

WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY!



**ST. NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER PARISH
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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ВІСІМНАДЦЯТА НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ П'ЯТИДЕСЯТНИЦІ**

*The Conception of the Honourable and Glorious Prophet,
Forerunner and Baptist John*



Today the fruit of prayer buds forth from a barren womb: John the Forerunner Wilderness, give glory! Dance, all people! Behold, the herald of repentance begins to take flesh in his mother's womb! Come, lovers of the feast! Let us exult in his glorious conception, crying out: you are greater than those born of women! Do not cease to intercede for those who faithfully honour your divine conception, that we may receive forgiveness of sins and great mercy!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP AFTER DIVINE LITURGY!

SUNDAY HYMNS			
OPENING HYMN	В Сильній Надії / Almighty Father pg. 276-278		
COMMUNION HYMN	Вірую, Господи / I Do Believe pg. 246-247		
CLOSING HYMN	Наче Повний Голос Дзвону/Having Shared Your Loving Kindness pg. 270-271		
<i>Please join us today in singing our Sunday hymns!</i>			
SUNDAY & DAILY SCHEDULE			
SUNDAY, September 23	Divine Liturgy - for the Parishioners of St Nicholas Parish		10:00 AM
MONDAY, September 24	NO SERVICE		
TUESDAY, September 25	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
WEDNESDAY, September 26	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
THURSDAY, September 27	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
FRIDAY, September 28	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
SATURDAY, September 29	NO SERVICE		
SUNDAY, September 30	Divine Liturgy - for the Parishioners of St Nicholas Parish		10:00 AM
<i>Please Note: to request a Divine Liturgy for a special intention, please see Fr. Yuriy to arrange for it!</i>			
SUNDAY EPISTLE READERS			
DATE	READING	UKRAINIAN	ENGLISH
SUNDAY, September 23	2 Cor. 9:6-11	Yuliya Pelekhata	Carol Chapman
SUNDAY, September 30	2 Cor. 11:31-12:9	Dmytro Maksymiv	Peter Iwanuck
SUNDAY, October 7	Gal. 1:11-19	Kateryna Yaremyn	Darryl Huculak
SUNDAY, October 14	Heb. 13:7-16	Glikeria Iwanuck	Graciela Spaciuk-Schwarz
<i>Thank you, Epistle readers, for your service in proclaiming God's Word!</i>			
2018 PARISH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE		PASTORAL MINISTRY & HOLY MYSTERIES	
CHAIRPERSON.....Alec Rossa - 250.472.3374		CONFESSIONS.....1/2 hour before Liturgy	
SECRETARY.....Richard DeMerchant - 250.893.3484		EUCARIST.....for the sick - any time	
TREASURER.....William Vanderven - 250.478.1458		BAPTISMS.....by appointment	
FINANCIAL SECRETARY.....David Newberry - 250.598.8197		MARRIAGES.....six months notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made	
FUNDRAISING/HALL RENTAL.....Robert Herchak - 250.386.7872		FUNERALS.....by appointment	
MAINTENANCE.....Murray Chapman - 250.658.4769		ANOINTING.....any time	
LITURGICAL COMMITTEE...Motria Koropecy - 250.658.3051		HOSPITAL VISITS.....any time	
MEMBER AT LARGE.....Cindy Lazaruk - 778.677.9072			
<p>Bequests & Wills: Leaving a bequeath is a process of giving a donation through your will. It is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. It can be as small or as large a donation as you wish. It is important that you talk to your lawyer about the process. In your kindness please remember St Nicholas the Wonderworker Ukrainian Catholic Church in your bequeath and will. If anyone wishes to make such a bequeath in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: "I give, devise, and bequeath to St Nicholas the Wonderworker Ukrainian Catholic Parish - 1112 Caledonia Avenue, Victoria BC, V8T 1G1, the sum of \$ _____ (or _____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."</p>			

Vibrant Parish Prayer

O God, Creator of Heaven and Earth! Because of your indescribable love for us, you sent your Only-Begotten Son, Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ - The Way, The Truth, and The Life - and our Salvation. In His name, we turn to You. Strengthen our hearts and minds in Christian love and in unity of purpose as we strive to build a Vibrant Parish. Give us the grace to model our lives according to the Word of God. Instill in us the desire to pray and to celebrate the Holy Mysteries as one Christian Family in our Parish Community. Inspire us to follow Your great command to be a servant to the less fortunate among us! Grant this, O Lord, through the mercies and love for mankind of Your Only-Begotten Son with whom You are blessed, together with Your All-Holy, Good and Life-Giving Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen!



ST. NICHOLAS PARISH

A PLACE TO ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST

Through the word, the Holy Mysteries & Prayer,
Serving One's Neighbor, Leadership
Fostering & Serving Unity and Missionary Spirit
(His Beatitude Sviatoslav)



Молитва Живої Парафії

Господи Ісусе Христе, Пастирю Добрий, як колись Ти пригорнув заблуканих овечок, щоб вони пізнали Твій голос і були Твоїм стадом, так і сьогодні глянь ласкаво з небесних висот на нашу парафію та зішли на неї Твого Святого Духа, щоб вона була місцем пізнання радості Доброї Новини. Скріплюй нас Твоєю присутністю та єднай нас кожночасно в молитві. Даруй нам духа служіння ближньому, щоб у нашій парафії кожний міг зустріти Тебе, милостивого Бога. Благослови наш духовний провід Твоєю мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єднай нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були Твоєю спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилось, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

DIVINE LITURGY PROPERS

The Divine Liturgy - An Anthology for Worship: Liturgy - pg. 270-318; propers - pg. 329

The Liturgy prescribed for today is that of St. John Chrysostom.

Troparion, Tone 1: 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 Humankind.

Glory: Kontakion, Tone 1: You arose in glory from the tomb* and with Yourself You raised the world.* All humanity acclaims You as God,* and death has vanished.* Adam exults, O Master,* and Eve, redeemed now from bondage, cries out for joy.* “You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all.”

Now: Theotokion, Tone 1: 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!

Prokimenon, Tone 1: 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 - 2 Cor. 9:6-11 - A Reading from the 2nd Letter of Saint Apostle Paul to Corinthians: Brothers and Sisters, the point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, ‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.’ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.

Alleluia, Tone 1: *Verse:* The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. *Verse:* Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him.

Gospel - Luke 5:1-11 - While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He saw two boats there alongside the lake; the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signalled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that they were in danger of sinking. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia!

Prayer After Holy Communion: Having been made worthy to partake in a mystical way of Your immaculate Body and precious Blood, O Christ our God, I acclaim and bless, worship and glorify You, and proclaim the greatness of Your saving acts, now and for ever and ever. Amen. (more Prayers After Holy Communion on pg. 324-326 in the Anthology book).



Тропар, глас 1: Хоч запечатали камінь юдеї* і воїни стерегли пречисте тіло Твоє,* воскрес Ти, Спасе, на третій день,* даруючи життя світові.* Тому сили небесні зивали до Тебе, Життедавче * Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе,* слава Царству Твоєму,* слава провидінню Твоєму,* єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

Слава: Кондак, глас 1: Воскрес Ти у славі як Бог із гробу* і світ із Собою воскресив;* людське ество Тебе, як Бога, оспівує* і смерть щезла.*Адам же ликує, Владико,* і Єва нині, з узів визволившись, радіє, взиваючи * Ти, Христе, Той, Хто всім подає воскресіння.

І нині: Богородичний, глас 1: Коли Гавриїл звістив Тобі, Діво: Радуйся!* то з цим голосом прийняв тіло Владика в Тобі, святім кивоті,* як мовив праведний Давид,* і Ти з'явилася просторішою небес, носивши Творця Свого.* Слава Тому, що поселився в Тобі!* Слава Тому, що вийшов із Тебе!* Слава Тому, що визволив нас народженням Твоїм.

Прокімен, глас 1: Милість Твоя, Господи, хай буде над нами,* бо ми надіялись на Тебе. Стих: Радуйтеся, праведні, в Господі, правим належить похвала.

Апостол - 2 Кор. 9:6-11 - До Коринтян 2-е Послання Святого Апостола Павла
Читання: Браття і сестри, а до цього кажу Хто скупко сіє, той скупко й жатиме, а хто сіє щедро, той щедро й жатиме! Нехай кожен дає, як серце йому призволяє, не в смутку й не з примусу, бо Бог любить того, хто з радістю дає! Бог має силу всякою благодаттю вас збагатити, щоб ви, мавши завжди в усьому всілякий достаток, збагачувалися всяким добрим учинком, як написано: Розсипав та вбогим роздав, Його справедливість триває навіки! Той, Хто насіння дає сіячеві та хліб на поживу, нехай дасть і примножить ваше насіння, і нехай Він зростить плоди праведності вашої, щоб усім ви збагачувались на всіляку щирість, яка через нас чинить Богові дяку.

Алилуя, глас 1: Стих: Бог богів, Господь мовив, і призвав землю від сходу сонця до заходу. Стих: Зберіть Йому преподобних Його, що заповідують завіт Його в жертвах.

Євангеліє - Лука 5:1-11 - І сталось, як тиснувся натовп до Нього, щоб почути Слово Боже, Він стояв біля озера Генісаретського. І Він побачив два човни, що стояли край озера. А рибалки, відійшовши від них, полоскали невода. І Він увійшов до одного з човнів, що був

Симонів, і просив, щоб він трохи відплив від землі. І Він сів, та й навчав народ із човна. А коли перестав Він навчати, промовив до Симона: Попливи на глибінь, і закиньте на полов свій невід. А Симон сказав Йому в відповідь: Наставнику, цілу ніч ми працювали, і не вловили нічого, та за словом Твоїм укину невода. А зробивши оце, вони безліч риби набрали і їхній невід почав прориватись... І кивали вони до товаришів, що були в другім човні, щоб прийшли допомогти їм. Ті прийшли, та й наповнили обидва човни, аж стали вони потопати. А як Симон Петро це побачив, то припав до колін Ісусових, кажучи: Господи, відійди від мене, бо я грішна людина! Бо від полу риби, що зловили вони, обгорнув жаж його та й усіх, хто з ним був, також Якова й Івана, синів Зеведеєвих, що були спільниками Симона. І сказав Ісус Симонові: Не лякайся, від цього часу ти будеш ловити людей! І вони повитягали на землю човни, покинули все, та й пішли вслід за Ним.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах. Алилуя, алилуя, алилуя!

Молитва По Святім Причастю: Таїнственно удостоївшись бути причасником Твого пречистого тіла і чесної крові, Христе Боже, оспівую і благословлю, поклоняюся, і славлю, і величаю спасіння Твої, Господи, нині і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь. *(більше Молитов По Святім Причастю на ст. 80-87 в маленькій книжечці “Божественна Літургія”).*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to LORRAINE HERCHAK and all those who celebrated their birthdays this past week. May the Lord Our God continue to bless you abundantly and the Holy Mother of God protects you at all times. Многая Літа!
- ◆ **PROJECT CONNECT:** Victoria Downtown Service Providers will be hosting PROJECT CONNECT on Tuesday, October 9 as a part of Homeless Action Week. The event will be at Central Baptist Church, 833 Pandora Ave. This one-day service fair, which assists those struggling with homelessness and poverty, will include foot care, professional photographs, haircuts, information booths, and a lunch. **Items needed:** warm clothing, socks, underwear, scarves, toques, backpacks, bus tickets, notebooks & paper, Tim Horton’s gift cards, bandaids, Polysporin, razors, rain jackets & handheld USB chargers. You can either help by obtaining the above items or through a financial donation. All financial donations will be spent for the day by purchasing these items or for the lunch. If you wish to donate any of the above mentioned items the donation box will be available at the church entrance.
- ◆ **BE A STEWARD - CLEANING THE CHURCH:** at this time we are reaching out to ask parishioners and their family members to volunteer in the cleaning of the church interior. This requires a bi-monthly commitment of vacuuming, dusting and flower arranging. If there is a sufficient number of volunteers the commitment would be minimal about once every two or

three months. Please consider donating your time and energy. For more information please contact Motria.

- ◆ **PRAYER REQUEST:** Please keep in your prayers GORD HRYHORYSHEN, CORNELL BABIE and other members of our parish, our family and friends who are ailing, in hospitals, nursing homes and those who are not able to join actively in their community.

 - ◆ **ST. NICHOLAS BOOK STORE:** The Divine Liturgy An Anthology of Worship - **\$25**; “Christ Our Pascha” Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church/“Христос Наша Пасха” Катехизм Української Католицької Церкви - **\$25**; “Sing to Our God” hymn book - **\$15**; Молитовник “Прийдіте Поклонімся” - **\$10**.

 - ◆ **PARISH CALENDAR OF BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:** If you would like to be included in our Parish Calendar of Birthday and Anniversary celebrations, please put date in our calendar located at the church vestibule. Each week, we will list the names in our parish bulletin so we can celebrate these happy occasions together!

 - ◆ **JOIN OUR CHOIR:** Do you enjoy singing? Please consider joining our St Nicholas Parish Choir and remember that we ALWAYS looking for new members! Contact Motria Koropeccky for details at 250.658.3051.

 - ◆ **CATECHISM ANNOUNCEMENT:** *"And they were bringing to Him also the infants, in order that He may be touching them; but after the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Himself and said, Let alone the little children to come to Me, and cease hindering them; for of such is the kingdom of God."* We are happy to welcome all children to our St. Nicholas The Wonderworker catechism program. Weekly classes are scheduled Sunday morning during Divine Liturgy. We want your children to learn more about their Catholic faith, sacred scripture, feast days, and religious practices and customs of the Ukrainian Catholic church. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Marian Chalifoux at 250.507.1005.

 - ◆ **THRIFTY'S PRE-PAID FOOD CARDS** - We all have to buy groceries. Why not have 6% of it returned back to the church at no extra charge! Cards are available in \$100, \$200, and \$500 denominations. Talk to Alec after today's liturgy to pre- order your cards. We need to sell A LOT of them! We encourage you to consider purchasing them for yourselves as gifts too.

 - ◆ **BE A STEWARD:** Have you ever wondered what more can you do to help our parish? Here are some suggestions: Steward of property security; Steward of grounds cleaning; Steward of cleaning church; Steward of church linen; Steward of outreach; Steward of caring; Steward of prayer; Steward of service. Quite often, our homebound or senior members, once active in their younger years, want to find purpose in their senior years. It's not only about doing but about “BEING” present to others. Contact Fr. Yuriy **OR** Darlene DeMerchant for more information. You will be amazed how “BEING” can make a difference.
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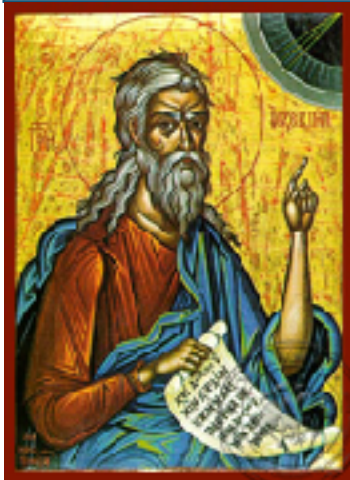
- ◆ **PARISH LIBRARY:** please visit our parish library and browse through the books on spirituality, church history, iconography, history of the Ukrainians in Canada, children's books and more... The library is located in the church vestibule. Please use a library book sign out form when borrowing a book.

- ◆ **SUNDAY COFFEE VOLUNTEERS** act as hosts and serve light refreshments following the Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, providing an opportunity for the faithful to socialize with friends and visitors following their shared worship experience. We thank all of our parishioners who kind volunteer to serve refreshments. Whether you are new to the Parish, or are a long-time members, please join us for coffee. Please speak with Robert if you would like to volunteer.

- ◆ **WE SHARE THE AIR:** Please keep it healthy and fragrant free. Someone in this area is scent-sitive. The chemicals used in scented products can make some people sick, especially those with fragrance sensitivities, asthma, allergies and other respiratory ailments. PLEASE DO NOT *wear perfume, cologne, lotion, aftershave and other fragrances; *USE unscented personal care products. Be Sensitive to Others. Thank you for your understanding. *St. Nicholas parish.*

- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 16, SUNDAY DONATIONS** - Coffee: \$27.00; Vigil lights: \$16.30; Loose collection: \$43.00; Envelope collection: \$372.02; Pre-authorized donations Sept 10 to Sept 16: \$120.00 **TOTAL: \$578.32**

GETTING TO KNOW OUR ICONOSTASIS



Prophet Ezekiel (*July 21*)

The Holy Prophet Ezekiel lived in the sixth century before the birth of Christ. He was born in the city of Sarir, and descended from the tribe of Levi; he was a priest and the son of the priest Buzi. Ezekiel was led off to Babylon when he was twenty-five years old together with King Jechoniah II and many other Jews during the second invasion of Jerusalem by the Babylonian king Nebuchadnessar.

The Prophet Ezekiel lived in captivity by the River Chebar. When he was thirty years old, he had a vision of the future of the Hebrew nation and of all mankind. The prophet beheld a shining cloud, with fire flashing continually, and in the midst of the fire, gleaming bronze. He also saw four living creatures in the shape of men, but with four faces (Ez. 1:6). Each had the face of a man in front, the face of a lion on the right, the face of an ox on the left, and the face of an eagle at the back (Ez. 1:10). There was a wheel on the earth beside each creature, and the rim of each wheel was full of eyes.

Over the heads of the creatures there seemed to be a firmament, shining like crystal. Above the firmament was the likeness of a throne, like glittering sapphire in appearance. Above this throne was the likeness of a human form, and around Him was a rainbow (Ez. 1:4-28).

According to the explanation of the Fathers of the Church, the human likeness upon the sapphire throne prefigures the Incarnation of the Son of God from the Most Holy Virgin Mary, who is the living Throne of God. The four creatures are symbols of the four Evangelists: a man (St Matthew), a lion (St Mark), an ox (St Luke), and an eagle (St John); the wheel with the many eyes is meant to suggest the sharing of light with all the nations of the earth. During this vision the holy prophet fell down upon the ground out of fear, but the voice of God commanded him to get up. He was told that the Lord was sending him to preach to the nation of Israel. This was the beginning of Ezekiel's prophetic service.

The Prophet Ezekiel announces to the people of Israel, held captive in Baylon, the tribulations it would face for not remaining faithful to God. The prophet also proclaimed a better time for his fellow-countrymen, and he predicted their return from Babylon, and the restoration of the Jerusalem Temple.

There are two significant elements in the vision of the prophet: the vision of the temple of the Lord, full of glory (Ez. 44:1-10); and the bones in the valley, to which the Spirit of God gave new life (Ez. 37:1-14). The vision of the temple was a mysterious prefiguring of the race of man freed from the working of the Enemy and the building up of the Church of Christ through the redemptive act of the Son of God, incarnate of the Most Holy Theotokos. Ezekiel's description of the shut gate of the sanctuary, through which the Lord God would enter (Ez. 44: 2), is a prophecy of the Virgin giving birth to Christ, yet remaining a virgin. The vision of the dry bones prefigured the universal resurrection of the dead, and the new eternal life bestowed by the Lord Jesus Christ.

The holy Prophet Ezekiel received from the Lord the gift of wonderworking. He, like the Prophet Moses, divided the waters of the river Chebar, and the Hebrews crossed to the opposite shore, escaping the pursuing Chaldeans. During a time of famine the prophet asked God for an increase of food for the hungry.

Ezekiel was condemned to execution because he denounced a certain Hebrew prince for idolatry. Bound to wild horses, he was torn to pieces. Pious Hebrews gathered up the torn body of the prophet and buried it upon Maur Field, in the tomb of Sim and Arthaxad, forefathers of Abraham, not far from Baghdad. The prophecy of Ezekiel is found in the book named for him, and is included in the Old Testament.

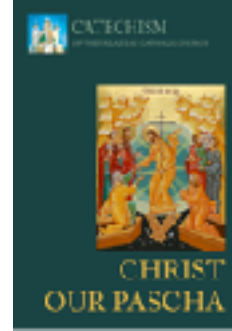
READING THE CATECHISM “CHRIST - OUR PASCHA”



3. The Holy Mysteries of Service: Marriage and Holy Orders

#470 In the Holy Mysteries of Marriage and Holy Orders, the Christian receives the grace of the Holy Spirit for the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ. In the Holy Mystery of Marriage, the Church blesses a man and woman called by Christ to create a

domestic church - a Christian family. In the mystery of Holy Orders the Church, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, appoints men, called by Christ for the service of the community of the faithful to proclaim the Gospel, to be pastors for the People of God, and to sanctify them. The perfect model of service both in Matrimony and in Holy Orders is Christ, who “came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mt 20:28).



a. The Holy Mystery of Marriage

#471 God created human beings male and female: “By you, O God, a woman is joined to man as a helpmate and for the continuance of the human race... you blessed them, saying: ‘increase and multiply and rule the earth.’ Through wedlock you made the two of them one body.” In the Church, the marriage union is a Holy Mystery in which the man and woman manifest the new life in Christ. A Christian marriage is not only a natural relationship, a shared life and experience; it is an occasion of sanctification. Marriage is a Holy Mystery (Sacrament) in which by the grace of the Holy Spirit a man and a woman are united into one body and create a domestic church. The family union created by marriage is a community of persons which, according to God’s plan, is an icon of the relationship of the Persons of the Most Holy Trinity.

VISIT LOURDES, PARIS, SENLIS & UKRAINE SEPT 2019

with Sister Angelica & Myrna Arychuk

04 Sept 2019
Wednesday

Depart home city

05 Sept 2019
Thursday

Arrive in Toulouse, France [4:15PM]
Bus Transfer to Lourdes [2 hrs] Hotel Croix des Bretons
Dinner @ our hotel on arrival.

06 Sept 2019
Friday

Breakfast
3hr guided walking tour of Lourdes including the shrine
Lunch on our own with free time

Dinner @ our Hotel
9:00PM Rosary Prayer with candlelight

07 Sept 2019
Saturday

Breakfast
Full day at the Shrine Mass @ Grotto TBA [where our Lady appeared to Bernadette numerous times]
2:00PM video of Lourdes Story and life of St. Bernadette [requested @ Lourdes TBA]
5:00PM Procession of infirm & Blessing of them with Blessed Sacrament
Dinner @ our hotel
9:00PM Candle Light Procession Praying the Rosary

08 Sept 2019
Sunday

Breakfast
10:30AM Mass in the International Church i.e. St. Pius X Basilica [Largest underground Church in the world]
Experience the baths [where hundreds of cures have taken place]
Visit Boly Mills where Bernadette was born, and the cachot [dungeon] – an abandoned prison where Bernadette’s impoverished family lived.
Dinner @ our Hotel

09 Sept 2019
Monday

Breakfast
Liturgy @ 9:30 AM [Ukrainian Catholic Church] [by bus]
11:30AM depart for the train station – train dep @ 12:28PM –
Arrive Paris 18:13PM
Check into the Hotel Cardinal
Dinner TBA

10 Sept 2019
Tuesday

Breakfast
City Tour
Liturgy @ St Vladimirs Ukrainian Catholic Church [Bishop Borys Gudziak] TBA
Afternoon free
Evening **Seine River cruise** & Dinner TBA

11 Sept 2019
Wednesday

Breakfast
Depart for Senlis [40 km from Paris] where Anna [daughter of Yaroslav the wise] Queen of France founded & built a Convent and Church.
On 19 May 1051, Anna, the youngest daughter of Kyivan Rus “Prince Yaroslav the Wise”, ascended to the French throne as the wife of King Henry I Capet in the Cathedral of Reims. As traditional days of Anna of Kyiv take place in Senlis, we visit the story of the earliest

dynastic connection between France and Ukraine. “Anna’s Father Yaroslav”, was nicknamed “the father-in- law of Europe”

- Yaroslav himself married Ingegerd Olfsdotter, the daughter of the Swedish King

- Yaroslav’s sister Maria married the Polish Prince

- son Illya married the sister of the Danish King

- Son Sviatoslav married the Austrian Princess

- Son Vsevolod married the daughter of the Byzantine emperor

- Son Ihor married a German Princess

- daughter Anastasia married the Hungarian King

- daughter Elizabeth married the Norwegian King

- and daughter **Anna Married Henry I of France**

On our return to Paris – free time to shop and/or enjoy the ambience of Paris! Dinner on our own.

12 Sept 2019
Thursday

Breakfast

TBA Depart for Lviv, Ukraine [flight via Warsaw to Lviv]

Arrive @ 5:35PM. Check into the Astoria Hotel

Dinner [TBA]

13 Sept 2019
Friday

Breakfast

Liturgy @TBA

Unesco World Heritage Sightseeing Tour – free afternoon check the schedule for concert times @ the Opera House

Dinner [TBA]

14 Sept 2019
Saturday

Breakfast

Depart for Ternopil [3 hour drive]

Check in @ “**The Ternopil Hotel**”

Walking tour to see the sights [1 – 1 ½ hrs]

Balance of the day Free – with a wonderful square to stroll in or shop.

Ternopil is a City where many of have relatives and/or friends. Those available for dinner can meet to dine @ the fabulous “Old Mill”

Restaurant [TBA]

15 Sept 2019
Sunday

Breakfast

depart for **Zarvanytsia “The Lourdes of Ukraine”**. A place where miracles are claimed to be almost a daily occurrence & approximately 100,000 pilgrims visit yearly.

Liturgy Time TBA

Depart for Chernivtsi [TBA]

Check into the **Hotel Bukovina**

Dinner TBA

16 Sept 2019
Monday Breakfast
City tour and a visit to the Diaspora Museum & University
Lunch on our own @ Kam'yanets-Podilskyi with excursion
Dinner TBA

17 Sept 2019
Tuesday Breakfast
Depart Chernivtsi for Ivano Frankivsk
Stopping in Kolomyia to visit the Museums
“Late lunch/early dinner” [approx. 3:00 PM] [Private Home] TBA
Check in to “**The Nadia Hotel**”

18 Sept 2019
Wednesday Breakfast
Liturgy @ Father Mykhailo Ozorovych Hometown Church [TBA]
Depart for Yaremche, visit the markets, waterfall & late lunch/early dinner
in the mountains

19 Sept 2019
Thursday Breakfast
Depart for Drohobych
Liturgy @ Father Taras Koberynko's Parish
Visit the project initiated by Father Taras
“Lunch”/”Dinner” with Natalliya & Father Taras
The Michael Bilas Art Museum in Truskavets]
Continuing to **Hotel in Truskavetz** Health Resort/Spa [?]

20 Sept 2019
Friday Breakfast
Liturgy TBA
Free day @ the spa and/or visit Father Taras' projects
Dinner @ the hotel

21 Sept 2019
Saturday Breakfast
Depart for Lviv [1 ½ hour drive]
Check in to “**the Astoria Hotel**”
Lunch on our own
Check for Concert or Opera
Farewell Dinner time TBA

22 Sept 2019
Sunday Breakfast
Depart for home

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Tour schedule rev. as of 30 Aug 2018**

Land Only \$3,950.00 *Canadian Dollars* per person double or twin sharing

Single supplement \$950 [AIR FARE IS NOT INCLUDED]

Tips included – Meals as per itinerary

Deposit \$500 per person due: 15 November 2018

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