



**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 8 months before the marriage

Funerals - by arrangement

Basilian Fathers serving the Parish

Fr. Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM - Administrator

Fr. Dionysiy Zavedyuk, OSBM - Assistant

9-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа



9th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Corinthians 3:9-17

Matthew 14:22-34

Welcome! The Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish welcomes everyone to our Sunday Divine Liturgy. Your presence is a blessing to us.

Sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Pope Leo XIV has chosen "*I will never forget you*" (Is 49:15) as the theme for this year's World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Today the Catholic Church celebrates the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, established by Pope Francis in 2021. It is celebrated as close as possible to the Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anna, the grandparents of Jesus. (July 25 in the Byzantine Rite)

The World Day is presented as an opportunity to bring the closeness of the Church to the elderly and to enhance their contribution within families and communities.

Taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, the chosen verse is meant to be a message of consolation and hope for all grandparents and elderly people, especially those who live in loneliness or feel forgotten. At the same time, it is a reminder to families and ecclesial communities not to forget them, recognizing in them a precious presence and a blessing.

The Pope's choice highlights how God's love for every person never fails, not even in the fragility of old age.

Today we pray for all the grandparents and elderly in our parish, and we give thanks to God for their faith, love, and steadfast Christian witness. We honour you with grateful hearts.

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

Hymns at the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy

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

Communion: page 244: Витай між нами; Vytai mizh namy

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

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Most Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski (Metropolitan-Elect) on the occasion of his 40th Anniversary of Priesthood. Bishop Michael was ordained on July 28, 1986 by Metropolitan Maxim Hermaniuk, C.Ss.R. at the Nativity of BVM Parish in Brandon, MB. Многая Літа!

Wednesday, August 5: 10:00 am: Parish Council meeting in the Fellowship Room.

Thursday, August 6: Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord.

Holy Day of Obligation. 10:00 am: Divine Liturgy in church. Fruit will be blessed at this Divine Liturgy.

Saturday, August 15: Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God.

Holy Day of Obligation. 10:00 am: Divine Liturgy will be celebrated in church. Flowers will be blessed at this Divine Liturgy.

The Holy Father's Intention for July 2026

For respect for human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Note: The next bulletin will be Sunday, August 30, 2026

The Holy Father's Intention for August 2026

For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Preparing for the Christmas Fair

In preparation for the upcoming Christmas Fair on November 28, we will be organizing a few pyrohy (perogy) making sessions, beginning in early September. Please keep this in mind, as we would really appreciate your help. Specific dates will be given later in the summer. If you have any questions please contact the parish office, email: office@stmarysbc.com or phone: 604.879.5830.

St. Mary's Christmas Fair 2026

This year our Parish Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday, November 28, 2026, from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. We will be having crafts, gift baskets, baked goods, preserves, frozen perogies, sit down lunch/take-out food, concession. There will be "NO RUMMAGE SALES".

At this time of year, many of you may be making your jams/jellies and later in the summer pickles, etc. If so, we are asking you to make a few more jars of jam and pickles for our sales. Any kind of fruit jam/jellies, and any kind of pickles, beets (pickled) are accepted. **(There is a request for quart jars. If you have any quart jars to spare then please bring jars to the parish office).** Sauces/antipastos cannot be accepted.

Also, if there are any crafters in our parish that would like to display their crafts, tables are available: \$40 for one table; \$60 for two tables. Please contact Marlayne, 604.274.3164 for more information. There will be updated information in the Fall.

Fair Committee: Michael Myckatyn, Marlayne Andrijaszyn

Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord - August 6

The Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ celebrates the revelation of Christ's divine glory on Mount Tabor. There Jesus was transfigured before the apostles Peter, James and John. Also present were the prophets Elijah and Moses. Jesus' face shone as the sun: and his garments became white as snow. He is called "Son" by a voice in the sky, understood to be God the Father.

On the Feast of the Transfiguration, the Church blesses the first-fruits of the harvest both as a giving back to the Lord what is His and has come from Him (1 Chronicles 29:14) and as a celebration of the promise of the final transfiguration of all things in Christ. The Divine Light glimpsed by the Apostles on Mount Tabor will transform all creation to its most perfect flowering and fruitfulness.

Grapes are blessed because they are directly related to the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. The blessing of grapes, as well as other fruits on this day is the most beautiful sign of the final transfiguration of all things in Christ. It signifies the ultimate flowering and fruitfulness of all creation in the paradise of God's unending Kingdom of Life where all will be transformed by the glory of the Lord.



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA
Eparchy of New Westminster

22nd Eparchial Convention

"Restore All Things in Christ"

«Відновити все у Христі»



Holy Eucharist Cathedral - New Westminster



Saturday, October 17, 2026

All parish ladies are warmly invited to attend.

Щиро запрошуємо всіх жінок парафії.



Further details to follow:

Registration • Schedule • Speakers • Agenda

Деталі щодо реєстрації, програми,
доповідачів та порядку денного будуть подані згодом