua. Readers may also contact the Ukrainian Catholic Education Foundation, which is the largest supporter of UCU's annual operating budget. One of the effects of this assistance is to provide scholarships to worthy students, allowing them to get an excellent education that they otherwise might not be able to afford. The UCEF may be contacted in writing at 2247 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60622; by phoning 773-235-8462; e-mailing ucef@ucef.org; or browsing its website, www.ucef.org. The phone number of the UCEF in Canada is (416) 239-2495.



Date: APRIL 8-10, 2011 Time: REGISTRATION 3:00PM FRIDAY Ortynsky Spirituality Center 819 N. 8th Street Philadelphia, PA 19123 Adjacent to the Cathedral Archpriest Daniel Troyan: 215-922-2917

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# CALL TO PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESSFUL DIRECTION OF THE ELECTORAL SYNOD OF BISHOPS OF THE UKRAINIAN GRECO-CATHOLIC CHURCH

To the Most Reverend and Reverend Bishops, To honored, married and monastic Fathers, To male and female Monastics, and to all the laity, beloved in Christ, of the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church

Dear Ones in Christ!

All the faithful of our Church have been informed that the Holy Father Benedict XVI has blessed the petition of His Beatitude Lubomyr to be relieved of his office of Major Archbishop. We meet this happening with great trust in the Lord and in his care for His Church.

The Church is a Divine institution. It is guided by the Holy Spirit; sent on His Church on Pentecost by our Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit "sends prophets, perfects priests, teaches the ignorant wisdom, reveals the fishermen to be theologians and unites the entire Church." (Verse at Vespers of Pentecost)

Today we prepare for the Synod that will elect a new Head of our Church. The Decree calling the Synod, informed, all members of the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, that the election is to take place from March 21 -24 with the Solemn Installation planned for the Sunday of the Veneration of the Holy Cross, March 27, 2011, at the Patriarchal Sobor of the Resurrection in Kyiv.

The election of a new head of the Church is a Divine act and in order to elect a person in accord with God's will, "Not as a man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Sam. 16:7 NAB), all of us, clergy and laity, are called to sincere prayer

I urge you all to sincere prayer, that the Spirit of the Lord, as in times past with the prophet David (Cf. 1 Sam. 16:12), would point out the person and anoint the newly-chosen Head as His chosen and His leader of the People of God of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church.

For the intention of a successful Electoral Synod, after every Divine Service, the congregation, is to, together, with one heart and one voice, recite the prayer "Heavenly King" three times followed by one "Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit now and ever and forever. Amen.

May the name of the Lord live in our hearts and be glorified in our actions! IHOR

Administrator of the Major Archepiscopal Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church"

Given Kyiv at the Patriarchal Sobor of the Resurrection, February 16, the year of God 2011

All Pastors are to read this Appeal during the Divine Liturgy in all Ukrainian Greek Catholic Churches on Sunday, February 20, 2011. Until the conclusion of the Electoral Synod, in every Divine Liturgy the following petition is to be added during the Litany after the Gospel

"We also pray our Lord God, that He hear the prayers of us sinners, and send the grace of the Holy Spirit on the participants of the Electoral Synod of our Church, strengthen them, enlighten them, and bring their God-pleasing act to a successful conclusion."

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Until March 24, 2011, with one voice and one heart, we pray...

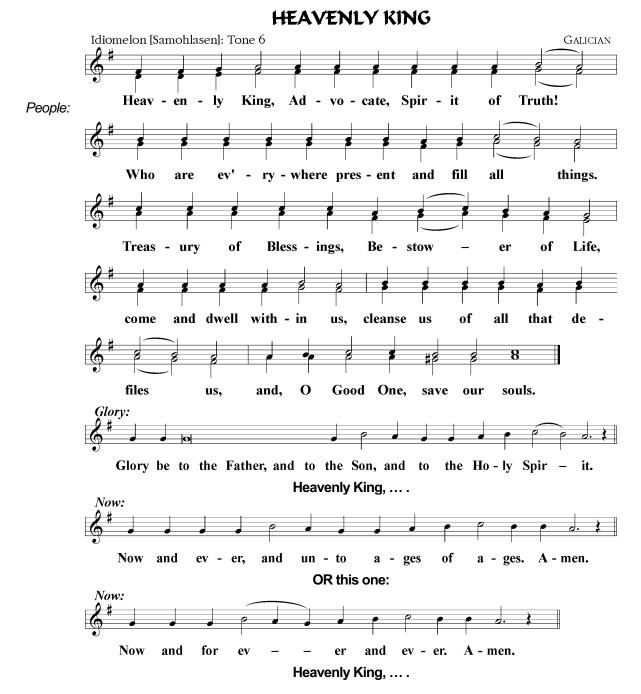
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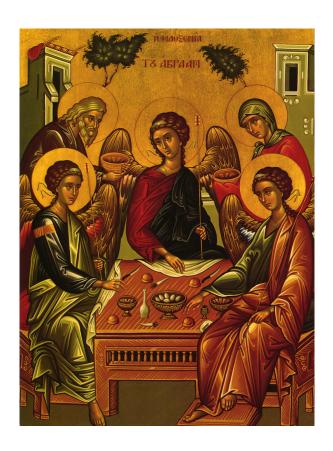
Deacon: We also pray to the Lord, our God, that He hear the prayers of us sinners, and send the grace of the Holy Spirit on the participants of the Electoral Synod of our Church, strengthen them, enlighten them, and bring their God-pleasing act to a successful conclusion.

People: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

AND AGAIN AT THE CONCLUSION OF ANY LITURGY, or after the Amvon Prayer at the DIVINE LITURGY:

Deacon: We also pray to the Lord, our God, that He hear the prayers of us sinners, and send the grace of the Holy Spirit on the participants of the Electoral Synod of our Church, strengthen them, enlighten them, and bring their God-pleasing act to a successful conclusion.





#### Knowledge of Things Divine

The Lord our God always invites us to know Him and those things that are from Him. Perhaps the best thing that we can know from God is Love, for God is the epitome of Love. By His total and unconditional love, the entire universe, and everything that we know, was brought into being. By His total and selfless sacrifice on the Cross, Jesus became the perfect sacrifice of love, redeeming all of us from our sins.

Because we were created in the image and likeness of God, we have the capacity to share in God's love and experience things divine. As limited creatures, we cannot know the full extent of God and His mysteries, but we can nonetheless enjoy and experience them. It can happen through the enjoyment of love a married couple shares. It can happen through the joy of bringing a new life into the world. It can also happen when we help a homeless person, or visit the sick and imprisoned. It certainly can happen when we participate in the Divine Liturgy and the sacraments.

God calls us to participate in His love and to experience things divine in our lives. By living out our baptismal vows and the Gospel of Christ as Catholic Christians, by participating in the sacraments, by answering God's call to love in our hearts, we too can experience things divine and know God's love in our hearts.

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:

Rev. Paul J. Makar Director of Vocations Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia 827 North Franklin Street Philadelphia, PA 19123-2097

> Phone: 1-215-627-0143 Fax: 1-215-627-0377

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# Come and Get to Know Your Clergy And Religious Men and Women!

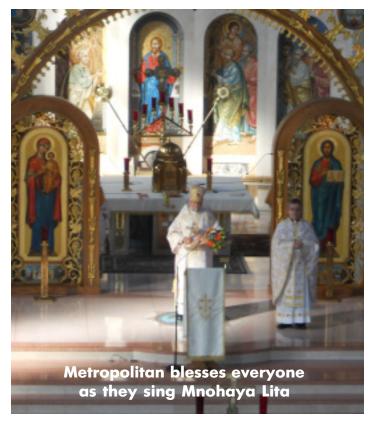


Msgr. Myron Grabowski

Pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Ukrainian Catholic Church, Shenandoah, PA, and St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Saint Clair, PA.

# Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka Celebrated his 10th Anniversary with a Liturgy at the Cathedral

On Sunday, February 27, 2011, Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka was the main celebrant at the 9:00 Divine Liturgy at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia. In his homily, Metropolitan Soroka referenced his 10th Anniversary and said, "I thank you for your love and your support and the goodness that you have shown everyday throughout these last 10 years. It has been a joy to be with you and I look ahead with hope and optimism for our Ukrainian Catholic Church here in the USA." At the conclusion of the Liturgy, Rev. Ivan Demkiv presented the Metropolitan with a bouquet of flowers as the faithful sang Mnohaya Lita. The faithful then offered their congratulations to the Metropolitan.





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





## Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka Celebrated his 10th Anniversary with the Chancery Staff

On Monday, February 28, 2011, the Chancery Staff surprised Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka with a special Moleben of Thanksgiving celebrated in the Chapel in the Chancery followed by a catered luncheon. "Today, we offer thanks to Our Lord, Jesus Christ in gratitude of service His Grace, Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan has offered and provided these past 10 years. We, the staff of the Archeparchy of Philadelphia, offer this prayer for his leadership and friendship through these years. May Our Lord keep and provide him with many more years as His Vicar here in Philadelphia. May God Grant him Many Healthy and Blessed Years! Mnohaya Lita!"

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Msgr. Peter Waslo, Chancellor, and priests from various offices of the Chancery.





Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka is escorted by his secretary, Sr. Lydia Anna Sawka, OSBM, to the surprise Moleben.



Staff of the "Treasury of Faith Museum" and the Finance Office.



"The Way" Staff



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Luncheon Prayer



Mnohaya Lita



Ambassador of Ukraine Washington, D.C. м.Вашингтон, 27 лютого 2011 року

#### Високопреосвященному Стефану СОРОЦІ

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#### Ваше Високопреосвященство!

Від імені працівників Посольства України в Сполучених Штатах Америки та від себе особисто щиро вітаю Вас із 10-літнім Ювілеєм Вашого служіння на престолі Митрополита-Архиєпископа!

За роки самовідданої та Богом благословенної праці Ви зробили великий внесок у підтримання духовної та національної самобутності українців Америки, зміцнення фундаменту міжконфесійної єдності, розбудову партнерських відносин між Українським та Американським Народами.

Щиро вдячні Вам за Ваші молитви та життєві настанови, які надихають українську спільноту з вірою, надією та любов'ю робити добрі справи в інтересах України, всього Українства та українсько-американських відносин.

З нагоди світлого Ювілею бажаю Вам, Високопреосвященний Владико, міцного здоров'я, невичерпної енергії та подальших звершень у Вашій важливій духовній місії на славу Бога і Вітчизни!

3 повагою та найкращими побажаннями,

ОШОММИ Олександр Моцик

### **Best wishes to Archbishop Stefan**



Children of St. Anne's Ukrainian Catholic Church, Warrington, PA, with their card to Archbishop Stefan in honor of his 10th Anniversary.



# From the Archbishop's Desk

### **Gratitude 10th Anniversary**

The unexpected expression of gratitude and congratulations by so many on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of my installation as Metropolitan-Archbishop of Philadelphia was overwhelming. **Thank-you!** Your words of reflection and encouragement are valued and appreciated. They inspire me to a greater desire to fulfill God's invitation to all of us to grow in His presence and service. I regard ten years as a foundation for the challenges we will together encounter with the motherly guidance of our Blessed Mother.



My heartfelt gratitude is offered to the clergy and staff of the Chancery, Cathedral, Byzantine Church Supply and Treasury of Faith Museum for their special efforts at celebrating this anniversary. We are blessed with exceptionally gifted and dedicated people serving our archeparchy, for which I am most thankful to God. Special thanks to the staff of *The Way* for their preparation of the inspiring special edition.

I count myself privileged to be of service to the clergy, religious and faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia. God is continuously generous in His provision of that which is necessary for the success of His Church. I pray for all of you in gratitude for the giftedness you are in our holy Church.

God's choicest blessings be upon all of you!

+ Stefan Soroka

### First Sunday of the Great Lent

The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here is a true Israelite, in whom there is nothing false." "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel." Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You shall see greater things than that." He then added, "I tell you the truth, you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man." (Jn. 1, 43-51)



#### TIME OUT

Time out! Time for a pause in the action. Time to reconsider strategy, regain composure. Holy things are things set apart for God's purposes. Lent is a Holy Time Out - a chunk of time set apart, for us to reconsider our strategy of life, to give serious time and attention to how our game-plan connects with God's purposes. It is a time to help us deepen our relationship with God so that other relationships and work and play are more permeated by our relationship with God - our faith - everyday. We do this, of course, throughout the year, through regular worship and personal prayer and reflection.

But Lent invites us to a Holy Timeout, so we can focus on it more, take it to another level. A Time Out that affects our attitudes more than our schedules. A Holy Time Out is a time to not just talk about forgiveness, but to recognize how much God has forgiven us and to examine our lives for relationships that need to be repaired, and grudges that need to be given up, and regrets that need to be offered in sorrow to God - and do what needs to be done.

Lent is a time to not just ask for God to guide us on our way but to look at the direction of our life and consider whether it is going God's way. To look at all aspects of our life and see what might need to change. A Time Out from wanting a deeper faith, better acquaintance with the Bible, a closer

relationship with God, and a Time In for doing something about it - doing a specific thing for the duration of the lenten journey. Which is long enough to get you past the novelty stage and into serous work, and short enough that you can make the commitment without it taking over your life. Maybe.

Lent is a time for exploration, serious questioning, grappling with issues and daily habits of living, so that when we come to Holy Week and then Easter - to the stories of Jesus' arguments with his opponents, his agony the Garden of Gethsemane. his aloneness on the cross, and his alorious new life with God on the third day - we have been through our own time of struggle to live faithfully amid those who think we're wrong, stupid or crazy. We have been through our own doubt and failure and new life in our faith life, which help us accept and even give thanks for other struggles and doubts and failures - and new chances - we've experienced. Then we enter into the stories of Holy Week in a more personal way, and celebrate the amazement of Easter with full-throated joy and tears running down our cheeks.

The invitation to the Holy Time Out of Lent takes us seriously as Christians, as followers of Jesus, as pilgrims on a life journey, for it says there is more to be learned but

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it's going to take some effort, there is more to be asked of us, but we need some preparation, there is a God who wants you as close companion but it's not going to just happen you have to make yourself available.

Whenever it was in school or in life that you finally had to stop coasting and really buckle down, that's what Lent is. And it has the same rewards of tackling something demanding and finding you can do it, and so knowing both yourself and your world much better. But, in addition. strengthening your faith, and coming closer to God and to God's people has a wondrous. luminous quality that cannot be described.

It's not easy to take even a Holy Time Out in full and busy lives. So accept the invitation to Lent, but modestly. In what you want to explore or try, choose a small piece, a practice that you can keep on with. It may be prayer, or service to others, or genuine relaxation to appreciate this awesome creation, or bible reading, or journaling, or worship, or walks.

Outs games or the workday or with children are not necessarily quiet times, but in any of the adventures of a Holy Time Out silence is very helpful. When Jesus talked about praying in secret, giving alms in secret, fasting in secret, he was saying, no words are needed. God knows. So get out of noise as much as possible. If you have television, radio, CD's going in the house, for company or from habit, turn them off for some time each day. If you have one going in the car, try some time with it off. If you have kids in the car with you, aet them to listen to silence - and then talk together about what each one heard.

Away from artificial noise listen to the sounds of creation: birds, wind, rain. Sounds surrounded by silence. It's easier to breathe, it's easier to relax; your blood pressure may well go down. You can hear yourself think. You can hear yourself wonder about God and the weird way the world works, and forgiveness and work and people. Without the distraction of music and other voices, you can have some serious conversation

with yourself - a thing we all need to do. In the silence we can hear the voices of the world calling out in need, in anger, in frustration, in pain.

With more silence and less external noise, we often become more aware of the chatter inside our own heads that makes it hard to hear the silence. Even in the conversations we need to have with ourselves, I have found that I let that go on and on, around in circles, repeating itself, continuing way beyond any insight or resolution I may have received.

But it's hard to get those voices to shut up. For many of us something inside is a little scared of silence, and keeps bringing up things even when we want to be still. I've found it doesn't do any good to get mad at your own chatter. Just accept it, smile benianly, and let it pass on - so you can enjoy the silence. That is easier said than done. Often, as one thing goes, another pops up. When that one goes, another slides in. It takes practice to be silent. Just keep on trying and be grateful for the bits of silence you're

blessed with, for it is in the silence that we come closest to God.

One wise man, very close to the Presence of God, said with a smile, "The intellect is jealous of the good stuff and wants to get in on it." The good stuff being the communication with God that happens in the silence, without words.

In the beginning, before God spoke "Let there be light" there was a vast silence. And after God spoke there was silence. In the universe much more than our noises or our words or our moans, there is silence. In silence God spoke the word that created you, and me. Meister Eckhart, 13th century Christian mystic and teacher who lived very much in the Presence of God, said, "There is nothing in the universe that so much resembles God as silence."

Ironically, one could say much more about silence. Let it just be - this Time Out of Lent - holy and silent.



#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**March 13, 2011:** Lenten Afternoon of Reflection. Presenter: Rev. Archpriest Daniel Troyan. For information call Sr. Marina, OSBM, 215-780-1227

March 13, 2011: LUC Meeting - North Anthracite Council - at Holy Transfiguration Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, 240 Center Street, Hanover Section of Nanticoke PA. General session at 1:45pm will focus on planning the April 3 rd Ukrainian Cultural Exhibit and Craft Sale. Lenten Service - *The Way of the Cross* is scheduled for 4:00pm followed by fellowship and refreshments. For additional information contact Dorothy Jamula, President at 570 822-5354.

**March 19, 2011**: Pysanky Class 10am-3pm. Ortynsky Spirituality Center, Philadelphia, PA. 215-922-2917

March 20-21, 2011 or March 22 & 24, 2011: Pysanky Workshop Frackville, PA. For information call 570-874-3777.

**March 26, 2011:** Archeparchial Women's Day. For information call Sr. Dorothy Ann, OSBM 215-663-9153 or e-mail dabusowski@stbasils.com

**April 1-3, 2011:** Men's Vocations Discernment Retreat, Philadelphia, PA. For information call Fr. Paul J. Makar 215-627-0143 or email ukrvocations@catholic.org

**April 3, 2011**: Ukrainian Cultural Exhibit & Craft Sale, Ss. Peter & Paul, 20 Nottingham St, Plymouth, PA. For information call Janina 570-759-2824.

**April 3, 2011**: Lenten Afternoon of Private Prayer 2-4pm. Basilian Spirituality Center, Fox Chase Manor, PA, 215-780-1227.

**April 8-10, 2011:** Resurrection Matins Liturgical Music Workshop, Philadelphia, PA. For information call Fr. Dan at 215-922-2917.

**April 9, 2011:** Centennial Celebration Spring Symposium - Our Basilian Heritage - Basilian Spirituality Center

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**April 10, 2011**: Pysanka Workshop and Easter Bazaar at Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine, 4250 Harewood Road, NE, Washington, DC 20017 http://www.ucns-holyfamily.org

**April 16, 2011**: Easter Bazaar at Nativity of the BVM, 630 Laurel St., Reading, PA (12-4)

**May 23-25, 2011**: Spring Clergy Conference in Hershey, PA.

**June 5, 2011**: The Archeparchial Office of Religious Education will hold the 1st Annual Festival of Children's Religious songs, at the Cathedral in Philadelphia, PA. Please contact Fr. Volodymyr Popyk at 215-627-0143 or Ukrainian Catholic Priests.

**June 18, 2011:** Centennial Open House - Basilian Motherhouse

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

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

**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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