

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS



Icon of the Glorious Prophet Elias -- July 20th

Freedom from Sin; Life in God

What then shall we say? Shall we persist in sin that grace may abound? Of course not! How can we who died to sin yet live in it? Or are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer

has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as [being] dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

Therefore, sin must not reign over your mortal bodies so that you obey their desires. And do not present the parts of your bodies to sin as weapons for wickedness, but present yourselves to God as raised from the dead to life and the parts of your bodies to God as weapons for righteousness. For sin is not to have any power over you, since you are not under the law but under grace.

Romans 6: 1-14

Beginning today and in the following months we will provide reflections on the Holy Mysteries.

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"Glory to Jesus Christ!"
"Slava Isusoo Khristoo!"

July 15, 2012
St. Wolodymyr

THIS WEEKEND WE CELEBRATE the feastday of St. Wolodymyr, Prince of Kyiv, Ukraine, who died July 15, 1015. This ruler was the grandson of St. Olha and Ihor and son of Sviatoslav, who ruled in Kyiv before him. Wolodymyr renounced his pagan ways and was baptized in the Eastern Christian Faith. In the summer of the year 988 the Prince exhorted the residents of Kyiv to be baptized in the Dniper River. Through his efforts the Christian Faith spread throughout Ukraine, as well as modern Bilorus and Russia. He is known as Wolodymyr the Great, Baptizer of Rus-Ukraine, "Equal to the Apostles."

FATHER SALVATORE of Mt. Carmel Church invites our Faithful to attend the annual "Feasta Grande" this weekend at his church. Plenty of Italian food, drinks and amusements for the children will highlite this event at the foot of Union Avenue here in Bridgeport.

A FEW GIFTS still remain to be claimed by our graduates this year, as well as beautiful photos from our Holy and solemn Eucharist feast and May Day celebration. Please see Father Pastor after Liturgy today.

FATHER RONALD will be on vacation from July 30 to August 10 this summer, fishing, reading and maybe playing some tennis on Cape Cod, MA. Please note that on the weekend of August 4-5, there will be only one Divine Liturgy - on Saturday, August 4 at 6 pm. There will be no Liturgy on Sunday, August 5.

THE DRIVE TO COLLECT bottle caps has now expired. We thank all the folks who brought them to our parish this past year.

WE THANK ALL OUR GOOD PEOPLE who attend the Holy Liturgy, many of whom travel great distances to Church. And to thank all of you who donate so generously to our parish. Your kindness allows us to maintain some six buildings in fine fashion, as well as our beautiful cemetery on Church Road. God bless all of you!

AND WE THANK Jack and Dottie Strouse for their maintenance of our church campus with their landscaping labors. God bless them and their son Jackie in all their endeavors!

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, 6 pm +Edward Brown (Bob and Elaine Grohosky)
Sunday, 9 am For all the Faithful
Thursday, 7 am +Jack Danko (Geri Cander)
Friday, 7 am +Wasył Maruszczak Sr. (Son Bill and Bridget)
Saturday, 8 am Health of John and Julie (The Marshalik Family)
Saturday, 6 pm For all the Faithful
Sunday, 9 am +Stephen Wasylenko (Parents Walter and Diane)

ST. WOŁODYMYR TROPAR: O St. Wolodymyr, having renounced the idols of paganism, you were baptized in the Christian Faith. And as the Great Prince of Kyiv, you brought the people of Kyiv to the Lord Jesus Christ with their baptism in the Dniper River. We call upon you today to beseech Our Lord for the strength that we may keep our baptismal vows of Faith, Hope and Charity, amen.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND...

ST. WOŁODYMYR KONTAK: O ST. Wolodymyr, your grandmother St. Olha first instilled in you the seeds of the Faith, and later you rejected your pagan ways and received Baptism from Constantinople. Today we call upon you to pray to the Lord Jesus for the blessings of peace and love upon our Church, our civic leaders and our People.

ST. WOŁODYMYR PROKIMEN: His Word went throughout the world and unto the ends of the earth.

