



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 3; the Holy Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus (293-305)

Pastoral Message for Catholic Education Sunday from the Alberta-NWT Catholic Bishops

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In Alberta, the yearly celebration of Catholic Education Sunday is an opportunity for Catholic schools and our faith communities to promote their important and distinctive mission.

In keeping with the theme for this year's Synod of Bishops: *Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment*, the theme for this Catholic Education Sunday is **Rejoice and Be Glad**. Our theme is further inspired by Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation and the call to holiness. It highlights the important role that our schools play in nurturing the call to holiness for our children and youth. Our schools also help students know Christ through religious education, prayer, and a safe, caring school community that encourages them to discern their vocations. Pope Francis reminds young people that Jesus looks to them and invites them to journey with him. They are urged to be open to God's plan in becoming joyful disciples.

Catholic Schools, along with the family and the parish community, support our young people in their journey of faith. Teachers, students, parents and priests together are witnesses to, and agents of, the Good News proclaimed by Jesus Christ. This faith witness is described in the apostolic exhortation as the "saints next door". It reminds us that in every circumstance there are people of faith who inspire us to respond openly to the love of God and to serve Him generously. Sustained by such a bold vision, Catholic Schools encourage students to grow in their faith, to live its principles and to act in ways that make a positive difference in their local communities and the global community.

The universal call to holiness has particular importance in the life of a Catholic School. Catholic education invites students to respond to the personal call of Jesus to embark on a journey of holiness. They are encouraged to grow in the knowledge of how God is active and present in

their lives. They are called to enter into a living relationship with God.

Catholic schools put Christ, the witness of faith, and the teachings of the Catholic Church at the centre of the educational enterprise. By placing Christ at the centre of all they are and all they do, Catholic schools make sure that a student's journey into adulthood is also a journey of faith. A journey which recognizes that true knowledge, learning, justice, peace and human freedom are a response of love to the God who is Love.

We know that life is not without its challenges and temptations, which can distract our children and youth from responding to the call to holiness. **"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."** (Mt. 5:12). This scripture quote, which roots the apostolic exhortation, recognizes that there will be many challenges in the quest for holiness. However, these challenges are not met with fear. They are met with courage and an assured confidence of the abiding presence of God. It is this confidence rooted in Christian hope that guides our Catholic Schools to instill and nourish, through many learning experiences, the belief that each child is created in the image of God and with God, all things are possible.

We, the Alberta and NWT Bishops, are grateful for parents who entrust their children to our Catholic School system and for parishes that minister to them. On Catholic Education Sunday, we express our appreciation for the administrative, professional, pastoral and support staff, who are dedicated to the noble task of assisting children and youth to follow the call to greater holiness. They help students grow in the assured belief that God journeys with them.

May God bless you and continue to sustain your faith-filled mission with His grace.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Catholic Bishops of Alberta and NWT

Saints of the Day: the Holy Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus (from the OCA website)

The Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus in Syria were appointed to high positions in the army by the emperor Maximian (284-305), who did not know that they were Christians. Envious people informed Maximian that his two trusted counsellors did not honour the pagan gods. This was considered to be a crime against the state.

The emperor, wanting to convince himself of the truth of the accusation, ordered Sergius and Bacchus to offer sacrifice to the idols, but they replied that they honoured the One God and worshiped only Him.

Maximian commanded that the martyrs be stripped of the insignia of military rank (their belts, gold pendants, and rings), and then dressed them in feminine clothing. They were led through the city with an iron chains around their necks, and the people mocked them. Then he summoned Sergius and Bacchus to him again and in a friendly manner advised them not to be swayed by Christian fables, but to return to the Roman gods. The saints refuted the emperor's words, and demonstrated the folly of worshiping the pagan gods.

The emperor commanded that they be sent to the governor of the eastern part of Syria, Antiochus, a fierce hater of Christians. Antiochus had received his position with the help of Sergius and Bacchus. "My fathers and benefactors!" he said. "Have pity on yourselves, and also on me. I do not want to condemn my benefactors to cruel tortures." The holy martyrs replied, "For us life is Christ, and to die is gain." The enraged Antiochus ordered Bacchus to be mercilessly beaten, and the holy martyr surrendered his soul to the Lord. They shod Sergius with iron sandals with nails in their soles and sent him to another city, where he was beheaded with the sword.



October 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 10 am Divine Liturgy with Panachyda after Liturgy for the servant of God + Stephen Ruff Catholic Education Sunday 1(?) pm Melkite Liturgy	8 Thanksgiving Monday	9 Camp Facilities Meeting at Pastoral Centre Camp/Eparchial Programing Meeting at Pastoral Centre	10 Victor Lirette's Birthday 6pm Prayer Service 7pm Bible and Faith Study: Finding the Story in Scripture	11	12 Melkite's Bible Study (?)	13 10 am Opening and Blessing of Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Seminary 10:30 am Baptism of Isaac Schabel
14 10 am Divine Liturgy 1(?) pm Melkite Liturgy	15	16 Joseph Paziuk's Birthday	17 10 am Fr. Bo Meeting at Eprachy 6pm Prayer Service 7pm Bible and Faith Study: Early world - Part I	18 Damen Hundt's Birthday 7pm Marriage Prep	19 Melkite's Bible Study (?)	20 Marco Orysiuk's & Sera Nahachewsky's Birthdays (5pm Saskatchewan to beat Calgary)
21 10 am Divine Liturgy 1(?) pm Melkite Liturgy	22	23	24 6pm Prayer Service 7pm Bible and Faith Study: Early world - Part 2	25 KofC Padre Night We will need to move the PPC Meeting to another day. See your emails	26 Melkite's Bible Study (?)	27 (5pm Saskatchewan to beat B.C.)

Dormition News

- Fr. Bo has finally done it! He got a **local phone number!** After months of saying he would do it, his new number is **780-340-FRBO** (it rhymes). That's 780-340-3726.
- **Thank you** to all who are helped make our Praznyk last week a great day for our parish. May God bless you all.
- Today, Sunday, October 7th, there will be a **Memorial service** for the servant of God + Stephen Ruff, here at our parish after the Divine Liturgy. Vichnaya Pamyat.
- We wish God's blessings and a **happy birthday** to our parishioner: **Victor Lirette** who celebrates his birthday this week. God grant you many years!
- This Saturday we will be initiating **Isaac William Schabel** into the life of Christ, through the **Mysteries (Sacraments) of Baptism, Chrismation and Eucharist**. May God bless him and his family with many happy and healthy years.
- We **pray for the health and well-being** of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: **Marge** Woitas, **Katie** Bunio, **Stella** Dronyk, **John** Puto, **Ann** Horsman, **Annie** Polack, **Louis** Pewar & **Stephania** Nahachewsky. (If you know any other people who should be on this list: please email me.)
- How are we doing with our **Sunday collections**? Okay I guess. For the month of August we collected \$4,014 which is slightly more than we anticipated in our budget. This makes the year-to-date for us at \$32,212 from January till the end of August. Thank you all for your generosity.
- **Little Friends of Jesus** schedule till Christmas: Oct. 7, Oct. 21, Nov. 4, Nov. 18, Nov. 25, Dec. 2, Dec. 9 (St. Nicholas Program and Lunch after Divine Liturgy) & Dec. 16
- Hey Kids: **Want to Altar Serve?** I'd love to have anyone in Grade 2 or higher participate in the Liturgy with me at the Altar. Come and see me before Liturgy. Training is "on the job". Both boys and girls welcome.
- Faith, Family, Friends is a Parent group for Ukrainian Catholic Moms & Dads that is held every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the Month from 9:30 till 11:30 am at St. Nicholas Parish. For more information see the Eparchial Program Guide, or call Joyanne at 780-236-2184.
- Sunday October 21st, after the Divine Liturgy, we invite you to a **brainstorming and strategy session for our parish's Children, Youth and Young Adults**. This very important demographic of our parish is not only the future of our parish, but is also a very important part of our present.
- All Gentlemen are invited to attend **Called to be Holy: Being a Christian Man in the World Today** on Nov. 2-3, 2018 at Providence Renewal Centre 3005 119 St NW, Edmonton. With the variety of topics and gifted sessional presenters, men of all ages and stages will find something in this conference that will speak to their heart. and encourage them to live out their faith in the world today. For more information check out our parish's website. Deadline to register is Oct 22.
- You are invited to the official **Opening and Blessing of Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Seminary** with the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada on Saturday, **October 13**. Divine Liturgy will be at 10:00 am followed by a small reception. All are invited. For more information see last week's bulletin or visit our website.
- St Vladimir Youth will be hosting a Family Games Night for All Ages on Friday evening, Nov 16th, 7-10 PM at St Vladimirs Hall (12726-119 Street). Entrance fee will be \$5 per family. There will be a concession stand selling fresh-baked pretzels, pop, chips, and beer and wine for the adults. Bring a board game to share, and some will be there for your use. There will be a bean-bag toss and play-doh table for the little ones, and a paddle-board room. Card tables/games will be available for the adults, so everyone can enjoy the evening!!
- **Young Adult Pilgrimage to Mt. Tabor (Holy Transfiguration) Monastery in California** will take place from December 27 - January 3. This is open to all who are aged 18 through 35. We will Visit the monastery on Mt. Tabor for prayer and talks, with excursions to California's Pacific Coast, Redwood Forest, Wine Country and a short stay in San Francisco.

This pilgrimage to Holy Transfiguration Monastery is for young adults looking for a deeper spiritual experience. Strengthen your faith and journey with the Ukrainian Catholic church through a pilgrimage experience.

It is organized by the Edmonton Eparchy (Millie Schietzsch) and the Eparchy of Parma (Fr. Joseph Matlak) during the Christmas Break, December 27th to January 3rd. Contact Millie at youth@eeparchy.com.

Working Together For Safer Environments Protocol

In order to make our parish as safe and secure as possible, ALL parish volunteers are asked to fill out a "Working Together For Safer Environments - Volunteer Information Form". Filling out this form will help us keep current records of who is working in our parish and in what capacity. You can get this form from Fr. Bo. If you are working with "Vulnerable Peoples" such as Children, Teens, Disabled or Seniors, or if you have a key to the building, or if you are handling moneys, then you will also be asked to fill out a "High Risk" form, and you will be asked to attend a Volunteer Training Session, and to provide the pastor with a Police Information Check (PIC) with Vulnerable Sector. A letter will be provided for you identifying you as a volunteer within the church, so that the Police Checks can be done for only \$15 which the parish will refund you upon receipt of the check. All information will be kept in the strictest of confidence with only the parish pastor looking at the PIC. The files will be kept in sealed envelopes in a locked filing cabinet.

The next two Volunteer Training Sessions will be held here in Edmonton on Sunday, October 14th at Holy Eucharist Parish at noon, and on Tuesday, October 23 at Holy Cross Parish at 7pm. For more information please call the Eparchial Pastoral Centre.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 - DIVINE LITURGY CHANGEABLE PARTS

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 3: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.* He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 3: You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord,* and led us out from the gates of death.* Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices,* and the prophets together with the patriarchs* unceasingly acclaim the divine might of Your power.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion, Tone 3: Today the Virgin stands before us in the church* and together with the choirs of saints invisibly prays to God for us.* Angels are worshipping with hierarchs,* Apostles exult with prophets,* for the Mother of God prays in our behalf to the eternal God.

Prokeimenon, Tone 3

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy. (Psalm 46:7,2)

Epistle Galatians 1:11-19

For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the

same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother.

Alleluia, Tone 3

verse: In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever.

verse: Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me. (Psalm 30:2,3)

Gospel Luke 7:11-16

At that time Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!"

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 148:1)

Bible & Faith Study!



Hi, I'm Fr. Kapusta our parish's Bible Study Mascot. I invite you to join us for our super, exciting, eye-opening, fun, animated, curiosity satisfying, all ages, salvation bringing, caffeine fuelled, amazing, and colourful

"Bible & Faith Study" on most Wednesdays at 7pm.

Our first session went super well (just ask those who attended). We learned about the differences between different types of Churches, What is the difference between an Orthodox, Catholic and Protestant Bibles are, and Why we do some of our liturgical and spiritual things the way we do.

This Wednesday's session will be all about finding the Story in Scripture. It is nearly impossible to understand the life of Christ and His Church unless we also understand the whole story including the Old Testament.

It's never too Late to join. Come for one session or come to them all. Everyone welcome.