Protection of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, 2022

ВЕЛИКДЕНЬ

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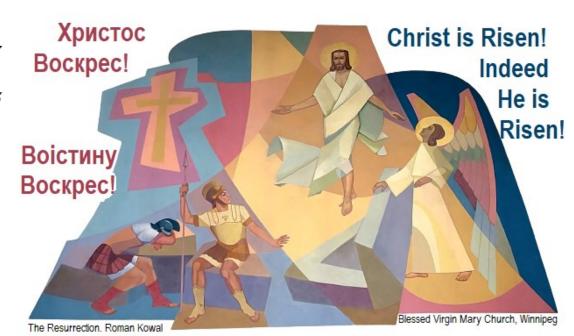
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Welcome to our Parish! Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

Dear **Parishioners**

THIS IS THE DAY WHICH THE LORD HAS MADE: LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN

IT!" (Ps 118:24) The joy of this feast can not be over-shadowed by anything. We have experienced a bizarre couple of years of covid (that still wants to



were then spun around to be horrified by the Russian invasion of Ukraine (that continues at this very moment) and there are hundreds of larger and smaller threatening movements that are occurring around the world and in our own society. We try to stay informed and we try to pull the truth out of the myriad of false information and distractions. But if we have not gotten many messages over the last several months, we certainly understand, at least, that the world needs us to wake up and respond to the world with our faith! YET... today... and for a few days this Easter Season, we can and we must place everything in the hands of our Lord and allow the message of the Resurrection of our Lord permeate us entirely! and rejoice in it! Christ our Lord God and Saviour has died for our sins, He has paid the debt and He is risen from the dead! Let us hear what the Angel said to the women at the empty tomb, "Do not be afraid!... He is not here (among the dead). He has risen!" (Mt 28:6-10). Let us renew that faith in our hearts and souls and let us turn that joy and enthusiasm and goodwill into action and activity. We've come back to church this Lenten/Easter season. Let's keep going! Talk to me, talk to fellow parishioners. It's a centenary year and we have a lot to celebrate, and we have much to do as we seek and serve the Lord Who continues - through us - to reach out to all people. "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations ... And be sure of this: I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Mt 28:19-20)

It is interesting to note that 100 years ago in 1922 when our parish was founded, Easter was very similar to this year (but a day earlier)... the "new Calendar" adherents (probably none in the Ukrainian Church in those days) celebrated Easter on April 16, while the "Old Calendar" adherents (like our parish back then) would have celebrated Easter a week later on April 23rd. This year the Easter celebrations are a week apart again. Even as we pray and hope for the days when we will all celebrate together (although not such a biggie, as long as we get the meaning and live the right spirit), this year we especially join our brothers and sisters in Ukraine that are only entering Passion Week from today. Let us celebrate the resurrection with joy, but also with a profound sense of unity with those that will not have the same opportunity that we have to still openly and freely live our faith and traditions. Happy Easter to everyone! We pray for a Happy Easter for Ukraine

- 1. Sviachene! Our Easter Dinner is next Sunday, Apr. 24th! (also happens to be Easter on the "old" calendar). Or rather, not the usual hot dinner from years past, but a special simple sampling of the blessed food. Come downstairs after each Divine Liturgy, and enjoy some blessed egg, a slice of babka, a nice piece of kovbasa... and chat with your parish brothers and sisters. Please make sure to come downstairs!
- 2. Next Sunday was also declared "Mercy Sunday" by Pope St. John Paul. It is customary to pray a novena. leading to that day. There are unparalleled graces from thanking Our Lord for His Divine Mercy that day, and praying the little Mercy chaplet (easily found online).
- 3. And next Sunday you are warmly invited to come back at 1:30 p.m. for the **Msgr. Dobriansky Dance School**'s annual concert also in our church auditorium downstairs.
- 4. Also next Sunday (йой, so much happening that day!) the ecumenical prayer appeal for Peace in Ukraine organized by the Canadian Council of Churches (CCC) and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) occurs. All parishes and faith communities are asked to pray for Ukraine together that day, and to ring out the church bells (and any other bells you have have in your home) at noon.
- 5. Christ the King Chapel at St. Paul's College is hosting a Life Culture **Adoration Night:** "It is the Lord!" on April 22, 2022. Join us at 7:00 PM to experience an evening dedicated to the cause of life. Join us for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and worship music. (but is seems that the UofM may still require proof of vaccination)
- 6. 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 for all of our catechism children.
- 7. Eucharistic Adoration MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS from 2:00 to 3:00 PM. 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
- 8. Boys and girls: especially current and would-be Altar Boys and Girls of Mary: 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!)

9. Ushers — Thank you for resuming the regular collection after homilies, plus keeping a watchful eye on our parish family as we worship, that all seem to be safe and in a good prayer location. **Readers**: Please watch the box in this bulletin for your name. If you cannot read that day, please call another parishioner. Much appreciated!

	Stewards for	TODAY	Stewards for	NEXT SUNDAY
	6:30 AM	10 AM	8 AM	10 AM
Usher/ Collection Basket	needed	Myron Fedoruk, Gerald Stolar	needed	Myron Fedoruk, Glen Henkewich
Epistle Reader	One of singers	TBD	TBD	Greg Yakimischak

- **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. **The National Week for Life and Family** runs May 8-15th. What will YOU do with your family? Here are some suggestions: 1) Help plant 100,000 pink and blue flags to commemorate the 100,000 babies lost IN CANADA ALONE to abortion. Show up at St. Boniface Cathedral grounds at 9 AM on Thursday, May 12. 2) Help take the same flags down that night, starting at 8 PM. 3) Say a short prayer with your family at a set time every day, for those eight days. 4) Plan a one-morning excursion to Steinbach on May 28 for the official Manitoba pro-life walk. Buses leave Wpg. and will bring you back for only \$10 return. Call 204-326-5433

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: **\$2940** (Sunday offerings)

(Envelopes 39) Candles: \$106.50

Expenses: \$ 4263.67 (cathedraticum, church

cleaning, utilities, church supplies)

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! We realize that there are countless organizations and causes that ask for your support – some of those causes are truly good. However, we do ask that you consider making our parish a major beneficiary of your support donation(s). This is our only source to not only survive, but especially thrive as an active parish of Christ's Church.

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

THIS WEEK is BRIGHT WEEK

One of the customs of this week is the day after Easter, known as "Поливаний Понеділок» (doused or soaked Monday). It is often young men that go around splashing (sometimes dousing) young women with water. It is believed that the waters have healing power, but also the Gospel of the day is all about St. John the Baptizer

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 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!

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.





Did you know...?

Our good parishioner,
Marion Garrity — like so
many of our proud
mothers and
grandmothers in our
parish — has a family
member much involved in
caring for the less
fortunate. Her daughter,
Judy Leiman, is one of the
key people involved with
SILOAM MISSION. She
invites us all to come to
their upcoming OPEN
HOUSE:

Saturday, May 14th, 2022 9 AM to 2 PM Siloam Mission 300 Princess Street Buhler Centre Main Entrance

Please reserve the day, and we will keep you updated.



Schedule of Services April 10 to 17, 2022

Come! or at least join us online: Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church - YouTube Sun., April 17 EASTER SUNDAY — Великдень!

> 6:30 am - Nadhrobne, then Resurrectional Служба Божа - For all parishioners / в наміренні всіх парафіян 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary

10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... Christ is Risen! Христос Воскрес!

Mon., April 18 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy...... For blessings for our family **Bright Monday** Acts 1: 12-17, 21-26 by Betty Kushnir, Nettie Rogowski, Ashley & family John 1: 18 - 28 Tues., April 19 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary **Bright Tuesday** 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy...... +Senko Bachynsky (30 years) Acts 2: 14 - 21 by son Michael and Irma Bachynsky Luke 24: 12 - 35 Wed., April 20 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy...... +Helen Blashko by cousin Phyllis Venerable Theodore Acts 2: 22 - 36; John 1: 35 - 51 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary Thurs., April 21 **Martyr Januarius** 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy...... +Fr. Edward Kwiatkowski by Denice, Karen, David, Jem and friends at Kildonan Horizons Acts 2: 38 - 43 John 3: 1 - 15 Fri., April 22 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary Venerable Theodore 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy.......+++Lubomir, Mykhaylo, Olya, Katrusia, Pavlo, Mykola, Yevhen, Ihor, Volodymyr, Ivanko, Ivanko Acts 3: 1 - 8 John 2: 12 - 22 by Jean Bulka Sat., April 23 8:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary 9:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy+Pauline Krawchuk (28 years) **Great Martyr George** by Terry Krowchuk Acts 3: 11 - 16 John 3: 22 - 33

Sun., April 24

ST. THOMAS SUNDAY (MERCY SUNDAY) — Distribution of Artos, Parish Gathering 8:00 am - Divine Liturgy... Божого благословення для України сьогодні на Великдень 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary

10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all parishioners / в наміренні всіх парафіян

SOME HELPFUL PARISH CONTACTS...

Pastor, Parish Priest: Rev. Michael

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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

Church Auditorium Rental - 204-582-7535

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 - Courage for His Beatitude Sviatoslav and all Bishops in Ukraine

Christ Icon - Blessings for Ken Bielak on the occasion of his 70th birthday (Dolores and family)

Mother of God Icon - For the countless victims of the "City of Mary" - Mariupol

