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Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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Слава Ісусу Христу!

Welcome to our Parish
Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

October 8, 2023

**19th Sunday after
Pentecost**

**19-а Неділя по
Зіслання св. Духа**

СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ!

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

Dear Parishioners! This is the weekend when we wish each other a "Happy" Thanksgiving. We do so in hope that indeed will have a nice, if not joyful, Thanksgiving Day experience. Our American neighbours celebrate Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday in November, but we celebrate the day on the second Monday of October. Why? Because the day is closely associated with the HARVEST and the harvest season *generally* comes earlier in Canada than it does *generally* for our neighbours to the south. But, thanksgiving day has been officially commemorated in Canada since 1879. In Ukraine it has not been officially **established**, but for several years there has been a day of giving thanks in Kyiv on one of the Sundays of September... So, yes, we offer thanksgiving to the God for a good harvest, but also in thanksgiving to our loving Lord for all the grace and love with which He showers us and our parish and our loved ones' lives. The very fact that He chose to bring us into life is reason enough for our profound gratitude. That means that we are already children of God, and this life is ours to live and enjoy (including its challenges). We look forward to life everlasting that the Lord has also won for us by paying the price Himself through His Death that He freely accepted and His death-conquering resurrection.

What is the best possible way to give thanks this Thanksgiving Day? How about by participating in a Divine Liturgy? We can prepare ourselves by making a commitment to the Lord by fully reconciling ourselves with the Lord through the Sacrament of Penance and then receiving the Lord in the Holy Eucharist. You must know what Eucharist* means? It comes from the Greek word **εὐχαριστία** ("eukharystia"), which means.... (are you sitting down?)... "Thanksgiving"!

By participating honestly and attentively in the Divine Liturgy we are not only giving thanks to Christ for graces received in the past, we are actually experiencing a reason for being thankful with our whole life forever – by receiving Christ in Holy Communion. "By eating the Body and drinking the Blood of Christ in the Eucharist, we become united to the person of Christ through his humanity. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). In being united to the humanity of Christ, we are at the same time united to His divinity. In the Eucharist the Church both receives the gift of Jesus Christ and gives **grateful thanks to God for such a blessing**. This **thanksgiving is the only proper response**, for through this gift of Himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine Christ gives us the gift of eternal life." (www.usccb.org)

Thanks to God for BVM Parish! Thanks to God for each and every parishioner and visitor to our Parish! Thanks to God for what we have in our lives! Thanks to God for the many experiences and joys that yet lie ahead! Thanks to God for giving us life and life eternal!

**з Днем Подяки Господу!
Happy Thanksgiving Day!**

This weekend we have a holiday by which we gather with family and neighbours and find time to **step in to the House of the Lord to give thanks** to God Who loves us so much as to give us everything... life, opportunities and especially eternal Salvation that He obtained for us by His own sacrifice! Come to our Eucharistic **Divine Liturgy** - this **Monday** October 9th at **9:00 AM** to give thanks to the Lord for all His blessings to you, your family, our parish, to so many people and situations in your life and around the world! And then, if you don't have other plans....

**stay for a piece of
Pumpkin Pie
& Coffee**



Fr. Michael

Parish News & Events:

1. Thank you to everyone who came out to the Parish Praznyk last Sunday. A special thank you to those parishioners who helped in the set up or clean up. God bless all of you!
2. This **Tuesday, October 10th** there will be a **UCWLC Meeting** at 10:00 preceded by a **liturgy at 9:00** for the late Zita Buchko. New members are always welcomed.
3. **Parish Council meeting:** this **Thursday, October 12th at 5 PM** in our boardroom.
4. **Men's Club Meeting:** TBA.
5. 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.
6. We know of some happy couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries this month: **Wayne and Doreen Burdey** (1977), **Jack and Wendy Groot** (1984) and **Jan and Teresa Hryndzio** (1989). May God bless you and your families, and keep you close to Him! Anyone else? Please let us know of additions or corrections!

News & Events Elsewhere:

7. **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.
8. Author **Myrna Kostash** will launch a book, "**Ghosts in a Photograph**" at Oseredok on **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."**
9. **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.
10. **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.
11. **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.



No Such Thing as Coincidence

A very nice and sincere Protestant minister named Rev. Wattson missed his train as he was travelling to one of his mission churches. As he had a few hours now to kill before the next train, he decided to pay a visit to a nearby Catholic church. As he entered the dim interior, the flickering light of the sanctuary lamp, indicating the Real Presence, seemed to beckon to him. Like the star which led the Wise Men from the East to the manger-throne of the Lord of heaven and earth, it brought him closer to the altar on which Jesus reposed in His Sacrament of Love. There he knelt and poured out his soul to God. His prayer was the plea of one asking for the light to see the truth, and for the courage to follow it.

The visit refreshed him, and he rose from his knees filled with a new determination to follow the truth regardless of the consequences. He returned home and retired to his study. From his library, he took down the books which he had often read before, and others which until now he had ignored. He began a long period of reading. The grace for which he had prayed during his visit to the Eucharistic Christ was given to him, for now he began to recognize how so many of his books were really nothing more than clever attacks on the claims of the Catholic Church.

Now came courage to follow the light: he began opening volumes which he had not even been able to touch in the past. Joy filled his soul as he read, and he fell to his knees to recite the "Te Deum" (Тебе Бога Хвалим) -- a hymn of thanksgiving. He realized the truth of the Catholic Church, and soon became a Catholic priest and founded the Franciscan community of Graymoor. He is known as Father Paul of Graymoor.

Application: It was the actual grace -- that is, help from God which enlightened Father Paul's mind to see the truth of the Catholic Church, and strengthened his will to embrace it. Up to this time of his visit with Our Lord, he neither saw the truth nor did he have the strength to become a Catholic. God gives His grace to those who are sincere and humble. Make good use of the many actual graces God offers you. **Be sure that it is at Holy Communion and at prayer, especially before the Blessed Sacrament, that you will receive the greatest and most abundant graces of God.** Fr. 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 Hill:** Helen Naherny **Riverview:** Helen Dolski **Seven Oaks Hospital:** Dmytro Sikora **Holy Family Home:** Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk, Fr. Yakowchuk, Helena Dubik, Mary Kozelko

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204-297-7814

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Good-hearted volunteer needed!
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Men's Club:
E. John Natyna, president
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Janet Kuchma, president
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Perogy Making:
Myron Fedoruk, president
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More Parishioners to Remember

PUZZLE

(#8) last one!

Did you know that St. Pope Pius X said THIS to our Bishop Budka in 1922? ↓

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- JAREMA
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- NOROSKY
- DERRY
- KOHINSKI
- SMEREK
- DUKE

"Your diocese [all of Canada] is the largest in the whole world. But I rejoice in seeing you so young. You have a very wide territory so you can fly. You cannot do everything, so do what you can. You cannot lose your people because you have two treasures. I well know thus about the Ruthenian people: your people loves the Most Blessed Virgin Mary and the Most Blessed Sacrament [of the Eucharist]. With these treasures, you cannot lose your people. Go with confidence."

Schedule of Services October 8 - October 15, 2023

Sun., Oct. 8 **19th Sunday after Pentecost** **19-а Неділя по Зісланні св. Духа**
8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy -- for private intention
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy -- for all parishioners

Mon., Oct. 9 **THANKSGIVING DAY!** 8:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Apostle James **9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... In thanksgiving for all blessings received**
1 Corinthians 4:9-16
Luke 10:16-21
by Gregory Yakimischak



Tues., Oct. 10 8:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Martyr Eulampius **9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For +Zita Buchko**
Philippians 2:16-23
Luke 6:37-45
by UCWL ... followed by UCWL meeting

~~Wed., Oct. 11~~ **Fr. M. away today -- no DL in church today**
~~Apostle Philip~~ **Divine Liturgy... For +Fr. Edward Kwiatkowski (2 yrs.)**
~~Philippians 2:24-30/ Luke 6:46-7:1~~
by family

Thurs., Oct. 12 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Martyr Probus **8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For For the poor souls in Purgatory**
Philippians 3:8-19/Luke 7:31-35
by Dmytro Sikora



Fri., Oct. 13 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Martyr Carpus **8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For +Florence Gregg** *by SSJ*
Philippians 3:8-19/Luke 7:31-35

Sat., Oct. 14 7:30 a.m. - Holy Rosary
Venerable Paraskevia **8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For God's blessings, protection & guidance for grandson Brendan Kochanski (new Westjet pilot)**
2 Cor. 1:8-11
Luke 5:27-32
by Diana Kochanski Kornik

Sun., Oct. 15 **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



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Sunday collection: **\$1897.00** (67 env.) Church Needs \$ **200** Seminary \$-
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Mother of God Icon – For the sick, especially those of our parish

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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

