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"Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ in today's world."*

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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/at
the beginning of the 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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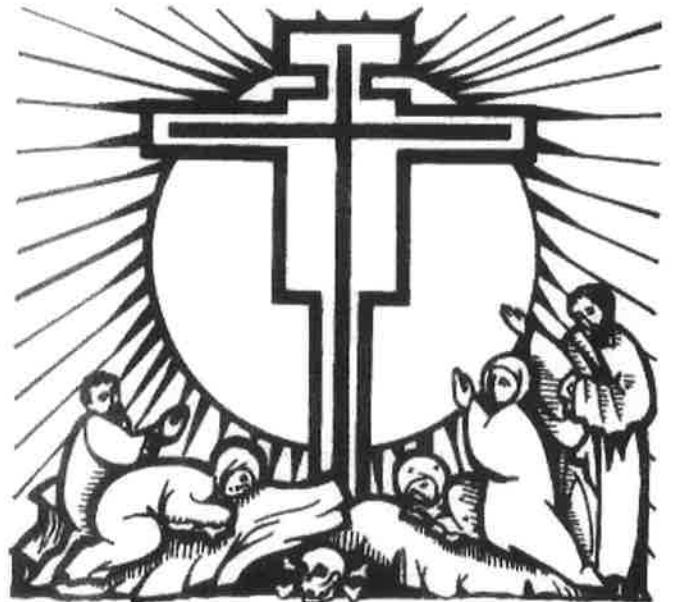
Father Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM- local Superior

Most Rev. Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM

Bishop-Emeritus

**3-а НЕДІЛЯ ВЕЛИКОГО ПОСТУ -
ХРЕСТОПОКЛІННА.**

Св. Мученики Агапій і шість інших



**3rd SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT –
SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS.**

Sts. Agapius and comanions, martyrs

Hebrew 4:1-5:6

Mark 8:34-9:1

**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.

НИНІ: Неділя, 15 березня:

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 4: "Vytai nan, khreste"

Communion: page 156: "Pokloniayusia, miy Khryste"

After Liturgy: page 426: "Khrestu tvojemu"

Closing: page 4: "Vytai nan, khreste"

Понеділок, 16 березня, о 7:00 год. веч.: Служба Божа і Місія.

Вівторок, 17 березня: Служба Передшеосвячених Дарів **НЕ БУДЕ.**

Середа, 18 березня: о 7:00 год. вечора - Хресна Дорога у каплиці.

П'ятниця, 20 березня: о 7:00 вечора - **Заупокійна Служба Божа і Сорокоусти**
за померлих членів наших родин.

Молитва під час спалаху коронавірусу:

Господи, Боже наш,

Дякуємо Тобі за життя, яке є Твоїм даром,

За провидіння, яке нас підтримує,

І за Твою мудрість, яка спрямовує хід наших днів.

Сьогодні перед нами загроза зараження коронавірусом.

Ця хвороба викликає страх серед нас і забирає життя.

Ми смирено просимо Тебе, люблячого Господа,

Розвій наш страх і позбав нас від цієї та інших хвороб.

Вилікуй тих, хто страждає, і зупини поширення вірусу.

Зміцнюй нас у благодійності, щоб дбати одне про одного.

Бо Ти - Бог милосердя, доброти та любові, і ми прославляємо Тебе

Отця, Сина і Святого Духа, нині, і повсякчас і на віки вічні. Амінь.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

Catholics in China: We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

The Ukrainian Hour, Sundays 3:00 PM and again on Mondays at 10:00 PM (SK time) with host Colette Karapita. Listen at:

- <https://www.therock985.ca>
- radio player Canada app (free): CJJC FM.

March Programs include the Sundays of Great Lent as well as Lenten Liturgical Music.

TODAY: Sunday, March 15: We welcome our Lenten Missionary Fr. Ireneus Prystajewy, OSBM, Pastor of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Shrine in Ottawa.

Parish Lenten Mission Homily at both morning Divine Liturgies.

Please Note: For precautionary reasons Coffee and Fellowship after the 8:30 and 10:30 Liturgies is cancelled for the next 4 Sundays. We will review this after Easter.

Monday, March 16: 7:00 PM: Divine Liturgy and Mission Homily.

Tuesday, March 17: NO Presanctified Liturgy on this day.

Wednesday, March 18: 7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross in chapel.

Friday, March 20: 7:00 PM - Memorial **Divine Liturgy and Sorokousty** in church.

Congratulations! On March 14th Mrs. Maria Bedzyk celebrated her 101st Birthday. We wish her many years of good health and God's blessings. Многая Літа!

Eternal Memory! We extend sincerest condolences to Lorraine Waslen and Family on the passing of her sister-in-law Jeanne Brown. Вічна Пам'ять!

EASTER BAKING:

Paska Baking: Our UCWLC will be making Paska this Thursday, March 19. Anyone who is wanting to help or learn how to do the bread please come. We will be starting the bread making around 10:30 AM.

Any children ages 7 and older who would want to learn this art are also welcome to come and learn. Along with the baking, we will be having Pysanky decorating. While the bread is baking, the egg painting classes will be on. This will be a wonderful time to learn our culture and heritage. Looking forward to seeing some new faces.

Marlayne Andrijaszyn, President

UCWLC EASTER BAKE SALE

Saturday, April 4, 2020. At 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

The Ladies League will be having an Easter Bake Sale. All sales will be by "**PRE-ORDER ONLY.**" There will be **NO SALES** on the day of pickup.

The pre-sale order forms will be available at the back of the church, in the church office and on-line. Return your completed order form either to the church office or place it in the Sunday offering basket with "**EASTER ORDER**" on the front.

Food sales will include: **Babka, Paska, Sausage, Beets-with-Horseradish, and Borsch.** The orders need to be placed no later than **March 22.** Any orders placed after that date will have no guarantee. We thank you for your support, and with God's blessings everyone will have their food to have blessed for Easter Sunday.

Thank you. Marlayne Andrijaszyn, President

Showing of the pro-life movie: "Unplanned" at JPll Centre – 4885 St. John Paul II Way, Vancouver, on Sunday, March 22, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM.

Fr. Jim's Spring Seminar is POSTPONED

With the rapidly unfolding events related to the COVID-19/coronavirus and statements by the Roman Catholic Archdioceses and the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy about gatherings, out of abundance of caution for everyone's well-being and the potential of border crossing restrictions that Fr. Jim could face, we regret that the Spring Session of the Catholic Bible Seminar in a week's time from March 20 - 22 is **cancelled and will be rescheduled.**

An effort will be made to contact registrants over the next few days. Let us pray together in full confidence as Jesus taught us "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Mt. 7:7), that all those ill will recover, all those at risk will be protected and good physical and spiritual health will be granted to all by our loving God in His infinite mercy for all humanity.

Blessings, Adrian The Centre for Catholic Bible Studies

DAFFODIL DASH

Our parish is once again participating in the annual Canadian Cancer fundraiser being held: **Sunday, April 26, 2020**

• **Time: 9:00 AM. Location: Concord Community Garden (near Science World)**

We would encourage you to join our team and/or support us by making a donation to the **St Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church** team on-line by going to the link: (www.cancer.ca/daffodildash/vancouver) and coming out to participate in the 5km walk. For further info contact B. Ballhorn at 604.879.5830.

Parish Maintenance Fund

Donations for our Maintenance Fund for 2020: \$632.00.

Maintenance and repairs to our church and parish complex are ongoing. Please continue to help our parish build up its *Maintenance Fund* to offset these costs. All donations are tax-deductible. "*Convenience Envelopes*" can be found in the front entrance of the church and *Parish Maintenance Fund* envelopes are included in your envelope packet. We are very grateful for your generosity. Thank You!

PRAYER during Coronavirus infection COVID-19

(To be prayed after the Ambo prayer - just before the Final Blessing)

Priest: Bowing our heads and bending our knees, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace. Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. For yours is the Kingdom and Power and Glory of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.



Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster

12 March 2020

To the Clergy and the Faithful
of the Eparchy of New Westminster,

CIX!

Many of our parishioners are understandably concerned about the spread of the Coronavirus. We want to assure them of steps we are taking in our parishes to provide a sense of health and well-being so that their spiritual needs continue to be met, and that they may grow in their relationship with God, especially during Great Lent.

All liturgical services will continue to be celebrated publicly. However, we will follow closely the advice and directives from medical experts and government officials in Canada should they prescribe otherwise.

By way of responding to the Coronavirus Disease, the following liturgical norms can be helpful in protecting ourselves and family from COVID-19:

- Wash your hands often and well.
- Avoid touching your face, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that are frequently touched.
- Stay at home and away from others (particularly the elderly as they are most vulnerable) if you are feeling ill.
 - When sick, cover your cough and sneezes with a sleeve or tissue and then wash your hands.
 - Upon entering and exiting the Church, wash your hands with provided antibacterial hand sanitizers.
 - Holy Water fonts (where they exist) at the entrance of the Church have been removed.
 - Refrain from kissing icons and hand crosses.
 - Offer the Kiss of Peace at the Divine Liturgy by simply bowing to each other.
 - At this time, the Divine Eucharist will be distributed as usual. When you approach, open your mouth as wide as possible, and do not allow your lips or tongue to touch the spoon.

For up to date information on the Corona virus, visit reliable sources, for example, Ministry of Health – British Columbia and Public Health Agency of Canada.

Let us do what we do best as the people of God, let us pray:

Prayer During the Coronavirus Outbreak

Lord, Our God,

We thank you for the life that is your gift,

For the providence that sustains us,

And for your wisdom that directs the course of our days.

The threat of an infection of coronavirus is upon us today.

This disease causes fear among us and has claimed lives.

We humbly beg you, loving Lord,

Dispel our fear and deliver us from this and other diseases.

Heal those who are afflicted and stop the spread of the virus.

Strengthen us in charity to care for one another.

For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify You

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

God bless!

Bishop David



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Beloved Basilian Family,

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!

With the ever-growing concern, world-wide and at home, regarding the coronavirus, I wanted to reach out to you and inform you of our response to this pandemic. First, let us remember the words of the Apostle Paul: For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7). Secondly, let us exercise "wisdom": For the Lord gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding (Proverbs 2:6).

Many churches, sports venues, political campaigns, etc. are suspending events until further notice. At our parishes, we care deeply about your spiritual edification and your physical safety. After much thought and prayer, we do not believe that, at this time, the Lord is directing us to suspend all of our liturgical services, or other scheduled events. Having said that, we are strongly urging everyone to be very cautious about their interactions with one another at our parishes, and to practice good hygiene (frequently washing your hands, covering your mouth when you cough, etc.). We strongly ask that if you are not feeling well to voluntarily self-isolate yourself and minimize your interactions with others.

There are few steps we have taken in order to reduce the chance of anyone contracting the coronavirus at our parishes: we are increasing our efforts cleaning our church buildings and we are discouraging parents from bringing sick children to church and asking that infants not receive Holy Communion if the parents cannot guarantee that the infant will "not lick the spoon." We are also encouraging people during our "fellowship times" to not shake hands but rather to simply acknowledge one another with a greeting (God bless you), greeters at the door are to not distribute the bulletins, but greet people with smile and show them the way to bulletins and to the church. We are to adhere to the local Bishop's guidelines which were carefully made with consideration of the health guidelines issued by the provincial health ministry. These steps will not safeguard us 100% against this virus but will reduce the risk. These guidelines are also subject to revision as the situation changes.

In addition, if you are sixty-years of age or older, especially if you have a condition which makes you more susceptible to the more severe symptoms of the virus, you may want to consider the possibility of not attending services for a couple of weeks, as reports suggest that elderly individuals may be most affected by the virus. Having said that, our pastors plan on being at every service to help and lead you at this trying moment. If you decide to stay home, please join Catholic TV and radio channels for the celebration of the Mass, recitation of the rosary, etc. and let's offer our inconveniences at this time of Lent for the Souls in Purgatory, for the healing of those who are suffering from COVID-19 virus and for those who lost their lives from contracting this virus.

Let me leave you with four things we can all do during this time of uncertainty:

Pray – for God to aid scientists in discovering a vaccine quickly.

Witness—act as a witness of the church and demonstrate that we will not allow the coronavirus to quarantine our faith

Act responsibly. Respect the personal space of others and do not hesitate to enter self-isolation if you feel unwell.

Rest in God. (Jeremiah 33:6) Behold, I will bring health and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth.

Yours in Christ,



Fr. Gabriel Haber, OSBM
Provincial Superior

Fr. Zachary Shwaluk, OSBM
Provincial Secretary