

# 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

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

Неділя Мироносиць



**Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women** 

Acts 6:1-7 Mark 15:43 - 16:8 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.

Our Parish Easter Dinner will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2024. Tickets for the Easter Dinner will be available today after both Divine Liturgies.

Today: Graveside Services at Forest Lawn Cemetery beginning at 2:00 pm.

#### **Thank You**

I wish to express my deepest gratitude to all who have prayed for my health and recovery, who sent get well cards, and for all who have offered Divine Liturgies for my intention. Please know that you are also in my prayers. My recovery will be slow, but I will be back in church before you know it. Deacon Howard

#### Hymns at the 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: pg. 192: Христос воскрес, велично дзвін; Khrystos voskres, velychno dzvin Communion: pg. 196: Христос воскрес! Ликуйте нині; Khrystos voskres! Lykuite nyni Closing: pg. 184: Сей день; Sei den'

Saturday, April 20: 12:00 noon: Cemetery Services at Gardens of Gethsemane. The cemetery services will be done by appointment. Please phone the parish office for an appointed time beginning at 12:00 noon.

#### **Holy Father's Intention for April 2024**

**For the Role of Women:** That the dignity and richness of women be recognized in all cultures, and for an end to the discrimination they suffer in various parts of the world.

## **Ukrainian Embroidery Club**

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

## **Frozen Pyrohy (Perogies)**

Frozen pyrohy (perogies) will be available for purchase after both Sunday Divine Liturgies in the Fellowship Room kitchen. \$10/dozen.

## Hail Holy Queen (Salve Regina)

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope.

To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.



Brother Nicholas Eugene Koziak, OSBM died peacefully in hospital in Lamont, Alberta on March 30, 2024 at the age of 83. Brother Nicholas was stationed at St. Mary's Parish in Vancouver, BC, from 1973-1974.

The Funeral Divine Liturgy was celebrated on Thursday, April 4, 2024 at Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Mundare, Alberta with interment in the parish cemetery. May God grant Brother Nicholas eternal rest where all the saints repose! Христос Воскрес!

# Parish Easter Dinner & First Holy Communion Sunday, April 28, 2024

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

12:00 Noon: Parish Dinner in the Auditorium

Catered Dinner - 125 person limit

**Tickets: Advance purchase only** 

Weekday - Parish Office: 604.879.5830

Sunday - following the Divine Liturgies on April 14, 21

Cut-off date for ticket purchase: April 25, 2024

Adults: \$20 / Seniors (60+): \$15

Youth 12-18: \$15 / Children 6-11: \$10

Children 5 & under: no charge

No walk-ins at the door

#### **CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR 2024**

Dates: Sunday, August 18 - Friday, August 23, 2024

Where: Camp Tulahead in Princeton, BC

Ages: 7-15 as of December 2024

We are excited to announce that we are planning for an alternative location to host this year's Eparchial Camp as *Camp OAC* rebuilds.

We are gathering numbers to see the interest in this year's summer camp. Please let your parish priest know by April 15 if you are interested, so we can plan accordingly.

If you are interested in volunteering as a counsellor please email: csv.nweparchy@gmail.com for an application.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Caldwell at <a href="mailto:csv.nweparchy@gmail.com">csv.nweparchy@gmail.com</a> or phone 604.220.0584.

#### Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

The second Sunday after Easter commemorates a number of people connected with the final events of Jesus' life who were important witnesses to His death and resurrection. These are the myrrh-bearing women who came to anoint the body of Jesus, Joseph of Arimathea who buried Jesus, and Nicodemus who helped him. We gratefully remember them for their faith, courage, and devotion to the Lord.

On this day we remember the women who, even during our Lord's crucifixion and entombment; and afterwards, neither losing faith in, nor fearing the wrath of the Jewish rulers, they came to the tomb, bearing the myrrh-oils they had prepared to anoint His body. We know the names of only seven of these women: Mary Magdalene; Mary the mother of James and Jose; Joanna the wife of Chuza; Salome the mother of the sons of Zebedee; Susanna; and Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus.

Together with them we celebrate also the secret disciples of Jesus, Joseph and Nicodemus. Joseph of Arimathea was a rich and noble man, and a member of the Privy Council of Jerusalem. He dared to ask Pilate for the undefiled body of our Saviour, which he took and buried in his own tomb. Accompanying Joseph to the sepulcher was Nicodemus, who was one of the leaders of the Pharisees. He had believed in Christ when, at the beginning of His preaching of salvation, he came to Him by night. Nicodemus brought 100 pounds of myrrh and aloes to scent and embalm the body of Christ out of reverence and love. (John 19:39)

Jesus proclaimed joy to the world through the cross. He raised to great prominence these humble women who would otherwise be unknown to the world. He gave them an integral role in proclaiming and witnessing His resurrection to the world. As long as the Gospel is proclaimed, we will celebrate the memory of the myrrh-bearing women and rejoice with them.

## **Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women Reflections from Saturday evening Vespers**

Early at dawn, the myrrh-bearing women arose and, carrying spices, they came to the tomb of the Lord; and not finding what they expected, the pious women pondered the removal of the stone. They spoke to one another, saying: Where are the seals of the grave? Where is the guard which Pilate sent with great care? And behold, a radiant angel appeared and proclaimed to them: Why do you tearfully seek the living One Who gives life to all mortal flesh? Christ our God has risen from the dead. He is the almighty One Who grants to all enlightenment, eternal life, and great mercy.

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Жінки мироносиці рано-вранці, взявши пахощів, дійшли до Господнього гробу і знайшли те, чого не сподівалися. Побожно замислившись над відваленим каменим, одна до одної говорили: Де гробні печаті? Де Пилатова сторожа й дбайливе забезпечення? А здивованим жінкам звістив осяйний ангел, кажучи: Чому ж це з плачем шукаєте Живого, що дає життя людському родові? Встав Христос, Бог наш, із мертвих, як всемогутний, даючи всім нам нетлінність і життя, просвічення й велику милість.