

St. Michael's Day – Svyato Mykhayila @ Karpaty *22 November 2009*

Sunday, 22nd November – Wet, Wet and very Wet! Mud, Mud and very Muddy! However, over 150 people braved the wet and muddy conditions to celebrate St. Michael's Day at our oselya "Karpaty".



Apel was held on the slab of the Pomich building which once housed sleeping quarters. Greetings were received from Holova CYM Australia & CYM Melbourne Peter Duma, Holova CYOA and Holova OUN Stefan Romaniw, and Holova CYM Geelong Stepan Tkaczuk. Badges and ties were distributed to the yunatstvo who had completed CYM ispyty and those who were moving into another level of our organisation, giving their oath to CYM.



Mass followed in the hollow centre piece of the Pomich building which offered some protection from the elements. Fr. Bakay (Ardeer) and Fr. Holovko (Geelong) kindly donated the takings from the collection plates towards the Karpaty Rebuild. We thank both Fr. Bakay and Fr. Holovko for making the trip to oselya to give Holy Liturgy and for their kind contribution to our cause. Thank you also to those workers who arrived on Saturday to help prepare for the day.



Many visitors took the opportunity to walk around the property to see first hand how the landscape of the oselya has changed since being razed on Black Saturday, with the progressive changes of clearing, harrowing , smudging and grass sowing.

We hope next year the weather will be kinder and that more people will attend so that we can recapture the many wonderful St. Michael's Day celebrations of the past.

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