



**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 (Mon-Sat)

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

31-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа



31st Sunday after Pentecost

1 Timothy 1:15-17

Luke 18:35-43

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

The Provincial Health Order of December 21, 2021 that states: *“indoor organized gatherings of any size are not allowed”* has been extended to February 16, 2022. Therefore, there will be no coffee and fellowship after Divine Liturgies until further notice.

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 80: “Нова радість стала” “Nova radist’ stala”

Communion: page 38: “В Вифлеємі новина” “V Vyfleyemi novyna”

Closing: page 68: “На небі зірка” “Na nebi zirka”

Thank you to all who worked together to take down the Christmas trees, decorations and manger scene in the church last Sunday. Your help was greatly appreciated.

We pray for peace in Ukraine

Due to the recent political events taking place in Eastern Europe, the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic Church is urging all churches in Ukraine and around the world to pray for peace, safety and unity in Ukraine. Please keep Ukraine and its citizens in your prayers. There will be extra petitions for this intention at our Divine Liturgies.

Holy Water for the Feast of Theophany

Jars of holy water are available in the church vestibule. Please take one per family.

Home Blessings: If you wish to have your home blessed please contact the parish office.

The 2022 Parish donation envelopes are available at the back of the church.

2022 Parish calendars can be found in the church vestibule.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Sunday from 9:40 - 10:15 am (between Liturgies) or by appointment during the week.

Please Note: Have you just moved into our parish? Are you registered in our parish? Registration forms are available in the parish office for those who wish to become parishioners. For parishioners who have moved or changed their phone number, help us to update our records by informing the parish office.

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.

The Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for January 2022

For true human fraternity. We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



January 20, 2022

Most Reverend Archbishops and Metropolitans,
God-loving Bishops, Very Reverend Clergy, Venerable Monastics,
Dearly Beloved Brothers and Sisters Catechists,
And all Faithful!

This Sunday, for the third year, the entire Catholic Church celebrates “*Sunday of the Word of God*,” which aims to encourage Christians to honour together the Word of God in order to bring Him closer to all the faithful.

Establishing this celebration, the Holy Father Francis emphasizes that this day devoted to the Bible should encourage Christians to deep their knowledge of the Word of God daily, “For we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers. For this reason, we need to develop a closer relationship with sacred Scripture; otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut...”(Aperuit illis, 8).

Our Church joins the initiative of the Holy Father in celebrating the Sunday of the Word of God. In particular, His Beatitude Sviatoslav, Father and Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, during the celebration of the first Sunday of the Word of God in 2020, said: “I would like all of us Christians to say: we cannot live without God’s Word.”

This year has been declared the *Year of the Family* by the Synod of Bishops of our Church. So, I ask you to introduce three things in our families this year:

1. Make sure each of our families has a Bible.
2. May the Bible be placed in our homes in a proper, dignified place, reminding us that the center, foundation, and starting point of our thoughts, words, and actions is God.
3. Every day, or at least once a week, as we gather together in our families and communities, let us read and meditate on the Holy Scriptures! This will help us to overcome obstacles, temptations, insults and build our Domestic Church - in love for God and for one another.

His Beatitude Sviatoslav urges us, “*I encourage you to read the Scriptures every day. I know that today, in fact, there is no person who does not have the opportunity to read the Holy Scriptures. We often have a dusty Bible in our book collections. We often collect various editions of the Holy Scriptures, but we seldom open them and delve into them.*”

As we read God's Word, meditate on it, and pray with it, we meet, we get to know, and receive Christ. The Word of God is alive and active when we listen to it and live in it.

Let us, therefore, ensure that the Word of God is in our hands, minds, homes, and our hearts.

In prayer,

+ DAVID (Motiuk)
Chair, Patriarchal Catechetical Commission,
Bishop, Eparchy of Edmonton

Prayer for Ukraine

O Lord of Heaven and Earth! You sent your Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to bring peace and harmony to your people on earth. Hear our prayer, we beseech You, for the gift of peace for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine who struggle to make their voices heard for a better political, economic and social future. Help them stop the violence and bloodshed as they struggle for their democratic rights in peace and Christian unity.

God of our Ancestors! Protect your Holy Church in our ancestral land. After many years of underground existence and secular control, grant that the Church leaders may continue to profess their faith publicly, standing with the people in prayer on the streets and squares of the nation. Help your Church proclaim to all that indeed: "God is with us!"

Heavenly King! Pour forth your gift of holy wisdom upon the people of Ukraine so that, after many years of subjugation from outside powers, they can continue their journey down the road to self-determination, guided by honest political leaders. Together may they build the just society that people long for.

By Your grace, and through the intercession of the Holy Mother of God and all the saints of Ukraine, may the people of Ukraine find pride and joy in their nation so that they may give You unending praise: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen!

Молитва за Україну

Владико Неба і Землі! Ти послав свого Єдинородного Сина, Ісуса Христа, принести мир і гармонію у наш світ. Молимося Тобі, вислухай нашу молитву, за ласку миру для наших братів і сестер в Україні, які борються, щоб їхній голос був почутий за краще політичне, економічне і суспільне майбутнє. У мирі та християнській любові, допоможи зупинити насильство і кровопролиття у їхній боротьбі за свої демократичні права.

Боже Батьків наших! Просимо, захисти свою Святу Церкву на нашій батьківщині. Після багатьох років підпільного існування і державного контролю Церкви, даруй, щоб духовенство могло продовжувати публічно визнавати Христову віру, стоячи з людьми в молитві на вулицях і площах країни. Допоможи своїй Церкві проголошувати усім, що насправді: "З нами Бог!"

Царю Небесний! Вилий на свій народ, дар святої Твоєї премудрості, щоб після багатьох років поневолення з боку інших сил, вони могли продовжити свою подорож по дорозі самореалізації, під проводом чесних політиків, щоб разом побудувати в Україні справедливе суспільство, яке так довго очікує наш народ.

З Твоєї ласки, та за заступництвом Пресвятої Богородиці і всіх святих української землі, допоможи народу України відчувати гордість і радість за свою націю, щоб достойно віддати Тобі славу: Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові, нині і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь!