



# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Парафія Успіння Пресв. Богородиці

A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF EDMONTON

## Address:

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## 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:

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## Sunday, March 8th, 2020

Third Sunday of the Great Fast – Veneration of the Holy Cross, Tone 7;  
The Holy Martyr Agapius and the Six Martyrs with Him (284-305)

## A note from Bishop David about COVID-19

Many of our parishioners are understandably concerned about the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). We want to assure everyone of steps we are taking in our parishes to provide a sense of health and well-being so that everyone's spiritual needs continue to be met, and that they may grow in their relationship with God, especially during Great Lent.

All liturgical services will continue to be celebrated publicly. However, we will follow closely the advice and directives from medical experts and government officials in Canada should they prescribe otherwise.

By way of responding to the Coronavirus Disease, the following liturgical norms can be helpful in protecting ourselves and family from COVID-19:

- \* Wash your hands often and well.
- \* Avoid touching your face, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- \* Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- \* Clean and disinfect surfaces that are frequently touched.
- \* Stay at home and away from others (particularly the elderly as they are most vulnerable) if you are feeling ill.
- \* When sick, cover your cough and sneezes with a sleeve or tissue and then wash your hands.
- \* Upon entering and exiting the Church, wash your hands with provided antibacterial hand sanitizers.
- \* Holy Water fonts at the entrance of the Church have been removed.
- \* Refrain from kissing icons and hand crosses.
- \* Offer the Kiss of Peace at the Divine Liturgy by simply bowing to each other.
- \* At this time, distributing the Divine Eucharist will be done with single-use disposable wooden spoons, which are to be burnt and properly disposed of upon usage.

For up to date information on the Corona virus, visit reliable sources, for example, Alberta Health Services and Public Health Agency of Canada.

Also: Let us do what we do best as the people of God, let us pray.

God bless! Bishop David

## Our UCWLC is selling hand pinched frozen Perogies for \$12 for two dozen.



Please see Darlene Puto to purchase these superb pyrohy.

(Also, UCWLC members are encouraged to pay their \$20 dues.)



## The Third Sunday of Lent is that of the Veneration of the Cross.

The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ's redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved. "He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Mt.10:38). For in the Cross of Christ Crucified lies both "the power of God and the wisdom of God" for those being saved (1 Cor.1:24).

**The Holy Martyrs Agapius, Publius (Pausis), Timolaus, Romulus, Alexander, Alexander, Dionysius and Dionysius** suffered under the emperor Diocletian (284-305) in the city of Palestinian Caesarea. During one of the pagan festivals they began to torture and execute Christians who refused to offer sacrifice to idols.

The Martyr Timolaus (August 19) was sentenced to burning, and the Martyrs Agapius and Thekla (August 19) were sentenced to be torn apart by wild beasts. A group of young Christians: Publius, Timolaus, Alexander, another Alexander, Dionysius, and Romulus, the subdeacon of the Diospolis church decided to confess their faith and suffer for Christ.

As a sign of their voluntary deed they tied their own hands behind their backs and appeared before the governor Urbanus. Seeing their youth, the governor tried to persuade them to reconsider their decision, but in vain. He then threw them in prison, where there were already two Christians, Agapius and his servant Dionysius. All these saints were subjected to terrible tortures and beheaded.



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## Soroko-ooste

Five times a year the church commemorates all the deceased. It is traditional to say a panacbyda and read out all the names of our deceased parishioners and family members. Three of the five "All Souls Saturdays" fall during Lent. Two have passed, and one remains.

- If you would like to update your list of family members and friends, see Fr. Bo

These "Soroko-ooste" services take place in our parish after the Presanctified Liturgies on Fridays, March 6, 13 & 20.

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Would you like to support one of our beautiful and happy parishioners? **Margie Woitas** is a well loved, "more mature" parishioner who unfortunately is often "shut-in" due to pain and has mobility issues. Despite her pain, she has been painting beautiful "**Pysanke**" for years. These traditional decorated and hand blown eggs are treasured by people everywhere. She has several dozen beautiful eggs that she can sell to you if you call her at 780-988-2200.

## Holy Week & Easter Schedule 2020

<b>Palm Sunday:</b> April 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 am Divine Liturgy with the blessing of Pussy Willows (Bilingual - English &amp; Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 2 pm Melkite's Divine Liturgy with the blessing of Palm Branches (Arabic &amp; English)</li> </ul>
Great and Holy <b>Monday:</b> April 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 pm Presanctified Liturgy (English)</li> </ul>
Great and Holy <b>Tuesday:</b> April 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 pm Presanctified Liturgy (English)</li> </ul>
Great and Holy <b>Wednesday:</b> April 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 pm Presanctified Liturgy with Anointing of the Sick (English)</li> </ul>
Great and Holy <b>Thursday:</b> April 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 am Divine Liturgy with the blessing of Chrysm and the washing of feet at the Cathedral</li> <li>• 6 pm Matins of the Passion (the 12 Gospels) (Mostly English, some Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 8 pm Melkite's Matins of the Passion (the 12 Gospels) (Arabic &amp; English)</li> </ul>
<b>Good Friday:</b> April 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 pm Good Friday Vespers: Plaschanytsia (Shroud) service (Mostly English, some Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 6 pm Jerusalem Matins (Mostly English, some Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 8 pm Melkite's Jerusalem Matins (Arabic &amp; English)</li> </ul>
Great and Holy <b>Saturday:</b> April 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 am Divine Liturgy (Bilingual - English &amp; Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 6 pm Vespers and "Nadhrobne" (English) * Note no vigil Divine Liturgy</li> </ul>
<b>Pascha! Easter Sunday:</b> April 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9 am Resurrectional Matins (Bilingual - English &amp; Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 10 am Resurrectional Divine Liturgy (Bilingual - English &amp; Ukrainian)</li> <li>• Easter Basket Blessing (following D.L.) (Bilingual - English &amp; Ukrainian)</li> <li>• 2 pm Melkite's Resurrectional Services (Arabic &amp; English)</li> </ul>

### Another great option for Thursday is attending the first "Christ in the Old Testament: Prophecy and Fulfillment"









- ✓ **March 12** – Introduction, The Messiah - Fr. Danylo Kuc
- **March 19** – The Nativity - Fr. Stephen Wojcichowsky
- **March 26** – The Suffering of Christ - Fr. Mihajlo Planchak
- **April 2** - The Passover - Fr. Peter Babej

All sessions run 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

**LOCATION:** Holy Eucharist Parish,  
6425 120 Ave, Edmonton

**All Welcome.** No registration is necessary.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>15</b>  <b>3rd Sunday of Lent: Sunday of the Holy Cross</b> <b>10 am Divine Liturgy</b> with “LITTLE FRIENDS OF JESUS” program <b>2 pm Melkite Liturgy</b> Fr. Bo Visits Ruff Family	<b>16</b>  9am Fr. Bo Appointment Fr. Bo will be later for the: Alberta Camper's Association Conference <b>7pm Eparchial Sobor at Holy Cross Parish</b> <b>Melkite Youth in Hall</b> Fr. Bo's Family Time without Fr. Bo... (oh the sorrow)	<b>17</b>  <b>Alberta Camper's Association Conference (Fr. Bo away)</b> <b>6pm Lenten Complines (Melkites)</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>Alberta Camper's Association Conference (Fr. Bo away)</b> Shirley Pewar's & Alex Schbel's Birthdays	<b>19</b>  <b>6 pm Community Night</b>  <b>7pm Christ in the Old Testament: Prophecy and Fulfillment</b> , The Nativity - Fr. Stephen Wojcichowski	<b>20</b>   <b>Sacred Arts Guild of Alberta (SAGA) Display at Newman College</b> <b>6pm Akathist (Melkites)</b> <b>7pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b>  with “Soroko-ooste”	<b>21</b>  <b>3rd All Souls Saturday</b>  2:30 pm Appointment <b>SAGA Display at Newman College</b> <b>Meeting of Edmonton SAGA</b>
<b>22</b>  <b>4th Sunday of Lent: the Commemoration John of the Ladder</b>  <b>10 am Divine Liturgy with Baptism</b> <b>Our Dormition UCWLC's regular meeting (after Coffee)</b> <b>2 pm Melkite Liturgy</b> Verna Hnatiuk & Stefan Sokolowski's Birthdays	<b>23</b>  <b>Melkite Youth in Hall</b> Fr. Bo's Evening Family Time	<b>24</b>  <b>6pm Lenten Complines (Melkites)</b>	<b>25</b> 	<b>26</b>   <b>6 pm Community Night</b>  <b>7pm Christ in the Old Testament: Prophecy and Fulfillment</b> , The Suffering of Christ - Fr. Mihajlo Planchak	<b>27</b>   <b>6pm Akathist (Melkites) followed by youth</b> <b>7pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b> 	<b>28</b>   <b>2pm Melkite baptism</b> Virginia Sharek's Birthday
<b>29</b>  <b>5th Sunday of Lent: the Commemoration St. Mary of Egypt</b> <b>10 am Divine Liturgy</b> <b>Parish Budget Approval Meeting</b>  <b>2 pm Melkite Liturgy with Lunch</b>	<b>30</b>  <b>Melkite Youth in Hall</b> Fr. Bo's Evening Family Time	<b>31</b>  <b>Possible Youth Commission</b> no Complines	<b>1</b>  <b>PPC Meeting at 6:30</b> <b>Possible Youth Commission</b> Christine Lirette's Birthday	<b>2</b>  <b>6 pm Community Night</b>  <b>7pm Christ in the Old Testament: Prophecy and Fulfillment</b> , The Passover - Fr. Peter Babej Christina Hendt's Birthday	<b>3</b>  No Akathist <b>7pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b> 	<b>4</b>  <b>Holy Week Begins</b> <b>Lazarus Saturday</b> Christopher Bawol's Birthday
<b>5</b>  <b>Triumphal Entrance into Jerusalem (aka Palm Sunday)</b> <b>10 am Divine Liturgy</b> with “LITTLE FRIENDS OF JESUS” program <b>2 pm Melkite Liturgy</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>Great and Holy Monday</b> <b>6pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b>  <b>Melkite Youth in Hall</b>	<b>7</b>  <b>Great and Holy Tuesday</b> <b>6pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b> 	<b>8</b>  <b>Great and Holy Wednesday</b> <b>6pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b>  <b>8 pm Melkites prayer &amp; setup for</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>Great and Holy Thursday</b> <b>10 am Vespers, Liturgy with Foot Washing and Clergy Meal at the Cathedral</b> <b>6pm Reading of the 12 Gospels</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>Good Friday</b> <b>3 pm Plaschanytsia</b> <b>6pm Jerusalem Matins</b> <b>8pm Jerusalem Matins (Melkite)</b>	<b>11</b>  <b>Great and Holy Saturday</b> <b>10 am “Saturday's” Divine Liturgy</b> <b>6 pm Vespers (without DL)</b> followed by

# Parish & Eparchial News:

- We **pray for the health and well-being** of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: **Fr. Josaphat Turkalo, Miranda Mayko, Jean Miskew, Sarah Komar, Marge Woitas, Katie Bunio, John Puto, Ann Horsman, 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: **Shirley Pewar & Alex Schbel** who celebrates her birthdays this week. May 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.
- Our parish will be meeting for a second **"General Meeting"** to approve our **2020 budget** on March 29. Please plan to stay and attend this important meeting.
- During Great Lent, the Eparchy of Edmonton conducts its **ANNUAL COLLECTION** for **"Aid to the Missionary Church in Canada."** The purpose of this collection is to support the needs of the Church in Canada. Three charitable institutions are the recipients of the collection: the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Alberta, Catholic Missions in Canada, and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.
- Bishop David has evoked an **EPARCHIAL SOBOR** on "Global Unity and the Ukrainian Catholic Church" to be held in three locations in our Eparchy. Our Edmonton Deanery's Sobor will take place on Monday, March 16 at Holy Cross Parish. Our delegates will be (1) Fr. Bo, (2) Greg Ostowich, (3) Sheila Leiding, (4) Helen Sirman, (5) Alex Schabel, and (6) Sharon Lonsberry. Our Eparchial Chancellor Iryna will be there too (7).
- Come and join our **"Little Friends of Jesus"** who will be having classes on the following Sundays: March 15, April 5, April 19, May 3, May 24 and June 14
- The **FIRST SOLEMN COMMUNION CAMP** from March 20-22 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.
- **TEEN "SPRING BREAK" LENTEN RETREAT** is coming on March 26 - 29. If you are interested in attending go to [CampOselia.com](http://CampOselia.com) or talk to Millie at the Bishop's offices 780-424-5496.
- Planning to get married and looking for a marriage prep course? The **EPARCHIAL MARRIAGE PREP COURSE** at Camp Oselia will take place from April 17-19. Talk to Fr. Bo for more details.
- You are invited to **"Grief as a Journey"**. This 8-week program will help you build community with others who have experienced loss, gain a better understanding of what we are experiencing and give and receive support and encouragement while journeying through mourning. Wednesdays from March 25 through May 20. No session on April 9. Sessions are from 6:30 -8:30 pm at the Eparchial Pastoral Centre 9645-108 Ave. To register call 780-424-5496. Costs \$20
- **SHROUD OF TURIN PRESENTATION** – will take place Today: Sunday, March 15, 2020, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at St. Josaphat Cathedral. With the help of PowerPoint, the presentation will examine the most intriguing and remarkable characteristics of the Shroud, many of which can be discerned and appreciated only in our time because of advances in science and technology. All are welcome!
- The **National Week for Life and the Family** will be celebrated **May 10-17**, with the theme, "Children: The Crowning Glory of Marriage." Material is available on COLF: <https://www.colf.ca/en/events/item/301-national-week-for-life-and-the-family-2020>
- The **11<sup>th</sup> Annual "Bishop's Prayer Breakfast"** will take place 7:30 – 9:00 am, Wednesday, June 3, at Saint Josaphat's Cathedral Hall – Verkhovyna (9637 – 108 Avenue). The event supports, through prayer, our clergy, religious, monastics and laity in their leadership roles in continuing the mission of Christ in sharing the Good News among the people of God. For tickets and more information, contact the Chancery Office at (780) 424-5496; [chancery@edmontoneparchy.com](mailto:chancery@edmontoneparchy.com).
- The 2020 **Festival of the Mother of God**, will not take place, however we are working on the 2021 Festival.
- Check out [CampOselia.com](http://CampOselia.com) for information about our wonderful programs including:
  - **Eparchial First Solemn Communion Camp:** March 20-22
  - **Teen Lenten Spring Break Retreat:** March 26-29
  - **Eparchial Marriage Prep Course:** April 17-19
  - **Teen Camp:** July 2-4
  - **Elementary Camp:** July 12-17
  - **Mixed Camp:** July 19-24
  - **Jr. High Camp:** July 26-31
  - **Family Camp:** August 27-30



# Changeable Parts for today's Liturgy

**Troparion, Tone 7:** By Your cross You destroyed death;\* You opened Paradise to the thief;\* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,\* and charged the apostles to proclaim\* that You are risen, O Christ our God,\* offering great mercy to the world.

**Troparion:** Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.\* Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies,\* and protect Your community by Your cross.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**Kontakion:** No longer does the flaming sword guard the gate of Eden;\* the tree of the Cross has quenched its flames gloriously.\* The sting of death and the victory of Hades are banished,\* and You O my Saviour came and called to those in Hades: "Return again to Paradise!"

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## Instead of Holy God, we sing:

To Your Cross, O Master,\* we bow in veneration,\* and we glorify Your holy Resurrection!

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## Prokeimenon:

Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.

**verse:** Unto You I will cry, O Lord my God, lest You turn from me in silence.

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## Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

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## Alleluia verses:

Remember Your congregation which You acquired from the beginning.

But God is our king before the ages; He has wrought salvation in the midst of the earth.

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## Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

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## Hymn to the Mother of God

In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins' pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

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## Communion Hymn

Let the light of Your countenance, O Lord\* shine upon us.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia.

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## Prayer During the Coronavirus Outbreak

Lord, Our God, We thank you for the life that is your gift, for the providence that sustains us, and for your wisdom that directs the course of our days. The threat of an infection of coronavirus is upon us today. This disease causes fear among us and has claimed lives. We humbly beg you, loving Lord, Dispel our fear and deliver us from this and other diseases. Heal those who are afflicted and stop the spread of the virus. Strengthen us in charity to care for one another. For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.