



**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

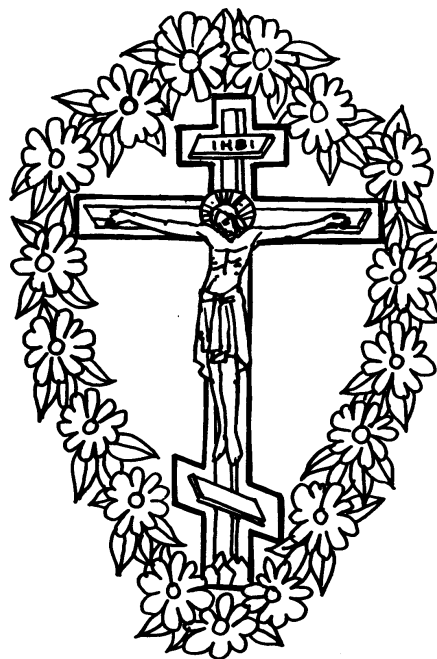
Marriages - the arrangements with the priest must be made at least 6 months before the marriage

Funerals - by arrangement

Basilian Fathers serving the Parish

Fr. Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM - Administrator

Третя Неділя Великого Посту



Third Sunday of Great Lent

Hebrews 4:14 - 5:6

Mark 8:34 - 9:1

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

Хресту Твоєму поклоняємось, Владико, і святе воскресіння Твоє славим. (Після відпусту)

To Your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection.
(After Divine Liturgy)

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 8: Хресту Твоєму, Владико; Khrestu Tvoyemu, Vladyko

Communion: page 156: Поклоняюся, мій Христе; Pokloniyusia, miy Khryste

Closing: page 4: Вітай нам, хресте; Vytai nam, khreste

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

Income tax receipts for the 2022 donations are found in the church vestibule.

Monday, March 13: 7:00 pm - Bazaar meeting in the Fellowship Room.

Wednesday, March 15: 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross in chapel.

Friday, March 17: 7:00 pm - Memorial Divine Liturgy and Sorokousty in church.

(You may submit new names for the Sorokousty Service by using the Sorokousty envelopes that are found in the church vestibule.)

Our Parish Easter Dinner will be held on Sunday, April 16, 2023. Tickets for the Easter Dinner will be available today after both Divine Liturgies.

UCWLC Easter Bake Sale - Parishioners Only

Our Ladies League, along with the Young Adults, will have a sale on Saturday, April 1st in the parish auditorium. This year we will be taking pre-orders. We are only making paska, with borsch, beets and perogies being made available.

The bread will be made, baked and picked up on Saturday April 1 with pickup starting at 4:00 pm. **Pre-order forms are available in the church vestibule, with last day for orders to be handed in by Wednesday March 29th.** Thank you for your support!

Marlayne Andrijaszyn, President

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

Please note that Parishioners are being targeted by email scams. The scammers are pretending to be Fr. Joseph. The email reads: *"Good Morning, how are you doing? Are you available? I need a favour from you. Email me as soon as you get this message. God bless, Fr. Joseph."* If you have received such an email then please know it is not coming from Fr. Joseph or from the Parish Office. Delete the email and do not respond.

Great Lent Offering - Eparchial Collection

This year Bishop David kindly asks that our Great Lenten collection focus on humanitarian aid for the people of Ukraine. Each packet of parish donation envelopes contains an envelope entitled, "*Great Lent Offering - Eparchial Collection.*" (*green border*). **Please do not use this envelope if making a Lenten offering.** Instead, consider making a donation to "*Aid for Ukraine*" using the envelopes that are found in the church vestibule.

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.

Prayer of St. Ephrem (Prayed during the period of Great Lent)

O Lord and Master of my life, keep from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust for power, and idle chatter. (Prostration)

Instead, grant to me, Your servant, the spirit of wholeness of being, humble-mindedness, patience and love. (Prostration)

O Lord and King, grant me the grace to be aware of my sins and not to judge my neighbour, for You are blessed, now and for ever and ever. Amen. (Prostration)

(Then the following prayer is repeated four times)

God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy of me.

I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord.

Once more the entire Prayer of St. Ephrem is recited without the usual prostrations.

One prostration is made at the conclusion.

Parish Easter Dinner

Sunday, April 16, 2023

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 March 12, 19, 26; April 2

Cut-off date for ticket purchase: April 13, 2023

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

No walk-ins at the door

Prayer for Ukraine

O Lord Jesus Christ, grant peace and protection to the people of Ukraine. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right, and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual.

Soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that your beloved children of Ukraine may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom. Lord, hear us, and have mercy.

Camp St. Volodymyr

Sunday, August 20 - Saturday, August 26, 2023

We invite you to save the date and join us this August to celebrate our 40th anniversary of Camp St. Volodymyr! The camp is for children in our Eparchy aged 7 to 15 as of December 2023. Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build self-confidence and self-esteem, and develop outdoor skills. While reconnecting with nature, the children will grow spiritually and build life-long friendships. Registration will open in mid-spring, so start planning your summer holidays now!

The camp is run on a volunteer basis. If you are interested in volunteering as a counselor, chef, nurse/doctor, or lifeguard please forward your name.

Camp St. Volodymyr is also seeking input to design our 40th anniversary T-shirt. Please share your logo and design ideas! The chosen design will receive a complimentary t-shirt.

For more information: Jennifer Caldwell at jennsawka@hotmail.com or 604.220.0584

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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CALLED TO LIFE - CALLED TO LOVE

Henri J. M. Nouwen

“So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first to be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.” (Mt 5:23-24)

How can we forgive those who do not want to be forgiven? Our deepest desire is that the forgiveness we offer will be received. This mutuality between giving and receiving is what creates peace and harmony. But, if our condition for giving forgiveness is that it will be received, we seldom will forgive! Forgiving the other is first and foremost an inner movement. It is an act that removes anger, bitterness, and the desire for revenge from our hearts and helps us to reclaim our human dignity. We cannot force those we want to forgive into accepting our forgiveness. They might not be able or willing to do so. They may not even know or feel that they have wounded us.

The only people we can really change is ourselves. Forgiving others is first and foremost healing our own hearts.

What forgiving have you delayed? Can you do it now?