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Welcome to our Parish! Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

Pentecost Sunday

June 5, 2022

Неділя П'ятдесятниці

Dear Brothers and Sisters of our 100-year Blessed Virgin Mary Parish:

Слава Ісусу Христу! Glory to Jesus Christ!



What a day is today! FIRE! WIND! ACTION! and awestruck apostles. Today is “born” our Holy Church. Today the apostles and other disciples cast off their fear of the unknown, and decide to go out and TELL THE WORLD the Good News about JESUS, Son of a God who loves us!

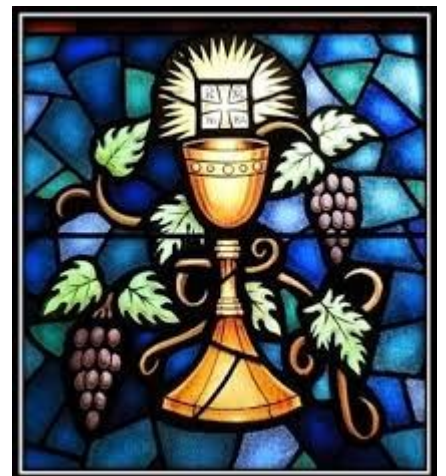
We in the Ukrainian Catholic Church call this “Green Holidays”, to signify the “greening” of the world by the Holy Spirit, and even decorate our churches with greenery, the sign of life.

And yet... look at our world today. Everyone seems too afraid to say anything anymore, because of “cancel culture”. We might lose our position.... our job... and we become even more “frozen”. Holy Spirit... come upon us as

we celebrate 100 Years as a Parish! Grant us the zeal to guarantee another 100 amazing years (at the very least!)

Last weekend was wonderful to see our parish working together at Doors Open 2022 (see pics elsewhere in this bulletin). Going further, there has been great cooperation amongst our parishioners as they plan the upcoming HOMECOMING, and the fall GALA BANQUET. May this wonderful spirit continue!

*Father Joseph Benitez says in one of his homilies for today: “[The American Archbishop whose cause for canonization is well under way] Fulton J. Sheen once said about the Church that even though we are God’s **chosen people**, we often behave more like God’s **frozen people**. God’s frozen people indeed: frozen in our prayer life, in the way we relate with one another, frozen in the way we celebrate our faith. We don’t seem to be happy to be in God’s house; we are always in a hurry to get it over and done with as soon as possible. Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of a new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God’s love.”*



May this same spirit grow as well in the hearts of our Solemn Holy Communicants -- four bright and cheerful children who receive Our Lord into their hearts and promise Him to belong to Him, to love Him forever. God bless their Parents and whole family for the support that they have given to them and will continue to give to them! May this be a new beginning of a lifelong (well.... eternal) friendship with the Lord! **“I am with you always... keep my commandments, stay in contact and we will have an amazing life together!”** (cf. Mt 28:20; Jn 14:15)

Our own parish:

- 1. Today: Solemn Holy Communion!** Jan and Julian Ciekliniski, Nicholas Skwarchuk and Emy Juskiewicz receive Our Lord in the most beautiful, solemn way, having made their First Holy Confession yesterday. Please pray for them and for all of our catechism children.
- 2. Today is Pentecost Sunday — and together with tomorrow makes up the “Green Holidays”!** We have decorated our church to signify the Holy Spirit who breathes life into everything. Thanks to those who brought us greenery!
3. Did you check your wall calendar? Yes, you can eat meat this coming Friday! :-)
4. **Parish Council meets** tomorrow -- Monday -- at 5:30 p.m. in the boardroom.
5. All ladies of our **UCWLC meet** on Tuesday after 9 AM Divine Liturgy. Please come!
6. Perogy-making this week: Starting 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday and 8 a.m. on Thursday.
7. Many thanks to those good people who donated used books as well as baking, for the little sale over the weekend during Doors Open. This Book Sale #2/Bake sale netted \$120.10 to help with Homecoming expenses, and also “lent a happy atmosphere” outside as visitors came to see our church. (Again, special thanks to those wonderful bakers of cookies and muffins: Agnes Yassenko, Adeline Natyna, Teresa Syganiec and Irene Pilipowicz!)
8. **CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY** — this week! (**June 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11th**). Please sign up now at the back of the church! Slots are first-come, first-served. Remember: only the families that come to have their photo taken will obtain a free copy of the photobook when it's done.
9. Our church has many services, and if you come early before a service, this is an opportune time to **pray and converse privately** with Our Lord. Bring Him your petitions, your worries, your hopes and desires. (Remember that the church is open for quiet meditation on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. as well.)

How do WE gaze at the tabernacle?

Do you know the story of St. Paschal? He loved to spend time, even as a little boy, in front of the tabernacle in which dwells the Lord. The first time this happened, he was still too tiny to walk! One day he disappeared, and his mother totally panicked. She ran everywhere, and eventually nearly exhausted all hope she would see him alive again. She went to the church to pour out her sorrow to the Lord... only to see the boy balancing on the altar steps, gazing lovingly up at the tabernacle! For the rest of his life, he visited Jesus in the tabernacle every chance he got. And when he died -- can you believe it?! -- everyone at his funeral saw him open his eyes and sit right up during the elevation of the Host and chalice, looking up lovingly in adoration of our Eucharistic King! God must have permitted this as an example to all present (and there were thousands) of how we should show respect to Jesus especially when we are in church!

Other exciting events:

9. **THEOLOGY ON TAP — TOMORROW AT 6 PM** at Smitty's Restaurant (1629 Kenaston Blvd.) This is an opportunity for young Christians to get together and talk about the dignity of the human person — co-hosted by Life Culture Canada, and Dev'pt. & Peace.
10. **Manitoba's PASSION PLAY** this year runs July 1,2, 3 AND July 8, 9, 10. Tickets are \$18 (youth \$10). Group tickets, if you can get a group together of ten people or more, are \$15/person.
11. **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** — June 24-26, 2022 A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend offers a beautiful opportunity for healing to any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of an **abortion**. This could be your time to begin healing through a supportive and non-judgmental process. Please contact Chris if you would like information: loss@pregnancy.ca



Kathy Kosowan holds listeners enthralled...



Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Parish Church - Doors Open 2022

Good to know:



8. Last week, on Tuesday, we ended the daily all-May Moleben to the Blessed Mother of God. **Did you know that our Holy Father Pope Francis prayed the Rosary in Rome's Maria Maggiore Basilica that day?** Did you know that he prayed before a lovely statue of her called *Regina Pacis* "**Mary, Queen of Peace**"? Did you know that this statue was commissioned by a pope to implore an end to WW1? (Pope Benedict XV)

This statue is located in the left aisle of the Basilica of St. Mary Major and was made by sculptor Guido Galli, at the time the deputy director of the Vatican Museums, **to implore the Virgin Mary for an end to the First World War in 1918.**

The Madonna is depicted with her left arm raised as a sign to order the end of the war, while with her right she holds the Baby Jesus, ready to drop the olive branch symbolising peace. Flowers are sculpted on the base, symbolising the blossoming of life with the return of peace.

If you visited that statue today, you would be welcome to join others in laying a small handwritten note with your prayer intentions at the feet of the Virgin. The Pope laid a wreath of flowers at the feet of the image before addressing his prayer to Our Lady and leaving his particular intention.

Joining the Holy Father were boys and girls who received their First Communion and Confirmation in recent weeks, Scouts, families from the Ukrainian Community of Rome, representatives of the Marian Ardent Youth (GAM), members of the Vatican Gendarmerie Corps and the Pontifical Swiss Guard, and the three parishes in Rome named after the Virgin Mary Queen of Peace, along with members of the Roman Curia.



As a sign of closeness to those most involved in the dynamics of these tragic events, a Ukrainian family, people related to war victims, and a group of military chaplains with their respective corps were invited to pray the decades of the Rosary.

Shrines from all over the world, together with some shrines located in countries still affected by war or with strong political instability within them, joined in as well. These shrines prayed the Rosary at the same time as the Holy Father, and were connected via streaming to the live broadcast from Rome. They included the **Shrine of the Mother of God in Zarvanytsia, Ukraine**; Cathedral of Sayidat al-Najat (Our Lady of Salvation) in Iraq; Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace in Syria; Cathedral of Mary Queen of Arabia in Bahrain. Alongside these are the International Shrines: Shrine of Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage; International Shrine of Jesus Saviour and Mother Mary; Shrine of Jasna Góra (Poland); International Shrine of the Korean Martyrs (Korea); Holy House of Loreto (Italy); Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary; International Shrine Our Lady of Knock (Ireland); Blessed Virgin of the Rosary; Our Lady Queen of Peace; Our Lady of Guadalupe (Mexico); Our Lady of Lourdes (France).



*to our
Solemn
Holy Communicants!*

Congratulations to **Jan Ciekliniski, Julian Ciekliniski, Emy Juszkievicz and Nicholas Skwarchuk** who receive their First Holy Communion today! May you receive Jesus in Holy Communion often, with great reverence, and carry Him with you in all that you do!





PARISH CENTENARY UPDATE CORNER

Please **volunteer** NOW and, of course, plan to **attend** everything. You certainly have a lot to contribute with your enthusiasm, your stories and your spirit of hospitality!

1. HOMECOMING WEEKEND (June 11 & 12): We begin each day with the 10 AM Divine Liturgy followed by food & fellowship. There will be a lot of memories via pictures, chats and testimonies via an "open mic".

Sunday, after refreshment and fellowship, a bus has been arranged to take us to All Saints Cemetery for a Panakhyda with Metropolitan, followed by our own service at the grave of Msgr. Dobriansky, Cantor Buyachok and, time permitting, other Parish Faithful. [Book your seat on the bus now!]

2. PARISH CENTENARY PICTURE DIRECTORY. June 7-11. Yes, the last day is during the Homecoming Weekend... **Sign-up sheets are at the entrance of the church.**

3. Oct. 16th: CENTENARY HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY (3 PM) THEN BANQUET (5 PM). The banquet, including entertainment, will take place at Canad Inns Garden City. Letters of invitation have gone out; posters & brochures are distributed; tickets are available. Plan to attend! Also, please help us find more sponsors — see elsewhere in this bulletin.

[Order tickets via Parish Office or Centenary Committee members]



Spring Clean for Ukraine.

We are now collecting all types of new or gently used: kitchen items - especially pots and pans, dishes, cutlery, casserole dishes, coffee markers, toasters, and kettles; cleaning supplies; household items such as linens and towels, new pillows, broom & dust pan; and hygiene items like shampoo, conditioner, soap, and disposable razors, and small hand tools like a hammer, screwdriver, sewing supplies, etc. Please **NO** clothing. Items can be dropped off before or after liturgy or by arrangement by calling **Janet @ 204-582-5932** or

jkuchma@mymts.net **Thank you for your generous support of this UCWLC project!**

The UCWLC, Blessed Virgin Mary Branch celebrated our 76th Anniversary on May 29th.

Thank you to all the parishioners who supported our Tag Day.

Two members achieved long service status, Mary Henkewich for 25 years and Jean Michasiw for 60 years. (In the photo, Sharon Johnston presents Jean with her pin.) Congratulations Mary and Jean and thank you for your years of service to our League. *Mnohaya lita!*



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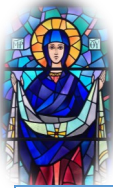
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Latest Centenary Donations: All Donors of \$100 or more will be acknowledged on the Centenary Plaque at the close of the year - including those making 'in memoriam' donations! Here are the most recent donors:

Platinum Patron \$5000+	Gold Patron \$3000-4999	Silver Patron \$1000-2999	Bronze Patron \$500-\$999	Friends of BVM \$100-499
		Anonymous		Marianne Troup

Other 100th Ann. donations: *Thank you!*

Regular Donations from Sunday, May 29th:

Sunday collection **\$1310** (38 env.)

Candles: **\$130.30**

For Ukraine humanitarian aid: **\$70**

100th Anniversary Donations: **\$1100** (noted above)

Expenses: \$4295 MB Hydro (gas, electricity), Shaw (phone, internet), flowers (\$1000, church supplies)

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!

God bless our Parish for its generosity toward the millions of ➔ refugees escaping the war in Ukraine! * Donations made to the Parish will be receipted at year-end as usual. Donations made out to the "Archeparchy" will receive a receipt from the Chancery

A Hundred Amazing Reasons why we need to spend time in Adoration before Our Lord!

13. Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament has His hands full of graces and He is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks for them. (St. Peter of Alcantara)

14. A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory. (St. Padre Pio)

15. It is our duty to adore the Blessed Sacrament. No one receives the Blessed Sacrament unless he adores it...and not only do we not sin by adoring, we do sin by not adoring. (St. Augustine)

16. The faithful are to hold the Eucharist in highest honor worshiping it with supreme adoration. (ecclesial law)



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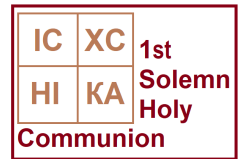
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Schedule of Services June 5-June 12, 2022



Sun., June 5 **Pentecost Sunday** **Неділя П'ятдесятниці**
8:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all our Parishioners and Families
 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all our catechism children,
esp. those making their Solemn Communion today

Mon., June 6 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Monday of the Holy Spirit 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy **For health of Denise** (Kildonan Horizons)
 Ephesians 5:8-19 4:00 p.m. - **For +Anna Kmet** (2 yrs.) -- by family *by friends*
 Matthew 18:10-20 5:30 p.m. -- Parish Council meeting

Tues., June 7 8:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Martyr Theodotus– Post-feast 9:00 a.m.- Divine Liturgy..... **For Good Health for all League Members**
 Romans 1:1-7, 13-17 **followed by UCWL meeting** *by UCWL*
 Matthew 4:25-5:11

Wed., June 8 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Venerable Theodore– Post-feast 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **Blessings For Fr. Taras Kowch**
 Romans 1:18-27 *(25th Anniversary of Ordination)*
 Matthew 5:20-26

Thurs., June 9 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
St. Cyril of Alexandria– Post-feast 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **Blessings Fr. Yaroslav Buduykevych**
 Romans 1:29-2:9 *(9th Anniversary of Ordination)*
 Matthew 5:27-32

Fri., June 10 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Priest Martyr Timothy – Post-feast 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **Blessings for Fr Joseph Fessio, SJ**
 Acts 27:1-44 *(50 Years of Priestly Ministry)*
 John 17:18-26

Sat., June 11 9:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Apostles Bartholemew & Barnabas
and Post-Feast 10:00 a.m. - "HOMECOMING" Divine Liturgy - **For all who passed through**
 Acts 11:19-26; 29-30 5:30 p.m. VESPERS **BVM Parish over the last Century!**
 Luke 10:16-21

Sun., June 12 **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY** **Неділя Всіх Святих**
(→ NO 8:00 am Divine Liturgy today!)
 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary
10:00 am - "HOMECOMING" Divine Liturgy... For all Parishioners and the graces they need
Refreshments, memories.... then **bus to Cemetery leaves at 1:15 p.m. (back by 4)

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 strength, faith and trust in You and a love for one another to guide them through any health challenges or troubles they may face. Amen."
River East: Edward Holowich
Holy Family Home: Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk
Maples Care Home: Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik



VIGIL LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - For Jan, Julian, Emy & Nicholas who gave themselves to the Lord
Christ Icon - For the many Priests and Bishops in our Archeparchy celebrating Anniversaries of ordination this Month of June
Mother of God Icon – Mary, please watch over and protect the families in Ukraine