

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE

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OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD Парафію Успінню Пресв. Богороднці A parish of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton

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You will need to register to attend services.

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Sunday Divine Liturgy (Ukr & Eng) at 10 am for June: (English) at 12 noon & soon to return Melkite (Arabic) D.L. at 2 pm

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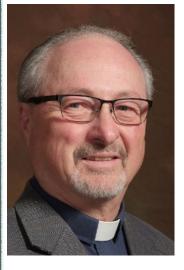
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# **August 2, 2020**

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 8; The Transfer of the Relics Archdeacon Stephen the Protomartyr (5th c.)

Most years at the end of July and beginning of August, (normally after camp) Fr. Bo and family use a couple weeks of their **holidays**. This year I will be away for the Sundays of July 26 and August 2. Due to Covid, we will likely not go very far... if anywhere... but pray for us so that we might have a restful break and come back to the parish with even more energy.

Because of this... this bulletin is for 3 weeks.



# We warmly welcome Fr. Peter Brezden who will be serving the 10 am Bilingual Divine Liturgy on July 26 & August 2.

I request for a few people to volunteer so as to organize the things that need to be organized for those 10 am Biligual services on Sundays, including:

- unlocking the doors for him, and locking them up after the service.
- Doing the Liturgy Reservations
- Making sure that there are volunteers to cover the 4 normal jobs for each Sunday, (Sanitize before, Usher, Reader & Sanitize after)
- Helping with the setting up of the Liturgy including bringing Fr. some prosphora (bread) from the kitchen

freezer, and lighting the candles.

• Setting up a computer to our screen to have the words of the Liturgy available if possible.

FOR ALL OF THESE, PLEASE TALK TO FR. BO ASAP. Thanks.

# Lives of the Saints for Each Sunday from the SYNAXARION



July 19

Memory of our venerable Mother Macrina, the Sister of Saint Basil the Great

Gifted with remarkable beauty and pleasant manners, Saint Macrina, without her knowledge, was promised in marriage by her father to a young man from a noble family. This young man died on one of his business trips. Blessed Macrina rejected many other

suitors and preferred widowhood and its annoyances to the joys of marriage. She abstained from all worldly relations in order to live with her mother Emelia, unoccupied for the study of the Holy Scriptures. She became a second mother for her ten younger brothers. She entirely consecrated herself to their formation and education. Until her last moments she corresponded with her brother Saint Gregory of Nyssa concerning the soul. She died in the month of December 379, after a holy and austere life.

#### Our venerable Father Dios (+431)

In great austerity and continual progress in virtue, our holy father Dios lived in Antioch, Syria in the time of Theodosius the Great (379-395). He went to Constantinople and acquired the spot where he would later build his famous monastery. His virtue could not remain hidden for long. Emperor Theodosius came to see him in person and, full of admiration, offered him all the money necessary for the construction of his monastery. Against his will he was ordained a priest by the holy Bishop Atticus. He died in 431.



July 26

Memory of the holy Hieromartyr Hermolaus and his Companions Hermippos and Hermocratos (+312)

# The holy Hosiomartyr Paraskevia (?)

It is believed that Saint Hermolaus and his companions suffered martyrdom in Nicomedia in Bithynia, under Emperor Maximian around 312.

As for the holy martyr Paraskevia, whose name signifies "Preparation," she was born of pious parents named Agathon and Politia in a market town in the vicinity of Rome. She was called Paraskevia because she was born on a Friday (in Greek "paraskeve"). Having learned the reading of the Holy Scriptures from her youth, she led a retired life applied to meditating on the divine Word and converting a great number of infidels to Christ's faith. She was seized in the time of Emperor Antoninus the Pious and as she was commanded to adore idols, she answered with these words of the prophet Jeremia (Jeremia 10:11): "Let the gods that did not make heaven and earth perish from the earth." She was beheaded after cruel tortures around the year 140.



August 2

Translation of the relics of the holy Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen (415)

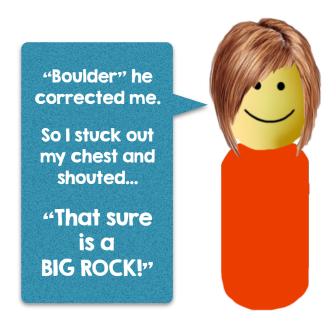
After Saint Stephen was stoned to death, the holy martyr's teacher, Gamaliel, encouraged some Christians to come during the night to remove the Saint's

body and bury it in his field. This field was twenty miles from Jerusalem and was called by its owner's name, Kaphargamala, that is, the village of Gamala, where he himself was buried some years later. A venerable priest named Lucian, attached to a church bordering on the field, thanks to a revelation from heaven, knew the place where the protomartyr was buried. This occurred in 415 under Emperor Theodosius the Younger. He immediately told it to John, the Bishop of Jerusalem. He went to the indicated place in company with Eutonius, the Bishop of Sebastea, and Eleutherios, the Bishop of Jericho. They dug away the soil and found a sarcophagus on which Stephen's name was written in Hebrew letters. They opened it, took out the precious relic, and solemnly transferred it to Jerusalem.

#### Parish News & Beyond:

- Our parish is open again! We invite you to come back and pray
  with us if you feel ready to do so, and to let others know that
  they can come too. Of course there will be all the precautions
  in place as we want to make sure that everyone remains
  healthy. We will strictly follow all the rules and regulations of
  both AHS and the Eparchy of Edmonton. In order to attend,
  please go to our website: <u>DORMITION.EEPARCHY.COM</u> and
  click on the "Reserve a Spot" button.
- 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 parishioners: Sophia Gerace (July 15) and Sharilynn
   Shakeshaft (July 17) who both celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you many years!
- A BIG Thank-You to all those who have been supporting our parish with online, sent in, and in person donations. Your support is helping us to keep moving forward in this unprecedented time. You are all the greatest.
- Save the Date for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Called to be Holy, Men's Conference and Retreat: Nov. 6, 7, 2020. for more info communicate with Bernie at education@eeparchy.com
- His Beatitude, Patriarch Sviatoslav issued an appeal to prayer and solidarity following severe flooding in western Ukraine, the worst floods in a decade (attached). Parishioners wishing to make financial contributions towards the flood victims may do so through their individual parish. The parishes can then forward the donations to the Pastoral Centre Eparchy of Edmonton, who in turn will work with accredited aid agencies in responding to the disaster.
- In response to Patriarch Sviatoslav's appeal in regard to severe flooding in western Ukraine, Dormition's UCWLC Branch made a financial contribution of \$200 towards assisting the flood victims.
- Starting today... (then nothing for two weeks till Fr. Bo returns, the Melkite Parish of St. Nicholas will resume their 2pm SundayDivine Liturgies. Just like ours, their Liturgies will need a reservation.
- Noon Liturgies. On July 19, and Sundays on or after August 9<sup>th</sup>, if there is demand, we will have a second English Liturgy to accommodate more people in our church on Sundays.
   Registering via the website is still necessary.

- In response to the tragic death of Mr. George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on May 25, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops issued a statement, <u>God Created</u> <u>Humankind in his Image and Likeness: Respect for the other is a must</u>.
- From information gathered for the 2019 Annual General Statistical Questionnaire on behalf of the Vatican Secretariat of State, as of December 31, 2019 the Eparchy of Edmonton has (by way of comparison, 2019 numbers are included in brackets):
  - Ukrainian Catholic population of 25,000, with 4,943 in regular Sunday attendance (2018: 24,000, with 4,739 in regular Sunday attendance)
  - 81 parishes and missions (2018: 81)
  - 32 eparchial priests (31)
  - 11 religious priests (10)
  - 5 deacons (3)
  - 3 eparchial seminarians (4);
  - 1 religious seminarian (1)
  - 11 women religious (12)
  - 4 men religious (4)
  - 183 baptisms (168)
  - 107 First Communions (102)
  - 43 marriages (43)
  - 228 funerals (236)
  - 257 children in catechism (255)
  - 58 catechists (56)



# **Sunday July 19**

Commemoration of the First Six Ecumenical Councils, Tone 6; Our Venerable Mother Macrina, Sister of Saint Basil the Great (379); Our Venerable Father Dios (c. 431)

**Troparion:** Angelic powers were upon Your tomb\* and the guards became like dead men;\* Mary stood before Your tomb\* seeking Your most pure body.\* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.\* You met the Virgin and granted life.\* O Lord, risen from the dead,\* glory be to You!

**Troparion:** Christ our God, You are glorified above all,\* You established our fathers as beacons on earth\* and through them guided all of us to the true faith.\* Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

**Kontakion:** With His life-giving hand\* Christ our God, the Giver of life,\* raised all the dead from the murky abyss\* and bestowed resurrection upon humanity.\* He is for all the Saviour,\* the resurrection and the life, and the God of all.

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

**Kontakion:** The Son who ineffably shone from the Father\* was born two-fold of nature from a woman.\* Beholding Him, we do not reject the image of His form;\* but depicting it, we revere it faithfully.\* Therefore, the Church, holing the true faith,\* kisses the icon of Christ's becoming man.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**Theotokion:** Undaunted patroness of Christians,\* O steadfast intermediary with the Creator,\* turn not away from the suppliant voices of sinners,\* but in your kindness come to help us who cry out to you in faith.\* Be quick to intercede, make haste to plead,\* for you are ever the patroness of those who honour you, O Mother of God.

#### Prokeimenon:

Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers,\* and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

*verse:* For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us.

#### Epistle Hebrews 13:7-16:

Brothers and Sisters: Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings; for it is well for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by regulations about food, which have not benefited those who observe them. We have an altar from which those who

officiate in the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also suffered outside the city gate in order to sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us then go to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

#### Alleluia verses:

The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him.

#### Gospel John 17:1-13:

At that time: After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves.

#### Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens,\* praise Him in the highest.\* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;\* praise befits the righteous.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia. (*Psalms 184:1; 32:1*)

# **Sunday July 26**

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 7; The Holy Priest-Martyr Hermolaus and those with him (286-305); Holy Venerable-Martyr Parasceve

**Troparion:** 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.

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

**Kontakion:** No longer shall the dominion of death be able to hold humanity,\* for Christ went down shattering and destroying it s powers.\* Hades is bound.\* The prophets exult with one voice.\* The Saviour has come for those with faith, saying:\* "Come forth, O faithful, to the resurrection!"

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**Theotokion:** O all-praised treasury of our resurrection, we hope in you,\* bring us up from the pit and depth of sin,\* for you have saved those subject to sin\* by giving birth to our Salvation,\* O Virgin before childbirth, and Virgin in childbirth,\* and still a Virgin after childbirth.

#### **Prokeimenon:**

The Lord will give strength to His people;\* the Lord will bless His people with peace.

**Verse:** Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God; bring to the Lord young rams. (*Psalm 28:11,1*)

#### Epistle I Corinthians 1:10-18:

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

#### Alleluia verses:

It is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing to Your name, O Most High.

To announce Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth every night.

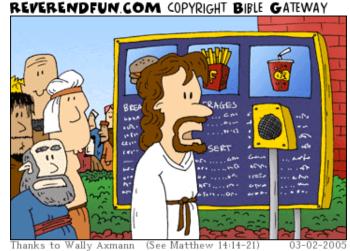
#### Gospel Matthew 14:14-22:

When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

#### Communion Hymn

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



I'D LIKE FIVE FRIES AND TWO FISH SANDWICHES PLEASE

# **Sunday August 2**

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 8; The Transfer of the Holy Relics of the First-martyr and Archdeacon Stephen (5th c.)

**Troparion:** You came down from on high, O Merciful One,\* and accepted three days of burial\* to free us from our sufferings.\* O Lord, our life and our resurrection,\* glory be to You.

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

**Kontakion:** When You rose from the tomb,\* You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam.\* Eve exults in Your resurrection,\* and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead,\* O most merciful One.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**Theotokion:** To you, O Mother of God,\* the invincible leader,\* we, your servants, ascribe these victory hymns\* in thanksgiving for our deliverance from evil.\* With your invincible power free us from all dangers\* that we may cry out to you:\* "Hail, O bride, and pure Virgin!"

#### **Prokeimenon:**

Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Verse:** In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

#### **Epistle I Corinthians 3:9-17:**

Brothers and Sisters: we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned up, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

#### Alleluia verses:

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.

Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms.

#### Gospel Matthew 14:22-34:

At that time, Jesus: made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

#### **Communion Hymn**

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



Thanks to Paul Gladney

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JOSEPH, COME QUICK ... JESUS IS TAKING HIS FIRST STEPS