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Служби Божі/Divine Liturgies

Неділя/Sunday: 8:30 am in English

10:30 am (sung) in Ukrainian

У Свята/Holy Day of Obligation

10:30 am and 7:00 pm

Щодня/Daily Scheduled

7:30 am in Chapel

Сповідь/Confessions: 15 minutes before

Divine Liturgy - Or by appointment during the week

Baptism by appointment

Anointing of the Sick/Hospital Visits/

Eucharist for the sick - any time

Marriages - the arrangements with the priest

have to be made months before the marriage

Funerals - by arrangement

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Parish:- Father Serafym Grygoruk, OSBM

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Most Rev. Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM

Bishop-Emeritus

Неділя Всіх Святих



Sunday of All Saints

Hebrew 11:33-12:2a

Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30

**Парафія Покрови Пресвятої
Богородиці вітає всіх гостей, приятелів
та парафіян, які беруть участь у цій
Службі Божі.**

**The Protection of the Blessed Virgin
Mary Parish** welcomes all guests, friends,
and Parishioners participating in this
Divine Liturgy.

Songs at 10:30 Divine Liturgy: 1) **Opening:** on page 364 "O spomahai nas"; 2) **at Communion:** page 346 "Mariye, Divo blahoslovenna"; 3) **Closing:** page 364 "O spomahai nas"

НИНІ: Неділя, 27 травня: Кава і солодке після Служби Божої о год 8:30 і 10:30 рано.

-10:00 ранку – Молебень до Матері Божої.

- **вівторок, 29 травня**, о 7:00 веч. – Молебень до Пресвятої Богородиці

- **четвер, 31 травня**, о 7:00 веч. – Молебень до Пресвятої Богородиці

>> Дня 24 травня, 2018 упокоїлася пані **Дарія Лазорко**. Похоронна Св. Літургія відправиться 4 червня, о год. 10-ій рано в церкві. Вічна Їй Пам'ять.

>>**У червні маємо Молебень до Пресвятого Серця Христового** у каплиці, кожного вівторка і четверга о 7:00 вечора, і кожної неділі о 10:00 ранку. Просимо взяти участь!

НЕДІЛЯ ВСІХ СВЯТИХ

"Величаємо вас, апостоли, мученики, пророки і всі святі, і почитаємо святу пам'ять вашу, ви бо молитесь за нас Христа Бога нашого" (Величання на неділю Всіх святих).

Восьма неділя після празника Пасхи, а перша після Зіслання Святого Духа називається неділею Всіх святих. Вона завершує коло рухомих свят. Цього дня наша Східна Церква віддає особливу почесність усім тим, які є плодом дарів Святого Духа.

"У цей день, в неділю після П'ятдесятниці, — читаємо в синак-сарі цієї неділі, — святкуємо празник Всіх святих скрізь — в Азії, Лівії, Європі, на півночі й півдні. Цей празник наші божественні Отці установили й наказали святкувати після Зіслання Святого Духа, наче показуючи нам взір, як прихід всесвятого Духа вплинув на апостолів. Він освятив і зробив премудрими тих, що з нашої природи, щоб їх поставити на місце грішних ангелів, і Христові Богові привів:

одних через муки і кров, інших через постійність у чеснотливому житті".

Диякон Костянтин (VI ст.) з Царгорода у своїй проповіді в першу неділю після Зіслання Святого Духа каже: "Грецька Церква визначним і дуже світлим празником поминає ці славні всесвітні безсмертні квіточки, що їх видала ціла земля, постійно наводнювана ріками Святого Духа".

Тож погляньмо на історію цього празника, на спонуки почитати святих та наш обов'язок їх наслідувати.

СПОНУКИ ДО ПОЧИТАННЯ СВЯТИХ

Маємо багато спонук, чому ми повинні почитати і просити помочі у святих. Тут згадаємо деякі з них.

Прославляючи святих, ми прославляємо Господа Бога, бо вшанування святих приводить до прославлення Бога. Святі не стали такими власною силою, але вони і їхня святість є справою Божої благодаті. Усе, чим вони є, Богові завдячують. "Почитання святих, — каже слуга Божий митрополит Андрей Шептицький, — не тільки ніяким

способом не противиться культові, що належить Богові, але спричиняється до прославлення Бога. Почитаємо святих як Божих слуг, як наших небесних опікунів, які нас оберігають і від Бога випрошують нам прощення гріхів і небесну благодать" (Про почитання святих).

Святі — це найближчі Божі приятелі, тож почесь, яку вони віддають, Богові мила, бо вони любили Бога понад усе. Другий Ватиканський Собор, заохочуючи нас до почитання святих, каже: "Тому в найвищій мірі годиться, щоб ми любили тих приятелів та співнаслідників Ісуса Христа, а наших визначних братів і добродіїв та складали за них належну подяку Богові, і молитовно їх призивали та прибігали до їх молитов, заступництва й помочі..." (Догматична Конституція про Церкву, § 50).

Усі святі нам дуже близькі, бо вони, як і ми, були колись громадянами нашої землі і вийшли з нашої крові й кости. Вони члени тієї

самої Церкви, що й ми, але Церкви вже прославленої. Наше добро і спасення їм не байдуже. Тому нема сумніву, що вони радо вислуховують наші просьби і радо заносять наші молитви до Божого престолу.

Диякон Костянтин у вищезгаданій проповіді — цю проповідь схвалив Сьомий Вселенський Собор (787) — славить опіку й заступництво святих: "Ви бо поставлені над цілим людським родом як опікуни душ, зцілителі тіл, колона віри, досконалість священства, відпущення гріхів, основа й підпора церков, лік на недуги, відпочинок для подорожніх, керма для плаваючих, поміч для бідних, охорона для воюючих, підойма для падаючих, покріплення для терплячих, провідники для заблудших, опіка для праведних, потіха для сумуючих, для всіх могутня поміч і захорона сильної надії".

(«Пізнай Свій Обряд» о. Юліян Катрій, ЧСВВ)

Maintenance Work for the Exterior of the Church

Dear Parishioners and Friends. Last Fall our parish did extensive maintenance work on the church exterior, at an overall cost that will surpass \$300,000.00. There is still some work to be done in the Spring.

St. Mary's Parish is asking for your assistance in funding this project. All donations are tax-deductible. "*Convenience Envelopes*" can be found in the front entrance of the church.

To date our parish has received \$48,997.55 towards our renovation and maintenance project. We are very grateful for your generosity in helping us defray the costs of this undertaking. May the Lord bless you for your kindness. Thank You!

>> If anybody is **willing to donate** certain things, or if anybody is **looking for something**, please let us know. Please, contact Emily at: 604-738-3057

Monthly Intentions of the Holy Father for May

Evangelization: The Mission of the Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

TODAY: Sunday, May 27: Coffee and sweets following the 8:30 and 10:30 Divine Liturgies in the Fellowship Room.

10:00 AM – Moleben to the Blessed Mother

Moleben to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Moleben to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be celebrated during the month of June. We will celebrate Moleben on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM in the residence chapel, and at 10:00 AM in church on Sundays. Please join us for this service.

UCWLC League Day

On the last Sunday of May the Ukrainian Catholic Women's League celebrates League Day. On this day we honour and venerate the Heavenly Patroness of our Organization the Holy Mother of God, by participating in the Divine Liturgy and receiving Holy Communion. In our prayers we thank Our Holy Mother for Her love and guidance, and we ask for Her continued blessings. This day is to be a day of deepening knowledge and understanding that we work together to achieve specific ideals and goals in our statute, working for the Church and the People in accordance with the League Motto.

Today our League members will have a special collection of which the proceeds are set aside for organizational expenses at three levels: National, Eparchial and Branch.

- **Tuesday, May 29**, at 7:00 PM – Moleben to the Blessed Mother
- **Thursday, May 31**, at 7:00 PM – Moleben to the Blessed Mother

Sincerest condolences are extended to the Family of the late Daria Lazorko who passed away on May 24, 2018 at the age of 105. The Funeral Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Monday, June 4, at 10:00 AM in St. Mary's Church. Eternal Memory!

Sunday Donations May 13, 2018 - \$1,028.00

CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR - August 19-26, 2018

Start planning your summer holidays now! Come join us to celebrate our 34th year of camp for children in our Eparchy! Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build self-confidence and self-esteem, develop life-long skills while reconnecting with nature and building friendships. Our camp is also a wonderful opportunity to experience God through nature and the companionship of others.

Campers will learn about the Ukrainian language and culture along with games, hiking, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and much more! If you are between the ages of 7-15 this is a summer must do! Registration is \$380. Book by July 4 to save \$50. Bus transportation is also available to and from New Westminster.

Register online using Eventbrite. Search "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018." For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com. WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CAMP: Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. Please contact Jennifer if you are interested in helping.

VOLUNTEER as a Camp Counsellor: We are seeking between 8-10 individuals to help plan and organize our camp activities. Apply online using Eventbrite. Search "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018." Applications due May 15, 2018. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal record check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

VOLUNTEER as a Camp Chef: We are seeking between 4-6 individuals to help us each day in the kitchen. It is your opportunity to get creative and be a part of the campers top 5 things at camp; The Food!

VOLUNTEER as our Camp Nurse: We are looking for an individual to be our camp nurse. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the children in our Eparchy. This position would require valid first aid and nursing certification. Responsibilities would include administering medications brought by campers/staff as well as recording all incidents and treatments. Supplies and medications are provided by the camp.

DONATE Food: We are always happy to accept food donations of fresh fruits and vegetables, breakfast items; cereal, syrup, pancake mix, jam, Nutella, lunch items; chicken soup, Kraft dinner, cheese, drinks; juice boxes, powdered drinks, brownie/cake mixes, Jello, snack bars, cookies or treats. Gift certificates to Superstore and Costco are also welcomed.

DONATE Monetarily: Each year the Eparchy sponsors several children to attend. You can help send a deserving child to camp through your donations. Donation can be made through the Eparchy or online at our Eventbrite page. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$25 or more. Visit our website www.nweparchy.ca

Sunday of All Saints

The Sunday following Pentecost is dedicated to All Saints, both those who are known to us, and those who are known only to God. There have been saints at all times, and they have come from every corner of the earth. They were Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets, Hierarchs, Monastics, and Righteous, yet all were perfected by the same Holy Spirit.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to rise above our fallen state and to attain sainthood, thereby fulfilling God's directive to "be holy, for I am holy" (Lev. 11:44, 1 Peter 1:16, etc.). Therefore, it is fitting to commemorate All

Saints on the first Sunday after Pentecost.

This feast may have originated at an early date, perhaps as a celebration of all martyrs, then it was broadened to include all men and women who had borne witness to Christ by their virtuous lives, even if they did not shed their blood for Him.

Saint Peter of Damascus, in his "Fourth Stage of Contemplation," mentions five categories of saints: Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets, Hierarchs, and Monastic Saints (PHILOKALIA [in English] Vol. 3, p.131). He is actually quoting from the OCTOECHOS, Tone 2

for Saturday Matins, kathisma after the first stichology.

Saint Nicodemus of the Holy Mountain (July 14) adds the Righteous to Saint Peter's five categories. The list of Saint Nicodemus is found in his book **THE FOURTEEN EPISTLES OF ST PAUL** (Venice, 1819, p. 384) in his discussion of I Corinthians 12:28.

The hymnology for the feast of All Saints also lists six categories: "Rejoice, assembly of the Apostles, Prophets of the Lord, loyal choirs of the Martyrs, divine Hierarchs, Monastic Fathers, and the Righteous...."

Some of the saints are described as Confessors, a category which does not appear in the above lists. Since they are similar in spirit to the martyrs, they are regarded as belonging to the category of Martyrs. They were not put to death as the Martyrs were, but they boldly confessed Christ and came close to being executed for their faith. Saint Maximus the Confessor (January 21) is such a saint.

The order of these six types of saints seems to be based on their importance to the Church. The Apostles are listed first, because they were the first to spread the Gospel throughout the world.

The Martyrs come next because of their example of courage in professing their faith before the enemies and persecutors of the Church, which encouraged other Christians to remain faithful to Christ even unto death.

Although they come first chronologically, the Prophets are listed after the Apostles and Martyrs. This is because the Old Testament Prophets saw only the shadows of things to come, whereas the Apostles and Martyrs experienced them firsthand. The New Testament also takes precedence over the Old Testament.

The holy Hierarchs comprise the fourth category. They are the leaders of their flocks, teaching them by their word and their example.

The Monastic Saints are those who withdrew from this world to live in monasteries, or in seclusion. They did not do this out of hatred for the world, but in order to devote themselves to unceasing prayer, and to do battle against the power of the demons. Although some people erroneously believe that monks and nuns are useless and unproductive, Saint John Climacus had a high regard for them: "Angels are a light for monks, and the monastic life is a light for all men" (LADDER, Step 26:31).

The last category, the Righteous, are those who attained holiness of life while living "in the world." Examples include Abraham and his wife Sarah, Job, Saints Joachim and Anna, Saint Joseph the Betrothed, Saint Juliana of Lazarevo, and others.

The feast of All Saints achieved great prominence in the ninth century, in the reign of the Byzantine Emperor Leo VI the Wise (886-911). His wife, the Holy Empress Theophano (December 16) lived in the world, but was not attached to worldly things. She was a great benefactor to the poor, and was generous to the monasteries. She was a true mother to her subjects, caring for widows and orphans, and consoling the sorrowful.

Even before the death of St. Theophano in 893 or 894, her husband started to build a church, intending to dedicate it to Theophano, but she forbade him to do so. It was this emperor who decreed that the Sunday after Pentecost be dedicated to All Saints. Believing that his wife was one of the righteous, he knew that she would also be honored whenever the Feast of All Saints was celebrated.

[<https://oca.org/saints/lives/2018/06/03/48-synaxis-of-all-saints>]

The Hieromartyr Therapon

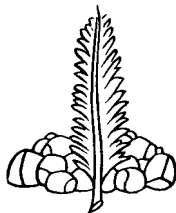
[Commemorated on May 27]

The Hieromartyr Therapon, Bishop of Sardis suffered for Christ during the third century (the city of Sardis was in Lydia, Asia Minor). In fulfilling his priestly service, Saint Therapon enlightened many of the pagan Greeks with the light of the Christian Faith and baptized them. For this, he was brought to trial before the governor Julian and fearlessly declared himself a Christian bishop.

They threw him into prison, where he languished with hunger and thirst, and then they gave him over to cruel tortures. These torments did not break the saint's valiant confession of faith. They led the saint off in chains to the city of Sinaion in Phrygia, and then to Ancyra.

In these cities they tortured him again. They took him to the River Astala, where they stretched him naked upon the ground, fastened to four stakes, and fiercely beat him. After this torture, they took the passion-bearer to the outskirts of the Satalia diocese, part of the Sardis metropolitanate, and here after long beatings Saint Therapon ended his martyrlic contest.

The stakes to which the saint had been tied, and which were soaked with his blood, put forth green shoots and grew into large trees, whose leaves were found to have curative powers. Many people received healing through them.
[<https://oca.org/saints/lives/2018/05/27/101543-hieromartyr-therapon-the-bishop-of-sardis>]



THE CHURCH IS HOLY

(From the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

823 "The Church . . . is held, as a matter of faith, to be unfailingly holy. This is because Christ, the Son of God, who with the Father and the Spirit is hailed as 'alone holy,' loved the Church as his Bride, giving himself up for her so as to sanctify her; he joined her to himself as his body and endowed her with the gift of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God."289 The Church, then, is "the holy People of God,"290 and her members are called "saints."291

824 United with Christ, the Church is sanctified by him; through him and with him she becomes sanctifying. "All the activities of the Church are directed, as toward their end, to the sanctification of men in Christ and the glorification of God."292 It is in the Church that "the fullness of the means of salvation"293 has been deposited. It is in her that "by the grace of God we acquire holiness."294

825 "The Church on earth is endowed already with a sanctity that is real though imperfect."295 In her members perfect holiness is something yet to be acquired: "Strengthened by so many and such great means of salvation, all the faithful, whatever their condition or state - though each in his own way - are called by the Lord to that perfection of sanctity by which the Father himself is perfect."296

826 Charity is the soul of the holiness to which all are called: it "governs, shapes, and perfects all the means of sanctification."297

If the Church was a body composed of different members, it couldn't lack the noblest of all; it must have a Heart, and a Heart BURNING WITH LOVE.

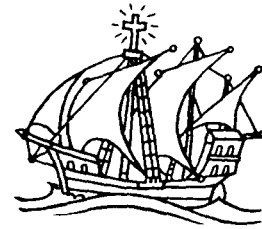
and I realized that this love alone was the true motive force which enabled

the other members of the Church to act; if it ceased to function, the Apostles would forget to preach the gospel, the Martyrs would refuse to shed their blood.

LOVE, IN FACT, IS THE VOCATION WHICH INCLUDES ALL OTHERS; IT'S A UNIVERSE OF ITS OWN, COMPRISING ALL TIME AND SPACE - IT'S ETERNAL!²⁹⁸

827 "Christ, 'holy, innocent, and undefiled,' knew nothing of sin, but came only to expiate the sins of the people. the Church, however, clasping sinners to her bosom, at once holy and always in need of purification, follows constantly the path of penance and renewal."²⁹⁹ All members of the Church, including her ministers, must acknowledge that they are sinners.³⁰⁰ In everyone, the weeds of sin will still be mixed with the good wheat of the Gospel until the end of time.³⁰¹ Hence the Church gathers sinners already caught up in Christ's salvation but still on the way to holiness:

The Church is therefore holy, though having sinners in her midst, because she herself has no other life but the life of grace. If they live her life, her members are sanctified; if they move away from her life, they fall into sins and disorders that prevent the radiation of her sanctity. This is why she suffers and does penance for those offenses, of which she has the power to free her children through the blood of Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit.³⁰²



828 By canonizing some of the faithful, i.e., by solemnly proclaiming that they practiced heroic virtue and lived in fidelity to God's grace, the Church recognizes the power of the Spirit of holiness within her and sustains the hope of believers by proposing the saints to them as models and intercessors.³⁰³ "The saints have always been the source and origin of renewal in the most difficult moments in the Church's history."³⁰⁴ Indeed, "holiness is the hidden source and infallible measure of her apostolic activity and missionary zeal."³⁰⁵

829 "But while in the most Blessed Virgin the Church has already reached that perfection whereby she exists without spot or wrinkle, the faithful still strive to conquer sin and increase in holiness. and so they turn their eyes to Mary":³⁰⁶ in her, the Church is already the "all-holy."

FOOT NOTES: #291 Acts 9:13; 1 Cor 6:1; 16:1. #292 SC 10. #293 UR 3 # 5. #294 LG 48. #295 LG 48 # 3. #296 LG 11 # 3. #297 LG 42. #298 St. Therese of Lisieux, *Autobiography of a Saint*, tr. Ronald Knox #(London: Harvill, 1958) 235. #299 LG 8 # 3; Cf. UR 3; 6; Heb 2:17; 7:26; 2 Cor 5:21. #300 Cf. 1 Jn 1:8-10. #301 Cf. Mt 13:24-30. #302 Paul VI, *CPG* # 19. #303 Cf. LG 40; 48-51. #304 John Paul II, *CL* 16, 3. #305 *CL* 17, 3. #306 LG 65; Cf. Eph 5:26-27.