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3rd Sunday of the Great Fast

March 20, 2022

3-а Нед. Посту

Veneration of the Holy Cross

Хрестопоклінна неділя

Welcome to our church! Most of the restrictions have been lifted, but please continue to take certain precautions (see our website main page for specifics).

Dear Parishioners

Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

In what amazing times do we live! As we continue to watch aghast at what is happening in Ukraine today, we must remember the power of prayer. And, of all those who pray, the one our Lord is most willing to listen to is His own Mother!

Our Holy Father, Pope Frances, has requested all Bishops throughout the world to join him at exactly the same time on **March 25** to consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, just as she requested in 1917 in Fatima! For us in Winnipeg, that means:

this coming Friday at 10 AM

led by our Metropolitan Lawrence Huculak
at our Blessed Virgin Mary Parish.



Also, please join us in saying the prayer below, right until Friday:

Special Daily Novena Prayer (March 17-25):

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at-risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

BVM LENTEN MISSION

As we are Winnipeg's 'Marian Parish', our 2022 Lenten Mission will be two days of prayer, inspirational talks, reconciliation-confession and, God willing, spiritual change and renewal in our personal lives and in our Parish as a whole!

This year, Basilian Father **DANIEL WACH**, OSBM (those who were involved with Pani Huk's sadochok will remember the guitar-playing priest who led the children in «Це є той день..») will lead our Great Fast Mission on **Thursday March 24 with 7:00 PM Vespers and March 25th with 7:00 PM Divine Liturgy.** Both services will be focused in the Feast of the Annunciation. He will also be hearing **Confessions** prior to his talks. **DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY!**



**On another note....
In today's Gospel:**

"What does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and suffer the loss of his soul?"

Hmmm.... maybe this doesn't need much explanation.... it might be enough to just meditate upon these images for a few minutes! God bless us!

1. Last week's **CENTENARY MEETING** went very well, with parishioners volunteering for various subcommittees. Please pray for them, so that this may truly be a stellar year of parish brotherhood and homecoming, and also: Don't hesitate to sign up to help them! Father Michael and Glen Henkewich will be *ex officio* members of all the committees, but these are SOME who have stepped forward already... they will need more committee-members and volunteers!

Centenary Committee Co-Chairs: Glen Henkewich, Anne Rusnak, Fr. Michael

The three projects agreed upon:

1. **Doors Open 2022 (May):** Debbie Dolski, Greg Yakimischak, Irene Pilipowicz, Anne Rusnak, Kathy Kosowan
 2. **Homecoming Weekend (June):** Bob Halayda, Greg Yakimischak, Kathy Kosowan... *and... you? call 204-582-7535*
 3. **Formal Centenary Event (October):** Anne Rusnak, Glenn Rusnak, Frances Bodnar, Janet Kuchma, ... *and... you? call 204-582-7535*
 4. **100th Anniversary Pictorial Directory:** Debbie Dolski, Fr. Michael ... *and...? call 204-582-7535*
2. **This Week's —"I BELIEVE! – BIPYIO!" — Zoom discussion - Wednesday evening at 7 PM.** Come recharge your understanding of our holy Faith! These are open to all parishioners (yes YOU too should come!) so, watch for the email from our Office with the Zoom link. This Wednesday's theme: **"I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come."**
3. This week's Lenten devotions:
Wednesday: 5:30 PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts **Friday: 7:00 PM** Mission Divine Liturgy (so NO Way of the Cross).
4. **CARDS are at the back of the church, for you to sign in support of Bill C-230.** Fill in your MP's name at the top, based on where you live. (**Winnipeg North:** Kevin Lamoureux. **Winnipeg South:** Daniel Blaikie. **Winnipeg Centre:** Leah Gazan. **Winnipeg South Centre:** Jim Carr. **Provencher:** Ted Falk. **St. Boniface/Vital:** Dan Vandal. **Kildonan/St. Paul:** Raquel Dancho. **Selkirk/Interlake:** James Bezan. Usually we are asked to help FIGHT (bad) bills that are introduced in Parliament. Good news... *this* bill is a good one! It protects doctors, nurses and others from losing their licenses, jobs, and worse, if they refuse to help someone commit suicide. (You have already read more in last week's bulletin.) If there are no more cards, do it online here: <https://www.epcc.ca/bill-c-230-mp-mailer-card/>

5. This week we have a delightful "rest" from Lent, in that we celebrate the great feastday of Our Lady on Friday (March 25: Annunciation). **Father Daniel Wach, OSBM** will be leading us that day, and the evening before, with prayer and wonderful insight into the Annunciation by the angel of great news to Mary, AND the Incarnation (the moment God began to dwell in the flesh within her).



So: Vespers with mission talk on Thursday night, then the next day — Friday — there will be two Divine Liturgies: 8 AM as usual, then 7 PM with mission talk. Confessions will be heard before, during and after the services, then all are invited downstairs for coffee. Please come, and bring others as well (family? friend?)

6. Here are some sites that might help you have the **BEST.LENT. EVER!:**

- 1) **Resources for Great Lent - Edmonton Eparchy** (eeparchy.com)
- 2) **Simply Catholic** <https://www.simplycatholic.com/your-guide-to-a-catholic-lent-everything-you-need-for-a-more-spiritual-lent/>
- 3) **Loyola Press** <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/lent/perspectives-on-lent/articles/reflecting-on-the-lent-season/>
- 4) **Catholic.org** <https://www.catholic.org/lent/>

7. News from the Vatican — 1) We already mentioned the special Consecration of Russia on March 25 by our Holy Father.
2) You probably knew that there has "always" been one Bishop in charge of the Slovaks (Byzantine rite) in Canada, and he was stationed in Toronto. But did you know that this eparchy has just been changed from an eparchy to an "exarchate", which means it has no permanent/local bishop in charge? The Vatican has transferred its jurisdiction "from the sui iuris metropolitan Church of Prešov of the Byzantines to that of Pittsburgh of the Byzantines, and ...has appointed Bishop Kurt Richard Burnette of Passaic of the Ruthenians, U.S.A., as "apostolic administrator sede" of the Toronto exarchate. Let us continue to pray for all bishops.

8. Sign up for various **ICON COURSES** offered by our **Ukrainian Catholic University!!**

<http://radruzh.org/news/iconography-as-visual-theology/>

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.

DONATIONS & Other Income:

Week of Sunday Feb. 27:

\$870 (Sunday offerings) (Envelopes 31)
Candles: **\$91.95**

Expenses: \$ 2,858.42 (This includes bulk candle purchase, Cathedraicum and snow removal)

Our Parish is always 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 and thoughtfulness about the

More Quotes about fasting this LENT:

“Stop eating while still hungry; do not continue until you are satisfied. ” (St. John Cassian)

Constant fasting is a symptom of zeal and fervour in war.

As long as the seals of fasting are on a man's mouth, his mind meditates on the soul's penitence, his heart sends forth prayers ... Evil impulses are afar from him... There has never been a man who was fasting... who was subjected to evil desire.

As soon as this weapon appears in the hand of a man, immediately fear falls upon the deliberations of Satan, that head of rebellion, and at once his mind is struck by the recollection of that defeat in the desert ...he knows that this one is prepared for the strife. What weapon is stronger than this?! (St. Isaac the Syrian)

Question of the day:

I keep hearing about how we have to “evangelize” more. I’m am getting tired of the phrase, because we aren’t told exactly how to do this. Any ideas?

Why, yes! and thanks for asking! Here are some easy ways we as Catholics can evangelize others every day:

1. First, pray a few prayers — the same prayers — every day.
2. Then pray specific prayers for specific people and their problems. Then tell them you prayed for them.
3. Go out of your way to help a co-worker.
4. Get to know your neighbours better.
5. Become a creature of habit, frequenting the same places, so that you can better strike up conversations about faith in the world.
6. Volunteer your gifts and talents more.

Would you like to help Ukrainian Refugees get to Canada? Fill out the form here:

<https://forms.gle/RE7T2fiJ2q5Gyu2j7>

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!

The house is spotless. The bills are paid. I've made dinner for three weeks straight. I will never give up the internet for Lent again.



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COULD IT BE TRUE?!

that Irish mothers and Ukrainian mothers... taught us exactly the same lessons?

ANTICIPATION: Just wait until we get home.

LOGIC: Because I said so, that's why!

LOVE: If you're going to kill each other do it outside.

RECEIVING: You are going to get it when you get home.

WISDOM: When you get to my age you'll understand.

OSMOSIS: Shut your mouth and eat your supper.

Schedule of Services March 20 to March 27, 2022

Come! or at least join us online: [Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church - YouTube](#)
 Sun., March 20 **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT — Хрестопоклінна Неділя** (*Liturgy of St Basil the Great!)

8:00 am - Служба Божа – For all parishioners / в намірені всіх парафіян
 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary
 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... health of Msgr. Michael Buyachok
 7:00 pm - Catechism..... by Bohdan Buyachok

Mon., March 21 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Confessor James 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **+poor souls in Purgatory** by Dmytro Sikora
 Philippians 2:5-11 **+Marshall Huska** by Mursel & Marge Kluge
 Matthew 13:10-23

Tues., March 22 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Priest Martyr Basil 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **+Roxanna Nakonechny** (40 days)
 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 by brother Eugene Nakonechny
 Matthew 13:36-43

Wed., March 23 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Venerable Nikon 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy..... **+ Joseph Gregg; +Murray & Liz Balagus**
 Galatians 2:16-20 **5:30 pm – Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** by SSJs
 Matthew 9:18-26 **7:00 p.m. - “I Believe” Zoom gathering**

Thurs., March 24 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
Venerable Zacharius 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy **+Helen, +Sofia, +Volodymyr**
 Galatians 5:22-6:2 **7:00 pm – Mission: Vespers & sermon, confessions** by Dmytro Sikora
 Matthew 25:14-30 by Fr. Daniel Wach

Fri., March 25 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary FEAST! **ANNUNCIATION/ Благовіщення**
 Hebrews 2:11-18 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy **+Fr. Edward Kwiatkowski** (by Issigonis family)
 Luke 1:24-38 **10:00 a.m.– Consecration of Russia & Ukraine to Our Lady**
 with Metropolitan Lawrence
7:00 pm– Mission: Divine Liturgy & sermon, confessions WITH Fr. Daniel Wach

Sat., March 26 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary
All Souls Saturday Post-feast 8:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy **SOROKOUSTY for our deceased**
 Hebrews 6:9-12 ~ Mark 7:31-37 **5:30 p.m. - Vespers**

Sun., March 27 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT — Четверта Неділя Посту** (*Liturgy of St Basil the Great!)

8:00 am - Служба Божа – Blessings for Nestor, Anna & Andrew, by Dr. Andriy Baranjouk
 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary
 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all parishioners / в намірені всіх парафіян
 7:00 pm - Catechism.....

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."

Heritage Home: Edward Holowich
Holy Family Home: Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk
Maples Care Home: Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik



VIGIL LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp - blessings for Thomas Kochanski (from mother Diana Kochanski Kornik)

Christ Icon – Guide OUR efforts to help Ukraine to be magnanimous & successful

Mother of God Icon – Most Holy Mother of God, accept our Consecration of Ukraine & Russia

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.