



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:

15608 -104 Avenue,
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**Please register
online or by
phone to attend
services.**

Services:

Sunday Divine Liturgy
(Ukr & Eng) at 10 am
if needed: (English) at 12 noon
& Melkite (Arabic) D.L. at 2 pm

Parish Website:

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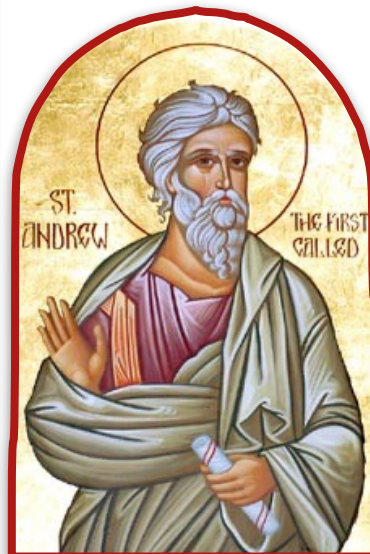
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November 29, 2020

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone I;
The Holy Martyr Paramon (249-51), the Holy Martyr Philomenus (270-75);
Our Father Acacius, of Whom Testimony is Found in the Ladder of Divine Ascent

Welcome to Dormition Parish. We are glad to have you with us.



Tomorrow' Saint of the Day from OCA.org

Apostle Andrew, the Holy and All-Praised First-Called

The Holy Apostle Andrew the First-Called was the first of the Apostles to follow Christ, and he later brought his own brother, the holy Apostle Peter, to Christ (John 1:35-42). The future apostle was from Bethsaida, and from his youth he turned with all his soul to God. He did not enter into marriage, and he worked with his brother as a fisherman. When the holy Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John began to preach, Saint Andrew became his closest disciple. Declaring Christ to be the Lamb of God, Saint John the Baptist himself sent to Christ his own two disciples, the future Apostles Andrew and John the Theologian.

After the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, Saint Andrew went to the Eastern lands preaching the Word of God. He went through Asia Minor, Thrace, Macedonia, he reached the River Danube, went along the coast of the Black Sea, through Crimea, the Black Sea region and along the River Dniepr he climbed to the place where the city of Kiev now stands....

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Next Sunday.
Two Liturgies. One Saint.

Sign up for the **9 am** Bilingual,
or the **11 am** English Liturgy.

Please also let us know if you will have kids coming.

Details on next page.





St. Nicholas Day

Next Sunday (Dec. 6th) is St. Nicholas Day. In the past we have always had a good turn out for our special St. Nicholas Day celebrations so this year we will have 2 covid friendly liturgies in which St. Nicholas himself will come and greet everyone, especially the children. In order for things to go smoothly please sign up either for the 9am bilingual Liturgy, or for the 11am English Liturgy. Also, please let us know if you have any children in Elementary School or Preschoolers coming. This way we can get a few packages ready for St. Nicholas to give out.

Christmas Eve

Also, our Christmas Eve Liturgies have been set. Due to the fact that we can only have a limited number of people in the church, we are having 3 Christmas Eve Services. You can now reserve your spot for any one of them on our website.

6pm English, 8pm English & 10pm Bilingual.

Apostle Andrew, the Holy and All-Praised First-Called

He stopped overnight on the hills of Kiev. Rising in the morning, he said to those disciples that were with him: "See these hills? Upon these hills shall shine forth the beneficence of God, and there will be a great city here, and God shall raise up many churches." The apostle went up around the hills, blessed them and set up a cross. Having prayed, he went up even further along the Dniepr and reached a settlement of the Slavs, where Novgorod was built. From here the apostle went through the land of the Varangians towards Rome for preaching, and again he returned to Thrace, where in the small village of Byzantium, the future Constantinople, he founded the Church of Christ.

On his journeys the First-Called Apostle endured many sufferings and torments from pagans: they cast him out of their cities and they beat him. In Sinope they pelted him with stones, but remaining unharmed, the persistent disciple of Christ continued to preach to people about the Savior. Through the prayers of the Apostle, the Lord worked miracles. By the labors of the holy Apostle Andrew, Christian Churches were established, for which he provided bishops and clergy. The final city to which the Apostle came was the city of Patra, where he was destined to suffer martyrdom.



The Lord worked many miracles through His disciple in Patra. The infirm were made whole, and the blind received their sight. Through the prayers of the Apostle, the illustrious citizen Sosios recovered from serious illness and Maximilla and Stratokles, the wife and brother of the governor of Patra, were healed. The miracles accomplished by the Apostle and his fiery speech enlightened almost all the citizens of the city of Patra with the true Faith.

Few pagans remained at Patra, but among them was the prefect of the city, Aegeatos. The Apostle Andrew repeatedly turned to him with the words of the Gospel. But even the miracles of the Apostle did not convince Aegeatos. The holy Apostle with love and humility appealed to his soul, striving to reveal to him the Christian mystery of life eternal, through the wonderworking power of the Holy Cross of the Lord. The angry Aegeatos gave orders to crucify the apostle. The pagan thought he might undo Saint Andrew's preaching if he were to put him to death on the cross.

Saint Andrew the First-Called accepted the decision of the prefect with joy and with prayer to the Lord, and went willingly to the place of execution. In order to prolong the suffering of the saint, Aegeatos gave orders not to nail the saint's hands and feet, but to tie

them to the cross. For two days the apostle taught the citizens who gathered about. The people, in listening to him, with...

...all their souls pitied him and tried to take Saint Andrew down from the cross. Fearing a riot of the people, Aegeatos gave orders to stop the execution. But the holy apostle began to pray that the Lord would grant him death on the cross. Just as the soldiers tried to take hold of the Apostle Andrew, they lost control of their hands. The crucified apostle, having given glory to God, said: "Lord Jesus Christ, receive my spirit." Then a blazing ray of divine light illumined the cross and the martyr crucified upon it. When the light faded, the holy Apostle Andrew

had already given up his holy soul to the Lord. Maximilla, the wife of the prefect, had the body of the saint taken down from the cross, and buried him with honor.

A few centuries later, under the emperor Constantine the Great, the relics of the holy Apostle Andrew were solemnly transferred to Constantinople and placed in the church of the Holy Apostles beside the relics of the holy Evangelist Luke and Saint Paul's disciple Saint Timothy.

Today's Saint's of the Day, from oca.org



Martyr Paramon and 370 Martyrs in Bithynia

The Holy Martyr Paramon and the 370 Martyrs with him suffered for their faith in Christ in the year 250 during the rule of the emperor Decius (249-251). The governor of the Eastern regions, Aquianus, had locked up 370 Christians in prison, urging them to abjure Christ and instead offer sacrifice to idols.

They subjected the captives to beatings, hoping by torture and the threat of death to persuade them to renounce Christ and worship the pagan gods. One of the local inhabitants, Paramon by name, openly denounced the cruel governor and confessed his faith in the One True God, the Lord Jesus Christ. They beheaded Saint Paramon after fierce tortures, together with the other 370 martyrs.

Martyr Philoumenus of Ancyra

The Holy Martyr Philoumenus suffered for Christ in the year 274, during the persecution against Christians by the emperor Aurelian (270-275). Saint Philoumenus was a bread merchant in Ancyra. Envious persons reported to the governor Felix that Philoumenus was a Christian, and so he came before a judge.

Saint Philoumenus did not renounce Christ. For this they hammered nails into his hands, feet and head, and they forced him to walk. The holy martyr bravely endured the torments and he died from loss of blood, giving up his soul to God.



Venerable Acacius of Sinai, who is mentioned in the Ladder

Saint Acacius of Sinai lived during the sixth century and was a novice at a certain monastery in Asia. The humble monk distinguished himself by his patient and unquestioning obedience to his Elder, a harsh and dissolute man. He forced his disciple to toil excessively, starved him with hunger, and beat him without mercy. Despite such treatment, Saint Acacius meekly endured the affliction and thanked God for everything. Saint Acacius died after suffering these torments for nine years.

Five days after Acacius was buried, his Elder told another Elder about the death of his disciple. The second Elder did not believe

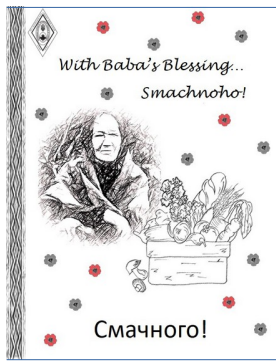
that the young monk was dead. They went to the grave of Acacius and the second Elder called out: "Brother Acacius, are you dead?" From the grave a voice replied, "No, Father, how is it possible for an obedient man to die?" The startled Elder of Saint Acacius fell down with tears before the grave, asking forgiveness of his disciple.

After this he repented, constantly saying to the Fathers, "I have committed murder." He lived in a cell near the grave of Saint Acacius, and he ended his life in prayer and in meekness. Saint John Climacus (March 30) mentions Saint Acacius in *The Ladder* (Step 4:110) as an example of endurance and obedience, and of the rewards for these virtues.



Christmas Gift Ideas ...

With Baba's Blessing... Smachnoho!



This incredible 480 page cookbook published by UCWLC Edmonton Eparchy is filled with 685 recipes from babas and mothers throughout Alberta. Each book sells for only \$25 and would make a wonderful Christmas gift. Please contact

Darlene Atamaniuk at (587) 523-6141

email darlene.atamaniuk@gmail.com



These blank greeting cards "Mama, where will we hang the icon?" were printed to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada. The image on the card was printed from a painting by Peter Shostak, commissioned by UCWLC Edmonton Eparchy. \$3 each or a package of 4 for \$10. What a wonderful stocking stuffer!

Buy a cookbook and a package of cards and receive a 10% discount!

YOUNGER COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The UCWLC (Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada) has a Ukrainian Museum that is presently housed in the lower level of St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Edmonton. We've embarked on a project to relocate our museum to a larger facility with more space for display, storage, educational programming, and special events. Thus far, a partial Board of Directors has been established and planning has begun. However, to sustain this museum and provide continuity well into the future, we need young people to become involved in this project now. We understand that in this age group, you are busy with work, some have growing families and generally, life is very busy. Whatever time you could devote to this project at this time and in the years ahead with the possibility of becoming more involved in the future as one's life changes, would be of benefit. If you are passionate about saving our Ukrainian artifacts and making them available for others to become familiar with and in this way elevating our cultural presence in society or are enrolled in museum studies, then we invite you to join our team. We are also looking for people in this age group with specialized knowledge in accounting, fundraising and legal matters. For more information and/or to submit your name, please contact Joyce Chrunik-Rudiak (project chair) at 780-467-0141 or joyciedon@telus.net. Thank you for taking the time to read this announcement and hope to hear from you soon.

Today is the Third Sunday of the Nativity Fast (aka St. Phillip's Fast, Advent).

**Let us prepare ourselves to greet Christ in His Nativity,
and also be prepared for His return as He foretold.**

If you are looking to receive the sacrament of Confession, please contact Fr. Bo (or contact any Catholic priest). Fr. Bo is also available in the Church after the 10 am Sunday Service, and also before the 2pm Melkite Sunday Service.



The Nativity Fast

Week 3: St. Andrew the First-Called

1. Read the material on this Week's Feast (see below) slowly and meditatively to yourself.

St. Andrew the First-Called --Jesus' First Disciples (John 1:35)

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and spent that day with him. It was about the tenth hour. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.

St. Andrew in Tradition

After the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, St. Andrew went to the Eastern lands preaching the Word of God. He went through Asia Minor, Thrace, Macedonia, and Ukraine. He stopped overnight on the hills of Kyiv. Rising in the morning, he said to those disciples that were with him: "See these hills? Upon these hills shall shine forth the beneficence of God, and there will be a great city here, and God shall raise up many churches." The apostle went up around the hills, blessed them and set up a cross. He also went to Thrace, where in the small village of Byzantium, the future Constantinople, he founded the Church of Christ. On his journeys the First-Called Apostle endured many sufferings and torments from pagans, but through the prayers of the Apostle, the Lord worked many miracles.

2. Reflect on the reading and on how you and your world relate to the Messiah. Consider the following questions:

- How do you need and have needed the Saviour in your personal life?
- What healing do you need from the Saviour?
- Which areas of our Canadian society do not reflect God's Will?
- Which areas of our World today do not reflect God's Will? Or, in what ways is our society and world not loving?
- When Jesus returns as Messiah (King), how would our society and world be changed? (Provide examples)
- What "concern" has God placed in your heart re: the lack of love in our world/society?

3. Pray/sing the Tropar and Kondak of the Week (see below) with your family.

Tropar- Tone 2

As the first-called of the Apostles and full brother of their leader implore the Master of all to grant peace to the world and - to our souls - grant mercy.

Kondak - Tone 2

Let us praise God's herald, whose name is "courage", Peter's kinsman who leads those in the Church who follow the chief apostle, for as then to Peter so now to us he cries aloud: "We have found the One so longed for." (Anthology of Worship, p.732)

4. Read the material on this Week's Feast aloud slowly and meditatively with your family.

5. Discuss with your family how you relate to the Messiah and your hopes in him.

6. Ask your children or family member(s) the following questions:

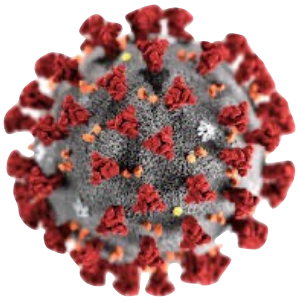
- Do they know that Messiah means, "Anointed" or the one God chose to be King?
- Do they know that the Greek version of the word is "Christos" or Christ?
- Do they know that Messiah refers to Jesus' job title? (He is Jesus the Messiah (the Christ) and when he returns he will bring and establish the Kingdom of God)

7. Conclude with the antiphon of St. Philip's Fast.

Antiphon of St. Philip's Fast

O Bethlehem, be prepared; Eden is opened to all; O Ephratha, be made ready; for in the cave the tree of life has blossomed forth from the Virgin; for her womb has been shown to be a spiritual paradise, in which is the divine plant, from which having eaten, we will live and not die as Adam did. Christ is born to raise the image that had fallen.





At Dormition everyone is welcome....

...unless you are feeling sick.

We will continue to be vigilant and to do our best to follow all the covid directives as strictly as possible for everyone's sake. Thanks for your cooperation.

A Message From Bishop David about Covid:

Dear Pastors, CIX!

The Government of Alberta updated its COVID-19 restrictions as of November 24, which are in place for at least the next three weeks.

Faith communities are often significant aspects of people's lives, and include intimate and close contact between members. This measure will help limit exposure at these activities, reducing outbreaks and protecting vulnerable members who attend.

Regarding places of worship, the new measures include:

In areas of enhanced status, for example Calgary and Edmonton ([*Enhanced status \(purple\) areas*](#)), a maximum of 1/3 normal attendance and held at normal location, including rental spaces like a community hall. For all areas throughout the entire Province of Alberta:

- Two-metre physical distancing between households must be maintained
- Mask use is mandatory in the areas of and around Edmonton and Calgary, unless you have a medical exemption. Those choosing not to wear a mask will not be permitted to enter the church for the safety of other parishioners.
- Hand-sanitizing at entrance/exit to church is required.
- The faithful are required to sign-in upon entry for tracking purposes should someone present as COVID-19 positive.
- Ushers are to remind the faithful of the above requirements.

- Recited liturgies are encouraged. Where singing is practiced, no congregational singing. Rather, a single cantor may lead the responses, while the faithful remain prayerfully silent.
- Online liturgical services are encouraged
- In-person faith group meetings can continue but physical distancing and public health measures must be followed
- Receptions are not permitted
- Maximum of 10 people for weddings, funerals and baptisms
 - This includes the officiant, bride/groom and witnesses
 - This does not include staff or organizers who are not considered an invited guest
 - This applies to any facility, including places of worship and funeral homes.
 - This includes services held indoors or outdoors, seated or non-seated.

Kindly include these reminders in your parish-bulletins and websites. It will also be helpful to announce the pertinent measures at the beginning of each liturgical service, especially with the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord approaching, with some of our faithful in attendance who may not be familiar with the practices during the pandemic.

My prayers are with you and your faithful as we journey through Saint Philip's Fast, preparing ourselves for the birth of our Lord.

God bless, Bishop David



Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton

Українська Католицька Едмонтонська Єпархія

Dear Friends,

The year 2020 has been one of unexpected challenges and hidden blessings, with a refocus on our families and neighbours. *Thank-you* for continuing to support your local parish and community. We also express our heartfelt gratitude for the generosity you have shown each year at our Annual Bishop's Gala. Although we are saddened that we can't see you in person this year, we are excited to invite you to:

- **Donate** in support of our Eparchial Ministries
- **Bid** on auction items December 9-15 at www.eeparchy.com/gala
- **Join us** at the *Armchair Gala* on December 17 at 7:00 pm at www.eeparchy.com/gala
- **Help us** lead change by connecting more people to Christ

This year at the Gala, you will get a sneak peek at our 2021 Evangelization Plan and our new eparchial initiatives which will directly impact how we evangelize as Church, reach out to youth and the elderly, support our parishes, effect change in our communities, and more.

To do this, we need your help. In the spirit of St. Nicholas and with Christmas on our doorstep, we invite you to give generously in support of these eparchial ministries.

To make a donation, visit www.eeparchy.com/gala, mail your donation to Eparchy of Edmonton, 9645 – 108 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5H 1A3 or call 780 424 5496.

May God bless you and your family as we prepare to celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,



Bishop David Motiuk
Eparchial Bishop

The Event

ARMCHAIR GALA

Our Annual Bishop's Gala fundraiser is coming to you this year from the comfort of your own home and in support of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton!

What you need to know...

Date	Thursday, December 17, 2020 7:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.
Supporting	The Eparchy of Edmonton 2021 Evangelization Plan
Donate	at www.eeparchy.com/gala or by mail to Eparchy of Edmonton, 9645-108 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5H 1A3 or call 780 424 5496
A Special Gift	For everyone who generously donates \$250 or more
Auction	Bid on unique items at www.eeparchy.com/gala December 9 to 15
What to Expect	Bishop David's Message, a look back at 2020, the first look into 2021 Evangelization Plan, faith testimonials, winners of our online auction, and more!
Entrance	All donors will receive a link <i>emailed</i> for this private event, and a warm meal will be donated to a local shelter on behalf of each attendee

The Impact OF YOUR SUPPORT

How your donations helped us in 2020

- ✓ *Journeying with our faithful during the COVID-19 pandemic*
- ✓ *Providing Live Streamed Divine Liturgy, Bible Study, and Catechesis, as well as other online events including St. Basil's Summer Camp, Viter-Na Dii (Young Adults International Conference), Men's Conference, Jesus Prayer 40, and more...*
- ✓ *Continued support of parish youth ministry through the Youth Evangelization Fund*

A sneak peek at 2021 ~ Your donation dollars at work

Tune in to the Armchair Gala December 17 to hear about Bishop David's Christmas wish list and get a sneak peek at our 2021 Evangelization Plan, and how we will evangelize as Church, reach out to youth and the elderly, and support our parishes.

Faith Messages

"It's important for me to make faith my own without customizing Christianity. My faith allows for intuition, reason and questioning, while still adhering to God's Word." ~Oksana



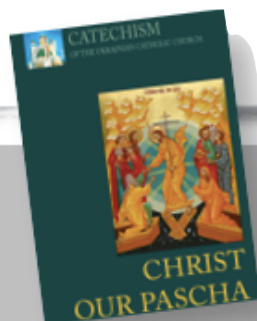
Our annual parish seminary assessment has been received from the Eparchy. Our required Assessment for the seminary is \$875.00. This is approximately \$20.00 per family. All parishioners are kindly requested to make their seminary donation as soon as possible.

We would certainly appreciate any donations or support you can give to the parish. We do still have to pay the bills during these difficult times. We have made it much simpler to donate to our parish online, on our parish website. Now you can choose to do a one time donation, or a monthly donation automatically to our parish. (Special thanks to Ben who helped make this happen.)

Our parish's website is: dormition.eeparchy.com

If you do not want to do things online, you can mail it to 15608 -104 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5P 4G5. (Please, do not send cash through the mail.)

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- Please pray for several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Cory & Family, Ross, Ron, Peter, Arni, Anne, Katie, Jean, Fr. Josaphat, Edward, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
 - Happy birthday to Suanne Workun and David Laschuk who both celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you many years.
 - We are praying for two cousins of Virginia who have both died from heart issues this past week. May God grant rest to His ever to be remembered servants +Dennis Holowchak and +Wayne Finn, and grant they Eternal Memory.
 - This weekend we also commemorate the anniversary of the passing of Laurence Sirman, a very active parishioner of our parish and the husband of Helen Sirman. May his memory be eternal. Vichnaya Pamyat.
 - Please send Fr. Bo a selfie, so that he can put together a Parish Photo Directory. Include your name, and... don't wear a mask. The photo does not need to look all fancy. We love you as you are.
 - Don't forget to let Fr. Bo if you are bringing any children to church for one of the two liturgies next week. Please phone him at 780-340-3726 or email him at fr.nahachewsky@eeparchy.com
 - You can now register for one of the Christmas Eve services on our website. There are three:
 - 6 pm in English
 - 8 pm in English
 - 10 pm Bilingual (Ukrainian & English)
 - Those who do not register might not be allowed in if we have reached the covid safety limit.
 - Special thank you to those who volunteered their time, and effort to make our Liturgical Space extra festive for this season of the Nativity Fast. The church looks lovely.



Excerpt from *Christ Our Pascha*

Christian tradition regards sin as an illness, which distorts one's divine image. In one of the troparia of the Parastas service, we sing, "I am the image of your ineffable glory, though I bear the brands of transgressions." Therefore, a sinful person does not so much deserve condemnation as require healing - God's mercy and forgiveness. Thus, a sinner is ill and Christ is the physician. "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick" (Mt 9:12) (# 757)

Dormition Parish November & December 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>29 Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 1; The Holy Martyr Paramon (249-51), the Holy Martyr Philomenus (270-75); Our Father Acacius, of Whom Testimony is Found in the Ladder of Divine Ascent; • Ephesians 5:9-19; • Luke 12:16-21;</p> <p>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</p> <p>Memorial for Laurence Sirman after Liturgy</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p>	<p>30  The Holy and All-Praiseworthy Apostle Andrew the First-Called; • 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; • John 1:35-51;</p> <p>9 am Camp Oselia Furniture Moving</p> <p>6:30 Camp Oselia workable at Pastoral Centre.</p>	<p>1  The Holy Prophet Nahum (7th century BC); • 1 Timothy 5:11-21; • Luke 17:26-37;</p> <p>6:30 pm First Solemn Communion Class with Gabby</p> <p>Suanne Workun's Birthday</p>	<p>2  Holy Prophet Habakkuk (Avvakum); Athansius the Recluse (1176); Passing into Eternal Life (1973) of Blessed Ivan Sleziuk, Catacomb Bishop of Ivano-Frankivsk and Confessor; • 1 Timothy 5:22-6:11; • Luke 18:15-17, 26-30;</p>	<p>3  The Holy Prophet Zephaniah (Sophonias) (7th century BC); • 1 Timothy 6:17-21; • Luke 18:31-34;</p> <p>David Laschuk's Birthday</p>	<p>4  The Great-Martyr Barbara (286-305); Our Venerable Father John of Damascus (749); • 2 Timothy 1:1-2, 8-18; • Luke 19:12-28;</p> <p>Online Young Adult's?</p>	<p>5  Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Sabbas the Sanctified (532); • Galatians 5:22-6:2; • Matthew 11:27-30;</p> <p>Publishing of Bulletin & Liturgy and updating of the Parish website.</p>
<p>6 Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 2; Our Holy Father Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia; • Ephesians 6:10-17; • Luke 13:10-17</p> <p>9 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English with St. Nicholas visiting</p> <p>11 am D.L. English with St. Nicholas visiting</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p>	<p>7  Our Holy Father Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (397); • 2 Timothy 2:20-26; • Luke 19:37-44</p> <p>Fr. Bo is teaching an Icon workshop at St. Joseph's Seminary this week</p>	<p>8  Our Venerable Father Patapius; • 2 Timothy 3:16-4:4; • Luke 19:45-48</p> <p>Fr. Bo is teaching an Icon workshop at St. Joseph's Seminary this week</p>	<p>9  The Conception of Saint Anna when she conceived the Most Holy Mother of God; • Galatians 4:22-31; • Luke 8:16-21</p> <p>Fr. Bo is teaching an Icon workshop at St. Joseph's Seminary this week</p>	<p>10  The Holy Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes and Euphrasius; • Titus 1:5-2:1; • Luke 20:9-18</p> <p>Fr. Bo is teaching an Icon workshop at St. Joseph's Seminary this week</p> <p>Andriy Genek's Birthday</p>	<p>11  Our Venerable Father Daniel the Stylite (493); • Titus 1:15-2:10; • Luke 20:19-26</p> <p>Fr. Bo is teaching an Icon workshop at St. Joseph's Seminary this week</p> <p>6:30 & 7:30 Online Youth?</p> <p>Thomas Ostopowich's Birthday</p>	<p>12  Our Venerable Father Spiridon the Wonderworker, Bishop of Tremithus (337-61); • Ephesians 1:16-23; • Luke 12:32-40</p> <p>Publishing of Bulletin & Liturgy and updating of the Parish website.</p>
<p>13 10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p>	<p>14 </p>	<p>15  Brittney Kwas' & Sharon Lonsberry's Birthdays</p>	<p>16  Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7 pm</p>	<p>17  Youth Commission Meeting at 6 pm</p>	<p>18  Online Young Adult's?</p>	<p>19  Sonja Dashkewytch's, Steven Shakeshaft's and John Vizza's Birthdays</p>

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Before the Liturgy Nativity Fast Reflection:

Reader:

Rejoice, O heavens! Proclaim everywhere the glory of God! Today the first-called apostle Andrew stands in our midst.

When He who is called the Morning Star, the radiance of the eternal Father's glory, took His abode on earth, you, O glorious Andrew, were the first to meet Him. For your heart was enlightened with the perfect splendour of His divinity.

Priest/Leader:

Today on this third Sunday of our journey towards the Nativity of Christ our Lord, we commemorate St. Andrew, the first apostle who followed Jesus. His feast day is November 30.

St. Andrew brought the light of Christ's message into the darkness of our Slavic people. In the liturgical prayers of our Church, we sing out to Bethlehem to prepare, to adorn itself, to open the gates of Eden for the Saviour of the world.

St. Andrew, as well, encourages, us, as brothers and sisters in Christ to be the bearers of the Light of Jesus to others.

All Together:

O Glorious Andrew, the first to obey the Lord's voice. We bless you as the herald of the apostles of Christ. Enkindled by His love, you brought the rays of light to enlighten those who sat in the shadow of darkness.

Pray for us that we may bring the light of Jesus to all who live in disbelief.

Priest/Leader:

Let us now light a candle as a sign of our desire to bring the light of Christ's message to the world.

All Together:

Nations shall walk by Your light All gather and come to You. The glory of the Lord is shining on you!

No longer shall the sun nor the moon be your light. For the Lord, the God of glory, Will be your eternal light.

Troparion: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!* Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

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

Kontakion: You arose in glory from the tomb* and with Yourself You raise the world.* All humanity acclaims You as God.* and death has vanished.* Adam exults, O Master,* and Eve, redeemed from bondage now, cries out for joy:* "You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion: When Gabriel uttered to you, O Virgin, his 'Rejoice!'* at that sound the Master of all became flesh in you, the Holy Ark.* As the just David said,* you have become wider than the heavens carrying your Creator.* Glory to Him Who dwelt in you!* Glory to Him Who came forth from you!* Glory to Him Who freed us through birth from you!

Prokeimenon:

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Epistle: Ephesians 5:9-19 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts,

Alleluia verses:

God gives me vindication, and has subdued people under me.

Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

Gospel: Luke 12:16-21 (NRSV)

The Lord spoke this parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Communion Hymn:

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