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Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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Слава Ісусу Христу!

Welcome to our Parish

Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

October 1, 2023

**18-а Неділя по
Зіслання св. Духа**

ПОКРОВ П. Б.

**18th Sunday after
Pentecost**
PROTECTION of BVM

СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ! GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!



Ікона: Хмельницький художник Леонід Шерстинюк

Parish **Feast** of the Protection of the **Mother of God 2023**

Парафіяльний **Празник** Покрова **Богородиці**

our first Parish Praznyk of the new century, we can take a breath of satisfaction again that our journey together as a parish family is truly underway! We are blessed to be able to gather with Bishop Andriy and other clergy and many of our parishioners and guests! This is a wonderful opportunity to come together and to give glory to our God on this "Day of the Lord", to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary who is always interceding for us and protecting us - especially when we request this in prayer. It is also a time to shine as a community motivated above all by the Gospel way of life! A life based on those two greatest commandments expressed by our Saviour Jesus Christ about Love of God and Love of each and every one of our neighbours as ourselves (Matthew 22:36-39)!

So let's enjoy this Parish Feast Day and let us make every effort to not only be comfortable and joyful, but be sure that everyone gathered at the Eucharistic Liturgy and at the following banquet is also warmly welcomed and know that they are "at home" and "among friends". That makes us followers of Christ (John 13:34-35)!

Fr. Michael

**Пресвята
Богородице, Спаси
нас!**

Dear Friends:

Do you ever have the experience as you embark on a trip that it takes a bit of time or distance until you settle into the reality that, "yes, the journey has begun and we are truly on our way"? It might be after a certain landmark is passed on the highway, or a certain distance or amount of time has passed. Perhaps it is that moment on a flight when you hear the *boing* and the "fasten your seatbelt" light is switched off and the captain comes on to the sound system to give a little spiel about the planned flight route.

Here at Blessed Virgin Mary Parish we spoke about beginning a new journey of sorts as we were about to enter the second century of parish life. Many exciting possibilities await us along the way. Today as we celebrate

На Многая Літа, Владико!

**Ми раді вітати Вас серед нас,
Владико АНДРІЮ, з нагоди нашого
Парафіяльного Празника та з нагоди
Вашого Дня Народження!
We welcome you, Bishop Andriy
on the occasion of our Parish
Feast and on the occasion of
your Birthday!**



Parish News & Events:

1. Today we celebrate with great joy our parish **Praznyk** -- Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God. We welcome His Grace our Metropolitan Lawrence, His Excellency Bishop Andrew...
2. Save the dates: **Pyrohy-making: Oct. 18th & 19th.** Please come and help for a couple of hours! No one makes as tasty pyrohy as ours! Come give us a hand, and then reserve a few dozen at an excellent price. Call Myron at 204-338-7243.
3. Vote this Tuesday, Oct. 3 if you haven't already (Elections Manitoba).
4. Happy wedding anniversary to **Mr. & Mrs. Ronald & Darlene Komonko**, who celebrated their **62nd anniversary** yesterday. **Боже благослови ... на многії і благії літа!**
5. Some work has finally started on the property of the old Parish Hall. Parish Council approved the installation of concrete curbs along the western edge of the property to prevent vehicles from driving onto the land. Labour and supplies cost is \$3,700. There are also some quotes that are being reviewed for 2024 work to add soil and grass and fencing. If you have any questions or suggestions, please inform a Parish Council member. (Just a side note: a young father and son stopped to chat with FrM and, looking at the new curbing, asked "So what are you building here? You know what would be great? A children's playground! That would be fantastic!" *Something to consider?*)

News & Events Elsewhere:

6. **40 Days for Life** has begun: **Sept. 25-Nov. 5.** Can you spend an hour or two during this time, to walk silently and prayerfully outside the Women's Hospital (near Health Sciences Centre -- right on the corner of William and Sherbrook)? You can drop by anytime between 10 AM and 5 PM, and pick up a ready-made sign that slings over your head. Then all you do is walk back and forth, praying quietly for all abortion to end. Let us give witness to our firm belief that all mothers and children should and must be protected. Check out 40daysforlife.com/Winnipeg, or call Maria at 204-452-2459.
7. **St. Nicholas UCWLC** will be hosting a **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon on October 22, 2023** from 12 to 2pm Silent Auction ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY: \$15 CALL MARTHA KLAPPRAT @ 204-999-1505.
8. **Holy Eucharist UCWLC** Annual Fall Craft and Ukrainian Food Sale (perogies, perishke and cabbage rolls) will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023 at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Ave., Winnipeg, MB from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Admission: Adults - \$1.00; Children are free. Crafters can contact Susanne at 204-771-2075 or Pat at 204-453-4489 to reserve a table.
9. **St. Basil the Great Parish "Project 2023 Fundraiser"** will be held **Saturday November 4th, 2023**, at 202 Harcourt Street. Ticket prices are \$70.00 each for the dinner and draw, or you may purchase a draw ticket only for \$35.00. The dinner and draw ticket are inclusive of a dinner, all drinks, entertainment, and an elimination draw with prizes totalling \$2000. Cocktails start at 5:30 pm; draw at 8:30 pm. This is a wonderful evening of fellowship & friendship. For tickets, call: Parish Office – (204) 837-4180 Harry Fediuk - (204) 832-0265.



Confession...Confession... and more Confession

Imagine if we used the same bowl all year long for meals. Yes. One bowl: for soups, mashed potatoes, chicken, gravy... week after week... never ever washing that bowl. That is almost too weird for words. But so many of us do that with our souls. A soul collects dirt every day (**angry words said... mean words thought... grudges held ... small items stolen... impure things read in magazines, or worse, watched on TV... evening prayers not said**) and yet some of us have not a thought in the world of approaching Jesus in Holy Communion the next Sunday.

Remember the old days, when somebody would go into the sacristy to ask the priest to come out to hear a confession? Let us be warriors... ambassadors... for the good of our souls. Our parish has been blessed to have a priest who is always available before services to hear your confession. And if you're late and the green light is off... hey, be a warrior and go and find Father! Most people don't mind at all if Divine Liturgy starts a couple of minutes late. And if there really is no time, Father will ask you to come right after the service and he definitely will hear confession.

Another thing. Do you know an older person who seems ever more worried and irritable and angry? Ask him: could it be that he has not been to confession in a long time? ... is worried about dying...? It's amazing how a clear conscience helps our mental and even physical health.

During 1937, in Alicante, Spain, a young Spaniard was caught by the Communists while trying to board a foreign ship, and now lay in prison under sentence of death. Now he prayed earnestly, not for release, but to be able to get to confession and receive absolution before he died.

On the night before his execution, the cell door opened and an old man dressed as a peddler was thrown in.

"Get in there!" sneered the jailer. "Tomorrow, you will have the cell to yourself."

The first prisoner lay watching the newcomer take off his shoes and cloak and prepare himself for the night. Before lying down, however, the old man scratched a small cross on the wall and knelt down to say his prayers.

"Are you a Catholic?", asked the young man eagerly.

"I am. And you?"

They talked in low tones, and soon the young man told the other of his longing for confession.

"I still hope that God will grant my prayer."

"He granted it already!" smiled the peddler. "For I am a priest. Ever since the war began, I have gone from place to place in this disguise to bring the sacraments to the faithful."

Next morning, the jailer was surprised to see that the young prisoner, when led out to die, no longer wore a look of fear and strain, but of peace and joy.

Application: God rewarded his hope by sending him a priest even in prison, who would enable him to obtain the graces of the sacrament, and to prepare his soul for heaven. *Father L. Lovasik*



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 every one...."

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

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Remembering More +Manitoba Clergy (#7)

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- DOBRIANSKY
- BARANIUK
- WOROBY
- REZNOWSKI
- TRACZ
- OLACH

PUZZLE

A Manitoba lady named **Susan Penner** has been quite involved in pro-life activity. She recently sent an email to parishes including this story: "I recently received a call from a woman who said that she had struggled with a deep depression a few years ago. She said that if **MAID** had been available for her at the time, she likely would have chosen it. She is so thankful it wasn't, because she was able to find treatment for her depression and now has two grandchildren that she adores. This is just one example of why MAID for mental illness is so concerning."

Schedule of Services October 1 - October 1, 2023

Sun., Oct. 1 ПРАЗНИК! PRAZNYKI! 18th Sunday after Pentecost 18-а Неділя по Зісланню св. Духа
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy -- for all parishioners. Dinner follows for all with tickets.

Mon., Oct. 2 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Priest Martyr Cyprian 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For God's blessings for Jean Zalitach on her birthday (Oct. 1) by her Prayer Partner
Philippians 1:1-7
Luke 4:37-44

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Tues., Oct. 3 Priest Martyr Dionysius For Aida & Ed O'Campo, by friends
Philippians 1:8-14 / Luke 5:12-16

Wed., Oct. 4 Priest Martyr Hierotheus Birthday blessings for Rev. Canon Walter Klimchuk
Philippians 1:12-20 / Luke 5:33-39

Thurs., Oct. 5 Martyr Charitina For +Paul Yakimischak, by son Gregory
1 Cor. 3:18-23 / Philippians 1:20-27

Fri., Oct. 6 Apostle Thomas For +Andrew Buyachok (48 yrs.), by son Bohdan
1 Cor. 4:9-16 / Matthew 13:44-54

Sat., Oct. 7 Sergius & Bacchus For +William Kowaluk (1 yr.), by family
1 Cor. 15:58-16:3 / Luke 5:17-26

Sun., Oct. 8 19th Sunday after Pentecost 19-а Неділя по Зіс. Св. Духа
8:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (Ukr.) - for special intention
10:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (bilingual) -- For all our parishioners

Donations from September 24, 2023:

Sunday collection: \$1500.00 (36 env.) Church Needs \$ - Seminary \$ -
Candles: \$ 95.20 Vichna Lyampa. \$ - Ukraine: \$ -

Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!



The family of Walter Masden, who was involved with the carving of our Iconostas, visited us this week as they are researching his legacy of church-building and Iconostases around Canada.

VIGIL LAMPS

for the week of October 1st:

Sanctuary Lamp/Вічна Лампа – For all our clergy that are on retreat this week

Christ Icon – For Bishop Andriy Rabiychuk whose Birthday we celebrate today!

Mother of God Icon – That our Parish would excel in promoting devotion to our patron, the Mother of God

Request your Vigil Lamp at least a week ahead. This is such a beautiful way of praying, knowing the candle burns for a week for your intention. \$10 each; your preference of lamp will be accommodated whenever possible.



YOU ARE INVITED! YOUR PARTICIPATION WOULD BE A JOY AND AN HONOUR FOR FATHER MICHAEL AS WELL AS FOR THE CHURCH AS THIS NEW APPOINTMENT MARKS A NEW BEGINNING AND SIGNIFIES THE ONGOING LIFE OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN CANADA!

SCHEDULE for ORDINATION and INSTALLATION of BISHOP-ELECT MICHAEL KWIATKOWSKI:

Winnipeg, Manitoba:

NOMINATION CEREMONY

6:00 PM Tuesday, November 7th Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral

KHIROTONIA - EPISCOPAL CONSECRATION

6:00 PM Wednesday, November 8th at Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral

CELEBRATION BANQUET

6:00 PM Thursday, November 9th at the Winnipeg Convention Centre

PARISH FAREWELL DIVINE LITURGY

10:00 AM Sunday, November 12th at Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 965 Boyd Ave

British Columbia:

INSTALLATION / ІНТРОНІЗАЦІЯ

10:00 AM, Saturday, November 18th -- Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Vancouver BC

CATHEDRAL WELCOME

10:00 AM—Sunday, November 19th -- Holy Eucharist Cathedral, New Westminster BC



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