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Parish Bulletin for the week of

21st Sunday after Pentecost 17-24 October 2021 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Dear Parishioners,

Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

We are well into the fall season and, although its cooler outside, we enjoy the changing colours of God's creation and we even better enjoy the moments when warm rays of sunlight give us a hug as we walk and drive.

As we enjoy this season, we also plan for the next season which has peculiarities of its own. With winter approaching, people are cleaning out their gardens and shutting down their cottages. I've heard talk of some putting on their winter tires. (I think this may be a bit too early for that, but I also had the experience a few years ago where I left off changing my winter tires until the day of the first snow fall. I loaded them into the car and was literally on my way to have them changed and... yes, I took a turn at an



intersection and the car slid right through and hit a barrier!) But, regardless of whatever is occupying our hearts and minds at this time, let us always keep our focus on the reality of the moment and the God-given purpose of our lives. We want to know the ways of our Lord and know His holy Will for us personally and try to fulfil that will as completely as possible.

We also want to double our efforts in keeping a lookout for opportunities to be Christ PRESENT to the people and in the situations that the Lord hands to us. How we **treat** the people around us and how we **share** our faith with them will go such a long way in contributing to the Lord's desire that the whole world comes to know the only path to eternal life - i.e. Jesus Christ... His Gospel and His Church.

Finally, being the "Month of the Rosary", let us make the effort to pray a Rosary daily either on our own, or - much better - with family and/or friends and/or join our parish as we pray every morning.

God bless!

Father Michael

ACTIVITIES, EVENTS & REQUESTS...

1. 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.

2. IHM Lubov Nursery - Perogies, Kovbasa & Bothwell Cheese Fundraiser. Orders must be in by Wednesday, **November 3rd!** Cheques payable to IHM Lubov Nursery School.

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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.

3. 40 days for Life — Come out for this **peaceful, prayerful witness to the love of the Lord for life and all His Children and their mothers and fathers.** It is a prayer for abortions to end. Ongoing daily until Oct. 31. Just show up in front of the Women's Hospital near Health Sciences Centre (at the corner of Sherbrooke & William) and there will be someone to welcome you and provide what you need. Please join us and help save lives. (Yeah, dress warmly).

4. 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.

5. Life's Vision's Day of Formation — Saturday, Oct. 23 (9 AM-4 PM) **FREE** at St. Emile Parish Hall (556 St Anne's Rd, Winnipeg). Bring a face mask and a

bagged lunch. COVID safety rules apply. *Proof of vaccination is not required.* **Register today at www.lifsvision.ca/formation.** Come for the day, or come for one or more of these sessions:

- a) Health Care Directives and Health Care Proxies
- b) Pro-life apologetics. *"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you ... but do it with gentleness and reverence..." 1 Peter 3:15-16.*

6. Ukrainian Park Annual Fundraiser Dinner; Saturday October 23, 2021 (No Show Banquet)

Ticket prices are \$80.00 each allowing participation in an Elimination Draw for a chance to win \$1000.00. Your \$80.00 ticket includes a fifty-dollar tax receipt acknowledging your generous support of our park during these difficult times.

(Draw only tickets with no donation portion are also available for \$30.00 each) For tickets, contact our Parish Office 204-582-7535 (*we still have a few*) or Taras Veryha at 204-254-4466 or at parkdirect@archeparchy.ca

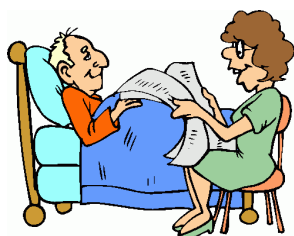
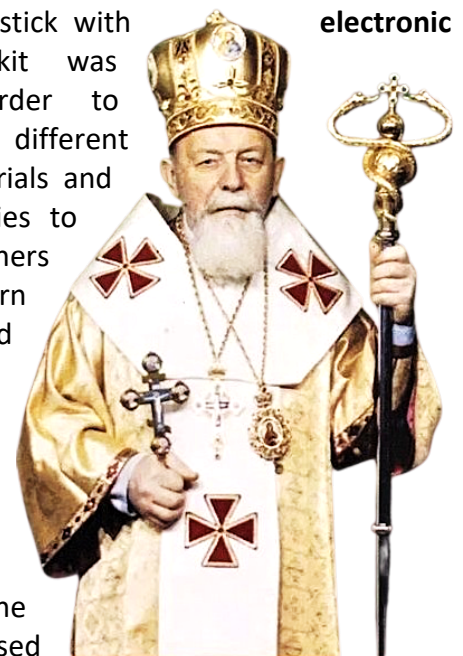
NEW BLESSED VASYL' TEACHING KIT!



Father **John Sianchuk**, C.Ss.R., Shrine Director **Bohdana Kornelyuk**, Shrine Coordinator at [Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine](http://BishopVelychkovskyNationalMartyrShrine) announced the trilling news of **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 20th century, whose relics are in Winnipeg, Manitoba, to the catechists and students.

Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky, C.Ss.R. is a martyr of Catholic Church beatified in 2001 by Saint John Paul II. Blessed Vasyl lived in the time of the Soviet persecution of the Catholic Church. Blessed Vasyl spent his last year of life in Winnipeg. In 1973, Blessed Vasyl **passed away due to severe physical and mental tortures he had undergone in Soviet prisons.** Now his holy relics – a fully intact body – are in the Shrine at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 250 Jefferson Avenue, **HERE in Winnipeg.** This is the **only Shrine in North America** that has a full body relic of a martyr – a **true treasure for the Catholic Church.** Also, there is a museum dedicated to Blessed Vasyl, where pilgrims can learn his life story and see different interesting artifacts from his life.

The Blessed Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky C.Ss.R Kit consists of a **Life Story of Blessed Martyr Bishop Vasyl Velychkovsky, a teachers' manual, a Workbook for students, a Timeline, 28 fact cards and a memory stick with electronic copies.** The kit was created in order to compile different resources, materials and engaging activities to help teachers discover and learn about Blessed Vasyl. The students will have an opportunity to learn about different highlights of the life of the Blessed Martyr.



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 10, 2021:

Sunday Collection: \$ **1,983.50**;
(Envelopes 46) (candles - \$93.50)

Special Donation: \$100 for Parish Praznyk

Expenses: \$ 2,376.37
(mainly: singers and cathedraicum)





Vigil Lamps

Eternal Lamp - **Lord, in Your Mercy, watch over our entire parish and preserve us from all harm**

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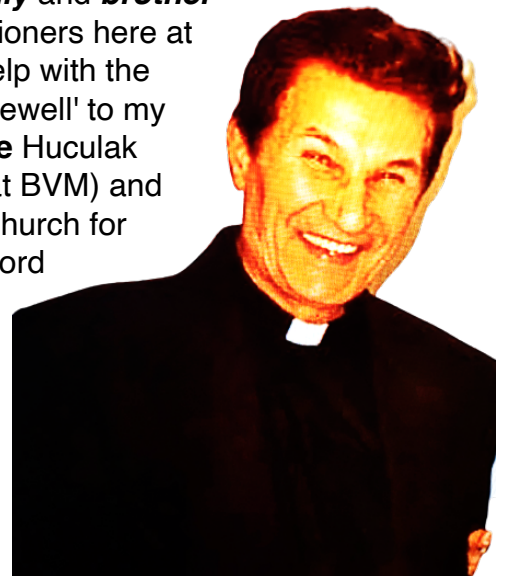
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On a personal note - on my own behalf and on behalf of my **family** and **brother priests** - I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to our parishioners here at Blessed Virgin Mary for your many kind condolences and your help with the funeral services this past week. It was truly a spiritual 'bidding farewell' to my father, Father **Edward Kwiatkowski**. Our Metropolitan **Lawrence Huculak** and Archbishop **Stefan Soroka** (a former associate pastor here at BVM) and several clergy and former parishioners and others attended our church for the Parastas and the Funeral Divine Liturgy to commend to the Lord the soul of Father Edward (1929-2021) who had later in life answered the calling to priestly ordination! After he had retired, he realized a lifelong dream by going for theology studies, was later ordained in Ukraine in 1995 and served as a priest for over 25 years in Ukraine, Manitoba, B.C. and Ontario. See his longer obituary at the Korban Funeral Chapel website. **Вічна йому Пам'ять!** Please keep him in your prayer...May he continue to pray for us!



Schedule of Services from October 17-24, 2021

Come! or at least join us online [Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church - YouTube](#)

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| Sun. October 17, 2021 | 21st Sunday after Pentecost Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council |
| | 9:20 a.m. 3rd Hour & Rosary |
| | 10:00 am Divine Liturgy - Служба Божа - For all parishioners |
| Mon., Oct. 18 | 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary |
| Apostle & Evangelist Luke | 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy |
| Col. 4:5 – 9; 14-18; Lk. 10:16-22 | For the Kennedy family by the Issigonis family |
| Tues., Oct. 19 | 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary |
| Prophet Joel | 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy |
| Col. 2:20-3:3; Lk. 9:23-27 | 7:00 p.m. Year of St Joseph devotions |
| | For +Fr. Edward Evanko by estate |
| Wed., Oct. 20 | 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary |
| Great Martyr Artemius | 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy |
| Col. 3:17- 4:1; Lk. 9:44-50 | For +George Palmer by daughter Marianne Troup |
| Thurs., Oct. 21 | 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary |
| Venerable Hilarion | 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy |
| Col. 4:2-9; Lk. 9:49-56 | For Thomas Egan & family by the Issigonis family |
| Fri., Oct. 22 | 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary |
| Venerable Abercius | 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy |
| Col. 4:10-18; Lk. 10:1-15 | For the souls in Purgatory by Dmytro Sikora |
| Sat., Oct. 23 | 7:20 a.m. 1st Hour & Rosary |
| Apostle James | 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy. |
| 2 Cor. 5:1-10; Lk. 7:2-10 | 5:30 p.m. Vespers |
| | For +Maria and +John Buyachok by grandson Michael Holowich |
| Sun., Oct. 24 | 22nd Sunday after Pentecost - 22- а неділя по Зісл. Св. Духа |
| | 10:00 am Divine Liturgy - Служба Божа - For all Parishioners |

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Priest and Martyr Blessed Roman Lysko

Father Roman Lysko died at the age of 35 in a Communist jail in soviet Ukraine on October 14, 1949. The "official" reason for death was recorded as heart failure, but those who were in prison with him know better that this healthy young priest died from the torture and abuse that he received.

He was ordained in 1941 and ended up serving as a priest for some eight years before his martyrdom. And most of it was in a wartime situation plus Fascist and Communist atrocities. He was appointed to various pastoral posts in almost hopeless situations. He served as best he could. When churches were destroyed or locked down, he gathered children and youth into houses for catechism and singing. He was arrested on the 8th of September 1949.

There were accounts that the young Father Roman Lysko was singing psalms to the Lord in prison with his full voice. For this he was declared mad. Thus, his sister Volodymyra spent years visiting psychiatric hospitals looking for him, hoping to find him, but did not (as he was already dead). And there was also an account that he was sealed into a wall while still alive and left there to die. One of his former cellmates would simply confirm that one day they were all taken out of the cell, leaving only Father Lysko there. The next day they when they returned to that cell he was no longer there.

What is certain is that this young energetic priest who loved to serve the Lord and loved the people of the Lord was imprisoned and maltreated and died in prison simply because he was a Catholic priest and would not deny his faith and would not break his commitment to the Lord and His Church.

He is one of the 27 martyrs recognized and declared blessed by Pope Saint John Paul II in Ukraine on June 27, 2001



Богородице Діво, радуйся, Благодатна Маріє, Господь з Тобою; благословенна Ти між жінками і благословен плід лона Твого, бо Ти породила Христа Спаса, Ізбавителя душ наших.