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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

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

24-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа



24th Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesians 2:14-22 Luke 8:41-56 Welcome! The Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish welcomes all parishioners, guests and friends participating in this Divine Liturgy.

НИНІ: Неділя, 7 листопада: 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 252: "Назарету любий цвіте" "Nazaretu liubyi tsvite" Closing: page 22: "Пісню слави заспіваймо" "Pisniu slavy zaspivaimo"

TODAY: Sunday, November 7: Coffee and sweets following the 8:30 and 10:30 am Divine Liturgies. Please join us.

Today: In honour of *Remembrance Day* **both Divine Liturgies** will be celebrated in memory of all those who lost their lives in the service of their country. A Panachyda will be celebrated after the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy.

Epistle Readers

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.

Blessings and Congratulations

Happy Birthday to Fr. Isidore Dziadyk, OSBM who celebrated his 90th birthday on November 6th. May God bless him and our Blessed Mother spread her mantle of protection over him! Многая Літа!

Reports for Parish AGM

Our Parish Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 5, 2021. Committee Chairpersons, please submit your report for the Parish Annual General Meeting to the parish office by Friday, November 12.

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.

The Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to heaven especially those who are in most need of Your mercy.

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.

Remembrance Day

Ours is the solemn and sacred duty of remembering those who have given of themselves for the service of our country.

There was once a great war. It was a terrible war, so terrible, that no country was left without great losses of weapons, and of their young men and women. But, after a time, the war ended.

Many years later the young men and women who had survived the great war became old. And the new generations of young people knew little of the terrible war. So they asked the eldest of the old men about the war.

"What should we remember about the war, so that we can preserve our past history?" they asked.

The old man answered: "When I was a young man, I went to the great war NOT to preserve the past, but to preserve the future. If you wish to learn from the past, you must do the same: Live your lives in the present so that the future can be preserved for yourselves and for your children. You must preserve peace amongst yourselves; that is why we fought. You must be brothers and sisters with one another; for many died in the great war for their brothers and sisters. You must live in peace and harmony, now, because that is the greatest gift that you can leave for the future to cherish and remember you by."

On November 11th, Canadians pause in silence to remember those who died in war, and to pray for the victims of violence, aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community, as families, and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when we, as a believing community must rededicate ourselves by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes. And we do this all so that their sacrifice may not have gone in vain. We do this, "Lest we forget!"

Loving Father, have mercy on your people, and open our hearts to peace and love. Reward all who have died for their country, and grant that Canada and all nations may continue to work for peace and justice.

Bless us in your service, and help us to follow the example of your beloved Son, who is our Saviour and Lord. We ask these blessings and for this guidance through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



November is dedicated to praying for the Souls in Purgatory

During our Liturgical year the Church has special days that are dedicated to praying for the dead, example: during Great Lent. We also pray for our departed on the anniversary of their passing, perhaps on the anniversary of their birthdays or other special occasions. We pray that the deceased may have a share in Christ's victory over death. This is especially true for the souls who need purification after death - the Souls in Purgatory.

The dogma of the existence of Purgatory was proclaimed by the Church at the Council of Lyons in 1274. It was additionally confirmed by the Council of Trent (1545-1563) in a special decree. It is based on statements from the Holy Scriptures and Church Tradition, which dates back to the second century. St. Augustine made a great contribution to the development of the doctrine of Purgatory. The dogma emphasizes two truths: (1) the existence of Purgatory as a punishment for sins after death, where the soul has to purify itself before entering heaven, (2) and the possibility and necessity of our prayers and sacrifices for the Souls in Purgatory, as our help to the souls for a speedy purification before entering heaven.

Those souls who attained Purgatory after death are already safe. Why? Before death if a person repented from their sins, were in the state of grace but did not have a chance to fully atone for the temporal punishment resulting from their sins, then Purgatory is the place of purification before being admitted into heaven. So, the Souls in Purgatory know they will eventually get to heaven, because they are in God's hands. They can be sure of salvation, but they still have to prepare for it. Purgatory is the vestibule of Heaven. It is a manifestation of God's mercy, which purifies those who have not been fully perfected in love of God, neighbour and of self during their earthly life. The state of Purgatory should not be understood only as a punishment, but as a preparation for complete union with God in Heaven. For the dead to have a share in Christ's victory over death, they must be completely pure.

Let us sincerely help our sisters and brothers in Purgatory, offer Divine Liturgies for them, visit cemeteries, pray for them and do the work of mercy for them.



Feast of St. Josaphat Kuntsevych - November 12

- Born in the year 1580 in Volodymyr, Lithuania.
- Entered the Basilian Fathers' Monastery of the Holy Trinity in Vilna in 1604 at the age of 24.
- Ordained a Priest in 1609 and dedicated himself to the cause of church unity.
- Consecrated as Archbishop of Polotsk (Belarus) in 1617. He worked to bring about a renewal within the church, to promote catechesis, education, good preaching, charity and service to the poor. Despite all his duties as an archbishop, he remained faithful to his monastic rule.
- Died on November 12, 1623 at the age of 44. He died a martyr's death at the hands of those who opposed the unity between Orthodox and Catholics.
- Beatified in 1643 and Canonized on June 29, 1867 by Pope Pius IX.
- The body of St. Josaphat is found in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, at the Altar of St. Basil the Great.