



**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)

7:00 am in Chapel

Сповідь/Confessions

Before both Sunday Divine Liturgies

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

Fr. Josafat Oliinyk, OSBM - Assistant

23-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа



23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesians 2:4-10

Luke 8:26-39

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

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

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 238: Увійди, єрею; Uviydy, yereyu

Communion: page 258: Тіло Христове; Tilo Khrystove

Closing: page 270: Наче повний голос дзвону; Nache povnyi holos dzvonu

Sunday, November 12: 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.

Funeral Services for the late Father Volodymyr Dmyterko, former pastor of Holy Eucharist Cathedral in New Westminster.

Priestly Parastas: Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 pm: Holy Eucharist Cathedral, with reception to follow

Funeral Divine Liturgy: Friday, November 17 at 10:00 am: Holy Eucharist Cathedral

Sincerest condolences to the Family of the late Joe Nadelko (our former parishioner) who passed away on October 18, 2023 at the age of 93. Funeral Mass will be celebrated on November 14 at 11:00 am at Good Shepherd Church, 2250 - 150 Street, Surrey.

Reports for Parish AGM

Our Parish Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 3, 2023 in the parish auditorium. Committee Chairpersons, please submit your report for the Parish Annual General Meeting to the parish office by Friday, November 17.

Ukrainian Embroidery Club

A Ukrainian Embroidery Club will meet on Monday evenings at St. Mary's. Classes are 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.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November 2023

For the Pope. We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Bake Sale Corner at the Christmas Fair

Dear Parishioners, it is "baking" time in all your kitchens! All types of home baked goods are needed for the Christmas Fair on December 2. Items may include: breads, pies, loaves, cookies, squares, shortbread, buns, tarts or "surprise creations". Please let me know what your intended items are to donate to this "Baking Corner". All items need to be brought to the hall on December 1st, all nicely packaged. Your baking items will be priced by us. Any questions, please contact Theresa McNicholl.

St. Mary's Christmas Fair - Update

St. Mary's Ukrainian Christmas Fair will be held on **Saturday, December 2, 2023** from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. We will be having crafts, baked goods, preserves, frozen perogies, take-out food, and a concession. There will be **"NO RUMMAGE SALES"**.

If you made extra preserves to donate to the Christmas Fair, we ask that these preserves be delivered to the Hall on **Friday, December, 01** so that they will be ready when the Fair begins.

We will be asking for donated Baked Goods to be delivered to the Hall on **Friday, December 01**, so that the baked goods will be available when the Fair begins. Our coordinator, Theresa McNicholl will be accepting these items for the Sale.

Also, if there are any crafters in our parish that would like to display their crafts, tables are available - \$30 for one table - \$50 for two tables. Contact Marlayne - 604-274-3164 for more information.

We will be asking for your help on the day of the event. If you have a couple of hours that you can help at the Fair, please contact any of the committee members and let them know so that we have enough scheduled volunteers to make the Fair fun and successful.

Thank you

Fair Committee:	Michael Myckatyn 604-341-7598	Pat Sorochuk 604-433-0661	Marlayne Andrijaszyn 604-274-3164
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Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Enthronement (Installation) of Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski

Saturday, November 18, 2023, 10:00 AM

followed by a celebratory banquet

Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
560 West 14th Avenue, Vancouver, BC

Banquet tickets available through the Pastoral Centre (Chancery) in New Westminster
and Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Vancouver

Price \$75.00 (cut-off date for tickets: November 15, 2023)

Tickets may be purchased through

Fr. Yuriy Sakvuk, 778-789-9639 sakvuk@gmail.com

St. Mary's Parish, 604-879-5830 office@stmarysbc.com

Payment by e-transfer: nwe.chancery@gmail.com

Cheques payable to: Eparchy of New Westminster

**Welcome of Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski and
First Solemn Hierarchical Divine Liturgy**

Sunday, November 19, 2023, 10:00 AM

followed by a reception (no reception tickets required)

Holy Eucharist Cathedral, 501 Fourth Avenue, New Westminster, BC



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 works of mercy for them.