



**Українська Католицька Парафія
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**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 Самарянки

Перше Святе Причастя



Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

First Holy Communion

Acts 11:19-26, 29-30
John 4:5-42

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

Today: Our Parish is celebrating **First Holy Communion** at the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy. We offer congratulations and prayers to **Brooke Richards** as she receives her First Holy Communion. We pray for Brooke and her family, that Our Lord bless them on this most special and holy occasion. A special Thank you to Susan Lazaruk for the First Communion preparations and lessons.

The Parish Easter Dinner will be held in our auditorium following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy for those who purchased their tickets ahead of time. No walk-ins at the door.

Hymns at the 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: pg. 198: Христос воскрес! Під небозвід; Khrystos voskres! Pid nebozvid

Communion: pg. 188: Согласно заспіваймо; Sohlasno zaspivaimo

Closing: pg. 200: Христос Воскрес! Радість з неба; Khrystos voskres! Radist' z neba

Thursday, May 2: 7:00 pm - Moleben to the Mother of God in chapel.

Sunday, May 5: 10:00 am - Moleben to the Mother of God in church.

Tuesday, May 7: 7:00 pm - Moleben to the Mother of God in chapel.

Wednesday, May 8: 10:00 am - Parish Council meeting in the Fellowship Room.

UCWLC Meeting - change in time

Saturday May 4: 9:30 am: Moleben to the Blessed Mother; **10:00 am:** Meeting in the Fellowship Room. Ladies, this will be our last meeting before we break for the summer. Please try to attend.

Marlayne Andrijaszyn, President

Moleben to the Blessed Mother

Moleben to the Blessed Mother will be celebrated during the month of May. We will celebrate Moleben on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm in the residence chapel, and at 10:00 am in church on Sundays.

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.

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.

Most Holy Eucharist

Catholic Daily Reflections

So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." John 6:34-35

They were hungry, and they wanted Jesus to perform a miracle like He had recently done. They wanted Him to multiply loaves and fishes for the crowds. Perhaps they were curious or perhaps they were hungry. But Jesus directs them to so much more.

This passage begins Jesus' discourse on the Bread of Life. We see in this discourse Jesus giving His followers so much more than mere bread and fish. We listen to Him speak of Himself as the true Bread from Heaven. Sadly, many reject this precious teaching and gift and go their own way.

But what about you? How often have you truly pondered these words of Jesus? *"I am the Bread of Life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst!"* Do you believe this?

Deep within every human heart is a hunger and thirst that longs to be satisfied. We all have this longing and desire. We try to fill it with so many things, but in the end only one thing satisfies. Jesus alone can satiate the deepest longings of our souls.

Again, do you believe this? And if you do believe it in your head, do you believe it with your actions? Do you turn to Him as the source of your daily fulfillment and satisfaction? When you go to Mass, do you long to receive Him and love Him and enter into Communion with Him? Perhaps, but perhaps not. Most likely we all need to redirect our desires toward our glorious Saviour, especially as He comes to us in the Most Holy Eucharist.

Reflect, today, upon how deeply you believe in these words of Jesus. Do you regularly meet Him in the Eucharist? Do you allow His presence to consume you as you consume Him? If you cannot say "Yes" to this in a complete and definitive way, resolve today to renew your love for our Lord in this glorious Sacrament.

Lord, I do love You, and I desire You to come and consume me as I consume You in the Most Holy Eucharist. Help me to believe in You and Your presence in this Most Holy Sacrament. May Your divine presence meet my deepest need and fulfill my deepest longings in life. Jesus, I trust in You.



Reflections - Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Meeting a woman in a village of Samaria, O almighty Saviour, You asked her for water to drink, even though in ancient times if the desert You brought forth from the most hard rock the stream from which Israel drank in abundance. O Giver of life, You awakened faith in the heart of the Samaritan woman, and she now tastes both joy and living water in heaven forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; now, and for ever and ever. Amen.

When You appeared in the flesh, O Christ God, to accomplish Your plan of salvation, the Samaritan woman heard the word of God's love for us. She left the well and ran to the town and said: Come and see the One Who knows the secrets of our hearts; can this be the Christ, the Messiah Whom we await, the One Who bestows great mercy?

До Самарії прийшов ти, всесильний Спасе мій, та й стрінув жінку і просив у неї напитися води ти, що виточив євреям воду з нетесаного каменю. Ти розбудив у неї віру, і нині вона втішається на небі життям вічне.

Слава Отцю, і Суну, і Святому Духові, і нині і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Коли ти, Христе Боже, задля нескazanного провидіння тілесно появився на землі, самарянка, почувши твоє слово, Чоловіколюбче, лишила черпаки при криниці, побігла й сказала городянам: Ходіть і побачите Серцевідця! Чи, бува, не він - очікуваний Христос, що має велику милість?

Yes, Even These

Matthew was a tax collector, a hated man among the Jews for helping Rome tighten its occupation. Even so, Jesus loved Matthew, and eventually chose him as one of His disciples.

Peter had a quick temper, his emotions easily triggered by circumstances. During the most crucial hours of Jesus' life on earth, he three times denied knowing Jesus. Even so, Jesus loved Peter and empowered him to lead the early church.

Saul (Paul) wreaked havoc on the church in Jerusalem, leading raids on the homes of Christians and imprisoning the devout. He consented to the death of Stephen, and was one of the official witnesses of his execution. He even requested letters of authority to extend the persecution of the church to other cities, including Damascus. Even so, Jesus loved Saul, appeared to him in a light from heaven, and called him to repentance.

No matter what a person may have done - no matter what their character flaws - Jesus loved them. He loved them to the point of dying on their behalf on the Cross. He died for your enemy, the friend or family member who has disappointed or frustrated you. And He died for you.

Jesus is a friend who knows all of your faults and still loves you anyway.