



Protection of the

# Blessed Virgin Mary

Ukrainian Catholic Parish

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Parish Bulletin for the week of

Feast of Christ the King **October 31th 2021** Празник Христа Царя

Dear Parishioners,

### Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

God bless all of our parishioners that joined our guests at the church or online for the special Divine Liturgy with Fr. **Brian Kolodiejchuk, MC** and his presentation on Saint Mother Teresa. It was an uplifting event. God willing, we will have more such special occasions for prayer and reflection.

Yesterday, I joined five delegates from our Archeparchy to participate in a global "Forum" conference that saw around 200 delegates from around the world begin a process of consultation about revitalizing our Church and how we can better give everyone a voice and a full role in the life of the Church and the mission given to us by Christ to share the Gospel and the Grace of the Church with all people. We will definitely be talking more about this - in a more formal way than last Sunday.

So today is Halloween. I remember as a kid the getting dressed up in a cool costume or one not so cool, but it didn't really matter in the end... the big ticket was the bags-full of candy that a kid could bring home in a single evening (!). Well, Halloween has shifted somewhat onto something either macabre or risqué. But not necessarily. It is the eve of all saints (hallows) and we can keep it fun and safe and something family-oriented and faith-oriented.

God bless!

*Father Michael*

«Ось Цар ваш!»



"Behold your King!"

### ACTIVITIES, EVENTS & REQUESTS...

1. **No Catechism tonight...** we will resume catechism classes next Sunday (see times elsewhere in this bulletin).

2. Blessed Virgin Mary **Parish Council meeting** tomorrow (Monday), Nov. 1st at 5:30 PM in the classroom space.

3. Our Blessed Virgin Mary **UCWL will meet this Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 9 AM** for a Divine Liturgy and Panakhyda to be celebrated for all deceased members.

4. **Many thanks to Father Brian Kolodiejchuk, MC** who gave such a thought-provoking speech-and-video presentation last Friday night, after the concelebration of Divine Liturgy by three priests (*thank you, too, Father Walter Dudych!*). After this wonderful evening, Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta has surely become even more present in the lives of all who attended. May God bless Father Kolodiejchuk for spending this time with us, and we as a parish ask him and his congregation to continue to keep us in their prayers.

Hallowe'en -- "eve of all hallows"!

Drive safely today, as all the costumed little ones (and rather hopeful bigger ones) are darting from house to house.

Wouldn't it be great if they all dressed to honour our saints in heaven? Look at these two, for instance -- do you know whom they represent?



source: #Halloween

5. Yesterday was the first day of a new **ALL-CHURCH FORUM of the Ukrainian Catholic Church**. (It is basically our introductory portion of the world-wide **Synod on Synodality** organized concurrently by the Holy Father Pope Frances. The first online session was yesterday; the next one will be on December 11. *It is "supposed to become a platform for an all-Church discussion of issues raised by the Synod of Bishops in order to follow the "synodal path" with the Catholic Church"*, says the Head of our Church **Sviatoslav**. Taking part online each time, from each eparchy of our Church, is: the bishop, a priest, a monk, a nun and a layman. Let us pray for the success of these meetings according to God's will.

6. **Come at noon this Saturday, Nov. 6th, to the Shashkevych monument** in the little park named after him, located by St. Andrew's church on Euclid Ave. We will sing a **panakhyda** on the occasion of his 110th birthday -- the priest-poet famous for speaking out on behalf of justice for Ukrainians.

*Slavic peoples will rise up. Maybe not now, but soon,  
They will see the full bright Sun.  
The Ukrainian language and the  
Ukrainian soul  
Have always lived  
In these Slavic lands,  
Held close like the crystal  
Tears of young women  
In the palm of  
The Seraphim's hand.*



"A poet's statue with Ukrainian river nymphs and divine Seraphim right here in the middle of [Winnipeg's] Point Douglas? What a touching way to memorialize the traumatic relocation of half-starved Ukrainian immigrants to Winnipeg in the city's early days, bringing along their mythical and spiritual treasures, if not their beloved lands." *Di Brandt in Winnipeg Free Press, 2019*

7. Did you know the Pope has a **prayer app** he'd like you to download and use?... especially during this time of the Synod? Find and download "**Click to Pray 2.0**". Some of its features are: a daily prayer planner... daily notifications of prayer intentions... staying on top of the Pope's own specific prayer intentions... letting you publish your own prayer intentions... joining a bigger community of prayer in posting and receiving prayer requests... It's available already in 7 languages. Let's try it out! Go to <https://clicktopray.org>.

8. Thursday, Nov. 11 is **Remembrance Day**. We will have our **Divine Liturgy at 9 AM** (not at 8) with a special **memorial service** with taps, etc. Please come!

9. **Ordination to the Diaconate** -- On Friday, November 12 at our Sts. Volodymyr & Olha Cathedral, a new deacon will be ordained for our archeparchy at 10 AM. **Subdeacon Anton Sloboda** invites you to participate via livestreaming straight from the Cathedral: [Sts Volodymyr & Olha Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral - YouTube \(https://www.youtube.com/c/STVOCA\)](https://www.youtube.com/c/STVOCA). Please pray for him and for all clergy. Pray, too, for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

10. **Welcome Home** at 188 Euclid Ave. **asks for help!** \*Can you contribute some items to be packaged up and given away **Wednesday** mornings to the needy? [What we really NEED are: canned tuna, ham, salmon, beans, sardines, vegetables, tomatoes, sauces. AND packaged pastas, rice, Kraft Dinner, pastas, rice packs, rice-a-roni, sidekicks, minute noodles, porridge, dry chicken noodle soup. ALSO: tea, coffee, tooth brush, tooth paste, combs, rushes, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, face soap, lotions and lip balm.  
\* Can you help out with **Thursday** night dinners? Call 204-946-5352 for more information.

11. **Drive-Thru Fall Supper** — Holy Eucharist parish is willing to put together 600 meals for pick-up on Sunday, Nov. 7. For \$20, you can drive by to pick up a meal of roast chicken, pyrohy, holubtsi, meatballs, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, veggies and dessert *if you order by Nov. 3*. Call 204-667-8866.

12. **IHM Lubov Nursery - Perogies, Kovbasa & Bothwell Cheese Fundraiser**. *Orders must be in by Wednesday. November. 3rd!* Cheques payable to IHM Lubov Nursery School. Contact: Sara 204-797-7004 [kushnirsaraann@gmail.com](mailto:kushnirsaraann@gmail.com)  
1) Naleway **Perogies**: Frozen Potato Cheddar: 6 Dozen \$16.00 2) **Kovbasa**: Coarse (Ham style) \$10.00; Fine \$9.00. 3) **Cheese** \$12.00/unit (a unit = 2 bricks 330g - 350g) or \$10/bag of curds, snackers or non-GMO.

**CATECHISM!** Our catechism classes are open to all children of school age who want to learn more about God in their lives; more about their Faith, and how to live as Christians. Please contact us if you have a young person who wishes to prepare for his/her First Confession/Solemn Holy Communion this year (online classes are Tuesdays 7 to 7:45 PM) **or have an older child** (classes are Sundays at 7PM, also online.) **Teresa Hryndzio** is our catechetical **coordinator and Teacher**. Call her at 204-334-4298.  
Proposed **1st Holy Communion** date: **June 5th** (closer than you'd think...)



### Vigil Lamps

Eternal Lamp - **In loving memory of our mother Helen Moncek** (Bernice Minsky and families)

Christ Icon - **For all our deceased relatives**

Mother of God Icon - **Shoran Cudford** (Friend)

*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!*

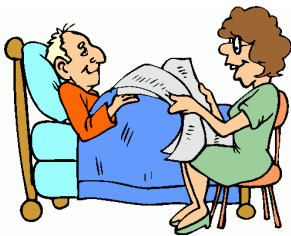
**Our Holy Father Pope Francis' intention for NOVEMBER: That people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.**



### NEW BLESSED VASYL' TEACHING KIT!

Father **John Sianchuk**, C.Ss.R., Shrine Director **Bohdana Kornelyuk**, Shrine Coordinator at [Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine](#) announced the thrilling news of a **NEW** educational kit based on the life story of Blessed Bishop and Martyr **Vasyl Velychkovsky**, C.Ss.R. This new kit was created to introduce a Blessed Martyr of 20<sup>th</sup> century, whose relics are in Winnipeg, Manitoba, to the catechists and students. Let Fr. Michael know how many kits you would like for your own family





**Please Pray for the sick & shut-in members of our Blessed Virgin Mary Parish family and be in touch with them when you can...**

"O God Our Father, we pray

You: restore to physical health those of our parishioners who are weakened with illness, give peace of mind to those troubled with worry and comfort to those discouraged with problems. Help them find in the days of their strength, a faith and trust in You and a love for one another to guide them through any health challenges or troubles they may face. Amen."

**Holy Family Home:** Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Helen Moroz, Adam Romanchuk

**Maples Care Home:** Anna Paslawsky, Irene Prokop, Eleanor Harik

**God bless you for your GENEROSITY!**

**Donations from Sunday, October 17, 2021:**

Sunday Collection: \$ **2,698.45**;  
(Envelopes 47) (candles - \$93.45)

Special Donation: \$260 "building fund"

**Expenses: \$ 3,352.87**

(salaries and waste disposal)



*We are grateful for all donations to our parish, and thank God daily for your generosity of spirit. Whether by weekly envelope in the basket, or by e-transfer (sent to [bvmchurch@gmail.com](mailto:bvmchurch@gmail.com)) or by EFT (electronic fund transfer -- call us for the form), we respect the words of St. Paul, who was so on fire with love for Christ and His Church: "Let each one give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

**Our present Covid restrictions: WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS, FUNERALS**

-- The newest Manitoba restrictions of Oct. 29 still keep the maximum number of people allowed for indoor weddings, baptisms and funerals as 25, in addition to the essential staff and photographer. Our parish is open to all, regardless of the kind of passport they may carry, so, because of government mandate, it is up to the families to choose the 25 people for these functions.

Happily, we do have very good **LIVESTREAMING** available for all such events.

This does not affect our Sunday or other Divine Liturgies, however: we are still "permitted" to have up to 33% of capacity, as long as we maintain social distancing. And our church is quite big...

**BTW...** there is generally an opportunity for **Confession** prior to every Divine Liturgy. Let us take advantage of that for our own personal growth in holiness and clarity of how we live our Faith. But also never hesitate to ask your parish priest...

**SOME HELPFUL PARISH CONTACTS...**

- Pastor, Parish Priest:** Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski, JCOD 204-582-7535
- Parish Council Chair -** Glen Henkewich 204-633-1502
- UCWLC President -** Janet Kuchma 204-582-5932
- Men's Club President -** John Natyna 204-339-9366
- Perogy Committee President -** Myron Fedoruk 204-338-7243
- Catechism Coordinator -** Teresa Hryndzio 204-334-4298
- Church Auditorium Rental -** 204-582-7535



**Молитва за померлих**

Умилосердися, Господи Ісусе Христе, над душами тих, що вже за гробом, але ще потребують очищення, щоб у вогні терпіння та муки була їм повернена одіж святости. Згадай, Господи, що ти для їхнього відкуплення прийняв людське тіло і став одним із нас. Умилосердися над їх плачем та мольбами, які до тебе підносять, і відпусти їм їхні кари. А те, чого їм нестаче для осягнення вічного щастя, доповни твоїми заслугами та заслугами твоєї Пресвятої Матері і всіх святих. Подай їм твою спасаючу руку і введи їх у світлі місця прохолоди, відпочинку і спокою.

Боже, ти хочеш спасення всіх людей, бо вони твої діти. Тому просимо тебе: Подай блаженство неба нашим померлим отцям і матерям, братам і сестрам, і рідні, добродіям і друзям, тим, що вмерли наглою, несподіваною смертю, тим, що найбільше забуті і найбільше потребують помочі, та всім померлим. Усіх їх пом'яни, Господи. Амінь.

**Prayer for the month of November for your dear departed:**

God of the spirits and of all flesh, who have trampled death and annihilated the devil and given life to your world, may you yourself, O Lord, grant to the soul of your deceased servant **N.** rest in a place of light, a verdant place, a place of freshness, from where suffering, pain and cries are far removed.

Do You, O good and compassionate God, forgive every fault committed by him in word, work or thought because there is no man who lives and does not sin. You alone are without sin and your justice is justice throughout the ages and your word is truth. Since you, O Christ our God, are the resurrection, the life and the repose of your deceased servant **N.**, we give you glory together with your un-begotten Father and your most holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and always and ever. Amen.



**St. Joseph is the saint of a happy death!**

It is possible that someone prayed to St. Joseph for a happy death for a certain atheist, who has dying and having a terrible time of it. "Two days before his death he suddenly sat up in bed and exclaimed, "There are angels all over this room! Everyone has an angel—I can see them standing right beside each of you!" Despite his physical weakness, this man insisted on being given a pen and paper. He wished to write down all the details of what he had seen so others would know. The restlessness and anxiety he had suffered to that point evaporated and did not return."



