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Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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**Sunday after the  
Exaltation of the  
Holy Cross**

**Слава Ісусу Христу!**  
*Welcome to our Parish*  
*Вітаємо Вас у нашії парафії*  
**September 17, 2023**

**Неділя по  
Воздвиженні  
св. Хреста**

**СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ! GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!**

**Dear Friends:**

So. Since the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross was celebrated last week, are we done discussing the Cross of Christ?

Nope.

Today's Gospel, yet again, has Jesus Christ our Lord telling us to **deny ourselves, take up our cross and FOLLOW HIM.**

But listen to this. He goes on to say:

**"If anyone in this faithless and corrupt age is ashamed of me and my doctrine, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when He comes with the holy angels in His Father's glory."**

Imagine that!

Jesus Himself is telling you and me that if we are embarrassed about our holy Faith, if we are embarrassed to behave like good Catholics, He absolutely won't have any incentive to stand up for us when we stand speechless before the throne of His Father some day.

An Australian had a chance to visit a country in the Middle East not long ago, and came home embarrassed. He had thought he was more or less a "good Christian". But he was stunned to see Christians in that country wearing crucifixes, and happy to have a crosses on their home walls. At one point, less than 14 km. from an ISIS army point, he drove past a house that was painted with a mural of Jesus! "That's right... just minutes from people who wouldn't think twice about burning them alive, Christians were proudly choosing to communicate: "I am with Him!" he wrote later.

Would you like it if your "friends" melted away from you in public, embarrassed to be seen with you? Would you like it if your child's classmates told him/her: "Get away from me... I don't want to be seen walking with you!"?

But look how many of us could be accused of being **ashamed of Jesus:**

Are we ashamed to have a crucifix in our living room/kitchen (where visitors might see it)?

Are we ashamed to cross ourselves before meals in restaurants, and say grace aloud?

Are we ashamed to ever mention Jesus and our Catholic faith in our Facebook chats? our Twitters (oops..."X")? or during our phone conversations with our work colleagues?

Would we be ashamed to keep a Bible on our desk at work, and be ready to chat about something in it, when someone comments about it?

When someone uses God's holy Name, Jesus' holy Name like a swear word, or like an exclamation point (and so *many* of our children do that now!), do we express immediately a friendly but firm correction?

When family members let us know that they plan to marry someone who is not a baptized Catholic, or is perhaps "divorced"...or simply plan to "move in" with someone: Are we ready to speak lovingly but confidently about what our holy Catholic Church says about this? That they would rob themselves of so much grace?

Let us be proud to speak up about our holy Faith, everywhere and at every opportunity.

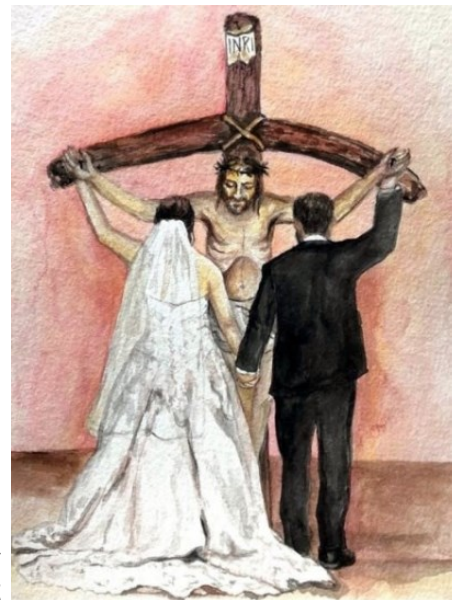
A Quora question a few years back asked, "What makes you proud to be Catholic?" Many answered, "We are not *proud* to be Catholic... we are *humbled and full of gratitude* that we are Catholic!" And a lady named Kim added:

"[I love that] the **Church never feels pressured to change its 'meaning' of Truth** to suit the whims and fickleness of the world. Truth is Truth unchanging. The **Church is not politically correct either.** It upholds the dignity of life at every stage and in every circumstance. The **Catholic Church is the church Christ founded** to whom He said to Peter "and on this rock I will build my Church." (Matthew 16:18). All other Christian denominations have only part of the Truth and will always be but a watered-down version."

Well said, Kim!

Let us all be confident, happy proclaimers of the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

*Guest writer*



## Parish News & Events:

1. We welcome today **His Excellency Bishop Andrij Rabij** who graciously offered to celebrate our 10 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy today. Вітаємо, Владико!
2. **Catechism:** We already have two teachers. Classes for children and youth will be alternating this year -- Saturday/Sunday -- on a weekly basis. **First meeting and distribution of schedule will be at 9 a.m. next Sunday downstairs.** Give us your child this year and you will see a difference: **"If we don't teach our children who God is... someone else will teach them everything that He isn't!"** (Darlene Schacht)
3. 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.
4. Our parish **Praznyk** -- Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God ("Pokrova") will be on **Sunday, Oct. 1.** Please plan to bring your whole family for the 10 AM Divine Liturgy and to the parish dinner immediately following. (Ticket details elsewhere in this bulletin.) We will need an army of volunteers the night before (Sept. 30) to set up - please set aside that weekend FOR YOUR BELOVED PARISH!

## News & Events Elsewhere:

5. Please circle on your calendar the dates of ordination and installation of our parish priest-now-Bishop-to-be Michael Kwiatkowski -- see elsewhere in this bulletin. Attend as many as you can, for the more we pray as a family, the more graces bestowed upon all!
6. You are invited to **Beausejour, MB** for a **mini-pilgrimage!** Details: National Shrine of Our Lady of LaSalette this Friday, September 22, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. and Saturday, September 23, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. followed by food and fellowship. The address is 530 Atlantic Avenue, Beausejour, MB. In 1924, Polish/English LaSalette Missionary Fathers took charge of the parish for the next 60 years, and The National Shrine was inaugurated on September 24, 1950.
7. **Let's grow in faith and understanding by personal study. Look at these free online courses on the "great books"**... amazing variety! The lady who started this whole website idea worked and prayed at Madonna House in Combermere for three years, and hit upon this project. Religious, non-religious... amazing books that you always wanted to read, and better yet, understand, suspecting that doing so will open your mind, make you a better person. Let's check it out now! Just oodles of courses at **catherineproject.org**. Free!



### Modern-day Miracle

A lady called Leticia Velasquez had a brush with death. As she was leaving evening Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Norwich, Connecticut, a speeding red sports car barreled toward her as she crossed the street using the crosswalk. Fortunately, the vehicle came to a screeching halt in the nick of time.

"He stopped close enough to me for me to touch the hood of the car while I looked at him in disbelief," she said. Then she added, "There was a news camera team on the corner, and they remarked on what a close call it was. I answered, 'Good thing I was just leaving church, so I was ready to go to heaven!'"

"I had an Irish grandma who thankfully reminded me that we must always be ready to meet God, so I grew up with eternity in mind, and the urgency of being in a state of grace at all times." *catholicdigest.com*

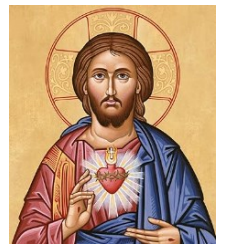
### Miracle Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past, I have asked for many favors. This time I ask for a very special one. (*Here mention your request.*)

Take it, dear Jesus, and place it within your own heart, where your Father sees it.

Then, in his merciful eyes, it will become your favor and not mine. Amen.

*Aleteia.org*



**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

**Holy Family Home:** Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk, Fr. Yakowchuk, Helena Dubik, Mary Kozelko

### Donations from September 10, 2023:

Sunday collection: **\$690.00** (34 env.)    Church Needs **\$ 200**

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**Facility Rentals: 204-582-7535**

**Parish Council:**  
Irene Hanuta (co-chair)  
**204-297-7814**

**Catechism:**  
Good-hearted volunteer needed!  
**204-582-7535** ...call Father!

**Men's Club:**  
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**204-339-9366**

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**Perogy Making:**  
Myron Fedoruk, president  
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## We Remember our +Parishioners (BVM #5)

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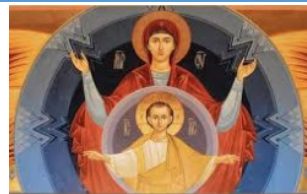
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"Too many people get credit for being good, when they are only being passive. They are too often praised for being broadminded when they are so broadminded they can never make up their minds about anything." — Fulton J. Sheen This same bishop also once said, "When a child is given to his parents, a crown is made for that child in Heaven, and woe to the parents who raise a child without consciousness of that eternal crown!"

# Schedule of Services September 17-24, 2023

Sun., Sept. 17 **Sunday after Exaltation of the Holy Cross** **Неділя по Воздвиженні Чесного Хреста**  
**NO 8 AM Divine Liturgy**  
**10:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (bilingual) -- For all parishioners**

Mon., Sept. 18 <b>Venerable Eumenius;</b> post-feast of Exalt. Ephesians 1:22-2:3 Mark 10:46-52	Tues., Sept. 19 <b>Martyr Trophimus;</b> post-feast of Exalt. Ephesians 2:19-3:7 Mark 11:11-23	Wed., Sept. 20 <b>Martyr Michael;</b> post-feast of Exalt. Ephesians 3:8-21 Mark 11:23-26	Thurs., Sept. 21 <b>Apostle Quadratus;</b> post-feast of Exalt. Ephesians 4:14-19 Mark 11:27-33
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Fri., Sept. 22  
**Priest Martyr Phocas**  
 Ephesians 4:17-25  
 Mark 12:1-12  
 7:20 a.m. - 1st/3rd Hour & Rosary  
**8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For deceased friends and family**  
*by Gregory Yakimischak*

Sat., Sept. 23  
**Conception of John the Baptist**  
 1 Cor. 14:20-25  
 Matthew 25:1-13  
 7:20 a.m. - 1st/3rd Hour & Rosary  
**8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy... For +Peter Kuryk**  
*by brother Don Kuryk*



Sun., Sept. 24 **17th Sunday after Pentecost** **17-а Неділя по Зісланні св. Духа**  
**NO 8 AM Divine Liturgy**  
**10:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (bilingual) -- For all parishioners**

Date	Intention	Requested by
Mon, Sept. 18	For all deceased members of the Nagy family	Anon.
Tues, Sept. 19	Serlou Kinol & family	Friends
Wed. Sept. 20	for +Helen, +Sophia & +Volodymyr	Dmytro Sikora
Thurs., Sept. 21	FrMBK private intention	

## SCHEDULE FOR ORDINATION and INSTALLATION of BISHOP-ELECT MICHAEL KWIATKOWSKI:

**Winnipeg, Manitoba:**

**NOMINATION CEREMONY**  
 6 PM Tues., November 7th  
 Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral



**EPISCOPAL CONSECRATION/  
CHEIROTONIA** 10 AM Wed., November 8th  
 Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral

**PARISH FAREWELL DIVINE LITURGY**  
 10 AM Sun., November 12th  
 Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 965 Boyd Ave.

**British Columbia:**

**INSTALLATION**  
 10 AM, Sat., November 18th -- Protection of the  
 Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Vancouver BC

**CATHEDRAL WELCOME**  
 Sun., November 19th -- Holy Eucharist Cathedral,  
 New Westminster BC (time TBA)

*Please pray for Bishop-elect Michael as makes the necessary myriad logistical and spiritual preparations for the above. Remember to pray for all our clergy!*



## Blessed Virgin Mary PRAZNYK

Sunday, October 1, 2023  
 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
 We will welcome our **Bishops**  
*(one is celebrating his birthday)*  
 and the **Macenko Choir**.

**Catered Dinner follows:** (advance ticket sales only)  
**Adults -- \$20.00**  
**Children 6-12 yrs. -- \$10.00**  
**5 & under -- free**

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

**Deadline for purchasing tickets is Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023**

## VIGIL LAMPS for the week of September 17th:



**Sanctuary Lamp/Вічна Лямпа** – for the intention of our Holy Father: “...for all the marginalized...”

**Christ Icon** – That all our parishioners get out to vote, and vote wisely, next week in the Manitoba elections.

**Mother of God Icon** – For our parishioners as they work together to make this Praznyk a memorable one!

*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.*



Father Gabriel Haber celebrates Divine Liturgy for us last week. (photo credit Irene Hanuta)

