



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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Our Mission is to joyfully bring all people into the knowledge, love and service of the Holy Trinity, Who dwells amongst us.

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*see the calendar section of this
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Sundays, August 21, 2022

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. Octoechos Tone 2. Post-feast of the Dormition; Holy Apostle Thaddeus; Holy Martyr Bassa (c. 305)

And we are celebrating: The Dormition of Our Most Holy Lady, the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary:

Today we are celebrating our parish's "Praznyk" (Feast Day)

We welcome Bishop David and Sr. Emily (and family) who join us in celebration.

The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary

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The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary: After the Ascension of the Lord, the Mother of God remained in the care of the Apostle John the Theologian, and during his journeys She lived at the home of his parents, near the Mount of Olives. She was a source of consolation and edification both for the Apostles and for all the believers. Conversing with them, She told them about miraculous events: the Annunciation, the seedless and undefiled Conception of Christ born of Her, about His early childhood, and about His earthly life. Like the Apostles, She helped plant and strengthen the Christian Church by Her presence, Her discourse and Her prayers.

The reverence of the Apostles for the Most Holy Virgin was extraordinary. After the receiving of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, the Apostles remained at Jerusalem for...



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... about ten years attending to the salvation of the Jews, and wanting moreover to see the Mother of God and hear Her holy discourse. Many of the newly-enlightened in the Faith even came from faraway lands to Jerusalem, to see and to hear the All-Pure Mother of God.

During the persecution initiated by King Herod against the young Church of Christ (Acts 12:1-3), the Most Holy Virgin and the Apostle John the Theologian withdrew to Ephesus in the year 43. The preaching of the Gospel there had fallen by lot to the Apostle John the Theologian. The Mother of God was on Cyprus with Saint Lazarus the Four-Days-Dead, where he was bishop. She was also on Holy Mount Athos. Saint Stephen of the Holy Mountain says that the Mother of God prophetically spoke of it: "Let this place be my lot, given to me by my Son and my God. I will be the Patroness of this place and intercede with God for it."

The respect of ancient Christians for the Mother of God was so great that they preserved what they could about Her life, what they could take note of concerning Her sayings and deeds, and they even passed down to us a description of Her outward appearance.

According to Tradition, based on the words of the Hieromartyrs Dionysius the Areopagite (October 3) and Ignatius the God-Bearer (December 20), Saint Ambrose of Milan (December 7) had occasion to write in his work "On Virgins" concerning the Mother of God: "She was a Virgin not only in body, but also in soul, humble of heart, circumspect in word, wise in mind, not overly given to speaking, a lover of reading and of work, and prudent in speech. Her rule of life was to offend no one, to intend good for everyone, to respect the aged, not envy others, avoid bragging, be healthy of mind, and to love virtue.

"When did She ever hurl the least insult in the face of Her parents? When was She at discord with Her kin? When did She ever puff up with pride before a modest person, or laugh at the weak, or shun the destitute? With Her there was nothing of glaring eyes, nothing of unseemly words, nor of improper conduct. She was modest in the movement of Her body, Her step was quiet, and Her voice straightforward; so that Her face was an expression of soul. She was the personification of purity.

"All Her days She was concerned with fasting: She slept only when necessary, and even then, when Her body was at rest, She was still alert in spirit, repeating in Her dreams what She had read, or the implementation of proposed intentions, or those planned yet anew. She was out of Her house only for church, and then only in the company of relatives. Otherwise, She seldom appeared outside Her house in the company of

others, and She was Her own best overseer. Others could protect Her only in body, but She Herself guarded Her character."

At the time of Her blessed Falling Asleep, the Most Holy Virgin Mary was again at Jerusalem. Her fame as the Mother of God had already spread throughout the land and had aroused many of the envious and the spiteful against Her. They wanted to make attempts on Her life; but God preserved Her from enemies.

Day and night She spent her time in prayer. The Most Holy Theotokos went often to the Holy Sepulchre of the Lord, and here She offered up fervent prayer. More than once, enemies of the Savior sought to hinder Her from visiting her holy place, and they asked the High Priest for a guard to watch over the Grave of the Lord. The Holy Virgin continued to pray right in front of them, yet unseen by anyone.

In one such visit to Golgotha, the Archangel Gabriel appeared to Her and announced Her approaching departure from this life to eternal life. In pledge of this, the Archangel gave Her a palm branch. With these heavenly tidings the Mother of God returned to Bethlehem with the three girls attending Her (Sepphora, Abigail, and Jael). She summoned Righteous Joseph of Arimathea and other disciples of the Lord, and told them of Her impending Repose.

The Most Holy Virgin prayed also that the Lord would have the Apostle John come to Her. The Holy Spirit transported him from Ephesus, setting him in that very place where the Mother of God lay. After the prayer, the Most Holy Virgin offered incense, and John heard a voice from Heaven, closing Her prayer with the word "Amen." The Mother of God took it that the voice meant the speedy arrival of the Apostles and the Disciples and the holy Bodiless Powers.

The faithful, whose number by then was impossible to count, gathered together, says Saint John of Damascus, like clouds and eagles, to listen to the Mother of God. Seeing one another, the Disciples rejoiced, but in their confusion they asked each other why the Lord had gathered them together in one place. Saint John the Theologian, greeting them with tears of joy, said that the time of the Virgin's repose was at hand.

Going in to the Mother of God, they beheld Her lying upon the bed, and filled with spiritual joy. The Disciples greeted Her, and then they told her how they had been carried miraculously from their places of preaching. The Most Holy Virgin Mary glorified God, because He had heard Her prayer and fulfilled Her heart's desire, and She began speaking about Her imminent end.

During this conversation the Apostle Paul also appeared in a miraculous manner together with his disciples Dionysius the Areopagite, Saint Hierotheus, Saint Timothy and others of the Seventy Apostles. The Holy Spirit had gathered them all together so that they might be granted the blessing of the All-Pure Virgin Mary, and more fittingly to...

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... see to the burial of the Mother of the Lord. She called each of them to Herself by name, She blessed them and extolled them for their faith and the hardships they endured in preaching the Gospel of Christ. To each She wished eternal bliss, and prayed with them for the peace and welfare of the whole world.

Then came the third hour (9 A.M.), when the Dormition of the Mother of God was to occur. A number of candles were burning. The holy Disciples surrounded her beautifully adorned bed, offering praise to God. She prayed in anticipation of Her demise and of the arrival of Her longed-for Son and Lord. Suddenly, the inexpressible Light of Divine Glory shone forth, before which the blazing candles paled in comparison. All who saw it took fright. Descending from Heaven was Christ, the King of Glory, surrounded by hosts of Angels and Archangels and other Heavenly Powers, together with the souls of the Forefathers and the Prophets, who had prophesied in ages past concerning the Most Holy Virgin Mary.

Seeing Her Son, the Mother of God exclaimed: "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God My Savior, for He hath regarded the low estate of His Handmaiden" (Luke 1:46-48) and, rising from Her bed to meet the Lord, She bowed down to Him, and the Lord bid Her enter into Life Eternal. Without any bodily suffering, as though in a happy sleep, the Most Holy Virgin Mary gave Her soul into the hands of Her Son and God.

Then began a joyous angelic song. Accompanying the pure soul of the God-betrothed and with reverent awe for the Queen of Heaven, the angels exclaimed: "Hail, Full of Grace, the Lord is with Thee, blessed art Thou among women! For lo, the Queen, God's Maiden comes, lift up the gates, and with the Ever-Existing One, take up the Mother of Light; for through Her salvation has come to all the human race. It is impossible to gaze upon Her, and it is impossible to render Her due honor" (Stikherion on "Lord, I Have Cried"). The Heavenly gates were raised, and meeting the soul of the Most Holy Mother of God, the Cherubim and the Seraphim glorified Her with joy. The face of the Mother of God was radiant with the glory of Divine virginity, and from Her body there came a sweet fragrance.

Miraculous was the life of the All-Pure Virgin, and wondrous was Her Repose, as Holy Church sings: "In Thee, O Queen, the God of all hath given thee as thy portion the things that are above nature. Just as in the Birth-Giving He did preserve Thine virginity, so also in the grave He did preserve Thy body from decay" (Canon 1, Ode 6, Troparion 1).

Kissing the all-pure body with reverence and in awe, the Disciples in turn were blessed by it and filled with grace and spiritual joy. Through the great glorification of the Most Holy

Theotokos, the almighty power of God healed the sick, who with faith and love touched the holy bed.

Bewailing their separation from the Mother of God, the Apostles prepared to bury Her all-pure body. The holy Apostles Peter, Paul, James and others of the Twelve Apostles carried the funeral bier upon their shoulders, and upon it lay the body of the Ever-Virgin Mary. Saint John the Theologian went at the head with the resplendent palm-branch from Paradise. The other saints and a multitude of the faithful accompanied the funeral bier with candles and censers, singing sacred songs. This solemn procession went from Sion through Jerusalem to the Garden of Gethsemane.

With the start of the procession there suddenly appeared over the all-pure body of the Mother of God and all those accompanying Her a resplendent circular cloud, like a crown. There was heard the singing of the Heavenly Powers, glorifying the Mother of God, which echoed that of the worldly voices. This circle of Heavenly singers and radiance accompanied the procession to the very place of burial.

Unbelieving inhabitants of Jerusalem, taken aback by the extraordinarily grand funeral procession and vexed at the honor accorded the Mother of Jesus, complained of this to the High Priest and scribes. Burning with envy and vengefulness toward everything that reminded them of Christ, they sent out their own servants to disrupt the procession and to set the body of the Mother of God afire.

An angry crowd and soldiers set off against the Christians, but the circular cloud accompanying the procession descended and surrounded them like a wall. The pursuers heard the footsteps and the singing, but could not see any of those accompanying the procession. Indeed, many of them were struck blind.

The Jewish priest Athonios, out of spite and hatred for the Mother of Jesus of Nazareth, wanted to topple the funeral bier on which lay the body of the Most Holy Virgin Mary, but an angel of God invisibly cut off his hands, which had touched the bier. Seeing such a wonder, Athonios repented and with faith confessed the majesty of the Mother of God. He received healing and joined the crowd accompanying the body of the Mother of God, and he became a zealous follower of Christ.

When the procession reached the Garden of Gethsemane, then amidst the weeping and the wailing began the last kiss to the all-pure body. Only towards evening were the Apostles able to place it in the tomb and seal the entrance to the cave with a large stone.

For three days they did not depart from the place of burial, praying and chanting Psalms. Through the wise providence of God, the Apostle Thomas was not to be present at the burial of the Mother of God. Arriving late on the third day at Gethsemane, he lay down at the tomb and with bitter tears asked that he might be permitted to look once more upon the Mother of God and bid her farewell. The Apostles out of heartfelt pity for him decided to open the grave and permit him the comfort of venerating the holy relics of the...

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... Ever-Virgin Mary. Having opened the grave, they found in it only the grave wrappings and were thus convinced of the bodily ascent of the Most Holy Virgin Mary to Heaven.

On the evening of the same day, when the Apostles had gathered at a house to strengthen themselves with food, the Mother of God appeared to them and said: "Rejoice! I am with you all the days of your lives." This so gladdened the Apostles and everyone with them, that they took a portion of the bread, set aside at the meal in memory of the Savior ("the Lord's Portion"), and they exclaimed: "Most Holy Theotokos, save us". (This marks the beginning of the rite of offering up the "Panagia" ("All-Holy"), a

portion of bread in honor of the Mother of God, which is done at monasteries to the present day).

The sash of the Mother of God, and Her holy garb, preserved with reverence and distributed over the face of the earth in pieces, have worked miracles both in the past and at present. Her numerous icons everywhere pour forth signs and healings, and Her holy body, taken up to Heaven, bears witness to our own future life there. Her body was not left to the vicissitudes of the transitory world, but was incomparably exalted by its glorious ascent to Heaven.

There is more and if you wish to read the whole article click on this link: <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2022/08/15/102302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady-the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v>

This fall, let's get together and become more familiar with Sacred Scripture.

**Featuring a young person / family friendly
look at "All the Stories of the Bible"**

When? Well... I'm thinking every couple of weeks on a Sunday? or Wednesday?... or every month on one of those days... starting about mid-September, or maybe October....

***Let me know if you are interested,
and what time would work for you.***



Ordination of François Provencal:

Our Eparchy has ordained François to the Minor Orders, and on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross he will be ordained to the diaconate. Many Long and Happy years Deacon to be François and to Johanne also! Mnohaya Lita!



Holy Spirit Parish's Summer Day Camp for Kids (Lloydminster)



Top of page: our group photo.

Left: Some of us drawing parables with chalk on the sidewalk.

This past week Fr. Bo together with Fr. Roman & Erica, as well as a few awesome parishioners, ran a very successful Children's Day Camp.

(Now Fr. Roman & Erica know how to do one on their own.)

Everyone learned a lot, had fun, created cool crafts and enjoyed the hot weather (with water guns).



Right: Learning about Humans and how God works with us in the Church.

Bottom of page: one of our many wooden crafts.

DORMITION



Dormition Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. Octoechos Tone 2. Post-feast of the Dormition; Holy Apostle Thaddeus; Holy Martyr Bassa (c. 305) Matins Resurrectional Gospel 11. 1 Corinthians 9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35 10 am Dormition's Festal Divine Liturgy with Bishop David. Feast to follow Liturgy.	22 Post-feast of the Dormition; Holy Martyr Agathonicus and those with him (286-305); Passing into Eternal Life (1964) of Bishop Symeon (Lukach) Confessor of Krasnoyarsk and Pastor of the Stanyslaviv (Ivano-Frankivsk) Region 2 Corinthians 5:10-15; Mark 1:9-15 School Admin Return to School ECSD 1 pm Camp Oselia Meeting at Chancery 5:30 pm Meeting	23 Leave-taking of the Feast of the Holy Dormition; Holy Martyr Luppis; Holy Priest-Martyr Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons (193-211) 2 Corinthians 5:15-21; Mark 1:16-22	24 The Holy Priest-Martyr Eutyches; Pidhoretsk Icon of the Mother of God (1772) 2 Corinthians 6:11-16; Mark 1:23-28	25 The Return of the Relics of the Holy Apostle Bartholomew (829-42); Holy Apostle Titus 2 Corinthians 7:1-10; Mark 1:29-35 6 pm Meeting	26 The Holy Martyrs Adrian and Natalia (286-305); Vyshhorod Icon of the Mother of God (Our Lady of Vladimir) Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 2 Corinthians 7:10-16; Mark 2:18-22 Usual Bulletin & prep time (day early) McKinley Sharek's Birthday	27 Our Venerable Father Pimen 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; Matthew 20:29-34 Fr. Bo in Calgary? Zorianna Gerace's Birthday
28 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost. Octoechos Tone 3. Our Venerable Father Moses the Black (c. 400); Our Holy Father Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (430); the Holy Martyr Gebre Michael, Illuminator of Ethiopia (1855) Matins Resurrectional Gospel 1. 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Matthew 19:16-26 10 am Divine Liturgy Cara Ostopowich's Birthday	29 The Beheading of the Honourable and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John All-Night Vigil Feast. A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy. Acts 13:25-32; Mark 6:14-30 Teachers return to School ECSD 9 am Liturgy for teachers at St. Josaphat's (and 4 other locations) 5:30 pm Meeting Daryl Ostopowich's Birthday	30 Our Holy Fathers and Patriarchs of Constantinople Alexander (336), John (577), and Paul the Younger (784) 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5; Mark 3:13-19	31 The Placing of the Precious Sash of Our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God in Calcoprateia (942) Polyeleos Feast. Hebrews 9:1-7; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 First Day of School for Students of ECSD	1 Beginning of the Liturgical New Year; Our Holy Father Symeon the Stylite (459) and his mother Martha; Synaxis of the Most Holy Mother of God of Miasenes Polyeleos Feast. 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Colossians 3:12-16; Luke 4:16-22; Matthew 11:27-30 6 pm Meeting	2 Holy Martyrs Mamas; Venerable Father John the Faster, Patriarch of Constantinople Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 2 Corinthians 11:5-21; Mark 4:1-9	3 Holy Priest-Martyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia (303); Our Venerable Father Theoctistus, Fellow-Ascetic of the Great Euthymius (467) 1 Corinthians 2:6-9; Matthew 22:15-22 Usual Bulletin & prep time
4 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Octoechos Tone 4. Holy Priest-Martyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch (250); Holy Prophet Moses Who Saw God Matins Resurrectional Gospel 2 1 Corinthians 16:13-24; Matthew 21:33-42	5 Holy Prophet Zachariah and Elisabeth, Parents of John the Baptist 2 Corinthians 12:10-19; Mark 4:10-23 Labour Day 5:30 pm Meeting Olga Wasarab's Birthday	6 Commemoration of the Miracle Performed at Colossus in Chone by the Archangel Michael; Holy Martyr Eudoxius and His Companions (284-305); Our Venerable Father Archipus 2 Corinthians 12:20-13:2; Mark 4:24-34 Fr. Bo covering Hospital Chaplaincy	7 Forefeast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Mother of God; Holy Martyr Sozon the Shepherd (304). Zhyrovyski Icon of the Mother of God Ephesians 6:10-17; John 15:17-16:2 Joshua Lavalley's Birthday	8 Nativity of Our Most Holy Lady, the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary Feast of the Mother of God. Holy Day of Obligation. Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 Fr. Bo covering Hospital Chaplaincy 6 pm Meeting	9 Post-feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God; Holy and Righteous Forebears of God Joachim and Anna; the Holy Martyr Severian (321-23) Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. Galatians 4:22-31; Luke 8:16-21 Eparchial Convention	10 Saturday before the Exaltation; Holy Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora, Nymphodora (303-11); 1 Corinthians 2:6-9; Matthew 10:37-11:1 Usual Bulletin & prep time Eparchial Convention

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Troparion: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal,*
You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity.*
When You raised the dead from the nether world,* all the powers
of heaven cried out:* “O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to
You!”

Troparion: In giving birth you retained your virginity,* in falling
asleep you did not abandon the world, O Mother of God.* You
passed into life, for you are the Mother of Life,* and by your
prayers* you deliver our souls from death.

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

Kontakion: You rose from the tomb, O almighty Saviour,* and
Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead
arose.* Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults.* And
the world, my Saviour, sings Your praises for ever.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion: The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of
God,* unceasing in her intercession and unfailing hope of
patronage,* for, as the Mother of Life, she was transferred to life*
by Him Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

Prokeimenon:

The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become
my salvation.

verse: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in
God my Saviour.

verse: The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not
delivered me to death.

This Epistle: I Corinthians 9:2-12 (NRSV) (11th Sunday):

Brothers and Sisters, 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. This is
my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the
right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be
accompanied by a believing wife, as do the other apostles and the
brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who
have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who at any time
pays the expenses for doing military service? Who plants a
vineyard and does not eat any of its fruit? Or who tends a flock
and does not get any of its milk? Do I say this on human authority?
Does not the law also say the same? For it is written in the law of
Moses, “You shall not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the
grain.” Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Or does he not speak

entirely for our sake? It was indeed written for our sake, for
whoever plows should plow in hope and whoever threshes should
thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual
good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits?
If others share this rightful claim on you, do not we still more?
Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure
anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of
Christ.

Or this Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11 (NRSV) (Dormition Feast):

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though
he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as
something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of
a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human
form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of
death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted
him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at
the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth
and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus
Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Alleluia verses:

The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the
God of Jacob will shield you.

Lord, grant victory to the king and hear us in the day that we shall
call upon You.

Rise up, O Lord, to the place of Your rest, You and the ark of Your
holiness.

This Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35 (NRSV) (11th Sunday):

The Lord spoke this parable, “For this reason the kingdom of
heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts
with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him
ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay,
his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children
and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell
on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will
pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave
released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he
went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a
hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what
you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him,
‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then
he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.
When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly

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distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Or this Gospel: Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28 (NRSV) (Dormition Feast):

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from

her." While he was saying this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it!"

Hymn to the Mother of God, and the Irmos:

Seeing the pure one's falling asleep, angels marvelled in wonder how the Virgin could ascend from earth to heaven.

O pure Virgin, in you are conquered the bounds of nature,* for childbirth remains virginal and death is betrothed to life.* Virgin after childbearing and alive after death, O Mother of God,* never cease to save your inheritance.

Communion Hymn:

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

I will take the chalice of salvation;* and I will call upon the name of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Parish News

- **Please pray for** several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Anne, Brody, Rosann, Jennie, Mickey, Kristopher, Greg, Peter, Ross, Ron, Peter, Jean, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Ann & Louis.
- **Happy birthday** to McKinley Sharek, and Zorianna Gerace who celebrate(s) his/her/their birthday(s) this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- For your information, a new film entitled **"Mother Teresa: No Greater Love,"** produced by the Knights of Columbus, will be airing in select theatres starting October 3, 2022.
- **Calling all Youth!** Dormition Parish is looking for at least two youth of junior high/high school age to represent our parish at the upcoming 40th Biannual Eparchial Convention, September 9-10, 2022 to be held at St. Josaphat Cathedral and Chateau Louis Conference Centre in Edmonton. Youth sessions will take place at the Pastoral Centre and will include a movie night with Bishop David, a workshop with Ukrainian Catholic climate activist Océanne Kahanyshyn-Fontaine from St. Nicholas Parish, an afternoon of outreach at a soup kitchen or

mission house in the inner city, and an evening banquet with all of the convention's delegates. Please consider representing our parish! Please contact Fr. Bo if you are interested or want more information! Deadline to register is August 22.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR EPARCHY & BEYOND

- **The 40th Biannual Conference of the Ukrainian Catholic Council (Centralia)** – Eparchy of Edmonton will take place September 9-10 at Saint Josaphat Cathedral/Chateau Louis Conference Centre, Edmonton. The convention theme is "Celebrating Families – Welcoming the Stranger in Our Midst." The Ukrainian Catholic Council comprises the Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada, the Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada, the Ukrainian Catholic Youth of Canada, the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy Chapter Knights of Columbus, and Parish Pastoral Councils. The Convention celebrates the contribution of our lay organizations in the life of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Alberta.