



Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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Pentecost

Слава Ісусу Христу!

Welcome to our Parish
Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

October 15, 2023

20-а неділя по
Зісланні св. Духа

СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ! GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

Dear Parishioners!

What is going on?! The world was shocked when Russian brutally invaded Ukraine well over a year ago and has remained in a state of disbelief as the war and atrocities continue to this day. Then we were all witness to terrifying, well, **terrorist** attacks in Israel where over 2500 have been killed with unthinkable things being done to people - mostly civilians including women and children. And now, counter attacks.

In the middle of these wars, the vast majority of victims are everyday civilians like ourselves being killed, violated, losing homes and everything and being forced to flee, perhaps forever. The danger is that we will shake our heads for a few days and talk about it as a welcome new topic for our chats with friends and relatives, and then set it aside and go on with our regular busy lives. We can so easily become complacent unless it is happening to us. or literally on our block. Only then might we get concerned and deem it worthy of our serious attention and prayer. What we don't think about is how did these countries and these peoples arrive at a point where either they are so filled with pain and hatred towards each other that they are willing to lash out in such violence? How did they allow themselves to become so complacent and unvigilant that enemies could attack, invade and attempt to destroy them? And the bigger question is always: Why would God allow this?

I am certainly not going to try to attempt to propose an answer to the last question (Why, God?) in the space of a bulletin message. However, at such times, we can turn to Lord and raise our hearts and prayers to God to awaken us and convert us (and our enemies) and grant us a true and faith-rooted peace. **But for some reason our world is in a real faith slump right now. Probably because we have lost our faith.** We have lost our faith in the purpose and power of prayer, and, it is almost as if we don't care if the Lord answers our prayer. We are lost in our own little lives and in the things that we do; things that we have decided are "good enough" and are more important than allowing a living faith to guide and inspire us and our lives. For example, and I don't say this with anger or cynicism, but we are having an hour of prayer this Tuesday in our own parish church for an end to the vicious wars in the Holy Land and Ukraine, but.... *I am not holding my breath* that many (if any?) will be there. Sure, we're concerned about these wars and the countless people killed or who otherwise have their lives destroyed, but we have lunch plans, hair appointments, a show to watch, work to be done, shopping to do, previous plans, or we just don't feel like altering our daily routine, etc. Such things will take precedence. We so easily become complacent and/or we allow world values to overshadow and direct our Catholic Christian values of faith and family. This happens concerning many things that, at first, rightly shocked us, things that we never accepted, but we still become accustomed to living with them and, basically accepting them. Things like abortion, MAiD (Euthanasia), immoral social trends, etc. Why? Because they often don't effect us directly.... **until they do.**

Fr. Michael



مجلس رؤساء الكنائس الكاثوليكية في الأرض المقدسة
THE ASSEMBLY OF CATHOLIC ORDINARIES OF THE HOLY LAND
אספת ההגמונים הקתוליים של ארץ הקודש

The Church leaders in the Holy Land have made an earnest request to their own people in Israel/Palestine, but also extended to all people of good will to dedicate this

Tuesday 17 October

as a **day of fasting and prayer** -

especially with **Eucharistic**

Adoration and the **Rosary** for a end to the horrific terrorism and fighting that has broken out in Israel and is involving the whole region. Here at **BVM Parish**, we will have a **Holy Hour** in our Church during the **Noon Hour**, beginning at **12:00 PM**. Please come for an hour of prayer and meditation, appealing to the Lord for an end to this terrible violence in the **Holy Land, Ukraine**, in **throughout the world**.

Parish News & Events:

1. **Come to church this coming TUESDAY for an hour at exactly noon:** Circle your calendar now, set an alarm on your cellphone. Be here to PRAY, in light of the terrible wars overseas. Let us fill our church and make amends to God for all this killing and violence and turmoil. Our prayers for peace will be heard... but we must come to pray together!
2. **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, then reserve a few dozen at an excellent price. Call Myron at 204-338-7243.

News & Events Elsewhere:

3. **IHM Lubov Nursery FUNDRAISER Order now! Naleway Perogies:** Frozen Potato Cheddar: 3 Dozen \$9.00
Kolbassa: Coarse (Ham style) \$11.00; Fine \$10.00. **Bothwell Cheese** \$15.00/unit (a unit = 2 bricks 330g -350g) \$10/bag of white or orange curds
NEW Cheese Combos: Variety pack \$22 & Family combo \$35 each. Cheques payable to IHM Lubov Nursery School. Orders must be in by THURS. OCT 26th. Phone 204-669-1023 Pick up at 35 Marcie Street Wpg. Thank you for your support!



4. **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.

5. Author **Myrna Kostash** will launch a book, **"Ghosts in a Photograph"** at Oseredok this **Tues, Oct. 17th** at 6 PM. In the book, Myrna delves into her family's history, exploring the lives of her grandparents, who immigrated to Alberta from Galicia in the early 1900s. **Every \$10 from Myrna Kostash's book sale will contribute to Oseredok's "Stand with Ukraine! Fund."**

6. **St. Nicholas UCWLC** will be hosting a **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon next Sunday, October 22, 2023** from 12 to 2pm Silent Auction ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY: \$15 CALL MARTHA KLAPPRAT @ 204-999-1505.

7. **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.

8. **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 or Harry Fediuk - (204) 832-0265.

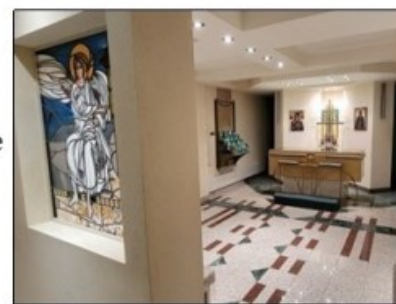
How on Earth Did We Ever Survive?

*A man called Michael Peck is full of the joy of the Lord, and he writes about how grateful he is to God and His angels for keeping him safe from childhood. But he asks the rest of us: **how on earth did ANY of us survive?** We smile, but really, let us thank God daily for His goodness to each of us!*

1. Drank from the dirty garden hose most every day.
2. Played games in the middle of the road
3. Burned leaves on the side of the road and rode our bicycles through the smoke.
4. Balanced other kids on our handlebars
5. Loved riding in the back of open pickup trucks.
6. Never used seatbelts – enjoyed climbing over the car seats from the back to the front and back again.
7. Played in the creek, even the deeper parts.
8. Walked along the railroad tracks ...waved to the engineer. Depending on who was in the cab, often we would hear the train whistle toot twice at us as the train sped by.
9. Ate our lunches that had sat in a hot locker all morning.
10. We had no cell phones and no tracking devices and didn't have to come in until suppertime. We hiked in the woods, climbed the hills, and did many more things that I can't think of right now. **So... what did your family do?!**

Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine Volunteer Shrine Ministry

The Shrine and St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church is one of the few Churches in Winnipeg that is open daily for visitors. Keeping the doors open is possible because of those who generously offer their time, a few hours a month, as Shrine volunteers. We are very grateful to the community of Shrine volunteers. However, **we could use more help.**



We invite you to consider being a Shrine volunteer and an ambassador to welcome visitors, promote the cause of Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky and spend time in prayer. If you are interested in this ministry experience or for more information **contact Lesia Sianchuk at the Shrine office at 204-338-7321 or email: info@bvmartyrshrine.com**

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 Hill:** Helen Naherny **Riverview:** Helen Dolski **Seven Oaks Hospital:** Dmytro Sikora **Holy Family Home:** Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk, Fr. Yakowchuk, Helena Dubik, Mary Kozelko

 <p>KARPATY MEATS & DELI <i>Fresh Homemade Sausages</i></p> <p>536 Bannerman Ave. @McGregor Winnipeg, MB R2W 0V6 Mon.: Closed Tues: 8 AM-5 PM Wed-Fri: 8 AM – 6 PM</p> <p>204-586-1395</p>	 <p>907 Main St. Winnipeg, MB R2W 3P2 Tel: 204-956-2193</p> <p><i>Serving the Ukrainian community for over 45 years</i></p> <p>info@korbanchapel.com www.korbanchapel.com</p>	<p>Seven Oaks Sadok Inc. Daycare</p>  <p>provides quality, licensed childcare while preserving the Ukrainian language, culture, customs and religion. We welcome all children from all backgrounds & religious denominations, offering: Full day Preschool (ages 2-5) Nursery School (ages 2-5) Morning Program: 9:00-11:20 After Kindergarten: 11:30-3:20 • Before & After School programs (ages 6-12). Location: R.F. Morrison School, Winnipeg. For more information or to register, call (204) 995-7614 or email cynthia_sadok@live.ca</p> 
 <p>Ruslan Construction</p> <p>Professional Metal Roofing/Siding Manufacturing & Exterior Construction <i>Locally-made products</i></p> <p>204-294-7372 ruslanconstruction.com</p>	 <p><i>"Independently Owned"</i></p> <p>1442 Main St. Winnipeg, MB 1800 Day St. Transcona, MB Tel: 204-586-8044</p> <p><i>Serving the Ukrainian Community for over 50 years</i> www.cropo.com</p>	<p>HELPFUL PARISH CONTACTS</p> <p>Office: 204-582-7535</p> <p>Parish Priest: Rev. Dr. Michael Kwiatkowski <u>ext. 2</u> Auditorium: ext. 3 Catechism area: ext. 4 Facility Rentals: 204-582-7535</p> <p>Parish Council: Irene Hanuta (co-chair) 204-297-7814</p> <p>Catechism: Good-hearted volunteer needed! 204-582-7535 ...call Father!</p> <p>Men's Club: E. John Natyna, president 204-339-9366</p> <p>UCWLC: Janet Kuchma, president 204-582-5932</p> <p>Perogy Making: Myron Fedoruk, president 204-338-7243</p>
<p>This space is for <i>your</i> message.</p> <p>Call us! 204-582-7535</p>	 <p>950 Main Street 1375 Grant Ave.</p> <p>1-850 Regent Ave. W. 310 Leila Ave Mon-Fri 9:30 am - 5:00 pm (Leila branch also open Sat.) 1940-2022</p> <p>204-989-7400 carpathia.ca</p>	
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	<p>GALARNYK Insurance Agency Ltd.</p> <p>696 McGregor St. Winnipeg, MB R2V 3T8 204-582-7891 M to F: 9 AM-6:30 PM Sat.: 9-2:30 PM</p> <p><i>Serving the Community for over 55 years!</i></p>	

God of Love, we lift up Palestine and Israel — its people, its land, its creatures. War is a monster that consumes everything in its path. Peace is a gift shared at meals of memory with Christians, Muslims, and Jews. Let us burn incense, not children. Let us break bread, not bodies. Let us plant olive groves, not cemeteries. We beg for love and compassion to prevail on all Your holy mountains. **God of Hope**, we lift up the cities so damaged...Come again to breathe peace on your peoples that all may recognize You! *(Rose Marie Berger, abridged)*

What is a Miracle that Happened in Your Life?

When she was asked this question, a lady named Swathy Krishna said that she was grateful to God for her very life! Here's her story, exactly as she wrote it:



"Hours before I was born, the doctor asked my father to choose either my mom or me .. they said maybe they will have to choose whom to save.. because I was underweight 1300gms. My Father asked him to save us both.

And that's how I came to this world... Fighting for my life.. barely developed.. Looking like a rat according to my brother.. After 1 month I returned home..

No one expected me to be **alive** .. I **lived**

No one expected me to be born with out any deformity- I am Normal


No one expected me to Walk- I walk (mostly I run :P)

No one expected me to speak - I spoke

No one expected me to have Normal IQ- I have above average IQ... will be a Doctor (Dentist- For those who think Dentist are not Doctors)

For me everyday is a miracle.. every breath...each step I took. Every test I passed is a miracle!"

That Sanctuary Lamp Hanging Over our Altar



"Take a word. Put the power of a **poet** behind it, and it will make music, beauty and cadence and will sing in the hearts of men. Put the power of an **orator** behind it, and it will thrill vast multitudes. Put the power of a **judge** behind it, and it spells the difference between innocence and guilt; between life and death. Put the power of **God** behind it, and it pulls a universe into being out of the yawning abyss of nothingness.

Take a piece of bread. Put the power of a cook behind it, and it may become bread pudding. Put the power of God, expressed in a few words, behind it, and it is transfigured into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our glorified Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

What is determinative, decisive and all-important is **not so much the word as it is the power behind the word**. When infinite power and intelligence are put behind the word, it becomes the plenipotentiary ambassador of the Most High, clothed with a divine efficacy which transcends the power of man as the radiance of the sun surpasses the flickering light of a candle. God and a word can bring our great High Priest, Calvary's Victim for the sins of man, Jesus Christ, upon our altar under the lowly species of bread and wine." **Rev. John A. O'Brien**

Application: 1) Yes, a Catholic priest, saying the words Jesus gives him through His holy Church, has the power to change bread and wine into JESUS! A living, breathing Jesus... who stays even after our Divine Liturgy is finished. He lives in the little tabernacle on the altar. He is REAL! He is ALIVE! He sees you and me as we sit in our pews. This is why we, while in church, should gaze back at HIM as He looks at us. We can't see Him... but we know He is there! Let us love Him.

2) Let us promise never to enter a Catholic church, or to cross over from one side of the church to the other, without looking straight at the tabernacle on the altar, then crossing ourselves and bowing low, to give Him the respect due to our King... the King of heaven and earth!

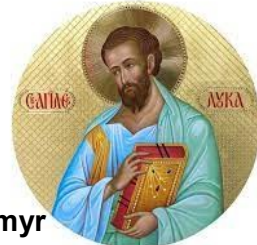
Schedule of Services October 15 - 22, 2023

Sun., Oct. 15 **20th Sunday after Pentecost** 20-а неділя по Зісланні св. Духа
8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy -- Birthday Blessings for Alexander
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy -- for All Parishioners

Mon., Oct. 16 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Martyr Longinus 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For the refugee priests from Ukraine who visited
Philippians 4:10-23 our parish, but returned to Ukraine: "Lord, help them!"
Luke 7:36-50 Frs. Mykhailo, Yuriy and Volodymyr

Tues., Oct. 17 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Prophet Hosea 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For Peace in the Holy Land
Colossians 1:1-11 by the Catholic Hierarchy in the Holy Land
Luke 8:1-3 12:00 noon - Holy Hour... For an End to War in Ukraine and the Holy Land

Wed., Oct. 18 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Apostle & Evangelist Luke 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For +Bedros Balian
Colossians 4:5-9; 14-18/Luke 10:16-22 by friends



Thurs., Oct. 19 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Prophet Joel 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For ++Helen, Sophia & Volodymyr
Colossians 1:24--29/Luke 9:7-11 by Dmytro Sikora

Fri., Oct. 20 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Martyr Artemius 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For health and God's blessings for Jimmy Sawchuk
Colossians 2:1-7/Luke 9:12-18 on the occasion of his birthday tomorrow by Maria Gorbay

Sat., Oct. 21 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Venerable Hilarion 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy ... For +Msgr. Michael Buyachok (1 yr.) (tomorrow)
2 Cor. 3:12-18 by brother Bohdan Buyachok
Luke 6:1-10

Sun., Oct. 22 **21st Sunday after Pentecost** 21-а неділя по Зіс. Св. Духа
8:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (Ukr.) - For all our parishioners
10:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (bilingual) -- For the Success of the Synod in Rome



Donations from October 8, 2023:

Sunday collection: \$1025.00 (31 env.)
Candles: \$ 84.85

Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!

Church Needs \$ - Seminary \$ -
Vichna Lyampa. \$ - Ukraine: \$ -
Livestreaming Development: \$ -

VIGIL LAMPS for the week of October 15th:

Sanctuary Lamp/Вічна Лампа – For Peace in the Holy Land, Peace in Ukraine

Christ Icon – For more vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life (Sisters, Monks)

Mother of God Icon – This candle could have been for your intention!

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. This is a way that supports our parish, in addition to obtaining graces for those whom you pray!



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, Sat., Nov. 18th:

Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Vancouver BC

CATHEDRAL WELCOME 10:00 AM, Sun., Nov. 19th:

Holy Eucharist Cathedral, New Westminster BC

