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September 23, 2014 Meeting

'A History of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Parish, 1914-2014

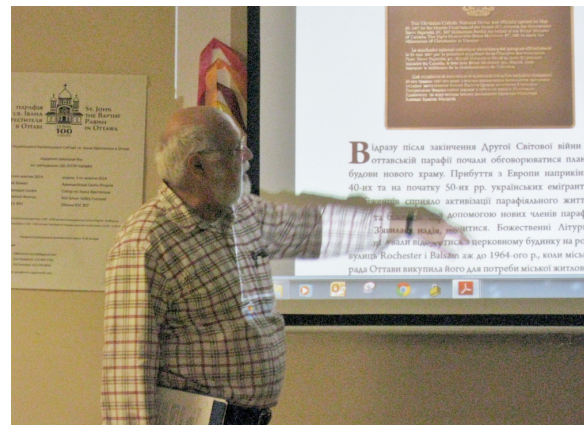
With the 100th Anniversary of the St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Parish approaching in October, 2014, the September meeting focused on the Anniversary Commemorative Book, *The Capital's Parish, St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Ottawa, 1914-2014*.

Myron Momryk who was the Chairperson of the Book Committee, spoke about the research, writing, editing, translation and printing of this book. The anniversary book was intended as a 'coffee table' book and an introduction to the history of the parish rather than a formal academic history with footnotes and a bibliography. Parishioners were invited to submit photographs and information on parish organizations and activities for this book.

The book is in a bilingual format (English-Ukrainian) however most of the names of parishioners is included in English. The book includes several sections and chapters: Greetings from the Pastor, Official Greetings from the Pope, Apostolic Nuncio, the Patriarch in Ukraine and the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops in Canada; Parish History with photos of previous pastors and a brief history of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Parish. This section includes a summary of the Ruthenian Society of Sts. Cyril and Methodius; the Ukrainian Catholic Women's League – Ottawa Branch; Knights of Columbus, St. Volodymyr (Vladimir) the Great, Council 9557, Ottawa; Parish Choir; Bingo Volunteers; Ukrainian Mutual Benefit Association of St. Nicholas (Fraternal Association); St. John's Club (New Adults Group); St. John the Baptist Youth Club, Ridna

Shkola (Ukrainian School); St. John's Camp; Senior Citizen's Club, 127th Ottawa St. John's Scouting.

Another chapter describes the building and decorating of the Shrine as a monument to the Millennium of Christianity in Ukraine (988-1988). The chapter, Parish Life in Pictures, includes photos of various religious and community activities in the parish during a year. Perhaps the section that would interest members most is the chapter on Church Services – Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals and Internments.



Myron Momryk presenting at our September meeting

In the section on Baptisms, it is possible to see some Ukrainian family names transcribed or translated in an English format. Unfortunately, the parish record book for the years 1914-1937 is missing so information for these years is not available. This presentation, with the assistance of Mike Dowhan, was an attempt to describe the use of a parish history as a source of family history information. The 100th Anniversary Commemorative Book is available for sale in the parish office and after each Divine Liturgy on Sunday for \$25.00.

Community Events

Nov 1, Saturday.

Ukrainian Night Dinner & Dance 2014, sponsored by Knights of Columbus –St Vladimir the Great Council 9557 at St John The Baptist Catholic Shrine hall, 952 Green Valley Crescent. Major Benefactor: “The Kidney Foundation of Canada”.

Social Hour 6 PM, Dinner 7 PM, Entertainment 8 PM. Tickets \$40 /Person, contact Mike Jaz 613-830-7787, or Frank McGoldrick 613-828-7531 or Rick Sheffchick 613-731-4453.

Deadline for tickets is October 29 - no tickets selling at the door..

October 30 –November 1, Thursday - Saturday

The Danyliw Seminar, entitled “Ukraine 2014: Maidan, Insurrection(s), Geopolitics”, by Chair of Ukrainian Studies, University of Ottawa.

The Danyliw Seminar celebrates its 10th Anniversary, and this year features more than 30 presentations on topics ranging from Euro-maidan, the fall of Yanukovich, political violence, social media, Crimea, Russia, the European Union and more.

At the University of Ottawa, Desmarais Building, 55 Laurier Avenue East, 12th floor. Register your attendance at:
chairukr@gmail.com

October 30, Thursday, 6 pm

Ensemble Calixa Lavalee, School of Music, University of Ottawa, under the direction of Prof. Laurence Ewashko, presents a choral tribute celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Danyliw Seminars, sponsored by the Chair of Ukrainian Studies, University of Ottawa.

Concert will include works by Lysenko, Stetsenko, Estelle/Storoschuk and others in the chapel of Tabaret Hall, University of Ottawa campus.

Petition to restore UkeTube

YouTube has removed 1,600 Ukrainian videos from the *UkeTube* site on YouTube. Many of these were important lectures, interviews, musical performances, and videos of community events, as well as the more than 50 DYK’s of Ukrainian interest from the Ottawa CHIN radio program.

You can find out more about the removal of the Ukr items from YouTube on Facebook, and sign a petition to reinstate:

<https://www.facebook.com/notes/william-szuch/catalogue-of-ukrainian-intellectual-capital-lost/10152956678114505>

and Original post: "UkeTube Ukrainian Video has been deleted"

<https://www.facebook.com/notes/william-szuch/uketube-ukrainian-video-has-been-deleted/10152950936644505>

and Petition to restore UkeTube:

<https://www.change.org/p/google-youtube-public-policy-senior-manager-adl-s-best-practices-combating-cyberhate-restore-uketube-channel>