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Welcome to our Parish! Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

5th Sunday of the Great Fast

March 26, 2023

5-а неділя Великого Посту

**ВЛАДИКО
АНДРІЮ,
ЛАСКАВО
ПРОСИМО
СЕРЕД НАС!
Bishop Andriy,
welcome to our**



Parish! Bishop Andriy Raby (*left*) when he first arrived

Today we greet His Excellency, **Bishop Andriy Raby** as he concludes his first visit to our Parish and concludes our 2023 Lenten Mission Retreat. We are grateful for the time that he has given to us in preparation for the Mission and to be in our parish these three days. We look forward to inviting Bishop Andriy for a more celebratory visit after the Great Fast and After Easter. Bishop Andriy has been appointed as an auxiliary bishop to assist Archbishop Metropolitan Lawrence with all of his duties. [This makes sense: that Metropolitan Lawrence could use the help now that he -- besides being the Archbishop for the Ukrainian Catholic Church throughout Manitoba and his work on various committees of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in Ottawa -- was also appointed as the interim Bishop for Saskatchewan!] So we are blessed to have Bishop Andriy in Winnipeg! He is actually originally from Ukraine, but he spent many years in the United States. After serving as a priest there, he was appointed in 2017 as the auxiliary Bishop to the Metropolitan-Archbishop in Philadelphia. At the end of 2022, he came to Winnipeg to serve here. Now here's something interesting.... Bishop Andriy is the Bishop of the city of **Germanicana** in northern **Tunisia**. What?! You mean the country in Northern Africa? Yes, that's something we can ask him about at one of our informal discussions after the Lenten Mission.

As we can imagine, Bishop Andriy is extremely busy these days. Besides the many tasks that Metropolitan Lawrence has for him, many parishes across the province are inviting him to visit, preach and hold services, attend meetings, etc. So we do thank him for agreeing to do our 2023 Lenten Mission as we begin our second century this year as one of the Church's happiest and most vibrant Ukrainian Catholic Parishes in the North End. We hope that we will see a lot of Bishop Andriy now that he is here to stay in Winnipeg.

**Просимо доброго Господа рясно поблагословити Владика Андрія на його служіння тут, в Архиспархії, і нехай Господь скеровує його шлях до нашої парафії на багато радісних і благодатних відвідин!
На многії й благії літа, Владико!**

Parish News & Events:

1. **Catechism classes:** 7:30 PM tonight online.
2. **UCWLC meets this coming Tuesday** with Divine Liturgy at 9 AM followed by its monthly meeting. New members are always welcome!

3. **An amazingly easy** and affordable way to directly help the most needy in Ukraine right now—those who do **NOT** even have enough food to make it through from week to week. The people of Ukraine need your help. The sad one-year anniversary of the war in Ukraine has passed. Millions of the country's inhabitants are in dire straits due to constant bombardment, frigid temperatures, fluctuating power, lack of food, shelter and other basic necessities. As part of your Lenten sacrifice, kindly consider making a donation towards providing emergency services and humanitarian support to Ukrainians in the war zone by offering care, medical supplies, food, clothing and shelter to displaced persons, the elderly and the sick, as well as educational programs and support to local priests. **THIS NEW EFFORT WILL MAKE GIVING doable for almost everyone!... For only \$25, an emergency food package can provide much needed relief. \$100 can buy four packages. Each package will feed 2 persons for 1 week. Donations may be made through Catholic Near East Welfare Association - Canada (cnewa.ca) or your local parish.**



- Make online directly to CNEWA by credit/debit card <https://cnewa.org/ca/work/food-boxes-for-ukraine/>
 - Mail it directly to CNEWA (223 Main Street, Ottawa ON K1S 1C4) Make cheque to **CNEWA Canada**
 - Use your Archeparchy of Winnipeg App! (Scroll down to “Aid to Ukraine” and fill in the required information, but under “MESSAGE” add either “Mudra Sprava” or “Food Packages”)
 - Drop off your donation in our collection basket Please make cheques to **Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Winnipeg** memo: “Food Packages”
4. **Lenten offerings: things to know** The envelope in your box for “**Lenten Offering**” will go towards helping the over-15,000 Ukrainian war refugees who have arrived in Winnipeg. Other envelopes called “**Lenten Mission**” will be available at the Mission itself during this weekend. These are the monies used to help cover the stipend for the extraordinary confessors (visiting priests) and whomever is giving the retreat that year (this year: Bishop Andriy).
 5. **Men's Club** warmly invites you and yours to its **Pancake Breakfast on April 2, 2023 (Palm Sunday)** after the 10:00 Divine Liturgy. Adults: \$8.00 Children 6-15: 6.00 (under 6: FREE)

6. **Our parish** warmly invites you and yours to our Parish Easter Dinner on **April 23, 2023:** see details elsewhere in this bulletin.

7. Another warm invitation: The children who practice dance every Monday in our auditorium now invite you to watch them perform! “**The dance section of the Monsignor Dobriansky School of Music and Dance** has the following performances lined up:



- 1) Sunday April 23rd @ 2 pm at the Ukrainian Labour Temple (McGregor) together with other groups (“Yunist” concert) ... Admission \$10 (% & under free)
- 2) Monday May 1st @ 6 pm here at the Church Auditorium of Blessed Virgin Mary Parish (965 Boyd Ave).” Please come and support them!

8. Would you like an outside job this summer? Our parish is looking for a **grounds person** to cut the grass, water the flowers, etc. Paid position; set your own hours. Call the office, or talk to Father after service.

News & Events Elsewhere:

9. **The last** St. Anne's Knights of Columbus Friday Lenten Fish Frys is March 31 from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM in the church hall (35 Marcie St.) Come & go, rush seating, Ladies League Bake Sale occurring during each dinner, along with multiple raffles. Costs range up to \$15. Join us!

10. Immaculate Heart of Mary School (IHMS) Super Spring 50/50 Raffle is **on sale through March**, with the final draw on March 31. The final jackpot of 50% of the pot. The last raffle grew to \$26,000, with the winner taking home more than \$13,000! “It's win-win-win! You have the opportunity to win prizes, you'll feel great and most importantly, the students at IHMS will have new technology that supports **creativity** and learning. **To purchase** visit Raffle.Link/IHMS or call 204-942-0443 (M-F, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.). Tickets: 3 for \$10; 50 for \$50.



11. **The 23rd Annual Walk for Mary** will be held on Sunday, May 28th, 2023 at Holy Eucharist Parish, Watt & Munroe. Join us in walking and praying together on the Feast of Pentecost. Registration starts at 1:30 followed by the walk setting off at 2 PM. Pledge forms are available at archeparchy.ca (under “Events”) and in our own parish office. For more info, call 204-669-3666 or email zenova@mymts.net.

12. **UKRAINIAN PARK 50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS** 50% of the pot on June 1, 2023. 100% of the net proceeds will be invested into the infrastructure of the park for the children's summer camps and so much more! Visit our Archeparchial Website for more details and to buy tickets online. https://www.archeparchy.ca/news_details.php?news_id=1259

13. Mark your calendars and sign up for: Ukrainian Park Catholic Children's Camp: WILD AND FREE! Grab your compass and your gear for a trek into the wild. Put your survival skills to the test, get sand between your toes, and eat marshmallows under the stars. Explore the Ukrainian Catholic faith through the eyes of Daniel and his friends who discovered how God's wild love set them free over and over. The first week of camp is **July 2 - 9th for Grades 7 to 10**. The second week is **July 9 - 16th for Kindergarten to Grade 6**. Cost is \$350/week. **Register online at archeparchy.ca** under Ministries/Children's Camp. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: [@ukrparkcamp](https://www.facebook.com/ukrparkcamp). **Interested in being a lifeguard, counsellor, counsellor in training, or adult volunteer?** Other questions? Contact Sophia Korban, Camp Administrator, at 204-979-5924 or childrenscamp@archeparchy.ca.

14. On April 17th, 2023, Oseredok Ukrainian Cultural and Educational Centre in partnership with the Canadian Museum for Human Rights presents The Sound of Ukraine immersive concert with Tymur Polianskyi and Lizzy Hoyt! This one-night only event features a piano performance by renowned Ukrainian pianist and composer Tymur Polianskyi joined by award-winning mezzo-soprano and fiddler Lizzy Hoyt. Join Oseredok for this exciting musical opportunity at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, 85 Israel Asper Way at the Forks. **Doors open at 6:30 PM, concert begins at 7 PM. Tickets are \$50 and are available for purchase in-person in our boutique, over the phone, or online.**

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH
EASTER DINNER
Sunday, April 23, 2023
following the 10 am. Divine Liturgy
ADVANCE TICKET SALES ONLY
 Adults--\$17
 Children (6 to 12 years): \$ 7.00
 Children (5 & under): Free

Tickets can be purchased before and after the Sunday 10 am. Divine Liturgies or by contacting Janet @ 204-582-5932 or jkuchma@mymts.net

DEADLINE for purchasing tickets: Monday, April 17, 2023

Ukrainian Easter Sale
 ATTENTION! the date has been changed March 25
April 2
 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Домашня випічка (Homemade Bakings),
 Easter crafts (eggs, baskets, and other Easter decoration),
 Паски (Easter breads),
 Вареники (perogies),
 Голубці (cabbage rolls)

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Excitement mounts before Easter... **↑** A heart-warming group from our Cathedral, having asked to use our kitchen, baked an astounding number of paska to sell and thus help families in Ukraine. Look at the results! (Do **→** you see Fr. Shved, our seminarian Alex Pankiw and Glenn Rusnak in the back?)

Easter Bake Sale

Event	Date	Location	Time
Bowling	April 2 **Sunday	Rossmere Lanes (1042 Henderson Hwy)	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm <i>Sign in: 30 Minutes prior to Start Time</i>
Indoor Soccer	April 22 Saturday	Garden City Community Centre (725 Kingsbury Avenue)	9:30 am - 11:00 am <i>Clean indoor shoes on field</i>
Mini Olympics	April 29 Saturday	Immaculate Heart of Mary School (650 Flora Avenue.)	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm <i>Time subject to change/increase time</i>
Awards Banquet	May 12 or 13 TBA	St. Joseph Ukr. Catholic Church (250 Jefferson Avenue)	TBA (All participants and families)



St. Basil's Ukrainian Church Auditorium
 202 Harcourt St.

March 25, 2023
 10am - 2pm



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Parish Easter 2023 Schedule:

April 6 -- Holy Thursday

10:00 AM -- Divine Liturgy, Washing of the Feet
6:30 PM -- Confessions
7:00 PM -- Matins of the Passion of Christ (the "12 Gospels")

April 7 -- Good Friday

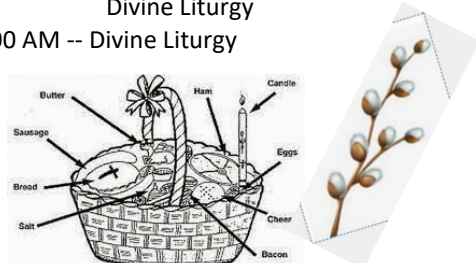
10:00 AM -- Plashchynytsia Service
7:00 PM -- Jerusalem Matins

April 8 -- Holy Saturday

9:00 AM -- Divine Liturgy
2PM, 3PM, 4PM -- Blessing of Food

April 9 -- EASTER SUNDAY -- ВЕЛИКДЕНЬ

6:30 AM -- "Nadhrobne" and Resurrectional Divine Liturgy
10:00 AM -- Divine Liturgy



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reposed in the Lord on Thursday morning at home 23 March 2023. We will have a **Panakhya** service on 28 March **Tuesday** evening at 7:00 PM at **our church** and the following day on the 29th of March **Wednesday** at 10:30 AM, the funeral Liturgy and interment will take at **Cooks Creek**. Our condolences to his wife Barbara, his children, family and friends.

Господи Боже, приими раба Твого Івана Кучера у Царство Твоє Небесне і даруй йому вічну пам'ять.

John Kutcher



5 Ways to Pray for Ukraine

(Undated; written by an "anonymous missionary" who belongs to TEAM Christian Missions @ team.org)

It's hard to believe that this week marks a full year since Russia invaded Ukraine. No doubt you've likely heard heartbreaking stories of millions fleeing for safety, fathers separated from their families, horrific massacres of civilians, and utter desolation in cities. How can we as the global body of Christ respond to such suffering and grief? The biggest way is by bearing the burdens of Ukrainians this week as we mark a year of pain and a year of God's incredible work within it.

Here are some ways we can pray for Ukraine:

1. Pray for Ukrainian soldiers defending their homeland. Regardless of politics or personal stances on what aid for Ukraine should look like, we can all agree to intercede for brave Ukrainian men and women who are holding back Russian invaders on the front lines. Many of them have been fighting for months in trenches knee-deep in mud and sleeping in shifts, as enemy soldiers often strike at night when it's too dark to be seen. Pray for stamina, good sleep, and wisdom in decision-making for Ukraine's exhausted defenders. Ask the Lord to reveal Himself to them in an undeniable way. Many Christian Ukrainian soldiers share stories of their fellow soldiers believing in Jesus after seeing Him clearly intervene on the battlefield.

Ask God to do a miracle. Ask Him to cause Russian soldiers to lay down their weapons, refuse to fight, and leave Ukraine. Pray that these men would have their eyes opened to the truth, that they'd refuse to participate in evil, and even that Russian soldiers might come to faith in Jesus through this. Let's ask God to do beyond what we can even imagine, because we know He is able.

2. Pray for Ukrainian cities held captive under Russian occupation. Life in Russian-occupied cities is unpredictable and terrifyingly quiet. After liberating some occupied towns in the spring and fall of 2022, the unspeakable horrors of war are readily evident. Internet and phone connections aren't always possible in occupied areas, and many citizens haven't been able to contact relatives for nearly a year.

Pray for people surviving in these regions, and for their loved ones who are unable to communicate with them. Let's remember these "forgotten" cities and towns in our prayers, because the Lord has not forgotten them, and ask Him to do a miracle by freeing these places.

3. Pray for pastors and volunteers caring for civilians near the front lines. It's been incredible to hear stories of regular Ukrainian Christians risking their lives to care for people living in "hot spots" where shelling is constant. They travel over precarious bombed-out bridges or mined roads to bring food and water, to share the Gospel with people in crisis, and to offer evacuation. Often these volunteers come under enemy fire, even though their cars are marked as humanitarian aid vehicles.

Pray for protection, courage, and great wisdom for these leaders. Pray that they'd have the emotional strength to hear hard stories day after day and for sweet sleep without nightmares after witnessing horrific things on their trips to help. Pray for Ukrainian pastors and volunteers serving even as daily life for them is difficult.

4. Pray for internally displaced people. Many Ukrainians fled their homes due to bombing or occupation and live temporarily in safer cities. Imagine being forced to leave your home and move to a city you've never been to, likely where you know no one, for an unknown length of time. This is the reality facing nearly 7 million Ukrainians. Pray for these refugees within their own country as they seek to build a semblance of normal life in the midst of so many unknowns. Since Russia destroyed much of Ukraine's power grid, many Ukrainians live with regular blackouts or only have electricity for 2 hours each day. Many of these people come to local Protestant churches to receive groceries, medicine, and blankets. They stay to warm up over a hot cup of tea in a building where the lights are on from a generator. The Lord has been drawing so many internally displaced people to Himself, and they are placing their faith in Jesus. Bible studies and church services have been full as people reach for hope in impossible times. Pray for eyes to be opened to the truth of the Gospel.

5. Pray for Ukrainians in Europe [and in Canada and elsewhere] waiting for the war to end. At the beginning of the Russian invasion, roughly 18 million people fled to Europe. Though more than half of those people have returned to Ukraine, still 8.1 million Ukrainians (19% of Ukraine's total population) remain in other parts of Europe. The majority of these people are women and children. These exhausted, traumatized, and deeply grieving moms and grandmas have been navigating housing, governmental financial aid for refugees, school, and the medical system in a foreign language and country for the past 365 days.

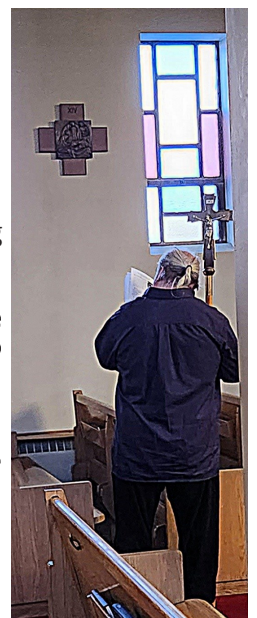


Pray for these resilient women "single parenting" while their husbands serve in the military or have died in the war. Pray for the children who don't understand all of what's going on and miss their dads. Pray for these women, children, and grandparents to encounter Jesus. Pray for many to respond and place their faith in the One who is unchanging, eternal, and who promises to take our burdens and walk with us through hardship.

As we pass this one-year mark on the

← During Lent, at Blessed Virgin Mary we pray and sing a unique **Way of the Cross**, with carefully-chosen verses from traditional Lenten hymns interspersed between stations. Here, **Jan and Julian Ciekliniski** are the prayerful candle-bearers, with **Jerry Pilipowicz** -- or **Greg Yakimischak** on right -- leading us all as cross-bearer.

war in Ukraine, we invite you to join us in lifting up these people and their plights to the Lord. Let's thank Him for how He is shielding people and answering our prayers, whether we see it or not. **Let's thank Him for how He is revealing Himself to people and saving them despite incredible evil, pain, and grief, and how He will get glory from even the sin of men who invade and destroy.**



Schedule of Services March 26 to April 2, 2023

Sun., March 26 **5th Sunday of Lent** 5-а неділя Великого Посту

9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary

10:00 am - Divine Liturgy... For all parishioners

MISSION CONCLUSION & FELLOWSHIP LUNCH WITH BISHOP ANDRIY

Mon., March 27

Mother Matrona

Colossians 3:12-16
Luke 11:34-41

7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary

8:00 a.m. - **Divine Liturgy...** For those tempted by MAiD, may they rather turn to the Lord and receive the support they deserve from family and society

Tues., March 28

Venerable Hilarion the New

1 Thessalonians 5:14-23
Mark 8:30-34

7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary

8:00 a.m. - **Divine Liturgy Birthday Blessings for Nestor Zemliak**

9:00 a.m. - **Divine Liturgy for Msgr. +Michael Buyachok, by UCWLC**

UCWLC Meeting

7:00 p.m. - **Panakhya for +John Kutcher**

Wed., March 29

Ven. Martyr Mark

Ephesians 4:7-13
Luke 12:16-21

7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary

8:00 a.m. - **Divine Liturgy...** Blessings Petro, Anna, Chris, Olya, Matviy, Yulian & Madelynka
by Anna Geryluk

10:30 p.m. - **AT ► COOKS CREEK - Funeral for +John Kutcher**

7:00 p.m. - **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**

Thurs., March 30

Ven. John Climacus

Galatians 4:4-7
Luke 18:18-27

7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary

8:00 a.m. - **Divine Liturgy...** Birthday Blessings Roman Klymovsky & Family
by friend

Fri., March 31

Venerable Hypatius

Ephesians 2:4-10
Matthew 4:1-11

7:20 a.m. - 1st Hour & Rosary

8:00 a.m. - **Divine Liturgy...** for +Nicholas Zemliak (1980)

by Family

7:00 p.m. - **Way of the Cross / Хресна Дорога**

Sat., April 1

Lazarus Saturday

Hebrews 12:28-13:8
John 11:1-45

8:20 a.m. - 3rd Hour & Rosary

9:00 a.m. - **Sorokousty Divine Liturgy with Parastas/Panakhya**

[Last one....]

Sun., April 2

Palm Sunday

Квітна Неділя

Titus the Wonderworker

Blessed Nicholas Charnetsky

9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary (немає СБ о год. 8:00)

10:00 am - **Divine Liturgy... all parishioners**

11:15 AM - **MEN'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST**



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Donations from March 19, 2023:

Sunday collection: **\$1,500**
(50 env.)

Church Needs **\$ 117.50**

Candles: **\$ 50**

Seminary \$-

Vichna Lyampa. **\$ 30**

Lenten offering **\$ 25**

Ukraine: \$-

Easter flowers: **\$ 285**

Envelopes: **\$ 25**

**Дякуємо за вашу
щедрість!**

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