



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
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& Melkite (Arabic) D.L. at 2 pm

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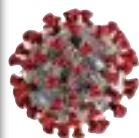
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February 7, 2021

**Sunday of Meatfare - Sunday of the Fearful Judgement, Tone 3;
Our Venerable Father Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus (312-37)**



At Dormition everyone is always welcome....

...if you are wearing a mask and keep your social distance...

...unless you are feeling sick. If you are please stay home.

Get well first, then come and join us again. We take covid seriously.



Sunday of the Fearful Judgement

Except from "Pre Lent" by Fr. Thomas Hopko

[This] Sunday is called Meatfare Sunday since it is officially the last day before Easter for eating meat. It commemorates Christ's parable of the Last Judgment (Mt 25.31-46). We are reminded this day that it is not enough for us to see Jesus, to see ourselves as we are, and to come home to God as his prodigal sons. We must also be his sons by following Christ, his only-begotten divine Son, and by seeing Christ in every man and by serving Christ through them. Our salvation and final judgment will depend upon our deeds, not merely on our intentions or even on the mercies of God devoid of our own personal cooperation and obedience.

... for I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you took Me in, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and in prison and you visited Me. For truly I say to you, if you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to Me (Mt 25).

We are saved not merely by prayer and fasting, not by "religious exercises" alone. We are saved by serving Christ through his people, the goal toward which all piety and prayer is ultimately directed.

Saint of the day from oca.org

Saint Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus on the Hellespont

Saint Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus, was a native of the city of Melitoupolis (in northwestern Asia Minor), where his father Christopher served as deacon. The youth did not receive adequate schooling, but he learned the Holy Scripture by attending church services. He had a good heart, and distributed to the poor the money he earned working as a fisherman.

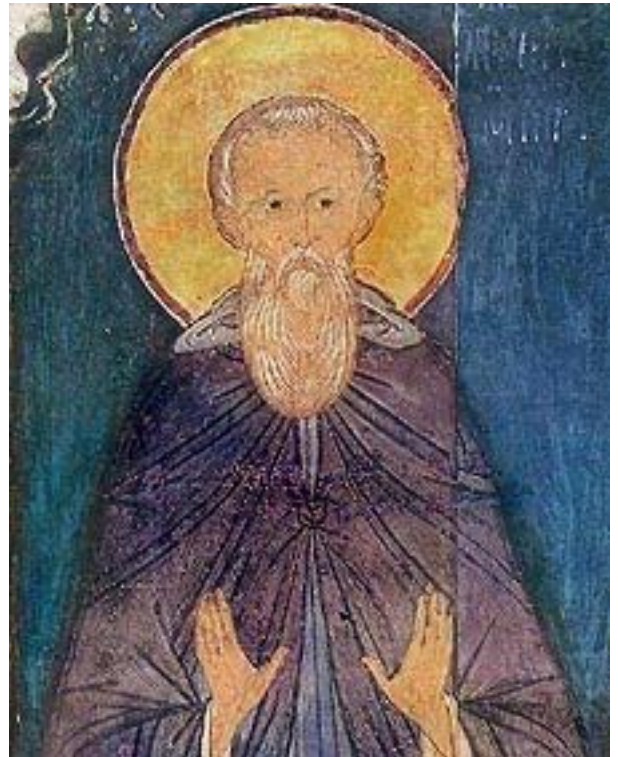
Filled with the grace of God, Saint Parthenius from age eighteen healed the sick in the name of Christ, cast out demons and worked other miracles. Learning of the young man's virtuous life, Bishop Philetus of Melitoupolis educated him and ordained him presbyter.

In 325, during the reign of Constantine the Great, Archbishop Achilles of Cyzicus made him bishop of the city of Lampsacus (Asia Minor). In the city were many pagans, and the saint fervently began to spread the faith in Christ, confirming it through many miracles and by healing the sick.

The people began to turn from their pagan beliefs, and the saint went to the emperor Constantine the Great seeking permission to tear down the pagan temple and build a Christian church in its place. The emperor received the saint with honor, gave him a decree authorizing the destruction of the pagan temple, and provided him with the means to build a church. Returning to Lampsacus, Saint Parthenius had the pagan temple torn down, and built a beautiful church of God in the city.

In one of the razed temples, he found a large marble slab which he thought would be very suitable as an altar. The saint ordered work to begin on the stone, and to move it to the church. Through the malice of the devil, who became enraged at the removal of the stone from the pagan temple, the cart overturned and killed the driver Eutychian. Saint Parthenius restored him to life by his prayer and shamed the devil, who wanted to frustrate the work of God.

The saint was so kind that he refused healing to no one who came to him, or who chanced to meet him by the wayside, whether he suffered from bodily illnesses or was tormented by unclean spirits. People even stopped going to physicians, since Saint Parthenius healed all the sick for free. With the great



power of the name of Christ, the saint banished a host of demons from people, from their homes, and from the waters of the sea.

Once, the saint prepared to cast out a devil from a certain man, who had been possessed by it since childhood. The demon began to implore the saint not to do so. Saint Parthenius promised to give the evil spirit another man in whom he could dwell. The demon asked, "Who is that man?" The saint replied, "You may dwell in me, if you wish."

The demon fled as if stung by fire, crying out, "If the mere sight of you is a torment to me, how can I dare to enter into you?"

An unclean spirit, cast out of the house where the imperial purple dye was prepared, said that a divine fire was pursuing him with the fire of Gehenna.

Having shown people the great power of faith in Christ, the saint converted a multitude of idol-worshippers to the true God.

Saint Parthenius died peacefully and was solemnly buried beside the cathedral church of Lampsacus, which he built.

Fasting 101: What is Fasting? How should I do it?

Click here for a free PDF Booklet: (also available at church with the bulletins)

<https://dormition.eeparchy.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/01/fasting-101.pdf>

Three ways you can help spread the good news of Jesus Christ!

More than ever before, our world needs to hear the good news of Jesus Christ. Here are three direct ways you can help further our mission and lead more to Christ:

1. Reach out to your neighbour today!

The elders in our community may feel particularly lonely or anxious during these turbulent times. A cheerful phone call or grocery delivery to our wisdom-keepers will make a *world of difference*! Know a college student who lives alone? Send them an email asking how they're doing! Show gratitude by writing a co-worker a thank-you note for being an amazing team member! You could even write a letter to a distant family member expressing your love for them. The possibilities are endless!

2. Share your faith with those around you this week!

Our social media and news feeds could all show more *gratitude, joy, and love* for one another. A loving message shared with your friends and family is a positive boost that we all need right now!

3. Further your faith journey this month!

Write a goal for the next 31 days on how you can further your faith journey! Perhaps you plan on praying the Jesus Prayer every day for the next 31 days or joining a Bible study? Maybe volunteer at your local parish or attend another Divine Liturgy? Even something as simple as *reflecting on your blessings* at the end of each day will have a positive impact on your life.

Together, we can lead people to Christ and create a *more loving world*.

- Bishop David

<https://eeparchy.com/evangelize/>

Break-in and Graffiti at church

Yup, someone was up to no good and tried to break into the church's sheds, and someone (perhaps related, perhaps not) also put spray paint on our fence. The spray paint was there last Sunday and the shed, some time around that time too (+/- a day).

As far as we can tell nothing of value was stolen. Thank you to all who have worked and continue to put things back in order.

This is another example of the need of the people around us in our neighbourhood of care and love. Let's not be angry with them (not that we approve of their wrongdoing) but rather try to take care of their needs so that they no longer have any reason to look for things to steal and disfigure.

Also, please continue to be vigilant in setting the alarm system on and verifying that all is in order and the doors are all locked when exiting the building. Thanks.



Next Sunday is Valentine's Day! Table for Two At Home

Nowhere to go on Valentine's day? Enjoy a romantic candlelit dinner at home!

Table for Two, presented by the Edmonton Eparchy is an evening for couples, married or dating, which provides the ideal opportunity to focus on each other.

Since we cannot meet in person this year, for those in Edmonton and area (Sherwood Park, Leduc, Beaumont, St. Albert) we are providing the opportunity to order a sumptuous meal for two created by a red seal chef, which will be delivered right to your home! All you have to do is set the table, light the candles and follow the instructions to heat your meal.

Each of the courses will come with discussion starters which invite couples to explore and deepen their relationship with each other and with God. You can take as much time as you would like.

As you are enjoying your coffee, tea or wine at the end of your meal, you will have the opportunity to watch and listen to Bishop David (a link will be sent) as he shares a few words reflecting on sacramental marriage.

We look forward to hosting you virtually!

WHEN: Sunday, Feb 14, deliveries made between 1:00 pm. and 3:00 pm.

WHERE: At home 12(Edmonton area)

HOW MUCH: \$75 per couple.

Register here by Feb. 10:

<https://eeparchy.com/2021/01/26/table-for-two-at-home-an-edmonton-eparchy-event/>



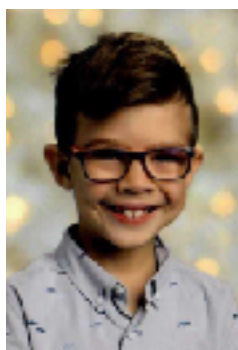
12 more kids join our Online First Solemn Communion Class! (and two more considering joining.)



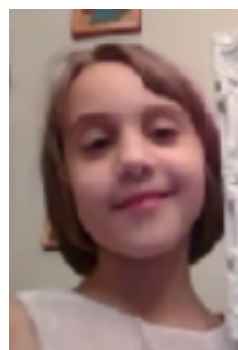
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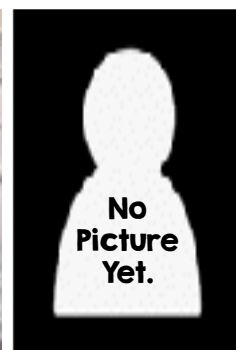
Damen H.
Grade 3



Jack B.
Grade 2



Gabby L.
Grade 2



Maria
Grade ?



John
Grade ?

This year our parish will be preparing 4 young men and 1 young woman, in addition to the one young lady who has already gone through the **FIRST SOLEMN COMMUNION** classes. These heroic characters are all on a profound adventure in real life that leads them deeper into the life of God.

I am asking all parishioners to pray daily for these awesome kids.

I also invite any and all of you to journey along with them by watching the online FSC videos. These videos are on our parish website.



Recently our Eparchial Chancellor and Director of Finance (and our very own parishioner) Iryna L. has put out a new **"Pastoral Centre - Communicator"**.

In it she outlines various things that are pertinent for Parish Pastoral Councils to be aware of. In it you can read about:






- Parish Revenue Submissions
- Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) - Submissions October to December 2020
- Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) - Submissions for 2021
- Faith-based and Cultural Facility Relaunch Grant
- Annual General Meetings and Financial Health Check
- Parish Hub

Thanks Iryna for the good info. PPC members please go to your email to read it or click here:

<http://dormition.eeparchy.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/02/The-Communicator-February-4-2021-FINAL.pdf>

- Please pray for several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Ross, Ron, Peter, Katie, Jean, Edward, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
- Happy birthday to **Marta Dashkewtych (Feb 10)** who celebrates her birthday this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- Our website has been updated A LOT including upcoming liturgies (for registrations) for February & March. If you notice any broken links, info that needs updating or anything missing, please feel free to send me an email. - Fr. Bo
- Annual General Meeting (AGM) Well... please be patient. We are still trying to figure things out. Covid will obviously not let us do it like normal.

Dormition Parish January - February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>7</p> <p>Sunday of Meatfare - Sunday of the Fearful Judgement, Tone 3; Our Venerable Father Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus (312-37); Passing into Eternal Life (1957) of Blessed Petro Verhun, apostolic Visitator of Forced Labourers in Germany and Martyr of Siberia;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2; • Matthew 25:31-46 <p>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</p> <p>Brief camp budget meeting with Sheila.</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p>	<p>8 </p> <p>The Holy Great-Martyr Theodore the General (286-305); the Holy Prophet Zechariah (c. 520 BC);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 John 1:1-15; • Luke 19:29-40; 22:7-39 <p>1:30 Camp Budget Meeting</p>	<p>9 </p> <p>The Holy Martyr Nicephorus;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jude 1-10; • Luke 22:39-42; 22:45-23:1 	<p>10 </p> <p>The Holy Martyr Charalampus (193-211); (Aliturgical)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joel 2:12-26; • Joel 3:12-21 <p>1pm Fr. Bo private pastoral meeting at church</p> <p>Marta Dashkewytch's Birthday</p>	<p>11 </p> <p>The Holy Priest-Martyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebastia (313-24);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jude 11-25; • Luke 23:1-34, 44-56 	<p>12 </p> <p>Our Holy Father Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch (379-95); (Aliturgical)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zechariah 8:7-14; • Zechariah 8:19-23 <p>10 am Funeral for + Mrs. Pauline Halko at Trinity Funeral Home (not open to public due to covid)</p> <p>Anticipated Liturgy Recording</p> <p>6pm Younger Elementary, 7pm Older Elementary, 8pm Junior and Senior High, Youth Online (see Fr. Bo for details)</p>	<p>13 </p> <p>Saturday before Cheese-fare; Our Venerable Father Martinian;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Romans 14:19-26; • Galatians 5:22-6:2; • Matthew 6:1-13; • Matthew 11:27-30 <p>This date would have been the 2nd Camp Oselia's Puschenya. Darn Covid.</p> <p>Weekly day of editing the Liturgy video, making of this bulletin, updating the website and much more. Saturdays are busy.</p>
<p>14 </p> <p>Sunday of Forgiveness, Tone 4; Our Venerable Father Cyril, Teacher of the Slavs (869); our Venerable Father Auxentius (457-74); and the Venerable Maron the Wonderworker;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Romans 13:11-14:4; • Hebrews 7:26-8:2; • Matthew 6:14-21; • John 10:9-16 <p>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</p> <p>followed by UCWLC "Pin Presentation" to those in attendance</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p> <p>The Great Fast Begins at Sundown</p>	<p>15  </p> <p>The Holy Apostle Onesimus; First day of the Great Fast.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 1:1-20; • Genesis 1:1-13; • Proverbs 1:1-20 <p>On this day the Church informs all healthy bodied parishioners to abstain from eating meat and dairy products. See Fasting IOI for more details.</p>	<p>16 </p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest (c. 309) and Porphyrius and Their Companions;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 1:19-2:3; • Genesis 1:14-23; • Proverbs 1:20-33 	<p>17 </p> <p>The Holy and Great-Martyr Theodore the Recruit (286-305);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 2:3-11; • Genesis 1:24-2:3; • Proverbs 2:1-22 <p>On this day the Church informs all healthy bodied parishioners to abstain from eating meat products. See Fasting IOI for more details.</p>	<p>18 </p> <p>Our Holy Father Leo, Pope of Rome (461);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 2:11-21; • Genesis 2:4-19; • Proverbs 3:1-19 <p>Abuna Ephrem's Birthday</p>	<p>19 </p> <p>The Holy Apostle Archippus;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isaiah 3:1-14; • Genesis 2:20-3:20; • Proverbs 3:19-34 <p>Anticipated Liturgy Recording</p> <p>7pm Melkite Young Adults Online (Arabic) (see Fr. Bo for details)</p> <p>On this day the Church informs all healthy bodied parishioners to abstain from eating meat products. See Fasting IOI for more details.</p>	<p>20 </p> <p>First Saturday of the Great Fast: Great Martyr Theodore the Recruit; Our Venerable Father Leo, Bishop of Catania;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hebrews 1:1-12; • 2 Timothy 2:1-10; • Mark 2:23-3:5; • John 15:17-16:2 <p>Weekly day of editing the Liturgy video, making of this bulletin, updating the website and much more. Saturdays are busy.</p>

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Troparion: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.* He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

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

Kontakion: When You come on earth, O God, in glory,* and the universe trembles,* while the river of fire flows before the seat of judgement,* and the books are opened and all secrets disclosed,* then deliver me from the unquenchable fire,* and count me worthy to stand at Your right hand,* O Judge who are most just.

Prokeimenon:

Great is our Lord and great is His strength;* and of His knowledge there is no end.

verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to Him. (Psalm 146:5,1)

Epistle: I Corinthians 8:8-9:2

Brothers and Sisters: "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Alleluia verses:

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

verse: Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms. (Psalm 94:1,2)

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

The Lord said: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right

hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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.

