



**Українська Католицька Парафія
Покров Пресвятої Богородиці**

**Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ukrainian Catholic Parish**

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*“Today the Virgin stands before us in the temple,
And together with the choirs of saints prays to God for us.”*

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Служби Божі/Divine Liturgies

Неділя/Sunday: 8:30 am English

10:30 am Ukrainian

У Свята/Holy Day of Obligation

10:00 am

Щодня/Daily

7:30 am in Chapel

Сповідь/Confessions

9:40 - 10:15 am Sunday morning

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
must be made at least 6 months before the
marriage

Funerals - by arrangement

Basilian Fathers serving the Parish

Fr. Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM - Administrator

**26-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа
Введення в Храм Пресв. Богородиці**



**26th Sunday after Pentecost
Feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God**

Ephesians 5:9-19

Luke 12:16-21

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

НИНІ: Неділя, 21 листопада: Кава і солодке після Служби Божої о год 8:30 і 10:30 рано.

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 350: “Нині Пресвята Марія” “Nyni Presviata Mariya”

Communion: page 374: “Пренебесна, пречудесна” “Prenebesna, prechudesna”

Closing: page 344: “Левадов, долинов” “Levadov, dolynov”

TODAY: Sunday, November 21: Coffee and sweets following the 8:30 and 10:30 am Divine Liturgies. Please join us.

Please keep our former pastor, Bishop Stephen Chmilar (Bishop Emeritus of the Eparchy of Toronto) in your prayers. He was recently hospitalized where he underwent emergency surgery for head trauma. Please pray for a speedy and complete recovery.

Blessings and Congratulations

Happy Birthday to Andrew Karpinski who celebrated his 26th birthday on November 17th. May God bless you and our Blessed Mother spread her mantle of protection over you! Многая Літа!

** If you have any upcoming milestones (birthdays, anniversaries, etc.) in your family that you would like to share with the parish, please let the office know by email or phone.

A Very Important Request

For the health and safety of all, please do not come downstairs for coffee following the Divine Liturgy if you have not been fully vaccinated. Covid-19 is a very real and deadly virus that we must all take precautions against. We have a number of immunocompromised parishioners. Please respect and honour everyone by helping us fight against this deadly virus and to protect everyone. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available on Sundays from 9:40 - 10:15 am (between Liturgies). The Sacrament will also be available by appointment during the week.

Epistle Readers - 8:30 am Divine Liturgy

Parishioners are invited to proclaim the Epistle reading in English at the 8:30 am Divine Liturgy. Adults and youth are both welcome to participate. Please contact the Parish office to volunteer.

Epistle Readers - 10:30 am Divine Liturgy

Parishioners are invited to proclaim the Epistle reading at the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy. The Epistle may be chanted or read in either Ukrainian or English. Adults and youth are both welcome to participate. Please contact the Parish office to volunteer.

UCWLC Bake Sale

Sunday, December 5: The League will be having a Bake Sale in the hall following 10:30 am Divine Liturgy and before the AGM begins. Please mark on your calendar to come and enjoy some home baking and other good food. There will be no perogies or cabbage rolls! Icon cards will also be on sale. Thank you for your support.

Marlayne Andrijaszyn, President

Parish Annual General Meeting

Our Parish Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 5, 2021. This year's meeting will be a combined meeting for the years 2020 and 2021. The AGM will be held in the parish auditorium following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy and is open to all registered parishioners only. All committee heads are required to attend.

- Pre-registration required by December 1st. Please contact the Parish Office by phone at 604.879.5830 or email: office@stmarysbc.com.
- No registrations at the door.
- Covid-19 rules apply to in-person gatherings.
- Masks required.
- Proof of vaccination will be required to enter the auditorium.

Please Note

Have you just moved into our parish? Are you registered in our parish? Has your phone number or address changed? For new parishioners, please let us know who you are so that we can welcome you! Registration forms are available in the parish office. For parishioners who have moved or changed their phone number, help us to update our records by informing the parish office.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November 2021

People who suffer from depression: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Christmas Cards

Our Bookstore has an assortment of Ukrainian, English and Bilingual (Ukrainian and English) Christmas cards for purchase.

Divine Liturgy Intentions

If you would like to request a Divine Liturgy, please contact the parish office to book a date. If you are making an offering for this service by cheque, please make your cheque payable to "Basilian Fathers." The suggested offering for a Divine Liturgy is \$10.

Feast of the Presentation of Our Lady in the Temple

This feast traces its origins to the tradition of the Church and apocryphal writings.

From these writings, the parents of Mary, being childless, made a promise to God that if they would have a child, they would offer him/her up to the Lord's service in the temple in the temple in Jerusalem.

The Lord blessed them with a daughter, Mary. When Mary was three, her parents, Joachim and Anna, brought her to the Temple and dedicated to God's service. It was customary for many young Jewish virgins and widows to live at the temple where they studied the Word of God and performed temple service.

When Mary was presented, she was received by St. Zacharias, the father of St. John the Forerunner, as he was the High Priest at that time. He took her by the hand and led her into, not only the Holy Place, but into the Holy of Holies. This was the place that only the High Priest was to enter, and only on the Day of Atonement. The only explanation for this is that he was moved by the Spirit of God.

Mary studied and served in the temple. She wanted to remain in the Temple all her life and had no desire to marry, but the law had no provision for this. It was unheard of for a girl to vow perpetual virginity. When she was 14, Mary was betrothed, following a religious custom, to Joseph. She went to Nazareth with Joseph, where she continued her religious life of prayer and study. It was there, in Nazareth, that Mary was visited by the angel who told her she would be the mother of Jesus, God's Son.

The Virgin Mary is called the Theotokos, which in the Greek language means: "She who bears God".

The Feast of the Presentation is one of the 12 great feast days, having a one-day pre-feast and a four-day post-feast.

<https://www.skeparchy.org/wordpress/resources/feast-day-information/entrance-of-the-mother-of-god-into-the-temple/>

Advent Journey with Fr. Jim Nisbet November 27 & 28 (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

In-person at St. Luke's Parish, 20285 Dewdney Trunk Rd., Maple Ridge

Prepare to welcome the new born Jesus into your heart and family this Christmas!

Fr. Jim is a world-renowned scriptural scholar, presenting in person the Gospel Infancy Narratives and the related Old Testament Messianic Prophecies.

Pre-registration required. No registrations at the door.

Options: Attend in Person - Watch from home - Live-streamed or delayed broadcast (subject to uploading capabilities)

Covid rules apply to in-person gathering. Masks required.

No beverages or food served. Maximum capacity 45.

2-day rate: \$60/person or \$110/ married couples

Registration page: <http://biblestudies4.wixsite.com/biblecentre/registration>