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# Blessed Virgin Mary

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Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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**Welcome to our Parish! Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії**

**35th Sunday after Pentecost**  
*(Publican & Pharisee)*

**12 February 2023**

**35-а неділя по**  
**Зісланні св. Духа**



**Matthew**  
**25:40**  
**Матеї**  
**25,40**

pre-Lenten preparation lesson. That is - **helping** and being **concerned** for those around us in need. And there are many. Our problem is that we sometimes don't see those right near us that could really use our help and support. Yes, we rightly fix our gaze on

We tend to understand many of Jesus' lessons as we do *[ethical]* rules and regulations in society and in life. We either see them as a means to maintain order and as aids for us to better ourselves, or we see them as *restrictive* and even threatening or as something to "get around" or "get away with" if we can. Today's Gospel teaching is much the same. The Lord does speak about a **final judgement** and the result which will be *eternal happiness* with Him in His heavenly kingdom or *eternal misery* away from Him in Hell.

A good portion of society just doesn't want to hear about this and/or doesn't want to believe it. Well, this is only one of several times when the Son of God clearly explains the reality of hell and its eternal nature. So, we can concentrate on that reality and strive to do everything we can (or need to) do to avoid ending up there. Or we can

focus on the rest of today's

**Next Sunday - 19 February.** Before we pass into the Great Fast. Come... Let us **gather** at **6:00 PM** for a bit of **fellowship**, eat something, **sing** a few songs.

Then, we can go up into the House of the Lord at about **7:00 PM -ish**, and prepare ourselves for the **journey** of Lent with **reconciliation** with our Lord and with our follow parishioners.



**You are welcome! Please come!**

**"ПУЩЕННЯ"**

**2023 Lenten Великопосні**

**Retreat**

**24-26**

**March**



**Реколекції**

**Annunciation Weekend!**

**Three Days of Inspiration**

**and Spiritual Renewal with**

**Bishop Andriy Raby**

**An opportunity for**

**Confessions,**

**Discernment,**

**Fellowship!**

**Mark those dates**

**and plan now to**

**attend and**

**bring others...**

Ukraine at this time, as we do other parts of the world where tragedy exists (Turkey, Syria, etc.) or we see need across the fence, but miss the situations in our own marriage, family, parish, neighbourhood, etc. Helping can be complicated at times and, yes, thankless. But if we do reach out to help in the name of our Lord and His Gospel teaching, we will be successful. As He tells us today: whatever we do for the most abandoned and insignificant of God's children, we are doing for Him who **loves them** and all of us so very much!

*Fr Michael*



## Parish News & Events:

1. **Mark your Calendars! Plan to take advantage of this extraordinary Lenten Opportunity - LENTEN RENEWAL on the Annunciation Weekend - 24, 25 & 26 March, 2023 with Winnipeg's New Auxiliary Bishop - BISHOP ANDRIY RABYI!** Words of Inspiration, Confessions, Fellowship, Spiritual Renewal!
2. **Next Fred Douglas Divine Liturgy:** Wednesday February 15th at **10:30 AM**. Come and join us! (bring a mask & joy)(1275 Burrows Ave)
3. **Church Lenten Preparation - Thursday February 16th** at the Sanctuary of our Parish Church (that's the area in the front around the Altar and in front of the Iconostas) we will start right after the **8:00 AM Divine Liturgy**. The Altar guild women have requested the help of a few good men to move the heavy items. Have some time? Please come out. Come for the Liturgy and stay on!
4. **Next Sunday - On the eve of the Great Fast, Sunday February 19th** We will have a bit of "Pushchennya" fellowship beginning at 6:30 PM followed by a forgiveness & reconciliation Service at about 7:30 PM. You are welcome to attend both, but please come to one or the other. If you can, please leave a message on the office phone (204-582-7535) or email (bvmchurch@gmail.com) with how many from your family will be attending - so we get enough food...
5. **On the eve of Lent, NEXT Sunday February 19th late afternoon (starting at 6:00 PM)** We will have a forgiveness & reconciliation Service. *It starts with Food and Fellowship!* Please plan to attend.
6. **A Weekly Seniors get-together?**, What would be the interest of a weekly (biweekly?) get-together of post-retirement parishioners for a snack and coffee and cards, singing, etc. and just some good spilkuvannya fellowship? if the desire is there, the details will be worked out. Let's talk.

March 15 & 16

Are you for real!?

Ти за ногу мене тягнеш!?

**Yes!** Myron has agreed to give a **FREE** dozen perogies to every new person who comes out to help with the potato and dough prep. or with the making ("pinching") of the perogies (a.k.a. varenuky; pyrohy)



**Hi!** Мирон погодився дати **БЕЗКОШТОВНУ** 12 пирогів кожному *новому*, хто прийде допомогти з приготуванням картоплі та тіста. або з «ліпленням» пирогів (тобто вареників)! Коли? 15 та 16 березня



**Saint Valentine** was a Third-Century priest in Rome who was martyred on **February 14** in AD 270. Some sixty years later, Pope Julius I, came to admire St. Valentine and even built a basilica over St. Valentine's tomb. However, in the 1200s, his relics were exhumed and transferred to a city-centre church near the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore. Interesting to note that some of St. Valentine's relics also made their way to **Ukraine**, where they are venerated in a church in the city of **Sambir**.

So why did St. Valentine 'lose his head' so to speak? He was first imprisoned for marrying couples in love even though there was a prohibition on marriage imposed by the pagan emperor at the time. Then he also helped persecuted and imprisoned Christians in other ways. Now, the famous Valentine cards that we love to give and receive? Well, the story is that while we was in jail awaiting execution, St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailer's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it.... "**from Your Valentine.**"

**Valentine.**"



Members of the **Men's Club** take down the 2022 outdoor Nativity scene



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Besides generously supporting our Parish for several years now, these ↑ businesses and services ↑ offer quality assistance, work & care! Do contact them when you need their help and be sure to tell them you're from BVM!

**Other Events/News:**



Future Development Facilitator, **Janet Kuchma**, hangs a message about love for us to contemplate on this coming St. Valentine's Day!

**Oseredok:** "We will be hosting an **Art Auction in March 2023** of donated pieces of art with proceeds from the sale going towards our **Stand with Ukraine Fund**. We are currently fundraising to support English Language classes for newcomers. If you have some art (preferably framed) that you can donate, please reach out to us for drop-off information and more donation details at [info@oseredok.ca](mailto:info@oseredok.ca). Our most popular offering now is the beginner English language classes we are running for displaced Ukrainians in Manitoba. There is no fee to participate in these classes and the demand for the course far outweighs what we are currently capable of providing. We need help in collecting pieces for this sale.

**Invasion Anniversary.** February 24, 2023 will mark a full year since Russia shocked the world by beginning its full-scale war on Ukraine and the first missiles started landing on Ukrainian cities. Here in Winnipeg, we will commemorate this tragedy with **prayer, protest** and rallies of **support** for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. **In-person participation will be important** to show that we really do care even though we are thousands of kilometers away and even after a whole year (really 9 years since the first invasions in 2014) has passed, A rally at the Museum of Human Rights is planned for Friday evening February 24th and a Prayer Event is planned for Noon on Saturday February 25th at Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral. Then, on the following Sunday, 26th February, we will also pray at our morning Divine Liturgy.

**365 Days of Resistance**  
**Solidarity Rally**

**Friday February 24**  
**6pm**  
**Canadian Museum for Human Rights**

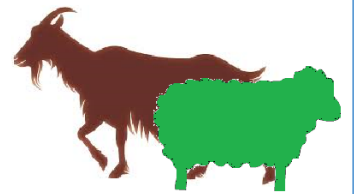
Dress in Blue & Yellow | Bring Signs & Flags | Free Museum Admission | Get Loud Winnipeg

**#StandWITHUkraine**



# Schedule of Services Feb. 12 to 19, 2023

Sun., Feb. 12 **Sunday of Meat-Fare** Неділя М'ясопущна  
9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy...  
For all parishioners



Mon., Feb. 13 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary  
Ven. Martinian 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... Blessings on all our generous benefactors!  
3 John 1:1-15 (Especially those who advertise in our  
Luke 19:29-40; 22:7-39 Bulletin!)

Tues., Feb. 14 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary  
Ven. Cyril 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... That the pure love between sweethearts  
Hebrews 7:26-8:2 be rekindled this St. Valentine's Day  
John 10:9-16



Wed., Feb. 15 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary  
Apostle Onesimus 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... Blessings for Elsie & Garry Caron  
Romans 14:6-9 10:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... Fred Douglas Lodge  
Matthew 26:57-75

Thurs., Feb. 16 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary  
Apostle Pamphilus 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... Birthday blessings for Lucas  
Jude 1:11-25 by Family  
Luke 23:1-34; 44-56

Fri., Feb. 17 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary  
Gr. Martyr Theodore; 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... for Blessings for the Cortens Family  
Ephesians 5:9-19 by Issigonis Family  
John 19:25-37

Sat., Feb. 18 7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary  
Pope Leo, 8:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy... For intentions of Vince  
Romans 14:19-23 by Cathy Rakchaev  
Matthew 6:1-13

...що в твоїй скарбничці!?



...what's in your chest!?

Sun., Feb. 19 **Sunday of Cheese-fare** Неділя Сиропущна  
9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... all parishioners  
6:00 pm - Parish "Pushchenna" «Пущення»  
7:00 pm - Forgiveness service

## Donations/Income the week of 5 Feb 2023:

1. Sunday collection: **\$1425.00**  
(37 env.)
2. Candles: **\$178.25**
3. Vichni Liampy: **\$40**
5. Church Donation: **\$100**
6. Easter Flowers **\$25**
7. Bulletin Advertisers **\$400**
8. In Memory of Andrij Witrowych: **\$240**
9. New Envelopes **\$30**
10. Facility Rentals **\$900**

(Expenses: maintenance, salary, cathedraicum, cleaning, internet)

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!**

Сиропущна Неділя - останній день *Масляної* - називали Пущенням. Готуючись до Великого посту, потрібно було пройти духовне очищення, попросити вибачення в родичів, сусідів за всі провини та завдані образи. На Пущення й малі, і дорослі просили один в одного пробачення, молили про все забути. Водночас приказували три рази: «Простить мене, люди», а йому відповідали: «Бог простить»

У неділю 19 лютого матимемо парафіяльну службу примирення

## VIGIL LAMPS

**Sanctuary Lamp/Вічна Лямпа:** Світлої пам'яті Андрія Вітровича (День народження), від дружини Антоніни та дочки Ірини

**Christ Icon** – In loving memory of **Andrij Witrowych** (Birthday), by wife **Antonia** and daughter **Erena**

**Mother of God Icon** – In loving memory of **Andrij Witrowych** (Birthday), by wife **Antonia** and daughter **Erena**

Request your Vigil Lamp intention at least a week ahead of time. What a beautiful way of praying, knowing the candle burns for a week for your intention.



**Please pray for the sick and shut-in members of our Blessed Virgin Mary parish, and be in touch with them when you can** (cards, short telephone conversations, visits).

"Lord God, please be present to all the ill, infirm and elderly of our parish. You love each and everyone..."

**River East Care Home:** Edward Holowich **Maples Care Home:** Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik

**Beacon Hill:** Helen Naherny **Holy Family Home:** Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk, Fr. Yakowchuk, Mary Henkewich, Helena Dubik, Mary Kozelko

We discussed the present parish circumstances and what services we should plan for the Great Fast. For the time being, we will plan for this basic Lenten Schedule: Daily Divine Liturgies in the morning as is presently the practice. However, on **Wednesday** evening at 7:00 PM, we will try the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, On **Friday** evening at 7:00 PM "Way of the Cross" and on All Souls **Saturdays** at 9:00 AM - "Sorokousty". The Lenten Retreat and Holy Week Schedules will be posted later..