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об тне Most Holy Mother of God Парафіга Успінніа Пресв. Богороднці À parish of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton

### Sunday, November 10

- Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, Octoechos Tone 5;
- The Holy Apostles Erastus, Olympus, Rodion and those with them

## The Dormition Parish Family Photo



There is a larger colour image on the bulletin board in the hall. I think it would be a nice idea to have some sort of a parish photo-directory so that we can connect names with all these beautiful faces. Stay tuned.



JOIN US WEDNESDAYS OF NOVEMBER AT 7-9 PM FOR:

UNDERSTANDING THE DIVINE LITURGY A Mini-Series with Fr. BO

The first of four sessions went well. See our new catechetical display in the hall. And pictures inside this bulletin. Today after the final blessing at the Divine Liturgy we will have our annual Remembrance day service. Special thanks to all those who put it together for us. May God grant peace and everlasting life to all those who perished for the sake of others. **Vichnaya Pamyat.** 



REMEMBRANCE DAY Left We Forget

## Today we welcome Fr. Matthew to our parish to celebrate the Divine Liturgy.

Please make him feel at home. Fr. Bo is with a group of teens on a **pilgrimage** to the Welcome Home, the Shrines of Blessed Martyrs: Bishop Vasyl, and Sisters Olympia and Laurentia, as well as to the Museum of Human Rights in Winnipeg. Please



say a prayer for the youth (and adults who lead them) so that the Holy Spirit may make a big impact on them all.

### Address:

15608 -104 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5P 4G5

Services:

Sunday Divine Liturgy (Ukr & Eng) at 10 am

& Melkite (Arabic) D.L. at 2 pm

Akathist or Molebyn Most Wednesdays at 6 pm (see calendar)

### Parish Website:

http://dormition.eeparchy.com

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Eparchial Website: www.eeparchy.com

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Fr. Bo's cell phone: 780-340-FR.BO (3726)

Fr. Bo's Email: fr.bo.nahachewsky @gmail.com

### Saints of the Day (taken from OCA.org)

### Apostles of the Seventy: Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertius

The holy Apostles Erastus, Sosipater (April 28), Olympas (January 4), Rodion (April 8), Quartus and Tertius (October 30) were disciples of Saint Paul. They all lived during the first century.

The Apostle to the Gentiles speaks of them in the Epistle to the Romans, "And Erastus, the city treasurer, greets you, and Quartus, a brother" (Rom 16: 23). Saint Sosipater, a native of Achaia, was Bishop of Iconium, where he also died. Saint Paul mentions him in Romans 16:21. Saint Olympas was mentioned by the holy Apostle Paul (Rom 16:15). He was also a companion of the Apostle Peter. Saint Rodion (Herodion), was a kinsman of the Apostle Paul (Romans 16:11), and left the bishop's throne at Patras to go to Rome with the Apostle Peter. Saints Rodion and Olympas were beheaded on the very day and hour when Saint Peter was crucified. Saint Quartus endured much suffering for his piety and converted many pagans to Christ, dying peacefully as a bishop in the city of Beirut. Saint Tertius is mentioned in the Epistle to the Romans, "I, Tertius, who wrote this epistle, salute you in the Lord" (Rom 16:22). Saint Tertius, to whom Saint Paul dictated the Epistle to the Romans, was the second Bishop of Iconium, where also he died.





On Thursday Nights "Liturgical Singing with Namisha" will take place every couple weeks at 7:30 pm.

## The first one will take place on November 28. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Our first meeting took place this week. Photos are not included because Fr. Bo had to print the bulletin before the event. At this meeting the plan is/was to talk about what parts of the Divine Liturgy will be sung in English, and what parts in Ukrainian, and also any other issues that we need to figure out to make the Liturgical singing even more better-er.





### We are looking to HIRE a SNOW SHOVELER for our parish to start immediately.

We even provide a shovel and snowblower for you to use while cleaning our church.

## If you are interested please contact Simon Pryma immediately at <u>prymas@shaw.ca</u> or at 780-902-4499.

Because this job includes getting a set of church keys, the successful applicant will have to be willing to have a Police Information Check with Vulnerable Sector so as to comply with our parish's "Working Together For Safer Environments Protocol".



Will you help our "Little Friends of Jesus" collect a mountain of warm SOCKS, MITTS & TOQUES to share with children at OLOP school?



Please take note of our upcoming LFJ lessons and sign up for your child to bring a snack to share.

We recognize that parents are the child's first teacher. We will provide notes on each lesson and encourage you to do the enrichment activity with your children during the week. ✓November 10 (today)

- November 24
- December 1
- December 8
- January 12

St. Nicholas Concert Sunday, December 8th

### JOIN US WEDNESDAYS OF NOVEMBER AT 7-9 PM FOR: UNDERSTANDING THE DIVINE LITURGY A Mini-Series with Fr. BO

The first of our four part series was fun and educational. The Divine Liturgy starts well before the "Blessed is the Kingdom..." on page 13 in the liturgy books. We looked at the first parts of the service which include: The Initial Prayers, Vesting and the Preparation; as well as the items and spaces within the Liturgical space of the Church.

Fr. Bo created a large bulletin board that labels and explains the interior of our temple. This board is currently leaned up against the "bar" window in the hall. Please check it out. It will get a better home in the near future.

Fr. Bo will make all sorts of efforts to also make videos available online that

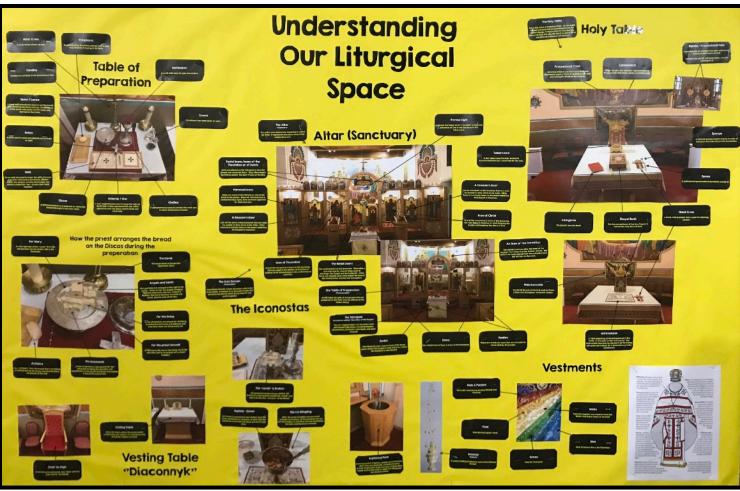
correspond with the classes, but as you can imagine... these things take some time. Hopefully there will be a few short videos up before next Wednesday's session.

Next week we are looking at the "Liturgy of the Word". I bet that there is more to it than you are aware of.

Also, available for all of you, there are booklets near the bulletins called: "As We Join In Thanksgiving", by Fr. Peter Galadza. These great booklets are written in easy to understand language and give a lovely explanation of what the Liturgy is about.

The more we understand the Liturgy, the more we will appreciate it.









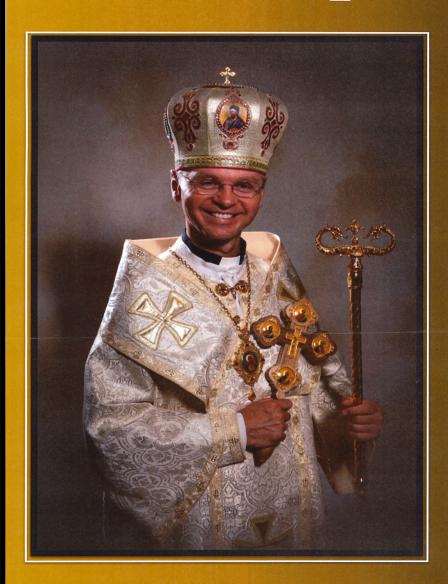
Following the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

## For grades I-6 November 23 & 24

For Details call the Youth Ministry Office at 780-424-5496 (ask for Millie) and to register your child please go to:

http://bit.ly/2Q3jlSN

## Tenth Annual Bishop's Gala



Tuesday, December 3, 2019

Chateau Louis Conference Centre Edmonton

Cocktails 6:00 pm Dinner 7:00 pm

Honourary Chair Alicia Chichak Extraordinary Disciple

## Baptized and Sent "Living the Missionary Spirit"

Tickets \$ 180.00 Available at the Ukrainian Catholic Pastoral Centre 780 424 5496 or <u>chancery@edmontoneparchy.com</u>

# 2019 Eparchial First Solemn Communion Camp

# March 20 - 24

First Solemn Communion is an important step in the journey of every Catholic. It is all about receiving the Body and Blood of Christ on one's own, and learning how to prepare for it by the participation in the Mystery (Sacrament) of Reconciliation.

- This camp is for children (aprox. grade 2) who are ready to receive their First Solemn Communion, but do not fit into their own parish's First Solemn Communion program.
- It is a full program condensed into 4 full days, where the child and their parent/adult both learn, have fun, grow in community and are prepared to return to their own parish to receive the sacraments in and with their community.
- This camp works WITH your parish. Your pastor needs to know that you are planning to participate in this camp, and will be receiving the sacraments in your parish when it is done. If you don't currently belong to a parish community, we will happily help you find one near you.
- If you are interested in coming to this camp with your child (yes, one adult must be present too) please go to

**CampOselia.com** for more information and to enrol.



Theosis Studios & Camp Oselia Presents: a 4 day Family Day Long Weekend

## Icon Writing Workshop & Retreat



## February 14-17, 2020

Icons are images of Christ and His saints that teach us about, and challenge us into, deeper union with Him.

This intensive, prayerful weekend workshop will allow all participants to complete a traditional Byzantine "egg tempera" Icon of St. Photini (the Samaritan Woman at the well). It will take place at Camp Oselia.

This is a course for beginner (0-10 icons painted) and advanced (10+ icons) students. No previous experience is required. All materials are covered in the tuition including real 24K Gold. Limit 18 students.

Cost is \$525 per person for beginners and \$550 per person for advanced students, and covers all materials, supplies, meals and snacks.

Fr. Bo Nahachewsky, in addition to being a Ukrainian Catholic priest since 2003, has been writing (painting) Icons since 1995. In 2002 he was consecrated an iconographer by Metropolitan (then Bishop) Lawrence Huculak. He has taught icon workshops in several locations across Canada.



For More Information, or to Register please go to <u>CampOselia.com</u>



### Parish & Eparchial & Beyond News:

- We pray for the health and well-being of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: Mary Orysiuk, Jean Miskiw, Sarah Komar, Marge Woitas, Katie Bunio, John Puto, Ann Horsman, Annie Polack, Louis Pewar & Rosa Maria Santos. (If you know any other people who should be on this list: please email me.)
- We wish God's blessings and happy birthday to our parishioner: Toscha Sharek and to Fr. Bo's Mom Stephania who celebrate their birthdays this week. God grant you many years!
- If we don't have your birthday, or if we have your birthday info wrong... please send an email (or at least a piece of paper) with your corrected birthdate and name.
- The First Communion Camp at Camp Oselia will be our parish's FSC program. If your child is in or near grade 2 and ready to receive their sacraments, please contact Fr. Bo
- Attention Parish Pastoral Council: Umm... I kinda double booked our parish for Nov. 20. We will have to move our PPC meeting, because I started to advertise our "Understanding the Divine Liturgy" mini-series. My bad. Fr. Bo
- Roman Kobyletskyy, Seminarian-Pastoral Intern, will receive the Laying-on of Hands (Ordination) to the Diaconate, by Bishop David, on Sunday, November 17, at the 10:00 am, Divine Liturgy and Praznyk (Parish Feast Day), Saint Josaphat Cathedral.
- The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, through its Commission for Justice and Peace, issued a statement entitled Poverty in Canada: Ensuring Safe, Secure and Affordable Housing. The statement provides a brief overview of the state of poverty in our country, with a focus on the current housing crisis, and also provides a helpful list of some key Catholic organizations engaged in the alleviation of poverty in Canada. The statement also calls for collaboration between charitable organizations, all levels of government, and dioceses/eparchies, as well as local parishes, in the effort to provide charitable assistance to individuals who are in need. This statement is being issued on the occasion of the Third World Day of the Poor, marked on November 17.
- Red Wednesday, which seeks to raise awareness about the persecution experienced by some 327 million Christians worldwide, will be marked on November 20. Aid to the Church in Need Canada, promoter of Red Wednesday, reminds us that the situation of oppressed and persecuted Christinas, serves not only as a reminder of discrimination and persecution involving members of other religions too, but also the erosion of and attacks against freedom of conscience and religion in the Western world, including Canada. On Red Wednesday, we can draw attention to the plight of persecuted Christians by: illuminating a church with red light; organize a Divine Liturgy

to pray for persecuted Christians; organize a vigil or a moment of prayer; pray a rosary; invite people to wear red, etc. For more information, visit https://acn-canada.org/redwednesday/.

- The Tenth Annual Bishop's Gala will take place on Tuesday, December 3 at the Chateau Louis Hotel and Conference Centre, beginning with a cocktail reception and silent auction at 6:00 pm, followed by dinner and an exciting live auction. This festive gala raises funds to support the operation and programming of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton. Tickets are \$180 each or \$1440 per table of eight. A charitable tax receipt for \$85 will be issued per ticket. Contact the Pastoral Centre to purchase tickets: 780 424 5496 or chancery@eeparchy.com.
- The Annual Bishop's Appeal Collection "What Gift Have I, Worthy of a King?" takes place on Sunday, December 8. The Appeal coincides with the Feast of Saint Nicholas, the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra. Saint Nicholas is uniquely tied to Christmas, the celebration of Jesus' birth. Early stories about Saint Nicholas carry with them the Nativity themes of love and justice. He is characterized as a generous and pious servant of God, caring for children and families, and providing gifts for their spiritual and physical well-being. And that's what the Ukrainian Catholic Church is all about. Caring and providing for the faithful throughout the Province of Alberta. Help Bishop David in spreading the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by supporting our Eparchial ministries and offices, including: Youth Ministry, Family Life Ministries, Religious Education, Liturgy Office, Vocations, Ecumenism, Social Outreach, and Marriage Tribunal.

With Christmas on our doorstep, one of the holiest times of the year, and in the spirit of Saint Nicholas, what gift do you bring now to the infant Jesus, who lays quietly and peacefully in a manger? Thank you for your generosity! May God bless you and your families!

- The National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples will be celebrated on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Latin calendar), Patroness of the Americas. In view of this day of prayer, please find attached the 2019 Message for the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples, with the theme Year of Indigenous Language (as declared by the United Nations).
- The 52nd International Eucharistic Congress will take place from September 13-20, 2020, in Budapest, Hungary.
  R. Aubert, in his article "Eucharistic congresses from Leo XIII to Paul VI," provides an overview and context for the Eucharistic Congresses. He writes: "In the middle of the 19th century in the European countries, and especially in France initiatives aiming the fostering of the respect for the Eucharist started to develop at an extraordinary pace. This kind of renewal of the Eucharistic spirituality, as...

### More Parish & Eparchial & Beyond News:

**continued from previous page...** a counter reaction to the social changes which followed the failure of Jansenist austerity and the Ancien Régime, and the Industrial Revolution, placed at the core the eucharistic adoration and the reconciliation with Jesus Christ, the God hidden in the Eucharist, who was 'dishonoured by the pridefuls and ignored by the holders of public authority, who set up the secularisation of the society as their goal'" (*Concilium* 1, 1960, p. 118).

**Pope Francis' prayer for the Eucharistic Congress:** "Heavenly Father, source of all life! Send us your Holy Spirit, that we may recognize and grow in the love of Christ present in the Eucharist, who handed himself over for us! He is our Lord and our Master, our friend and our food, our healer and our peace.Give us the courage to take his strength and his joy to every person! Grant us, that the time of the preparation and the celebration of the Eucharistic Congress would serve the spiritual renewal of our community, cities, nation, Europe and the world! *Amen.*" For more information, visit www.iec2020.hu.

- Patriarch Sviatoslav and the Synod of Bishops issued a Pastoral Letter on protecting minors and vulnerable persons, entitled Regarding Safeguarding from Various Incidents of Violence toward Children, Handicapped, and Vulnerable People.
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle issued an open letter to all Canadians, entitled "Message of support from Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle on the occasion of the UN 2019 Year of Indigenous Language." This open letter affirms the major significance of language in the revitalization of Indigenous cultures and expresses a commitment to finding ways to support this vital aspect of reconciliation. The open letter, as well as a video prepared to highlight the message, is available on Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle's website at https:// ourladyofguadalupecircle.ca/.
- The 2019 Triannual Congress of the Ukrainian Catholic Women's League in Canada elected the following slate:
  - Bishop David Motiuk, Spiritual Advisor
  - Barbara Hlus, President
  - Sr. Anne Pidskalny, ssmi, Co-Spiritual Advisor
  - Marusia Barszczyk, Past President
  - Barbara Olynyk, Vice President
  - Theresa Hlus, Recording Secretary
  - Lidia Nykyforuk, Corresponding Secretary
  - Luba Kowalchyk Hlm, Treasurer
  - Teresa Makowecki, Constitution/Legislation and Bylaws Committee
  - Marlene Bodnar, Constitution Secretary

- At the 2019 Conventon of the Ukrainian Catholic Council Eparchy of Edmonton (Centralia), the following were elected for the term 2019 – 2021:
- Ukrainian Catholic Council (Centralia) Eparchy of Edmonton
  - Greg Warwa, President (Saint Josaphat Cathedral)
  - Doug Rezewski, Vice-President (Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish, Edmonton)
  - Jerry Dubyk, Recording Secretary (Saint Basil Parish, Edmonton)
  - Joe Danko, Treasurer (Saint Josaphat Cathedral)
  - Olga Hlus, Emeritus President (Saint Basil Parish, Edmonton)
  - Mary Ann Phillips, UCWLC Rep
  - Joe Synyshyn, UCBC Rep
  - Kerry Boyko, EECKC Rep
  - Millie Schietzsch, UCYC Rep

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- Spiritual Advisor: Very Rev. Janko Herbut
- President Mary Ann Phillips
- Past President Joyce Chrunik-Rudiak
- Vice President Barbara Olynyk
- Vice President Lydia Migus
- Recording Secretary Theresa Hlus
- Corresponding Secretary Virginia Sharek
- Ukrainian Corresponding Secretary Lilea Wolanska
- Treasurer Shirley Rudnitski, HLM

#### Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada

- Rev. Danylo Kuc, Spiritual Advisor
- Orest Boychuk, President
- Darrell Holowaychuk, Vice-President
- Marco Levytsky, Secretary
- Michael Lewyta, Treasurer
- Knights of Columbus, Eparchy of Edmonton Chapter (elected earlier this year)
  - President Kerry Boyko
  - Vice President Greg Warwa
  - Secretary Darrell Uchach
  - Treasurer Jerry Dubyk
  - Past President Morris Chichak

Most people are SIOCINED when they find out how incompetent I am as an electrician.



### This Friday marks the beginning of St. Philip's Fast

The Shopping Season is at hand. Some people will spend it jostling for bargains; others will pass the time lamenting the commercialization of Christmas. The Eastern Churches, on the other hand, encourage their faithful to prepare for this feast by fasting. Each of these Churches has a pre-Nativity Fast, but each Church observes it to a different degree.

Like the feast of Christ's Nativity itself, this fast originated in the West. In ad 380 he Council of Saragossa in Spain mandated daily church attendance beginning on December 17. Pope St Leo the Great (400-461) described four Fasts, one in each season, "so that over the course of the year we might recognize that we are constantly in need of purification." He indicated that the "winter fast" was to begin when the "ingathering of the crops was complete." In France it was specified in the next century that this Fast begin on November 11, the feast of St Martin; the Fast was called "St Martin's Lent."

The Eastern Churches began observing this Fast between the 6th and 8th centuries. Originally it lasted one week, as in the Armenian Church today. In the eleventh century Pope Christodoulos lengthened it to forty days for the Coptic Church. The Byzantine Church followed suit in the next century. The Syrian Churches (Chaldeans, Indians, etc.) keep it for three to four weeks in December.

### WHY DO WE FAST?

St Simeon of Thessalonika, writing in the fifteenth century, explained the purpose of this Fast in terms of its length. "The Nativity Forty-day Fast represents the fast undertaken by Moses, who—having fasted for forty days and forty nights—received the Commandments of God, written on stone tablets. And we, fasting for forty days, will reflect upon and receive from the Virgin the living Word—not written upon stone, but born, incarnate—and we will commune of His Divine Body." As Moses received the Law after his forty-day fast, we will receive the living Word incarnate at the end of this Fast.

One thread running through this Fast is the remembrance of the time before the Incarnation. Mankind was in one sense disconnected from God, having lost the intimacy with Him which we were meant to have because we were created in His image. Fasting is our way to express our sorrow at man's loss of fellowship with God.

The process of recovering this intimacy with God climaxed with the Incarnation, but was prepared for centuries by the Old Testament prophets. During the Nativity Fast we commemorate the prophets Nahum (12/1), Habakkuk (12/2), Zepheniah (12/3), Daniel and the Three Young Men in the Furnace (12/17). On the second Sunday before the feast we remember all those in sacred history who came before Christ and prepared the way for Him – His ancestors and ours.

### WHEN AND HOW DO WE FAST?

Each patriarchate and other local Byzantine Church has a slightly different way of keeping this Fast. According to one tradition a person should fast from meat and dairy for the forty days, but only need fast from fish after December 17. Another tradition holds that fish may be eaten throughout the Fast, but only on Saturdays and Sundays.

In Greece and the Middle East it is customary to limit the fast to Tuesdays and Thursdays until December 12 (Greece) or December 19. In the Melkite Church the fast has been shortened to begin on December 10 but to continue uninterrupted after then.

The number of feast days at the beginning of the forty days may account for these practices. Besides the Great Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple (November 21 to 25), we observe feasts in honor of these popular saints: the Apostles Matthew (11/16) and Andrew (11/30), Sts Catherine of Alexandria (11/25), Barbara, and John of Damascus (12/4), Sabbas the Sanctified (12/5) Nicholas the Wonder-worker (12/6), the Maternity of St Ann (12/9), and St Spyridon the Wonderworker (12/12). In addition, of course, those in the U.S. also have the national holiday of Thanksgiving during this time. That doesn't leave much time for fasting!

There are no penitential services appointed for this Fast like those we know during the Great Fast. Greeks, who do not generally do so otherwise, have the custom of serving the Divine Liturgy daily during these forty days. This practice echoes the idea that the Nativity Fast is a joyous fast, celebrating the immanent coming of Christ. Other Churches may serve the Akathist or the Paraclisis to the Theotokos during these days.

### CHARACTER OF THE NATIVITY FAST

Many contemporary Eastern writers have encouraged the observance of the Nativity Fast in contrast to the popular Western "pre-celebration" of Christmas, which focuses on decorating, spending, and partying. They emphasize preparation for the feast in quietness and a simplified way of life. Instead of a harried pursuit of gifts and cards for people who will likely "regift" them for the next Christmas party, the Fast enables believers to focus on the mystery of the Incarnation, the "reason for the season."

Many see this Fast as essential for us at this time of the year, to shift our focus from ourselves to others, spending less time worrying about our appearance, our cuisine and our home decor in order to use our time in increased prayer and caring for the poor.

The Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Antioch, John X, emphasized the Nativity as the "feast of almsgiving" in which we celebrate and perpetuate Christ's love for mankind. "The Nativity of Christ is primarily the feast of divine dispensation – the feast of charity and of almsgiving... Through acts of mercy, extended to one another and to everyone, no matter what race we belong to, we implore the tender mercies of the divine Child, whose springs of mercies and bounties we will never be able to surpass. As the pious Augustine says, "the lamp of our love toward our neighbors causes the divine compassion to abide in this creation."

#### Source: Eparchy of Newton

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
IO @ @ IO am Divine Liturgy with likely Remembrance Day Service 2 pm Melkite Liturgy Youth Pilgrimage to Winnipeg	II Remembrance Day	12 St. Josaphat Toscha Sharek and Fr. Bo's Mom's Birthdays	I3 7pm Divine Liturgy Explanation Session: #2	I <b>4</b> 7pm Private Marriage Prep	IS St. Philip's Fast Begins (the Pre- Christmas Fast)	IG Fr. Bo in Calgary (will return late this night)
17 (* * * 10 am Divine Liturgy Ordination of Subdeacon Roman Kobyletskyy to the Diaconate at the Cathedral 2 pm Melkite Liturgy Anticipated first Liturgy of St. Sophia's Community in their new church (call to confirm)	18 🖘 Meeting with Fr. Thomas OSBM to discuss Camps fundraiser Christopher Hundt's Birthday	19 🐼	20 (a) Very and the second se	21 🐟	22 (A Melkite Youth Bible Study in Parish Hall Fr. Stephen Wojcichowsky's Birthday Fr. Bo's Cousin being married in Calgary	23 (Children's Overnight Refrection Eparchial Children's Overnight Retreat
24 Eparchial Children's Overnight Retreat 10 am Divine Liturgy with Little Friends of Jesus 2 pm Melkite Liturgy 4pm Grey Cup, Saskatchewan will win. Jenny Panchuk's Birthday Fr. Bo's Cousin being married in Calgary Funeral	25 🐟 Funeral Wedding Prep	26	27 (A) Very and the second se	28 C LITURGICAL SINGING WITH NAMISHA 7:30 CONFIRMED Parish Liturgical Singing Practice	29 (a) Gam Confirmed Large Youth Ministry School Retreat & Icon Workshop at Cathedral. Domimka Lirette's Birthday	30 🐟
l 10 am Divine Liturgy 2 pm Melkite Liturgy	2 🐼	3 🔊	4 🐼	5 <table-of-contents></table-of-contents>	6 (*) Feast of St. Nicholas	7 🐟
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### Changeable Parts for Today's Divine Liturgy

**Troparion:** Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,\* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,\* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.\* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death\* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

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

**Kontakion:** You, my Saviour, descended to Hades,\* and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates.\* With Yourself You, as the Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death,\* and delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind.\* And so we cry out: "Save us, O Lord."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**Theotokion:** Rejoice, O impassable door of the Lord!\* Rejoice, O rampart and protection of those who have recourse to you!\* Rejoice, O tranquil haven and Virgin,\* who gave birth in the flesh to your Maker and God!\* Fail not to intercede for those\* who sing and worship the Child you bore.

### Prokeimenon:

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us\* from this generation and for ever.

**Verse:** Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

### Epistle: Galatians 6:II-18

Brothers and Sisters: See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

### Alleluia:

**Verse:** Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

**Verse:** For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared.

### Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

The Lord told this parable: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

### **Communion Hymn**:

Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia.

As we celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> year of the passing of Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Bishop David has asked us to pray the following prayer at the end of each liturgy this month.

## Prayer for the Beatification of the Servant of God Metropolitan Andrey

Our Lord Jesus Christ – You always reward Your faithful servants, not only with special gifts of Your love, but also with the eternal reward of the saints in heaven, and in many cases You grant them the recognition of sanctity by Your Church here on earth.

We humbly pray: grant that Your faithful servant Metropolitan Andrey be numbered among the saints. Throughout his just life, "full of suffering and trials," he was a good shepherd for his flock and a great labourer for Christian unity. And through his beatification and intercession, grant our entire people the great gift of unity and love. Amen.