

# 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

27-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа



## 27th Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesians 6:10-17 Luke 13:10-17

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

Сьогодні: Неділя, 28 листопада: Відправлятиметься Панахида після Служби Божої о 10:30 год. за жертви Голодомору в Україні.

Кава і солодке після Служби Божої о год 8:30 і 10:30 рано.

## Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 234: "В страсі і покорі" "V strasi i pokori" Communion: page 258: "Тіло Христове" "Tilo Khrystove" Closing: page 270: "Наче повний голос дзвону" "Nache povnyi holos dzvonu"

**Today: Sunday, November 28:** Panachyda will be celebrated following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy for the victims of the Holodomor in Ukraine

Coffee and sweets following the 8:30 and 10:30 am Divine Liturgies. Please join us.

**Eternal Memory!** Sincerest condolences to Fr. Pavlo Myts, (Pastor of Dormition of the Mother of God Parish in Kelowna) on the passing of his father, Roman, at the age of 66. Please keep the late Roman Myts and his family in your prayers. Вічная Пам'ять!

## **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.

## **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 <u>open to all</u> 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.

The Parish Year End Annual Reports for 2020 and 2021 will be distributed in the church vestibule following each Divine Liturgy.

## **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

#### **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.

# HOLODOMOR

Holodomor - one of the most monstrous crimes in the history of humanity, was the result of a deliberate political strategy masterminded by Joseph Stalin and his totalitarian communist regime. By the magnitude, losses during the Holodomor surpassed those of the Ukrainian nation during the Second World War. Ukrainians worldwide continue to suffer the consequences of this merciless act.

With the de-classification of documents in Ukraine and eyewitness accounts, the world has learned of a horrific crime against humanity about which little was previously known or officially confirmed. Ukraine itself made the confirmation in its quest for historical truth and national identity. It is a fact that the Holodomor: a) occurred; b) was deliberate, and c) was designed to destroy a nation.

Ukrainians in Canada are united with the international community in commemorating the anniversary of the Holodomor-Genocide in Ukraine of 1932-33. Together we can spread the truth about the Holodomor and ensure acknowledgement of the Holodomor as an act of genocide against the Ukrainian nation. In Soviet Ukraine, the region known as Europe's breadbasket, 7-10 million lives were suddenly eradicated by starvation, one of the most ruthless forms of torture and death.

Let us remember, thus ensuring that similar tragedies are never repeated!

#### **Holodomor Prayer of Healing**

O Lord Jesus Christ our God, who in Your mercy and loving kindness, hears the prayers of all who call upon You. Incline Your ear and hear our prayer, now humbly offered to You.

Great and powerful God, You see all the sins of mankind, gather together and receive all the pain and suffering of our nation that we today place before you. We beg You through the love of Your Son, Jesus Christ, for Your mercy.

Almighty and loving God, You created all people in Your image and likeness. Lead us to seek Your compassion as we listen to the stories of our past. We place before You, the pain and anguish that our Ukrainian people have experienced. Touch the hearts of the broken and inflicted and heal their spirits. In Your mercy and compassion, walk with us as we continue our journey of healing to create a future which is just and equitable.

We place before You, our God, all the wrongs committed against our brothers and sisters during the time of the Great Famine in Ukraine. We pray for those who perpetrated it. We pray for those who find great difficulty in acknowledging its existence. Give them the healing grace of Your truth. We pray for all who suffered great wrongs and cruelty at the hands of those who caused it. For those who perished, grant the forgiveness of their sins and eternal rest among Your saints.

To those who survived, grant a healing of their memories. Remove whatever bitterness and unforgiveness that may still be in their hearts. Grant them the peace that comes from being united with You.

O Lord, send us Your Holy Spirit, the comforter, the Spirit of all truth, fill our hearts with love so that we may gain the freedom which comes from You.

For You are indeed the true happiness and joy of those who love You, Christ our God, and we give glory to You together with Your eternal Father, and Your all holy, good and life giving Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen