



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

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Services:

**WILL RESUME AS EARLY AS
THIS SUNDAY!**

**Please see our website for
the latest news, and how
you can attend.**

You will need to register.

Normally Though:

Sunday Divine Liturgy
(Ukr & Eng) at 10 am
& Melkite (Arabic) D.L. at 2 pm

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The 1st Sunday after Pentecost: Sunday of All Saints

The Synaxis of All Saints (oca.org)

The Sunday following Pentecost is dedicated to All Saints, both those who are known to us, and those who are known only to God. There have been saints at all times, and they have come from every corner of the earth. They were Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets, Hierarchs, Monastics, and Righteous, yet all were perfected by the same Holy Spirit.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to rise above our fallen state and to attain sainthood, thereby fulfilling God's directive to "be holy, for I am holy" (Lev. 11:44, 1 Peter 1:16, etc.). Therefore, it is fitting to commemorate All Saints on the first Sunday after Pentecost.

This feast may have originated at an early date, perhaps as a celebration of all martyrs, then it was broadened to include all men and women who had borne witness to Christ by their

virtuous lives, even if they did not shed their blood for Him.

Saint Peter of Damascus, in his "Fourth Stage of Contemplation," mentions five categories of saints: Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets, Hierarchs, and Monastic Saints (PHILOKALIA [in English] Vol. 3, p.131). He is actually quoting from the OCTOECHOS, Tone 2 for Saturday Matins, kathisma after the first stichology.

Saint Nicodemus of the Holy Mountain (July 14) adds the Righteous to Saint Peter's five categories. The list of Saint Nicodemus is found in his...

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Synaxis of All Saints Continued

... book THE FOURTEEN EPISTLES OF ST PAUL (Venice, 1819, p. 384) in his discussion of I Corinthians 12:28.

The hymnology for the feast of All Saints also lists six categories: "Rejoice, assembly of the Apostles, Prophets of the Lord, loyal choirs of the Martyrs, divine Hierarchs, Monastic Fathers, and the Righteous...."

Some of the saints are described as Confessors, a category which does not appear in the above lists. Since they are similar in spirit to the martyrs, they are regarded as belonging to the category of Martyrs. They were not put to death as the Martyrs were, but they boldly confessed Christ and came close to being executed for their faith. Saint Maximus the Confessor (January 21) is such a saint.

The order of these six types of saints seems to be based on their importance to the Church. The Apostles are listed first, because they were the first to spread the Gospel throughout the world.

The Martyrs come next because of their example of courage in professing their faith before the enemies and persecutors of the Church, which encouraged other Christians to remain faithful to Christ even unto death.

Although they come first chronologically, the Prophets are listed after the Apostles and Martyrs. This is because the Old Testament Prophets saw only the shadows of things to come, whereas the Apostles and Martyrs experienced them

firsthand. The New Testament also takes precedence over the Old Testament.

The holy Hierarchs comprise the fourth category. They are the leaders of their flocks, teaching them by their word and their example.

The Monastic Saints are those who withdrew from this world to live in monasteries, or in seclusion. They did not do this out of hatred for the world, but in order to devote themselves to unceasing prayer, and to do battle against the power of the demons. Although some people erroneously believe that monks and nuns are useless and unproductive, Saint John Climacus had a high regard for them: "Angels are a light for monks, and the monastic life is a light for all men" (LADDER, Step 26:31).

The last category, the Righteous, are those who attained holiness of life while living "in the world." Examples include Abraham and his wife Sarah, Job, Saints Joachim and Anna, Saint Joseph the Betrothed, Saint Juliana of Lazarevo, and others.

The feast of All Saints achieved great prominence in the ninth century, in the reign of the Byzantine Emperor Leo VI the Wise (886-911). His wife, the Holy Empress Theophano (December 16) lived in the world, but was not attached to worldly things. She was a great benefactor to the poor, and was generous to the monasteries. She was a true mother to her subjects, caring for widows and orphans, and consoling the sorrowful.

Parish News:

- We **pray for the health and well-being** of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: **Fr. Josaphat Turkalo, Edward, Verna Hnatiuk, Miranda Mayko, Jean Miskew, Sarah Komar, Marge Woitas, Katie Bunio, 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: Joseph Nahachewsky (June 11th) who celebrates his birthday this week. May God grant you many years!
- We wish both Fr. Issa and Fr. Ephrem the best as they both leave our community. These two priests served the Melkite Parish of St. Nicholas here in our Church, and Fr. Ephrem was also the Spiritual Director for Holy Spirit Seminary. You will both be missed. God bless.
- For the time being, Fr. Bo will be praying with the Melkite Community until their new priest comes.
- A BIG Thank-You to all those who have been supporting our parish with online and sent in donations. Your support is helping us to keep moving forward in this unprecedented time. You are all the greatest.
- Also another BIG Thank-You to those who helped contact everyone in the parish this past week, and who are working hard to re-open our Church for Liturgies. May God bless you all.
- Looking for some of our recent videos or bulletins? Fr. Bo has been posting and emailing out Church videos and bulletins. You can also find them on our parish website that we have been updating weekly, sometimes twice weekly. If you are not getting the emails, tell me and I'll put you on the list. dormition.eeparchy.com

Our Parish's Re-Opening Realities:

Our Parish Pastoral Council and I have been working hard to re-open our parish for Liturgies. We will follow all rules and instructions as directed by both AHS and the Eparchy.

We HOPE that next Sunday, June 14, we might be celebrating our first public service since the Covid-19 pandemic shut down most of our world.

Please note, nobody should feel pressure to return to public worship if they do not feel comfortable doing so. Bishop has assured us all that there remains a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Liturgy. However if people wish to return to the community for prayers they are welcome to.

ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND A SERVICE WILL NEED TO REQUEST A SPOT AT A LITURGY. Due to regulations we are unable to simply open our doors and let everyone back in.

Only those who register for the spots will be allowed into the building, and there will be many new rules that we will need to get used to.

You can read all about the Directives that we are following, and you can also "Request a Spot" for upcoming liturgies on our parish website: dormition.eeparchy.com

The following are some of our new realities. Everyone must:



Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer when entering, after handling things, using the restroom, and when exiting.



Stay in your pew unless directed otherwise by the usher.



**Keep your children with you at all times.
The "Cry Room" is closed.**

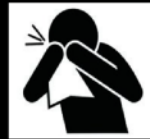


Please maintain social distancing from other people.

Families / households can stay together.



**If you need the restroom, don't wait for the usher. Use the one near the front entrance when needed.
The other ones are closed.**



Please cover your mouth with a tissue or your elbow if you need to cough or sneeze.



You need to sign in, and sign out every time you come and go.



The Usher will call you one pew at a time for Communion, and to exit at the end of the service.



Please use sanitizing wipes to clean the bathroom after you use it.



**No walk ins.
You must be registered to attend services.**



Please stay out of closed off areas.



Please wear a mask when you are closer than 6 feet from someone.

More of Our Parish's Re-Opening Realities:



No kissing icons, gospel books, the chalice, or other things. And simply bow your heads at the "Kiss of Peace".

(You can kiss your kids, and spouse only if they are okay with it.)



Unfortunately we may not sing.
This liturgy will be recited (spoken).



Nobody should feel pressured to receive the Eucharist. It is okay if you do not feel comfortable at this time.



Sorry we can not provide you with a book. You can bring your own though as long as you take it home with you.

Please also do not leave your bulletin or anything else in the pews.



No smoking
Unless you are smoking incense.



We will continue publishing weekly Divine Liturgies on YouTube, and sending out the Bulletins via Email



A TV has been installed so that we can all follow along with the service.



We will not do a "pass the basket" type of collection, however we do have a basket in the front of the church where you can donate. Thank you for your support.



There will be no coffee or even socializing allowed after this service anywhere on the church property.



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UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE of CANADA
National Executive

The **Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada National Executive** offers two scholarships to post secondary students enrolled in Ukrainian Studies and Religious Studies.

The Vera Buczynsky Ukrainian Studies Scholarship

for **\$1000** is offered to a person of Ukrainian Catholic descent who is enrolled or planning to enroll in Ukrainian Studies at the post-secondary level. Criteria and applications are available online at www.ucwlc.ca and can be submitted electronically to:

The Vera Buczynsky Ukrainian Studies
Scholarship Committee
Barbara Olynyk
ucwlcnationalscholarships@gmail.com

*Deadline for receipt of completed applications is
September 30.*

The Mary Dyma Religious Studies Scholarship

for **\$1000** is offered to a lay woman of Ukrainian Catholic descent who is enrolled or planning to enroll in Religious Studies at the post-secondary level. Criteria and applications are available online at www.ucwlc.ca and can be submitted electronically to:

The Mary Dyma Religious Studies
Scholarship Committee
Barbara Olynyk
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DO YOU **SERIOUSLY** THINK **GOD** CAN'T USE YOU?

NOAH WAS A DRUNK
ABRAHAM WAS TOO OLD
ISAAC WAS A DAYDREAMER
JACOB WAS A LIAR
LEAH WAS UGLY
JOSEPH WAS ABUSED
MOSES HAD A STUTTERING PROBLEM
GIDEON WAS AFRAID
SAMSON HAD LONG HAIR AND WAS A WOMANIZER
RAHAB WAS A PROSTITUTE
JEREMIAH AND TIMOTHY WERE TOO YOUNG
DAVID HAD AN AFFAIR AND WAS A MURDERER
ELIJAH WAS SUICIDAL
ISAIAH PREACHED NAKED
JONAH RAN FROM GOD
NAOMI WAS A WIDOW
JOB WENT BANKRUPT
PETER DENIED CHRIST
THE DISCIPLES FELL ASLEEP WHILE PRAYING
MARTHA WORRIED ABOUT EVERYTHING
THE SAMARITAN WOMAN WAS DIVORCED
ZACCHEUS WAS TOO SMALL
PAUL WAS TOO RELIGIOUS
TIMOTHY HAD AN ULCER
LAZARUS WAS DEAD

Think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things — and the things that are not — to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him.

1 Corinthians 1:26-29



How does this fundraiser work?

This fundraiser will begin soon (Spring). On each day of the last week of July (Flamingo Week), a flock of flamingo lawn ornaments will land on somebody's randomly drawn lawn for the day.

You can enter all of your friends, family, neighbours, co-workers, even businesses into our draw barrel for only \$2 each starting now at CampOselia.com. That's it. We will send your nominated people an email letting them know that you have personally and lovingly "Flamingoed" them.

The people whom you have "flamingoed", of course, will have the opportunity to return the favour by "flamingoing" you back... and perhaps others might nominate you too. Therefore we suggest you purchase a \$20 "Anti-Pink-Flamingo" insurance policy if you want to keep your front lawn flamingo free.

All the proceeds of this fundraiser will go towards trying to make Camp Oselia the greatest, most exciting, safest, and coolest camp in the world! (even though this year we will not be able to run any camps due to the pandemic)

Where can I go to enter people into the draw barrel? And where can I get "Anti-Pink-Flamingo" Insurance?

CampOselia.com

When can I flamingo my friends and family?

The sooner the better. We will accept nominations and sell insurance policies up until the morning of June 28th.

What information will you need to collect?

To nominate someone, you will need to provide us with your name and email, as well as their name, email and lawn's address.

If you want insurance you will need to provide us with your name, email and your address.

How long will the flamingoes be on the "lucky" people's lawns?

About 12 hours... We will set them up in the morning and collect them in the evening.

Does the insurance cover more than one lawn?

Nope, it covers only the address that it was bought for.

What if I bought insurance and someone else puts flamingoes on my lawn anyway?

Well... we can only tell you that if you have a valid insurance policy protecting you from our flamingoes, that we will not put any flamingoes (or other lawn ornaments) on your lawn. We however will not be able to prevent others from doing so.

What if the person I want to nominate doesn't have a lawn?

If there is no lawn, we will bring a pot of dirt, and put just a few flamingoes near their door. No problem.

Can I nominate someone from outside of Edmonton?

You can.... but we are only willing to drive within Edmonton, Sherwood Park, St. Albert, Stoney Plain, and Spruce Grove to plant our flock of flamingoes and pick them up again. Further than that... they are likely safe from getting the flock on their lawn.

What if they get drawn but really don't want flamingoes on their lawn.

If they don't want to support us by purchasing "Anti-Pink-Flamingo Insurance" and they do not want the flock of birds on their lawn, and if they happen to get drawn, then... they can simply ask us to remove the birds from their lawn. Our goal is to have fun and raise some funds for Camp, not to upset people.

Can I make a donation to the camp without putting anyone into the draw barrel, and without getting insurance?

Yes, we would be happy to accept donations through the Eparchy of Edmonton. They will be able to provide you with a tax receipt if the donation is \$20 or more. You can do this at CampOselia.com

Can I get a tax receipt for getting insurance or nominating people?

Nope. You can only get a tax receipt by making a direct donation through the Eparchy of Edmonton. The Eparchy of Edmonton is the owner of the camp and is a registered charity.

Can I get more information about the Camp and/or register my kids for Camp Oselia?

Sure, check us out. CampOselia.com



CampOselia.com

How to Donate to our Parish during the Covid crisis and beyond

With the closure of our churches, we recognize that parishioners who normally donate through Sunday collections may wonder how they can continue to support their parishes financially. The Eparchial Pastoral Centre is suggesting three options for parishioners to donate to their parishes if online options are not available to them directly:

1. Mail a donation by cheque;

Please do not send cash in the mail. Mail it to the (Ukrainian Catholic) Pastoral Centre and we will forward all donations to the parish. Our address is:

Eparchy of Edmonton Pastoral Centre

9645 108 Avenue NW, Edmonton, AB T5H 1A3 .

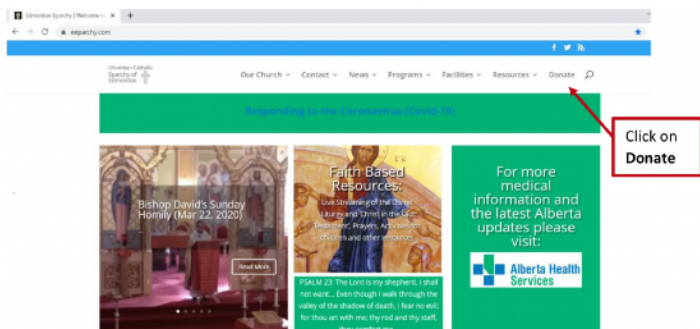
(Please do not mail things to Dormition Parish directly as our mailbox is not sufficiently secure.... It's good enough for bills, but not incoming funds.)

2. Donate using the Eparchial Website.

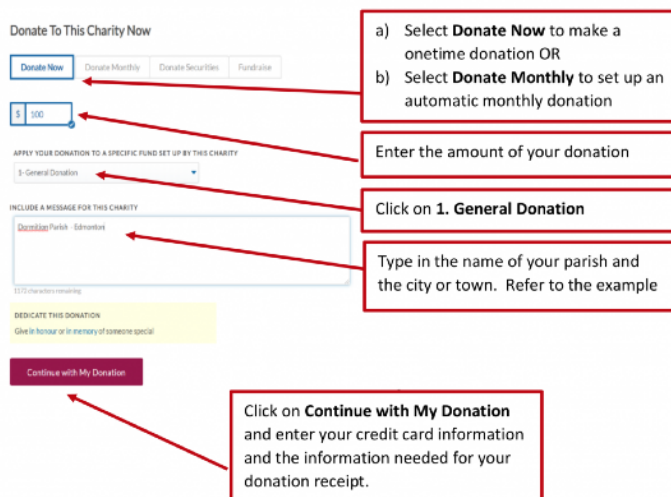
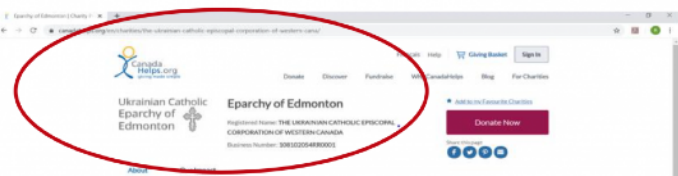
Our Eparchy accepts online donations through Canada Helps. You will receive a donation receipt directly from Canada Helps and the Eparchy will receive notification of the donation with all of the details and will allocate the funds to your parish. The following steps will help first time users with the online process:

Steps for making an online donation to your parish

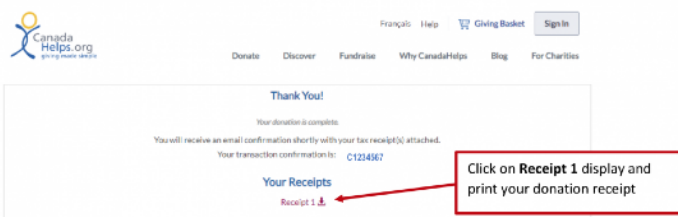
A. Access the Eparchy website at www.eeparchy.com and click on the Donate button.



B. You are automatically transferred to the Canada Helps site for the Eparchy of Edmonton. Scroll to the Donate to this Charity Now area and complete the required fields:



C. Once you have typed in the required information, click on the Complete Donation button. A message will appear thanking you for your donation and providing a confirmation number. You will also be able to directly print your charitable receipt.



D. Your donation is complete. The Eparchy will receive notification of the donation and will allocate the donation for your parish. You may close your browser.

3. Donate by credit card

Please call our Pastoral Centre at 780-424-5496 during office hours (hours may be limited but you can leave a message and we will call you back). You will be asked for your name, credit card number, name of your parish and the city/town. A donation receipt will be issued from the Eparchy of Edmonton and proceeds allocated to your parish.

Thank you for your continued support of our Church though these unprecedented times. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions please call our Pastoral Centre at 780-424-5496