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Неділя Митаря і Фарисея

Welcome to our church! We will try to accommodate everyone, but you will have to choose which service you and your family will attend. You would be wise to register in advance by email by sending a brief note to BVMWelcome@shaw.ca as to preferred time and the number of people in your group OR by leaving a message at 204-582-4466.

Dear Parishioners

Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

Just when you are tempted to wonder “where is it all leading?” or “how many really care?”... the Lord blesses you with experiences that renew your hope and your resolve. Our week has been filled with such experiences! More parishioners seem to be making the effort to get in touch and get involved. This adds to the excitement of our upcoming Annual Parish Meeting where, we will be able to discuss not only the practical matters, but actually share **God-given** and **heartfelt** inspirations as to how our Parish will move into the 2nd century of our mission.

We had an extraordinary all-evening prayer vigil on Thursday. This harkened back to yesteryear when such vigils were frequent. The Wednesday evening 7 PM ZOOM discussion **I Believe / Вірю** not only saw an increase of participants, but the chatting was REALLY good.

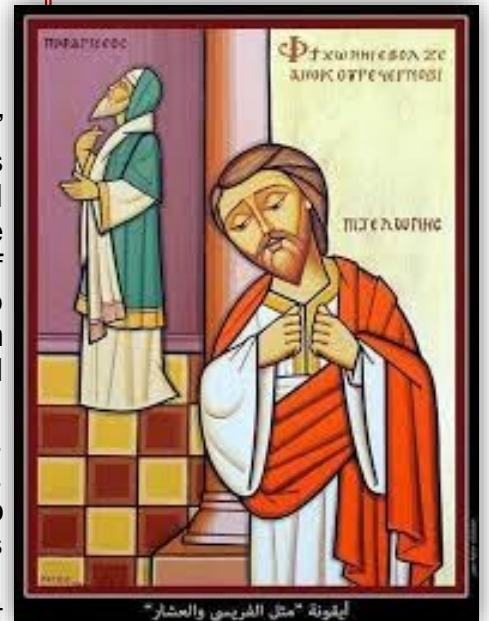
This week, we will experience a bit of the global movement that seems to be suggesting that, one way or another, we may be moving out of the pandemic. Yes, albeit with the usual safety measures in place (masks, sanitizing, distancing, contact info, etc.), starting in a couple of days our **regular** parish services (daily **prayer experiences** and **Divine Liturgy**) will be open to more people. In our parish, that means that there will be room for everyone! Please do come.

It might seem like back-tracking from the paragraph above, but as

much as we need to be encouraged to come more frequently in-person, we also want to be sure that our livestreaming is available and running well. Please, pass the word about our YouTube channel and be sure to click on “**subscribe**” and ask all your friends and relatives to do the same LIVE.BVMP.ca

Finally, just a word of encouragement to all of us. Jesus taught us that as an authentic witness to the world that we are true followers of Christ, we show a selfless love toward one another (*Jn 13:35*). Our angry and frustrated society could really use that witness right about now. Let’s make that our homework. God bless you!

Fr. Michael



New Parish App

The **Archeparchy of Winnipeg** is testing a new app that will hopefully simplify some aspects of our typical parish life. It is based on a similar app now being used by our brothers and sisters in the **Archdiocese of Winnipeg**.


If you have a smartphone (android) or an iPhone, you can download the Archdiocese’s app just to get an idea of what OUR app will have to offer.

(Archdiocese of Winnipeg App - Archdiocese of Winnipeg) It will give you parish information at your fingertips and make things like “booking” or donating, etc. more easier. (More info coming...)

PRIDE
IS CONCERNED WITH
WHO IS RIGHT

HUMILITY
IS CONCERNED WITH
WHAT IS RIGHT

1. This Friday, February 11 is the 30th "WORLD DAY OF THE SICK". We are called upon to reflect on state of health in the world and not forget those who are ill - for any period of time or chronically or terminally. This may be **physically**, **mentally** and, yes, **spiritually**. What can we do to alleviate their suffering? What can we do to better understand and cope with our own? We also want to express gratitude to **healthcare workers** that dedicate their time and their lives to caring for the sick. **This Friday at 6:45 pm - in our parish church - please join in praying a special Akafist for the ill and receive an anointing for healing.** We will be careful, of course, and we will raise our prayer for all those in need.
2. Our deepest sympathy and condolences are extended to the family and friends of **+Stella Iwanciw** who entered recently into her eternal rest. Please keep her family in your prayers. May God grant her Eternal Rest! **Вічна Пам'ять!**
3. Parish Council meeting tomorrow, Monday, February 7 @ 5:30 PM in the parish rectory.
4. **The popular Zoom discussions — "I BELIEVE! – ВІРЮЮ!" — that Fr. Michael Kwiatkowski leads every Wednesday night at 7 PM continue!** These sessions have begun as focused discussions on articles of our Creed. So yes, there will be a starting lesson, but then we discuss the theme or other topics of your interest. It is an excellent way to revisit the Faith, and to fill in the gaps we may have in our understanding of our relationship with our Lord and His Church. These are open to all parishioners and will be held via online conference-call. Send an email with the heading "**I Believe**" to bvmchurch@gmail.co and the link will be forwarded to you.
5. The **Great Fast** is fast approaching — we start fasting, and begin our Lenten devotions on the last day of February. Remember to bring your Sorokousty list (of deceased family members) up to date, to the office before Lent starts. Stay tuned for when these will be read out at special Lenten services.
6. Please continue to pray daily the prayer for Ukraine that was distributed to everyone last month.
7. Pope Francis' **Prayer Intention for February 2022 - For religious sisters and consecrated women.** We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.
8. You and your family have countless memories of parish life over the last decades. Please start jotting them down, as well as brilliant, out-of-the-box ideas you have for celebrating our Centenary. Stay tuned for upcoming regular meetings — Zoom and in person — for how to make this happen. We will begin by sending a ZOOM link to your email this week!
9. Holy Eucharist Parish **50/50 Raffle and Prize Draw.** Holy Eucharist Parish is happy to present its first 50/50 draw and raffle. There are three raffle prizes: Prize 1 - \$100 Gift Certificate to A&A Jewelers plus \$300 cash; Prize 2 - Hamilton Beach Trio Coffeemaker Bundle plus \$100 cash; Prize 3 - Children and Gardening Bundle plus \$100. **Fundingchange.ca/holy**



THIS FRIDAY...

If your favourite pizza is "**Meat Lovers**",
..... this Friday is for you!

If you're on a serious **KETO** diet,
..... this Friday is for you!

No "type 2" or coronary **issues**?, then
..... this Friday may be for you!

Friday, February 11th is a "**Zahalnytsia**"
i.e. a **fast-free** Friday. So if meat is your thing, you need not abstain this Friday!

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The Marriage Box

Every week, we will pull two new tips out of our box. (We have about 20 or so.) Try to follow each tip throughout the week and see what comes of it. If you and your spouse have any extra tips, let us know and we'll add them!

15. **Ask for the help of your archeparchy.** It takes a lot of courage to come to your priest for advice. More often than not, he has the understanding of the holy sacraments and the counselling experience that can help him to help you with a "better approach". He can also put you in touch with a psychologist or medical professional to help you in your needs. Talking with him could be a good start.
16. **Consider seeking out a good marriage enrichment program.** In Winnipeg, there is one that's just starting this coming Tuesday, and runs for about two months. It's hosted by the Archdiocese of St. Boniface, and is both online and in-person (costs \$75/couple). 204-479-6791

DONATIONS -

Week of Sunday Jan. 30: **\$2,980**
(Envelopes 35)

(Some categories:

Sunday Donation – \$1,230;

candles – \$75,

donations towards livestreaming and upcoming
100th anniversary \$550)

Expenses: **\$ 7,305**

(Manitoba Hydro alone was \$6,333 🤔)

Our Parish is always grateful for all donations – be they regular Sunday donations or 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 and thoughtfulness about the good of your parish!



Special Donations: **THANK YOU!** ЩИРА ПОДЯКА ВАМ!

Parish Centenary Celebrations: **Dr. A. Baranjouk & Family \$500**

Livestreaming expenses: **Cynthia Minsky-Vincent & Paul Vincent \$50**

Bulletin Mail-outs: **Eleane Baranyk \$250**

Joke corner — well, no... we don't want to have a regular joke corner. But we couldn't resist giving you this pun... enjoy, if you liked chemistry during your high school years!
"Hmmm.... if someone keeps saying things in a very ironic way, would you say he's a Pharisee?" (Get it? Cough... the periodic table...)

Ah, our Manitoba: bitterly cold, yet gorgeous sunshine that lifts the heart. **John Kutcher** surely communes with the Lord as he clears the snow yet again in front of our church.

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ITALIAN MOTHER

Giuseppe excitedly tells his mother he's fallen in love and that he is going to get married.

He says, "Just for fun, Mama, I'm going to bring over three women and you try and guess which one I'm going to marry." The mother agrees.

The next day, he brings three beautiful women into the house, sits them down on the couch and they chat for a while

He then says, "Okay, Mama, guess which one am I going to marry?"

Mama says immediately, "The one on the right."

"That's amazing, Mama. You're right. How did you know?"

Mama replies: "I don't like her."



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Schedule of Services Feb. 6 to Feb. 13, 2022

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

Sun., Feb. 6 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
 8:00 am - Служба Божа – в наміренні всіх парафіян / For all parishioners
 9:20 a.m. 3rd Hour & Rosary
 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy - +Steve & +Ksenia Kravetz and family; +Stephen & +Stephanie Kravetz; +Wally & +Delores Romas (by Teresa Syganiec)

Mon., Feb. 7 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary
 Venerable Partenius *Post-feast* 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy..... For **+poor souls in Purgatory**
 2 Peter 1:20-2:9 by Dmytro Sikora
 Mark 13:9-13

Tues., Feb. 8 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
 Martyr Theodore of Tyre *Post-feast* 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... For **+Fr. Edward Kwiatkowski**
 2 Peter 2:9-22 by Gail Miko
 Mark 13:14-23

Wed., Feb. 9 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
 Martyr Nicephorus *Post-feast* 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... For **+Helen Moroz**
 2 Peter 3:1-18 by Marian Garrity
 Mark 13:24-31

Thurs., Feb. 10 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
 Martyr Charalampus 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy For **+Irene Prokop**
 1 John 1:3-2:6 by William Prokop
 Mark 13:31-14:2

Fri., Feb. 11 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
 Martyr Blaise 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy For **+Mildred Kucher**, by Janice Grey & family
 1 John 2:7-17 6:45 p.m. - Akafist for Healing and Anointing
 Mark 14:3-9 **WORLD DAY OF THE SICK**

Sat., Feb. 12 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
 Venerable Meletius 8:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy For **+Srs. Simona, Cherubima & all +SSJs**
 2 Timothy 3:1-9 by Sr. Michaila, SSJ
 Luke 20:45-21:4 5:30 p.m. - Vespers

Sun., Feb. 13 Sunday of the **PRODIGAL SUN — Блудного Сина**
 8:00 am - Служба Божа - в наміренні всіх парафіян / For all parishioners
 9:20 a.m. 3rd Hour & Rosary
 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy - **+Fr. Edward Kwiatkowski (Deacon Victor Humniski)**

SOME HELPFUL PARISH CONTACTS...

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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."

Holy Family Home: Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk

Maples Care Home: Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik

VIGIL LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - Lord, show Ukraine and her enemies the way to peace

Christ Icon – For an increase of truth, civility, respect and holiness in Canada

Mother of God Icon – for courage and happiness for all religious Sisters & Nuns

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.

