



**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

26-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа



26th Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesians 5:9-19

Luke 12:16-21

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

Today: Sunday, December 4: Parish Annual General Meeting will be held in the parish auditorium following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy. It is open to registered parishioners only. All committee heads are required to attend.

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 24: О хто, хто Миколая; O khto, khto Mykolaya

Thank you to Clifford Oleksiew for clearing our parking lot after the snowfall last week.

Eternal Rest! Sincerest condolences are extended to:

- Irene Sliziak and Family on the passing of her husband John.
- Nick Kochan and Annie Siemy and Families on the passing of their brother Bill. Please keep the deceased and their families in your prayers. Вічна Пам'ять!

UCWLC December Meeting

Saturday, December 10: 10:00 am in the Fellowship Room. There will be a few topics for discussion followed by a Christmas luncheon. Please try to attend our last meeting of 2022.

Following the luncheon, we can all support our Young Adults who are hosting a Food/Craft Fair in the hall from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm in "Support for Ukraine."

God Bless! Marlayne

Vancouver Food Bank Donations

Our Ukrainian Catholic Women's League will be sending a monetary donation to the Vancouver Food Bank for Christmas help. They have asked that the Parish also participate in this Christmas donation.

A collection basket, MONETARY ONLY, will be held on Sunday December 11 at both Divine Liturgies. If we all can dig deep in our pockets and do a small donation, then those who are in need of food over the holidays will be helped.

If you would like a tax receipt, please write your name and address on the special envelope "Vancouver Food Bank Donation". Make cheques payable to "St. Mary's Parish" and indicate in the memo portion that it is for the "Vancouver Food Bank." May Our Lord bless you for your kindness and generosity.

Christmas Cards

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

Ukrainian Embroidery Club

A Ukrainian Embroidery Club meets on Monday evenings at St. Mary's from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the downstairs classroom. New students, family and friends are welcome. For more information, please call Emily at 778.888.3057.

Young Adults Christmas Market Fundraiser for Ukraine

December 10, 2022

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Centre
3150 Ash Street, Vancouver

For more information: SMYoungAdultsVan@gmail.com

Year End Contributions

Thank you to all parishioners for your generous donations throughout the year. For any donations that you want included on your 2022 tax receipt **ALL contributions must be in the parish office and your cheques dated no later than December 31, 2022.**

A Prayer to St Nicholas - December 6

Blessed Saint Nicholas, we honour you for your acts of kindness, goodwill and charity to those on the margins of life.

Inspire us with your desire for justice and joy for all people; help us learn from you what faith and action means, and make us aware of those around us.

Give us the same sense of joy you had in your ministry. And when we remember you may we also remember the Lord you loved and followed, both in times of tribulation, famine, persecution and humiliation, as well as in times of joy and peace.

Taken from: stnicholascentre.org

Feast of St. Nicholas - December 6

Taken from the Vespers Service

"What crowns of praise shall we confer upon the saintly Nicholas? Once present in the flesh in Myra, he is present in spirit to all who love him purely. He is the leader and defender of everyone, a comforter in distress and a haven of all in danger, a pillar of piety and conqueror for believers. For his sake, Christ overcame enemies and shows us great mercy."

"We have gathered to celebrate and to praise with song the model of bishops and a glory to the fathers; a fountain of miracles and a great helper of believers. Let us sing to the saintly Nicholas: Rejoice, O protector of Myra who was revered as its leader and strongest pillar. Rejoice, O radiant star whose light of miracles shines throughout the world. Rejoice, O divine joy to those in sorrow. Rejoice, O defender of those who are oppressed; for even now, all-holy Nicholas, you still pray to God for us who celebrate your feast with faith and who honour you with zeal and joy."

A Short Course in Human Relations

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| The six most important words | I admit I made a mistake |
| The five most important words | You did a good job |
| The four most important words | What is your opinion? |
| The three most important words | If you please |
| The two most important words | Thank you |
| The one most important word | We |
| The least most important word | I |

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December 2022

For volunteer not-for-profit organizations. We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

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.

Prayer for Ukraine

O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we entreat You to hear the earnest prayer of Your beloved Church of Kyivan Rus' for her afflicted children abiding in the land of Ukraine. Deliver Your vulnerable people from unjust aggressors, foreign invasion and the terror of war.

O kind-hearted Lord, as You are our peace, soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that your beloved children of the land of Ukraine, may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom, where You reign with Your eternal Father, and Your most holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now, and forever and ever. Amen.

Молитва за Україну

Господи Ісусе Христе, Боже наш, благаємо Тебе вислухати щирю молитву Твоєї улюбленої Церкви Київської Русі за її засмучених дітей, які потерпають в Україні. Звільни Твій наражений на небезпеку народ від несправедливого агресора, нападу чужинців і терору війни.

Добросердний Господи, джерело нашого миру, умиротвори серця немилосердних і наверни тих, хто пропагує ворожнечу до примирення, щоб Твої улюблені діти української землі могли проживати у такому спокої, справедливості і свободі, які завжди панують у Твоєму Царстві, де Ти царюєш зі своїм споконвічним Отцем і Твоїм благим і животворящим Духом нині, повсякчас і на віки віків. Амінь.