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Palm Sunday

April 10, 2022

Квітня Неділя

Welcome to our Parish! Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії



Dear Parishioners Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!



Today we experience the second peak of the spiritual ROLLER COASTER that is the week leading up to the “Feast of Feasts” that we will celebrate next Sunday. The first drop and peak in the roller coaster ride was yesterday when Jesus is told about the death of his friend Lazarus. Jesus actually weeps. But then He comes to the tomb and He does something that amazes everyone and is really a lesson about what God wants to do with each of us. He raises Lazarus to life! So there was great rejoicing on the part of Lazarus’ family and those who originally came to spend time in mourning. Well, then

Jesus continues His journey to Jerusalem where, as he has explained quite clearly to His Apostles that “the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and **crucified**” (Mt 20:18-19). Needless to say, the Apostles were on their guard, wondering when and how will all this go down.

Well, probably to their great surprise and relief, it didn’t seem that anyone wanted to or even could arrest Jesus and do all those terrible things. No. Everyone. The whole city was celebrating Jesus’ arrival and shouting joyfully and singing. This was glorious! Jesus and all His closer followers were on top of the world! Well,... amidst all the revelry, there are already some ominous notes that we hear in today’s Gospel reading. A woman anoints Jesus already for His burial?! Judas shows his contempt for Jesus and His teaching. The chief priests wanted to have Lazarus killed in an attempt to erase this amazing miracle and “cancel” Jesus’ message and influence. The Pharisees show their jealousy and rather than joining the exultant crowds, they ask Jesus to silence them. Oh yes, we are heading for another drop in the “ride”. Attend the services and vigils this week and meditate on the Salvation that Jesus brings to you. Another “high point” and then drop will occur on Holy Thursday. We will join our *Apostle* Metropolitan Lawrence at St. Joseph church to commemorate and EXPERIENCE the gifts of the **Priesthood** and the **Eucharist** that were instituted by Jesus at the Last Supper and then in the evening, back at our won church, we will meditate on the full **Passion of the Christ** at the “12 Gospel Readings”. Don’t miss a minute of this spiritual ride!

Не я б’ю – верба б’є, за тиждень – Великдень!

I do not strike you, the branch strikes you; in a week it’s... Easter!

We enjoy our cheerful religious customs, but we also take to heart the sacredness of the tradition. The willows we receive today are traditionally place at icons in our home, over the entrance way, or even planted in our yards...

Fr. Michael



1. TODAY: **PASKY for sale!** Our ladies are not making pasky this year, so pick yours up TODAY at our neighbors', St. Nicholas church, right after you leave our church today.... AND/OR at St. V. & O. Cathedral or St. Basil Parish which are hosting Easter Markets today.
2. The **Parish Council** will hold its **monthly meeting TOMORROW April 11** at 5:30 PM.
3. **Catechism happenings:** Solemn Holy Communion will occur this year on June 5 (confessions prior, on June 4). There will be four children receiving Our Lord after much preparation, with great joy! Also, the Solemn Holy Communion children will start meeting at church from 9- 10 AM. for all of May. Please pray (a decade a day?) for all of our catechism children!
4. **Eucharistic Adoration — MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS from 2:00 to 3:00 PM.** If you happen to be "just driving by" along Mountain Ave. around that time, please drop in for at least a few minutes to say "hello" to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. This year of all years — Ukraine war... our 100th anniversary... dwindling vocations...hefty utility bills to pay, etc. etc. — we need to pray more. MUCH more. Good materials at back! for **silent** prayer. Also, if you happen to be driving along Jefferson/Main on **Wednesdays**, the Velychkovsky Shrine has a Rosary for Peace in Ukraine at **1:30 PM**
5. **Offeriing a Ride to those in need** — Volunteer drivers needed. Your passengers will be grateful
6. **Boys and girls:** especially current and would-be Altar Boys and Girls of Mary — Please ask your parents to bring you throughout this HOLY WEEK. There are a lot of services and vigil moments at the Tomb and food blessing, etc. It would not only be "nice" to have you there, you will be given tasks and you will be a real help. So, if we don't get a chance to chat after Divine Liturgy today (Sunday) then just come about 20 mins. before any service and see Father Michael. He will let you know what needs to be done. (and **thank you** already!)
7. **Ushers** — Please note that starting today, we will resume the practice of passing the **collection basket**. The same person who carries it, will be the usher as well. In our parish, usher means: welcoming incomers with a smile, making sure they pick up a bulletin and then suggesting an area in which to be seated if they seem uncertain. ALSO, you are asked to keep an eye on the main doors and assess whether those coming in are indeed here for the service. When you have taken the collection, please leave it in the (altar boys') sacristy, then go back to the rear of the church to continue to watch the doors. **Parishioners: it may be good practice to take along your purses/bags** when you come up to receive Holy Communion or go to light candles.
8. An ecumenical prayer appeal for Peace in Ukraine is being planned by the **Canadian Council of Churches** (CCC) and the **Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops** (CCCB) for **Sunday, April 24**. The event will involve an invitation to all parishes and faith communities to engage in prayer and to ring out the bells of their churches and places of worship. More information later.
9. Save the date: Fr. Filipow Council KofC (St. Nicholas Parish) will be hosting a **Garage Sale** on Friday and Saturday June 3 and 4 for Ukraine. If you have donations, call Peter Muzyka at (204) 791-2276. Items can be dropped off at the Hall on Saturday May 14, 21, 28 from 11am-2pm and Thursday June 2 from 11am-7pm.
10. **BUT... having said that...**our ladies here at **Blessed Virgin Mary** have a special message for you: don't give it away yet, but... **Spring Clean for Ukraine!** When doing your decluttering this spring, instead of donating your new and never used or gently used items that you no longer need, please consider putting those items aside. The UCWLC will be collecting household and hygiene items later this spring for the Ukrainian refugees who will be coming to Winnipeg. They will need everything from blankets to towels, cutlery to plates, paper towels to toilet paper. This effort will be similar to the Move -Out-Kits that we did for Siloam Mission a few years ago. Thank you and Happy Decluttering!
Blessed Virgin Mary UCWLC
11. Did you know there is something called a **Sara Riel's Warm Line?** If you are experiencing anxiety or fear, loneliness or isolation, family or relationship stress, anger or frustration, medical or health concerns — esp. substance use or addiction challenges — call them at 204-942-9276
12. A family member or a friend hasn't been at church for awhile? Maybe consider arranging to get them here this Holy Week

	Stewards TODAY		Stewards for NEXT SUNDAY	
	8 AM	10 AM	8 AM	10 AM
Usher/ Collection Basket	needed	Myron Fedoruk, Gerald Stolar	needed	Myron Fedoruk, Gerald Stolar
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	N/A	John Natyna	N/A	John Natyna
Epistle Reader	TBD	Sharon Johnson	TBD	Teresa Hryndzio

HIRE , SWAP, BARTER, and BUY CORNER

1. St. Nicholas Church has **perogies** for sale at \$6 per dozen. Pick-ups are on Wednesdays. To order please phone Sophie at 204-633-8783.
2. **UKRAINAIN/ENGLISH INTERPRETERS NEEDED!** Send resume to recruiting@cantalk.com. More info at www.cantalk.com.
3. **Season passes for Ukrainian Park** are \$20 this year; 48hr notice needed. Pay via e-transfer at parkdirect@archeparchy.ca

DONATIONS & Other Income:

Week of Sunday April 3: **\$970** (Sunday offerings)
(Envelopes 39) Candles: **\$70.50** Mission: **\$640**

Expenses: \$ 3,895.33 (salaries, income tax prep,
Canad Inns deposit for 100th Ann.

Our Parish is grateful for all donations – be they regular Sunday donations, in memoriam donations or special donations of any kind. This is what keeps our parish going and even able to plan for the future. God bless you for your generosity!

THIS WEEK is HOLY WEEK ...Set aside as much time as you can (probably a lot more than you think) to spend time in Church and even do things like the Good Friday pilgrimage to visit the inspiring tombs at other churches. Make it a truly Holy Week - for your family or just yourself. You really won't regret it...

CENTENARY UPDATE CORNER:

Here's what we know so far:

1. **Doors Open 2022 (May 28)**
2. **Homecoming Weekend (June 11 & 12)**
3. **Centenary Banquet Oct. 16 at Canad Inns McPhillips** — next meeting Apr. 13
4. **100th Anniversary Pictorial Directory**— The company is ready to take our individual photos in May. Some other parishes have done this recently and it isn't that complicated—and it would be a great centenary souvenir!

The thing is that there is a need for a whole lot more **VOLUNTEERS**. Ask! If everyone does just what they feel comfortable with - everything will be covered without stress and a great time WILL be had by all!

SPECIAL ENVELOPES AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH - HELP FOR UKRAINE BY DIRECT HUMANITARIAN AID and/or HELP FOR REFUGEES IN EUROPE AND HERE IN WINNIPEG!

<https://forms.gle/RE7T2fiJ2q5Gyu2j7>

Our parish's donations to date for Ukraine:

cash/cheques via our parish: **\$7,150**

cheques to Archeparchy: **\$1,100**

Total: **\$8,250**

ЧУДОВО! God bless you for your Generosity!

Annual MAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Our Centenary celebrations include our annual Memorial Service on



Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10

AM. You and your family are invited for the Divine Liturgy and Panakhyda prayer service, where we will pray for our late clergy and parishioners of our parish. Please let us know how many of your family members will be attending by phoning 204-582-7535 or emailing the parish. Refreshments will be served. following the service.

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PRO-LIFE tip: What is the best way to change people's hearts in the fight for life? Answer: Show the humanity! **Prudence Robertson:** "You show a mother a sonogram of her unborn baby in her womb; you give her a chance to hear the baby's heartbeat, sometimes as early as three weeks in pregnancy. In addition, we are one of only seven countries that allow for abortion on demand. Our laws are undemocratic and were decided by unelected men on the Supreme Court. Explaining the history of abortion opens people's eyes to recognize that this is the greatest human rights abuse of our day. The final thing is emphasizing the readiness of the pro-life movement to embrace all of the new children with not just pregnancy resource centers for women but also with resources for after the child is born to help with child-care, legal services etc."

Schedule of Services April 10 to 17, 2022

Come! or at least join us online: [Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church - YouTube](#)

Sun., April 10 **PALM SUNDAY — Квітна Неділя** — Blessing & distribution of Pussy Willows after each DL

8:00 am - Служба Божа - for all couples ever married in our parish
 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary
 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all parishioners / в намірені всіх парафіян
 7:00 PM — Catechism online

Mon., April 11 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Priest Martyr Antipas 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **+Andrij Witrowych**
 Acts 10:34-43Matthew 24:3-35 *by wife Antonia, daughter Elena*

See special insert for **Passion Week** and **Easter Service Schedule!**
 Дивіться спеціальну листівку для розкладу на **Страсний тиждень і Великдень!**

Tues., April 12 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Venerable Basil 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **+William Tomchuk,**
 Ephesians 1:1-9 **+Eugene Kruk, +Steve Sherman, by SSJs**
 Matthew 24:36-26:2

Wed., April 13 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Priest Martyr Artemon 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **+Fr. Edward Kwiatkowski** by Deacon S. Tyrawski
 1 Corinthians 2:6-9 **5:30 pm — Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**
 Matthew 26:6-16

Thurs., April 14 **NO Divine Liturgy** in our parish today! Our Metropolitan invites us ALL to join him and all priests of our Archeparchy in celebrating the Chrism Divine Liturgy at 10 AM today at St. Joseph's Church, 250 Jefferson Ave. **Let us all meet there!**
HOLY THURSDAY
 1 Corinthians 11:23-32
 Matthew 26:2-20; John 13:3-17;
 Matthew 26:21-39; Luke 22:43-44; Matthew 26:40-27:2 **7:00 p.m. here at BVM: 12 Gospels Service**

Fri., April 15 10:00 a.m. – Plaschchanytsia Shroud service, then silent Adoration by the tomb all day.
GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 p.m. – **Jerusalem Matins**

Sat., April 16 8:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
HOLY SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy (Liturgy of St. Basil the Great) **+Philip Slupski** (59-yr.)
 Romans 6:3-11 **Blessing of Food: 2, 3, 4 PM** *by grandson Myron Fedoruk*
 Matthew 28: 1 - 20

Sun., April 17 **EASTER SUNDAY — ВЕЛИКДЕНЬ! — and Blessing of Artos**
 6:30 am - Nadhrobne, then **Resurrectional Служба Божа** – For all parishioners / в намірені всіх парафіян
 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary
 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all our Parishioners over the past 100 Years

SOME HELPFUL PARISH CONTACTS...
Pastor, Parish Priest: Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski, JCOD 204-582-7535
Parish Council Chair - Glen Henkewich 204-633-1502
UCWLC President - Janet Kuchma 204-582-5932
Men's Club President - John Natyna 204-339-9366
Perogy Committee President - Myron Fedoruk 204-338-7243
Catechism Coordinator - Teresa Hryndzio 204-334-4298
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Please pray for the sick and shut-in members of our Blessed Virgin Mary parish family, and be in touch with them when you can.
"O God Our Father, We ask You to restore to physical health those of our parishioners who are weakened with illness, give peace of mind to those troubled with worry and comfort to those discouraged with problems. Help them find in them the days of their strength, a faith and trust in You and a love for one another to guide them through any health challenges or troubles they may face. Amen."
Heritage Home: Edward Holowich
Holy Family Home: Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk
Maples Care Home: Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik

VIGIL LAMPS



Sanctuary Lamp - In loving memory of **+Andrij Witrowych** (by wife Antonina and daughter Elena Witrowych)
Christ Icon – У люблячій пам'яті **+Андрія Вітровича** (від дружини Антоніни та дочки Олени Вітрович)
Mother of God Icon – In loving memory of **+Andrij Witrowych** (by his Family)

Please let us know your Vigil Lamp intention at least a week ahead of time. What a beautiful way of prayer, knowing that the candle burns for a week for your intention.