

UNITED FOR UKRAINE

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POLISH AIRLINES



Ukraine needs our help and we are responding!!!

Polish Airlines LOT donated a Boeing 787 Dreamliner; Shell Canada donated 50 tonnes of jet fuel to tank it, Alberta firefighters and municipalities are donating emergency equipment, pharmaceutical companies are donating medications.

NOW WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

On Monday, March 21 & Wednesday March 23, between 2 - 7 PM, please drop off your donation at the POLISH HALL at 10960 - 104 Street in Edmonton.

WE NEED: First Aid supplies, pain medications, baby and adult diapers, feminine hygiene products, deodorants, oral hygiene products, outdoor survival equipment, new socks and underwear, walking canes, walkers and crutches

If you have any specialized medical or emergency response equipment, let us know.

Covid Restrictions Have Eased:

- The provincial mask mandate has lifted, however those who wish to wear masks may.
- Capacity limits on places of worship are now removed, including for weddings and funerals.
- Individuals should continue to monitor health symptoms and stay home if sick.
- Please hand-sanitize regularly.
- Continued use of single-use Communion spoons will remain.

- Cleaning and sanitizing churches after each use will remain.
- In-person meetings and fellowship are now allowed.
- Congregation and choral singing are now permitted.

As we move from “pandemic” to “endemic” in our approach to COVID-19, let us continue to do our part in reducing the spread of COVID-19 and in caring one for another, especially our elderly and vulnerable.

Results from our Parish Annual General Meeting:

Once again on behalf of our PPC I would like to thank all of you who voted in our “Covid Friendly” Mail-in / Online Annual General Meeting.

There were 7 paper voters & 12 Online voters for a total of 19.

Here are the results of our votes:

Question 1: Do you accept the 2021 Parish Financial Statements as presented by the Financial Committee and the Financial Review Committee?

19 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. 1 Comment.

Question 2: Do you accept the 2022 Budget as presented by the Parish Financial Committee?

18 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstained. 0 Comments.

Question 3: Do you approve the Slate of Officers as presented by the Nominating Committee for 2022?

19 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. 0 Comments.

Question 4: Do you approve the Proposed Bylaws as presented by the Bylaw Committee?

15 Yes, 2 No, 2 Abstained. 4 Comments.

There are several comments which people have shared. We will share these with everyone at the next PPC meeting. The next PPC meeting is on Wednesday, March 30 at 7 pm. All parishioners may attend any regular PPC meeting.



Tastes of Heaven Virtual Fundraising Gala

Thursday April 28, 2022 at 8:00 pm (EDT)

Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God, some of the most in-need missions can be found here in Canada. This event supports our five areas of funding: missionary sustenance, seminarian education, repair and maintenance of mission churches, catechesis, and lay formation. *Catholic Missions In Canada* has a mandate to serve Roman and Ukrainian Catholic Bishops across Canada. Will you share this event with your community?

SHARE THIS EVENT

Wine Packages must be ordered before April 1, 2022. Delivered to addresses while supplies last. Included are 2x 750ml bottles of wine, 3x 100g bars of chocolate and ingredients for the recipe demonstration. Shipping and handling included.

Register [online here](#), via phone during business hours at 1-866-937-2642, or by [mailing this form](#) to our office.

Our Parish Services on YouTube:

As most of you know our parish has been recording and now live broadcasting our services on Youtube for about 2 years. It is surprising how many people benefit from this ministry. Some days we have only 5 views, and others well over a hundred.

The quality of the live streaming is... mediocre at best. This is due mostly to the fact that our parish wifi is weak, and the internet service is slow. But considering, we still do an okay job with it. Hopefully in the near future we can boost our signal and speed and do even better.

I have had many viewers who are seniors and are unable to attend services in person and many from beyond our city. For their sake I plan to continue this ministry.

I do want to ask however that those who can come in person do so. Although watching the services online is a good way to pray, and much better than nothing, it does not compare with being part of the community and being able to receive the Eucharist.

All Liturgies that are posted can be accessed from our parish's website. These include Sunday Services, Wednesday Presanctified Services, and sometimes special services such as "Prayers for Ukraine" and "Baptisms". Most are now posted as Live Events, so you can pray with us as we celebrate in the church. Past services are also available for viewing too.



Our "What's the difference between Ukrainian Catholics and Roman Catholics?" video has over 96.5 thousand views!

Special annual Lenten collection for "Aid to the Missionary Church in Canada."

The purpose of this collection is to support the needs of the Church in Canada. Three charitable institutions are the recipients of the collection: the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Alberta, Catholic Missions in Canada, and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The **Ukrainian Catholic Church in Alberta** responds to the call of Christ to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28: 19-20). The Eparchy of Edmonton supports local priests in their travel, health care, pension, and clergy substitution, thus ensuring that they can respond to the pastoral needs of the faithful, especially the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and funerals in rural Alberta. Visit www.edmontoneparchy.com to see how the Church is working for you.

Catholic Missions in Canada supports over 600 missionaries – priests, deacons, sisters, brothers and lay ministers – throughout 27 eparchies and dioceses right here in Canada, including the Ukrainian Catholic Church. Catholic Missions supports the local churches in our call to proclaim the Gospel among Firsts Nations communities, missionary support, religious education programs, building and repairs, lay pastoral leadership programs, and education of seminarians. To learn more about the work of *Catholic Missions in Canada* visit (www.cmic.info) and sign up for a free subscription to its quarterly magazine by calling toll free 1-866-937-2642.

Each year the **Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops** is asked to speak out, give leadership, and provide guidelines for the faithful on a wide variety of topics in our daily lives. For our bishops to do so, they must have the benefit of research and expert advice. Research and gathering information require staff, time and money. Through the yearly bishops' collection, an appeal is made to all Catholics to be generous towards the work of their bishops. To learn more about the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, visit www.cccb.ca.

Did you know that you can support our parish directly through our website?

Click on the "Donate Online" button on our website and you will be taken to "Canada Helps" which is how we accept online donations. Tax receipts are issued automatically for these donations. Consider making a regular monthly donation which you can set up automatically and you will never have to remember to bring an envelope to church with you again!

<https://dormition.eeparchy.com/online-giving/>

Parish News:

- **Fellowship after Liturgy has returned!** As we used to do before covid, after liturgy people are invited to visit over a cup of coffee or tea (or juice). All are welcome.
- **UCWLC meeting** after Fellowship today. UCWLC stands for Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada. All UCWLC members and interested women are welcome.
- **Please pray for** several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Mickey, Sister Andrea, Kristopher, Greg, Peter, Ross, Ron, Peter, Jean, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann & Louis.
- **Happy birthday** to Verna Hnatiuk & Stefan Sokolowski who celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- **PPC Meeting next week**, Wednesday, March 30
- **Blessing of the new PPC...** we haven't talked about it yet, but it shall be done... on one of the upcoming Sundays. Stay Tuned.
- **Confessions:** Fr. Bo is always happy to hear confessions. Just me know and I will make some time for you. (Before Liturgy is possible only if we book some extra time in advance as we do not want to start Liturgy late.)
- **Got any ideas for our parish?** We'd love to hear from you.

This was our Schedule for Holy Week & Pascha last year. Does anyone have any suggestions for changes for this year?

Holy Week & Easter Schedule 2021

PALM SUNDAY:

10 AM Divine Liturgy with Willow blessing (Eng & Ukr)

GREAT AND HOLY TUESDAY:

4 PM till ?, Confessions

GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY:

6 PM Matins of the Passion

GOOD FRIDAY – THE CRUCIFIXION:

3 PM Vespers with the laying out of the Burial Shroud.

PASCHA – THE RESURRECTION – EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 Resurrectional Matins, followed by Resurrectional Divine Liturgy and the blessing of Easter Baskets. (Eng & Ukr)

11 AM Resurrectional Divine Liturgy and the blessing of Easter Baskets. (Eng & Ukr)

THIS IS LAST
YEAR'S
SCHEDULE I'M OPEN FOR
SUGGESTIONS
FOR 2022

The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

In Byzantine Churches the celebration of the Divine Liturgy is considered too festive for weekdays of the Great Fast (Lent). Yet the Church recognizes the intense need for the faithful to receive the Eucharist during this penitential time. In order to make it available, the church celebrates Presanctified Liturgies on Wednesday and Friday evenings. Presanctified Liturgies are basically evening prayers (Vespers) with the distribution of Eucharist. The Eucharist is consecrated during Divine Liturgy on the preceding Sunday, is kept in the Tabernacle, and then is brought out to the people during the service.

This year we will have Presanctified Liturgies on Wednesdays at 7 pm in our parish (unless we have a PPC meeting, in which case we will do it at 5:30).

I will not have Presanctified Liturgies on Fridays due to a commitment I made to teach Catechism every other Friday. You can certainly join another parish at their service, or you can re-watch/attend the Liturgy that we record on Wednesday via Youtube.

On all Wednesdays that are followed by an "All Souls" Saturday we will also include a Panachyda (prayers of the deceased) mentioning the names of all of our loved ones. If you would like to submit or update your family's list of departed, hand a paper to Fr. Bo.

Fr. Bo continues to do Youth Ministry.

Here are some pictures of St. Theresa school, as they were writing icons. This week upcoming Fr. Bo will be working with St. Benedict school and teaching them about their patron saint. The Eparchial Youth Commission, Camp Oselia, First Solemn Communion, Sacramental Prep and a new Scouts Canada Group are also among the projects that Fr. Bo is involved in.

A quote from a teacher who helped organize the icon writing workshop: "We can't stop thinking about it! For us teachers it was spiritual and calming and the best medicine in these challenging times!"

Thank you parish for enabling me to do this ministry.



Dormition Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>20 </p> <p>Third Sunday of the Great Fast: Veneration of the Holy Cross. Our Venerable Fathers Martyred by the Saracens at the Monastery of St. Sabbas (580-97) Great Fast Day 21. Matins Resurrectional Gospel 10. The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated today. Hebrews 4:14-5:6; Mark 8:34-9:1</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>Baptism of Declan Armstrong</p> <p>Fellowship to follow Liturgy</p> <p>UCWLC Meeting</p> <p>5:30 Appointment</p>	<p>21 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father and Confessor James, Bishop of Catania (813-20) Great Fast Day 22. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 14:24-32; Vespers - Genesis 8:21-9:7; Proverbs 11:19-12:6;</p> <p>8:30 am Faith Day at St. Benedict Catholic School</p> <p>5:30 Appointment</p>	<p>22 </p> <p>The Holy Priest-Martyr Basil, Presbyter of Ancyra (363); Passing into eternal life (1924) of Fr. Isidore Dolnytsky, hymnographer, professor and spiritual father of Lviv and the Greek College in Rome Great Fast Day 23. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Polyelos Feast. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 25:1-9; Vespers - Genesis 9:8-17; Proverbs 12:8-22;</p> <p>7:30 pm Appointment</p> <p>Verna Hnatiuk's & Stefan Sokolowski's Birthdays</p>	<p>23 </p> <p>The Holy Venerable-Martyr Nikon and His Disciples, Martyred with Him (270-75) Great Fast Day 24. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 26:21-27:9; Presanctified - Genesis 9:18-10:1; Proverbs 12:23-13:10;</p> <p>12:30 Appointment</p> <p>7 pm Presanctified Liturgy with Panachyda for all Souls</p>	<p>24 </p> <p>Fore-feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God; Our Venerable Father Zachary; Our Holy Father Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia in Pisidia Great Fast Day 25. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 28:14-22; Vespers - Genesis 10:32-11:9; Proverbs 13:19-14:6; Genesis 28:10-17; Ezekiel 43:27-44:4; Proverbs 9:1-11;</p> <p>1 pm Working Together For Safer Environments Meeting</p> <p>4:30 pm Fr. Bo celebrates Vespers at Holy Spirit Seminary</p>	<p>25</p> <p>The Annunciation of Our Most Holy Lady, the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary; Passing into Eternal Life (1944) of Blessed Omelian (Emil) Kovch, Priest of Peremyshliany and Martyr of Majdanek Great Fast Day 26. Feast of the Mother of God. Holy Day of Obligation. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 29:13-23; Presanctified - Genesis 12:1-7; Proverbs 14:15-26; Hebrews 2:11-18; Luke 1:24-38</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p> <p>7 pm Festal Liturgy</p>	<p>26 </p> <p>Fourth Saturday of the Great Fast: All Souls Saturday. Synaxis of the Holy Archangel Gabriel Great Fast Day 27 Hebrews 6:9-12; 1 Corinthians 15:47-57; Mark 7:31-37; John 5:24-30</p> <p>3 pm First Solemn Communion Class</p>
<p>27 </p> <p>Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast: St. John Climacus. Octoechos Tone 3. Our Holy Mother Matrona of Thessalonica Great Fast Day 28. Matins Resurrectional Gospel 11; The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated today. Hebrews 6:13-20; Ephesians 5:9-19; Mark 9:17-31; Matthew 4:25-5:12</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>Fellowship to follow Liturgy</p> <p>5:30 Appointment</p>	<p>28 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father Hilarion the New; the Holy Stephen the Wonderworker (464) Great Fast Day 29. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 37:33-38:6; Vespers - Genesis 13:12-18; Proverbs 14:27-15:4;</p> <p>6 pm Eparchial Youth Commission Meeting</p>	<p>29 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father Mark, Bishop of Arethusa, the Deacon Cyril and Others Martyred During the Reign of Julian the Apostate (360-63) Great Fast Day 30. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 40:18-31; Vespers - Genesis 15:1-15; Proverbs 15:7-19;</p>	<p>30 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father John Climacus, Author of The Ladder of Divine Ascent (c. 649) Great Fast Day 31. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 41:4-14; Presanctified - Genesis 17:1-9; Proverbs 15:20-16:9;</p> <p>5:30 pm Presanctified Liturgy</p> <p>7 pm PPC Meeting</p>	<p>31 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father Hypatius, Bishop of Gangra (312-37) Great Fast Day 32. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 42:5-16; Vespers - Genesis 18:20-33; Proverbs 16:17-17:17;</p> <p>6:30 pm Camp Oselia Society Meeting</p>	<p>1 </p> <p>Our Venerable Mother Mary of Egypt (527-65) Great Fast Day 33. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah 45:11-17; Presanctified - Genesis 22:1-18; Proverbs 17:17-18:5;</p> <p>4:30 pm Fr. Bo celebrates Vespers at Holy Spirit Seminary</p> <p>7:30 pm Highschool Catechism</p>	<p>2 </p> <p>Fifth Saturday of the Great Fast: Akathist Saturday. Our Venerable Father Titus the Wonderworker; Passing into Eternal Life (1959) of Blessed Mykola (Nicholas) Charnetsky, Exarch of Volhynia and Confessor Great Fast Day 34 Hebrews 9:24-28; Hebrews 9:1-7; Mark 8:27-31; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28</p> <p>3 pm First Solemn Communion Class</p>
<p>3 </p> <p>Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast: Our Venerable Mother, Mary of Egypt. Octoechos Tone 4. Our Venerable Father and Confessor Nicetas, Hegumen of the Monastery of Medicius (824) Great Fast Day 35. Matins</p>	<p>4 </p> <p>Our Venerable Fathers Joseph the Hymnographer (886) and George of Maleum Great Fast Day 36. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not</p>	<p>5 </p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Theodulus and Agathopedes and Those with Them (c. 305) Great Fast Day 37. According to liturgical prescriptions, the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated today. Sixth Hour - Isaiah</p>	<p>6 </p> <p>The Repose of Our Holy Father Methodius, Teacher of the Slavs (885) and our Holy Father Eutychius, Archbishop of Constantinople (587) Great Fast Day 38. All-Nighth Vigil Feast. Abstinence</p>	<p>7 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father George, Bishop of Mitylene (829-42); Passing into Eternal Life (1919) of Blessed Josaphata Hordashevskaya, First Superior of the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate Great Fast Day 39.</p>	<p>8 </p> <p>Last Day of the Great Fast.</p> <p>The Holy Apostles Herodion, Agabus, Rufus, Asyncretus, Philegontus and Hermes Great Fast Day 40. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat.</p>	<p>9 </p> <p>Holy Week Begins</p> <p>Lazarus Saturday Hebrews 12:28-13:8; John 11:1-45</p> <p>3 pm First Solemn Communion Class</p>

Sunday, March 20, 2022

Third Sunday of the Great Fast: Veneration of the Holy Cross. Octoechos Tone 2. Our Venerable Fathers Martyred by the Saracens at the Monastery of St. Sabbas (580-97)

Because of the Baptism of Declan, the first part of the Liturgy will be taken from the baptismal service book.

Instead of Holy God, we sing:

To Your Cross, O Master,* we bow in veneration,* and we glorify Your holy Resurrection! (3x)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen! ... and we glorify Your holy Resurrection!

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

Prokeimenon:

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

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

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

Alleluia verses:

Remember Your congregation which You acquired from the beginning.

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

Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 (NRSV)

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

Hymn to the Mother of God

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

Communion Hymn

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

Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

At the end of the liturgy will be the churching of the newly initiated child and the prayer for the parents.

