



**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

**Неділя перед
Воздвиженням Чесного Хреста**



**Sunday before
Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Galatians 6:11-18

John 3:13-17

Welcome! The Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish welcomes everyone to our Divine Liturgy. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Before the Final Blessing at today's Divine Liturgies, we will offer the prayer for Ukraine that is found in the bulletin, together with an "Our Father," "Hail Mary" and "Glory be".

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

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 336: Вихваляйте, доли, гори; Vykhhvaliaite, doly, hory

Communion: page 346: Маріє, Діво благословенна; Mariye, Divo blahoslovenna

Closing: page 364: О спомагай нас; O spomahai nas (1 verse in Ukrainian)

Tickets for our Parish Praznyk Dinner (Sunday, October 2) will be available in the church vestibule following both Divine Liturgies.

Wednesday, September 14: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.
Non-obligatory holy day. **Divine Liturgy: 10:00 am in church.**

FLEA MARKET- in Support of Ukraine

Saturday, September 17, 2022 -- 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Mary's Parish Auditorium - 3150 Ash Street, Vancouver, BC

UCWLC Meeting

Saturday September 24 at 10:00 am. Ladies, please try to attend as we have a full agenda. Also, the Young Adults are doing their "Perogy Fundraiser." They are asking for help. Following the meeting, if able, please come to the hall and help with the production of perogies. A couple of hours help would be helpful. Thank you.

Marlayne Andrijaszyn

Parish Praznyk/Feast Day

Our Parish Praznyk will be celebrated on Sunday, October 2, 2022

This year is the 40th anniversary of the opening of our present church. We give thanks to Our Lord for the blessings our parish has received. We also pray that He continue to bless our parish and all our parishioners. May we all work together for His greater glory.

On this day we remember in prayer (at both Divine Liturgies) all of our parishioners and their families. We pray for their health and well-being. We also remember all our deceased parishioners. A Panachyda will be celebrated after the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy. Please join us in prayer.

A Parish Praznyk Dinner will be held in the parish auditorium following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy.

Prayer for Ukraine

O God of love, we pray for the people of Ukraine,
the frail and the elderly,
the women and children who are left alone,
grieving families with loved ones who have fallen,
and the multitudes who have lost everything.

O God of peace, how we long that violence will cease,
that the machines of war,
will be transformed into implements of peace.

Be with the leaders of this world,
that their decisions will be keenly oriented
towards a just and lasting peace.

O God of compassion, open our hearts,
to care for the refugees who may come to our shores
and the needy stranger in our midst.

We pray this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Parish Praznyk/Feast Day Dinner

Sunday, October 2, 2022

Divine Liturgies: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

12:00 Noon: Parish Dinner in the Auditorium

Catered Dinner - 100 person limit

Tickets: Advance purchase only

Weekday - Parish Office: 604.879.5830

Sunday - Following the Divine Liturgies on September 11, 18, 25

Cut-off date for ticket purchase: September 29, 2022

Adults: \$30 / Children 7-12: \$15 / Children 6 & under: no charge

No walk-ins at the door

Please donate to “**Aid for Ukraine**”. All donations collected in our parish will be forwarded to *Catholic Near East Welfare Association Canada (CNEWA Canada)* that collaborates closely with local churches and *Caritas Ukraine*.

An “Aid to Ukraine Thermometer” poster is displayed (in the church vestibule and in the Fellowship Room) to indicate how much our Church has already contributed.

Please make cheques payable to St. Mary’s Ukrainian Catholic Church, with memo ‘Aid for Ukraine.’ Tax receipts will be issued.

Online donations to *CNEWA Canada*: <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/>

Or, one may send a cheque directly to: CNEWA Canada

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Holy Cross Parish Surrey - Parish Praznyk

Our Parish Praznyk will be celebrated on Sunday, September 18, 2022. Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am, followed by our feast, potluck so bring your favourite dish. Our plan is to set up our tent so that we can have an indoor/outdoor celebration. Please bring lawn chairs for your family. This is our last Praznyk at the current location. Fr. Andriy

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September 2022

For the abolition of the death penalty. We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is celebrated on September 14. A cross, beautifully decorated with flowers, or an icon of the cross is placed on the tetrapod for veneration. The day of the feast is a day of fasting from all meat products. Red vestments are worn by clergy and all celebrants for liturgical celebrations from September 14 and for the entire post-feast until September 21. The verse *"To your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify your holy resurrection"* is sung after each liturgical service during this time, and all present prostrate themselves before the holy cross of Our Lord.

This feast traces its beginning to Jerusalem and the dedication of the church built on the site of Mount Calvary in 335 AD. But the meaning of the cross is deeper than any city, any celebration, any building. The cross is a sign of suffering, a sign of human cruelty at its worst. But by Christ's love shown on Good Friday, it has become the sign of triumph and victory, the sign of God, who is love itself.

Believers have always looked to the cross in times of suffering. People in concentration camps, prisons, hospitals, in any place of suffering and loneliness, have been known to draw, trace, or form crosses and focus their eyes and hearts on them. The cross does not explain pain and misery. It does not give us any easy answers. But it does help us to see our lives united with Christ's. We unite our sufferings to those of Our Saviour.

We often make the sign of the cross over ourselves. We make it before prayer to help fix our minds and hearts on God. We make it after prayer, hoping to stay close to God. In trials and temptations, the cross is a sign of strength and protection. The cross is the sign of the fullness of life that is ours. At Baptism the sign of the cross is used; the priest makes the sign on the forehead of the child. A sign made on the forehead is a sign of belonging. By the sign of the cross in Baptism, Jesus takes us as his own in a unique way.

May we look to the cross often. Each time we make the sign of the cross, may we do it with reverence and humility, and realize we bring our whole selves to God - our minds, souls, bodies, wills, thoughts, hearts - everything we are and will become.

"To your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify your holy resurrection."