

Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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Welcome to our Parish! Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 18, 2022

Неділя по Воздвиженні Чесного Хреста

Слава Icycy Христу! Glory to Jesus Christ!

This Sunday we learn in today's Gospel reading that there's some good news and there's some bad (well, in the sense of "quite unpleasant") news. Let's hear the unpleasant news first. Are you sitting down?

The cross is essential to our salvation. Yes, that cross... that unbelievably heavy, rough and slivery wooden instrument of death. It was the Lord's chosen means by which He would not only show His limitless love for us, but by which He would pay the price for our sin to obtain our salvation. He invites us to share in His ministry of salvation by also bearing whatever cross life presents to us. In fact, in today's Gospel, the Lord tells us that, "whoever wants to be My disciple, must deny himself and take up his cross" and follow Jesus.

The good news? The Lord truly loves us so much that He would never make such a call if 1) He knew that we couldn't do it; 2) He didn't intend for us become a million-times

-better people by doing this, and 3) if He wasn't going to accompany us and help us every single step of the wav

Let us not think as the world thinks. Let us strive to think as the Lord does. We will see a whole new world around us and we will see what we need to do to be faithful to Christ.

-Father Michael

Our Holy Cross Traditions Reach Back Almost 1700 Years The leaders of God's own People had Jesus put to death and then they hid His cross, trying to erase any remembrance of Him among men. The cross was hidden on Mount Calvary. The pagan Roman emperor Adrian (76-138 AD) built a temple in honour of the pagan gods Jupiter and Venus to bar Christians from visiting the holy place of Christ's death. The memory of the Lord's death, however, continued to live in the minds and hearts of Christ's followers. After the proclamation of religious freedom by emperor Constantine the Great, his mother St. Helen ordered that the pagan temple be destroyed and a search be undertaken for the true cross. In 326 the cross was found buried on Mount Calvary. Saint Makarios, then-Bishop of Jerusalem, identified it by a miracle: The cross was applied to a dead person, and he rose from the dead. Bishop Makarios raised the cross and turned it in all directions for the people who had gathered at the happy news. Then the bishop carried the cross in triumphal procession to

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What does it profit a man to gain the whole world,

but lose his soul? Mark 8:36

Jerusalem, enshrining it in a church. Emperor Constantine

the Great then built a church where the Our Lord had been buried.

The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross was introduced in 326 (only one year after the freedom of the Church was declared) to commemorate the passion and death of Jesus Christ. Our Holy Mother Church prescribes a strict fast on this feast to honour the passion of our Lord. During Matins (or before the Divine Liturgy in most parish churches) after the "Great Doxology" a crucifix, symbol of our faith and instrument of our redemption, is solemnly placed upon the tetrapod for the veneration of the faithful, and it remains there for seven days. The priest carries the cross adorned with flowers, around the tetrapod as a sign the all corners of the earth must honour the cross on which Christ died for our salvation.

(Fr Schudlo in *My Divine Friend*, 1958)

1. Reminder: **no catechism today.** We resume next week. Also: NOTE DL time change tomorrow morning!



2. There will be a Divine Liturgy and Panakhyda Service for the late Rev, Father Stefan Semczuk on Wednesday, September 21 @ 7:00 pm. Father Semczuk was a priest at our parish for many years, and was also instrumental in founding the UCWLC, the Brotherhood, and the Youth Club. There will be coffee and fellowship after the liturgy. Everyone is welcome to attend.

3. Coffee and Fellowship resumes after 10:00 Liturgy next Sunday.

4. **Cabbage Rolls For Sale**: The Blessed Virgin Mary Parish UCWLC will be making holubtsi on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. \$8.00 per dozen (cooked or raw) <u>Order deadline: Sunday, September 25, 2022</u>. To order, call or email Frances @ 204-633-4662 or <u>francesbodnar@hotmail.com</u> Pick up times:

Wednesday, September 28 between 11 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Sunday, October 2 after the 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Other news and events:

5. All are invited to an Akafist and more at Bishop Velychkovsky Shrine this Wednesday: please see the box insert on the next page.

6. St. Anne's Fall Supper will be next Sunday with 2 sittings @ 3 & 5:30. Tickets \$15. Call 204-697-0482.

7. **Do you want to learn Ukrainian**? Not only children, but adults are welcome to learn with "Prosvita". Classes are on Saturdays at Sisler High School. Go to www.ridnasholawpg.ca for info.

8. **Organ Concert** in support of Humanitarian Aid in Ukraine will be given by organist Gail Archer, this Sat. Sept. 24 (7:30 PM) and Sun. Sept. 25 (3 PM) at Young United Church, Furby & Broadway. Tickets available at the door: \$20 (students \$10) family \$40).

9. **ART IN YOUR ATTIC**. Oct. 2 -- all day at St. Vital Centre. Come and enjoy the eclectic and wonderful assortment... and consider purchasing a piece of art to help African grandmothers and their families.

10. 40 Days for Life: This year's "40 Days for Life" campaign will take place from Sept. 28 to Nov. 6, with vigil



being held again by the Women's Center at the corner of Sherbrook and William. Call 204-452-2459.

11. Please plan to attend the **2022 Life Chain** which will take place from **2 to 3 PM on Sunday October 2nd** outside of the Women's Center.

12. Holy Eucharist UCWLC **Annual Fall Craft and Ukrainian Food Sale** will be held on Saturday, October 15, 2002 at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Ave., Winnipeg, MB from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Admission: Adults - \$1.00; Children are free. Contact Pat at 204-453-4489.

13. PRO-LIFE CRASH **COURSE** Learn to communicate your prolife position effectively. Save babies. Save lives. This Crash Course will be held on Friday, October 28th from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm and on Saturday, October 29th from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 2400 Portage Ave, Winnipeg, MB. Go to www.endthekilling.ca/ crash-course/



Holy Family Home: Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk Maples Care Home: Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik Another Catholic Parish here in Winnipeg, Holy Cross Parish, is also celebrating its 100th anniversary this year!

Today, they are having a short procession with a relic of the True Cross right after their noon Mass, and invite all to join them.

We, too are blessed with a relic of the

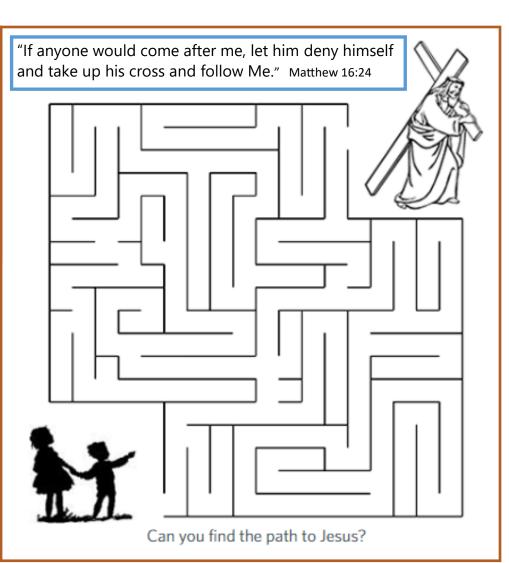
True Cross. When you come up to venerate the traditional decorated Cross on our tetrapod, know that a true piece of the Cross of Our Lord is with us in this yery church.



Бабине Літо "Indian summer" is a spell of warm weather after the first sharp frost. It was first recorded in American English in 1788, but its origins are not clear... it may refer to the time of year when Native Americans were burning off their fields in preparation of next year's plantings.

Indian summer is not just a North American thing. In Britain it is called All-Hallows summer and in France it is St. Martin's feast day — Nov. 11. In Bulgaria it's called Gypsy summer and in Ukraine it's called Grandmother's summer.

Бабине Літо describes "the period of post-holiday, early fall when the sun is still warm and the skies are cloudless, when the midsummer heat has moved on, ushered out by the gentle autumn breeze, when crowds of noisy children and their busy parents have moved back into their schools and offices, and the grandmas and grandpas can peacefully enjoy summer's last sunrays on their front porches." *Olga Motsyk 2011*



Trying to see the positive... Holy Father Pope Frances last week, on two diff. occasions:

1) "Let the grace of your Baptism bear fruit in a journey of holiness. Let everything be open to God and to this end choose Him, choose God again and again. Do not be discouraged, for you have the power of the Holy Spirit to make it possible, and holiness, after all, is the fruit of the Holy Spirit in your life."

2) "I remember a personal event, as a child; I was nine years old. I remember hearing the alarm of the biggest newspaper in Buenos Aires sounding: sometimes to celebrate and other times to give bad news. They would sound that – now it doesn't sound anymore – and it could be heard all over the city. Mother said, "What's going on?" We were in the war, the year 1945. A neighbor came to the house, and said, "The alarm sounded..." and she cried, "The war is over!" And I still see mom and the neighbor crying with joy because the war was over, in a South American country, so far away! These women knew that peace is greater than all wars, and they cried with joy when peace was made. I cannot forget that."



The Ukrainian Park Annual Fundraiser

TICKETS may be obtained from our BVM office as well, during office hours

"No Show Banquet" Saturday October 22, 2022

This years event requires your donations to support, preserve and continue the upkeep of the park as the natural, prayerful and relaxing place we have all known for so many years.

There is a special need this year to maximize the provincial

sustainable grant received requiring a matching amount. Efforts are underway to upgrade and renew the main camp kitchen facilities requiring an amount to be raised of \$180,000.00

Ticket prices are \$80.00 each allowing participation in an *Elimination Draw* for a chance to win \$1000.00. Your \$80.00 ticket includes a fifty-dollar tax receipt acknowledging your generous support of our park.

(Draw only tickets with no donation portion are also available for \$30.00 each) The Elimination Draw will take place at the Archeparchy Chancery 233 Scotia St., attendance is limited to invitation and all pandemic protocols will be followed.

Please support this important event and be part of the exciting improvements underway at Ukrainian Park Camp now for future generations. We look forward to the return of our youth and children camps in the 2023 Summer.

Ticket sales end on October 19, 2022.

Contact Taras Veryha at 204 -254-4466 or at <u>parkdirect@archeparchy.ca</u> for tickets.



PARISH CENTENARY UPDATE as of Sept. 17/22

We look forward to our major October 16th event: the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and our great **Banquet** which will include special performers. We hope to see the participation of our parishioners as well as our many guests who have some connection with BVM or ANNIVERSARY share your tickets (\$75). The fact of the parish office at **204-582-7535**, to purchase your tickets (\$75). Tickets are to be purchased by September 25th,

2022. Tickets cannot be reserved or sold at the door.

PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION ON THE OCCASION OF OUR CENTENARY. The names of all those who donate \$100 or more will appear on a permanent plaque, to be hung in the church. Donations made in memoriam will be listed as such. Here are our donors to date:

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			EPISTLE READERS' SCHEDULE AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2022 (If you cannot read that day, the lead singer of that Divine Liturgy will read.)			Sherman • Millie Haligowski in memory of Michael & Maria Haligowski • Marilyn & Bob Bird in memory of Mary & John Safian, and Victoria &			
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	Schedule of Services September 18th - 25th, 2022
	Sunday after Exaltation неділя по воздвиженням ч-го хреста 8:00 а.т Служба Божа (Ukr.) For all parishioners 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary 0:00 а.т Divine Liturgy (bilingual) For Ken & Delores Bielak and Family
Mon., Sept. 19 Martyr Trophimus Galatians 4:28-5:10 Mark 6:54-7:8	7:20 a.m 1st Hour & Rosary & postfeast Exalt. 9:00 a.m. Divine LiturgyFor the repose of the soul of Queen Elizabeth II and blessings for all who mourn her passing
Tues., Sept. 20 Martyr Eustace & Galatians 5:11-21 Mark 7:5-16	7:20 a.m 1st Hour & Rosary postfeast Exalt. 8:00 a.m Divine Liturgy For Monsignor Michael Buyachok for health and Divine Grace according to God's Will
Wed., Sept. 21 Apostle Quadratu Galatians 6:2-10 Mark 7:14-24	7:20 a.m 1st Hour & Rosary s & postfeast Exalt. 8:00 a.m Divine Liturgy For +Harry Michasiw by wife Jean and family 5:30 - Divine Liturgy For +Jan Miklusz by Cieklinski family 7:00 - Divine Liturgy For +Fr. Semczuk by UCWLC Eparchial Executive
Thurs., Sept. 22 Priest martyr Pho	7:20 a.m 1st Hour & Rosary cas 8:00 a.m Divine Liturgy For +Helen, +Sophia & +Volodymyr by Dmytro Sikora
Ephesians 1:1-9 Mark 7:24-30	
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8:00 а.т. -- Служба Божа (Ukr.)..... For Paul & Valentine Szun & Family 9:20 am - 3rd Hour & Rosary 10:00 а.т... Divine Liturgy (bilingual).... For all parishioners

<u>Regular Donations from</u> Sundays September 12, 2022:

Sunday collections: **\$1460** (45 env.) Candles: **\$116.30** Vichna Iyampa **\$20** 100th ann. **\$1625.00** Ukraine: **\$60** Church donation:**\$500** Expenses: **\$3903.81** (cathedraticum, candles, and annual envelopes)

Thank you for your generosity! Спасибі!

Remember: Private Adoration in our church every MONDAY and WEDNESDAY from 2 PM to 3 PM. Come and spend a quiet hour with Jesus!



VIGIL LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamp/ Вічна Лямпа - In memory of loving husband and father Giuseppe D'Andrea from Cathy and Michele D'Andrea.

Christ Icon – For our seminarians who have begun another year of preparation for priesthood

Mother of God Icon – Mary, please visit and comfort the millions of displaced and suffering and broken families who were forced to flee from the war



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.