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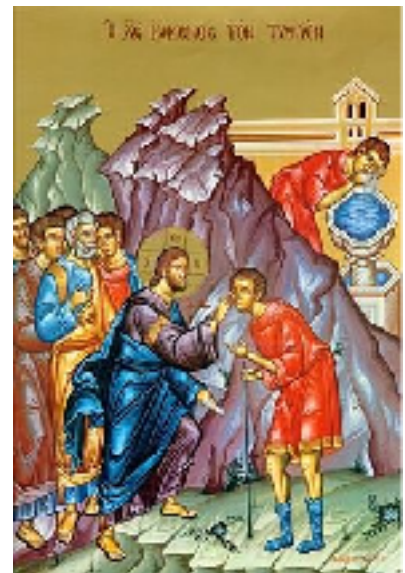
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SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND - НЕДІЛЯ СЛІПОНАРОДЖЕНОГО

Passing by the Temple, Jesus saw a man who was blind from birth. He had compassion on him and put mud on his eyes. He said to him: Go to the pool of Siloam and wash. He washed and recovered his sight; then he rendered glory to God. But his neighbours said to him: Who opened your eyes which no one before could heal? And he answered them, saying: A man called Jesus. He told me to go and wash in the pool of Siloam, and now I see. He is in truth Christ the Messiah, of whom Moses wrote in the Law. He is the Saviour of our souls.

As You walked along, O Lord, You found a man who had been blind from birth. In surprise, the disciples asked You: Was it because of the sin of this man or his parents that he was born blind, O Master? But You, O Saviour, answered them, saying: Neither has this man sinned, nor his parents, but that the works of God would be revealed in him. I must accomplish the works of Him who sent Me, which no one else can work. As You said that, You spat on the ground and made mud from the dust to anoint his eyes. And You said to him: Go and wash in the pool of Siloam. When he washed, he was healed and cried out to You: O Lord, I believe! And he bowed down and worshiped You. Therefore, we also cry out to You: Have mercy on us!

*Christ is Risen - Indeed
He is Risen!*



*Христос Воскрес -
Воістину Воскрес!*

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP AFTER DIVINE LITURGY!

SUNDAY HYMNS			
OPENING HYMN	Христос Воскрес! Ликуйте Нині/Rejoice! For Christ Is Risen! pg. 196-197		
COMMUNION HYMN	Согласно заспіваймо / Let Us Sing and Chant Our Praise. pg.188-190		
CLOSING HYMN	Христос воскрес! Під Небозвід/The Lord Is Risen from the Dead pg.198-199		
<i>Please join us today in singing our Sunday hymns!</i>			
SUNDAY & DAILY SCHEDULE			
SUNDAY, May 6	Divine Liturgy - for the Parishioners of St Nicholas Parish		10:00 AM
MONDAY, May 7	NO SERVICE		
TUESDAY, May 8	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
WEDNESDAY, May 9	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
THURSDAY, May 10	Divine Liturgy / Moleben to the Mother of God		9:30AM/5PM
FRIDAY, May 11	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
SATURDAY, May 12	NO SERVICE		
SUNDAY, May 13	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, May 6	Act. 16: 16-34	Yuliya Pelekhata	Bryan Melnyk
SUNDAY, May 13	Act.2:16-18;28-36	Glikeria Iwanuck	Peter Iwanuck
SUNDAY, May 20	Act. 2: 1-11	Andrij Pelekhaty	Caroline Smudy
SUNDAY, May 27	Heb. 11:33-12:2	Motria Koropecy	Rita Vanderven
<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		EUCCHARIST..... 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. 540

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

Troparion, Tone 5: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Glory: Kontakion, Tone 4: Blinded in the eyes of my soul,* I come to You, O Christ, like the man who was blind from birth,* and I cry in repentance:* You are the brilliant light of those in darkness.

Now: Kontakion, Tone 8: Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One,* yet You destroyed the power of Hades;* and You rose as victor, O Christ God,* calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice!* and giving peace to Your Apostles:* You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

Prokeimenon, Tone 8: Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God. *Verse:* In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Epistle - Acts 16:16-34 - A reading from the Acts of the Apostles: In those days as the apostles were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Alleluia, Tone 8: *Verse:* Look upon me and have mercy. *Verse:* Direct my steps according to Your word.

Gospel - John 9:1-38 - At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbours and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." So they said to him, "(So) how were your eyes opened?" He replied, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." And they said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I don't know." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." (But) others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered and said, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Messiah, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, "He is of age; question him." So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." So they said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" They ridiculed him and said, "You are that man's disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from." The man answered and said to them, "This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him.

Instead of “It is truly...” we sing: The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem! for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn: Receive the Body of Christ;* taste the fountain of immortality.* 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).*

Instead of “Blessed is He” we sing: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life (1x).

Instead of “We have seen the true light” we sing: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life (1x).

Instead of “Let our mouths be filled” we sing: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life (3x).

Instead of “Blessed be the name of the Lord” we sing: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life (3x).



Тропар, глас 5: Рівнобездначальне з Отцем і Духом Слово,* що від Діви народилося на спасіння наше,* прославмо, вірні, і поклонімся,* бо Воно благозволило тілом зійти на хрест* і смерть перетерпіти, і воскресити померлих* славним воскресінням Своїм.

Слава: Кондак, глас 4: На душевних очах осліплений, до тебе, Христе, приходжу, як сліпий від народження; в покаянні кличу до тебе: Ти в темряві світло пресвітле.

І нині: Кондак, глас 8: Хоч і у гріб зійшов ти, Безсмертний,* та адову зруйнував ти силу,* і воскрес еси як переможець, Христе Боже,* жінкам-мироносицям звістивши: Радуйтеся,* і твоїм апостолам мир даруєш,* падшим подаєш воскресіння.

Прокімен, глас 8: Помоліться і воздайте Господові,* Богу нашому. *Стих:* Відомий у Юдеї Бог, в Ізраїлі велике ім'я його.

Апостол - Дія. 16:16-34 - 3 книги Діань Святих Апостолів читання: Тими днями, як апостоли йшли на молитву, зустріла нас одна служниця, що мала духа віщуна, і віщуванням справляла панам своїм великий заробіток. Ідучи слідом за Павлом і за нами, вона кричала: «Ці люди – слуги Всевишнього Бога, які звіщають вам путь спасіння!» Чимало днів вона таке робила. Набридло це Павлові й, повернувшись, він сказав до духа: «Велю тобі ім'ям Ісуса Христа вийти з неї!» І в ту ж мить він вийшов. Побачивши її пани, що їхня надія на заробіток пропала, схопили Павла й Силу і потягли на майдан до влади. Привівши ж їх до воєвод, сказали: «Ці люди колотять наше місто; це юдеї. Вони навчають звичаїв, яких нам, римлянам, не дозволено ані приймати, ані виконувати.» І натовп кинувся на них спільно, а воєводи, здерши з них одягу, звеліли їх сікти різками; завдавши їм чимало ран, кинули у в'язницю, наказавши тюремникові пильно стерегти їх. Він же, прийнявши такий наказ, кинув їх у в'язницю до самої середини й забив їх ноги у колоди. Павло та Сила опівночі молилися і співали Богу, а в'язні слухали їх. Раптом зчинився землетрус великий, так що підвалини в'язниці затряслися: зненацька відчинилися всі двері, і кайдани на всіх розв'язалися. Якже прокинувся тюремник і побачив відчинені темничні двері, витяг меч і хотів себе вбити, гадаючи що в'язні повтікали. Аж тут Павло скрикнув голосом великим, кажучи: «Не завдавай собі ніякого лиха, всі бо ми тут!» І, попросивши світла, тюремник ускочив до в'язниці й, тремтячи, кинувсь у ноги Павлові та Силі; а вивівши їх звідти, мовив: «Панове, що мені слід робити, щоб спастися?» Ті відповіли: «Віруй у Господа Ісуса, і спасешся ти і твій дім.» І вони йому звіщали слово Господнє і всім, що були в його домі. А він, узявши їх тієї години вночі, обмив їхні рани й охристився з усіма своїми. Як же запровадив їх до себе в господу, то накрив стіл і веселився з усім домом, який увірував в Бога.

Алилуя, глас 8: *Стих:* Споглянь на мене і помилуй мене. *Стих:* Возлюбив ти правду і возненавидів ти беззаконня.

Євангеліє - Івана 9:1-38 - У той час, переходивши, побачив Ісус чоловіка, зроду сліпого. Запитали його, отже, учні його: «Учителю, хто згрішив? Він – чи батьки його, що сліпим він уродився?» «Ані він не згрішив, ані батьки його, – відказав Ісус, – але щоб ділам Божим виявитись на ньому! Поки дня, маємо виконувати діла того, хто послав мене, – бо ніч надходить, за якої ніхто не зможе діяти. І поки я у світі – я світло світу.» Сказавши те, сплюнув на землю, споготовив слиною глей і помастив глеєм очі сліпого. До нього ж сказав: «Іди, вмийся в купелі Силоамській», – що у перекладі означає: «Зісланій». Отож подався той, умився – і повернувся зрячим! Сусіди ж і ті, що бачили його раніше сліпим, заговорили: «Чи то ж не той, який ото все сидів – жебрачив?» Одні казали: То він, – інші: Ні, лиш подібний до нього. Він же каже: «Це я!» Тож питались його: «Як воно так, що прозріли твої очі?» А він: «Чоловік, що Ісусом звать його, споготовив глей, очі мені помастив та й мовив: Піди до Силоаму, вмийся. Я пішов, умився – і прозрів.» Вони його тоді питають: «Де він?» – «Не знаю», каже той. Тож ведуть того, хто сліпий був, до фарисеїв. Було ж у суботу, коли то Ісус споготовив глею і відкрив йому очі. То й фарисеї спитали його, як він прозрів. А він їм: «Глею поклав мені на очі, я вмився, й ось бачу.» Деякі з фарисеїв твердили: «Не від Бога цей чоловік, бо суботи не дотримує.» Інші

мовили: «Чи може ж грішний чоловік отакі чудеса чинити?» Отож суперечка була серед них. І знову сліпому кажуть: «А ти що про нього кажеш – про те, що очі тобі відкрив?» Одрікає: «Пророк він.» Проте юдеї щодо нього не вірили, що був він сліпий і прозрів, – аж поки не закликали батьків отого прозрілого. Спитали їх: «Чи то ваш син, про котрого кажете, що сліпим він уродився? А тепер як же він бачить?» Батьки його і відказали, мовивши: «Знаємо, що то наш син, і що сліпим він був уродився. А як він тепер бачить – не знаємо, і хто відкрив йому очі – не відаємо. Спитайте самого: він дорослий, сам про себе скаже.» Так батьки його казали, бо юдеїв страхалися: юдеї бо вже були домовилися, щоб виключити кожного з синагоги, хто Христом його визнаватиме. Тим то батьки його й казали: Дорослий він, – самого спитайте. Отож удруге закликали чоловіка, що сліпим був, та й кажуть йому: «Богові славу воздай! Ми знаємо, що той чоловік – грішник.» «Чи грішник він, – озвався він, – я не знаю. Знаю одне: був я сліпим, а тепер бачу.» Вони ж йому на те знов: «Що він таке тобі сподіяв? Як він очі тобі відкрив?» Той їм відказує: «Я вже вам оповів, та ви не слухали. Навіщо іще чути хочете? Чи, може, і ви його учнями бажаєте стати?» Ті з лайкою накинулись на нього, і сказали: «Ти його учень! Ми – Мойсеєві учні! Ми знаємо: до Мойсея промовляв Бог. А цього не знаємо, звідкіля він.» У відповідь чоловік сказав їм: «Ось воно, власне, і дивно, що ви не знаєте, звідкіля він, а він мені очі відкрив. Ми знаємо, що Бог не вислухує грішників, коли ж хтось побожний і його волю чинить – ось того він вислухує! Нечувано одвіку, щоб хтонебудь відкрив очі сліповродженому. Був би він не від Бога – нічого не спроможен би був зробити!» Озвались і сказали йому: «Ти ввесь у гріхах уродився, а нас навчаєш?» І прогнали його геть. Довідався Ісус, що вони геть його прогнали, отож, зустрівши його, промовив до нього: «Віруєш у Чоловічого Сина?» А той: «А хто він, Господи, щоб я вірував у нього?» Ісус же йому: «Ти бачив його; він – той, хто говорить з тобою.» Тоді той і сказав: «Вірую, Господи!» – і поклонився йому.

Замість “Достойно” ми співаємо: Ангел сповіщав Благодатній: Чистая Діво, радуйся. І знову кажу: Радуйся. Твій Син воскрес тридневний із гробу, і мертвих воздвигнув він; люди, веселіться. Світіся, світіся, новий Єрусалиме, слава бо Господня на тобі возсіяла. Радій нині і веселися, Сіоне. А ти, Чистая, красуйся, Богородице, востанням рождення твого.

Причасний: Тіло Христове прийміть,* джерела безсмертного споживіть. 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”).*

Замість “Благословен, хто йде в ім’я Господнє” співаємо: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смертю подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (Іх).

Замість “Ми бачили світло істинне” співаємо: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (1х).

Замість “Нехай сповняться” співаємо: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (3х).

Замість “Будь ім’я Господнє” співаємо: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (3х).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS:** st.nicholas.victoria@gmail.com
 - ◆ **VYSHYVANKA DAY PICNIC** - Monday, May 21st, 2 pm at Beckwith park (857 Beckwith Ave). Wear your vyshyvanka (embroidery) and bring a plate of finger food to share!
 - ◆ **SUNDAY PRESENTATION AND MORE:** Please join us for a presentation on **Sunday, May 27** - “*Byzantine Liturgy (Divine Liturgy of Eastern Catholic Church)*”. The presentation will take place after Liturgy and during our fellowship time. The following **Sunday, June 3** we begin our morning service with what is called *The Liturgy of Oblation or Proskomedie* and is celebrated by the priest prior to the Divine Liturgy during which the bread and wine are prepared for the Eucharist. The Proskomedie on that Sunday will be celebrated on the tetrapod.
 - ◆ **KNEELING DURING EASTER SEASON** – a reminder that traditionally from Easter Sunday until Pentecost we do not kneel during the Divine Liturgy. As a sign of our redemption and final resurrection, we offer our prayers to God while standing.
 - ◆ **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.
 - ◆ **AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)** - We are seeking donations, or sponsors, who would be willing to help St. Nicholas Parish purchase an **Automated external defibrillator (AED)**. Did you know that sudden cardiac arrest is a major public health problem and affects an estimated 500 000 people every year? Sudden cardiac arrest is a condition in which the heart suddenly and unexpectedly stops beating. Using an automated external defibrillator or AED on a person who is having sudden cardiac arrest may save the person's life. AEDs are designed to be simple to use in any location. AED is a small, lightweight, and portable electronic device that delivers an electric shock through the chest wall of a person whose heart has stopped beating. We would like to have our own AED on site so that we can be prepared if we someone should need to be treated for sudden cardiac arrest. Our goal is to raise \$1500.00 to purchase 1 AED for the parish. Please share and contribute what you can.
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Help us achieve our goal for providing this important life saving tool for our parishioners and guests.

- ◆ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to 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. Христос Воскрес!

 - ◆ **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**.

 - ◆ **TRAVELING ICON:** Anyone interested in gracing their home with Christ The Teacher Icon can call Darlene DeMerchant at 250.727.3837.

 - ◆ **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 Koropecky 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
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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.

◆ **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.

◆ **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.*

◆ **APRIL 29, SUNDAY DONATIONS - \$781.65:** Coffee: \$54.15; Vigil lights: \$22.50; Loose collection: \$48.00; Envelope collection: \$497.00; AED: \$40.00; Pre-authorized donations Apr 23 to Apr 29: \$120.00

MISSION DAYS - ДЕКАДА МІСІЙНОСТІ

Thursday, May 10 - Sunday, May 20
Mission Days - A Ten Day Journey

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit," Mt. 28.19

Dear parishioners, you are invited to embark an extraordinary pilgrimage that will last for ten days - from the Ascension (May 10) to the Pentecost (May 20). During this time the attention of our entire Church will be towards our common vocation as "missionaries," that is to say a community ready to share God's Word of salvation with others.

We read in the Mission Days Guidebook: "By taking an active role in the spiritual efforts of these ten Mission Days, we are called to better understand that, by their very nature, our parish communities and families (domestic churches) have a *missionary* character. This missionary

spirit is a consequence of the gift of our Baptism, by virtue of which we, as Christians, take upon ourselves the responsibility to *believe, live, serve, and share* the witness of our faith in Christ, not just among our family members, but with our neighbours, wherever we may live.”

Let our entire parish community gather on May 10, the feast of the Ascension of the Lord, in our church to begin this pilgrimage together.

Introduction - Thursday, May 10: Feast of the Ascension - 9am - Divine Liturgy

1st Day - Friday, May 11: A Divine Love that Brings Joy - 9am - Divine Liturgy

2nd Day - Saturday, May 12: Liberation from Sin

3rd Day - Sunday, May 13: God is With Us - We Belong to God - 10am - Divine Liturgy

4th Day - Monday, May 14: Branches that Bear Fruit

5th Day - Tuesday, May 15: Where to Look for Truth? - 9am - Divine Liturgy

6th Day - Wednesday, May 16: Personal Responsibility - 9am - Divine Liturgy

7th Day - Thursday, May 17: Community of Prayer - 9am - Divine Liturgy

8th Day - Friday, May 18: Serving Those in Need - 9am - Divine Liturgy

9th Day - Saturday, May 19: “Tend my sheep!”

10th Day - Sunday, May 20: Our Mission: to Carry the Holy Spirit to Others... - 10am - Divine Liturgy

If you cannot participate in the Mission Days during these 10 days you can make this pilgrimage at home with you family. Dedicate 5-10 min of your time during these 10 days for praying with the “Mission Days Guidebook”. Please let Fr. Yuriy know if you would like to have an electronic version of the booklet.

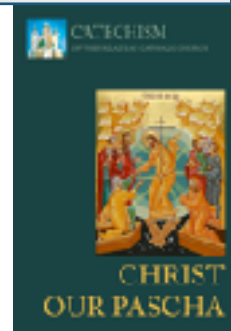
READING THE CATECHISM “CHRIST - OUR PASCHA”



2. The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

#401 The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts accentuates two elements: the preparation of catechumens for Baptism, and the repentance of the faithful. During this Liturgy, the community prays for and instructs the catechumens. In the second half of Great Lent it adds petitions for “those about to be

illuminated.” These are the catechumens who will be baptized at that year’s celebration of Pascha. The first part of the Liturgy, Vespers with Old Testament readings, has a distinctly didactic character. The readings from the books of Genesis and Exodus present to the catechumens, as well as to the baptized, God’s providence and care for his Chosen People. The book of Proverbs, in turn, offers the teachings of Divine Wisdom for daily living. Through these readings of the Old Testament and the prayers of the Liturgy, the catechumens prepare for enlightenment in Baptism. A symbol of this preparation and reception of the light of God’s Word



is the blessing with a candle and incense, accompanied by the words “The light of Christ enlightens all.” This is a sign of Christ who triumphs over darkness, a symbol of the coming light of Pascha, and the baptism of the catechumens into the Death and Resurrection of Christ.

#402 The penitential character of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is seen in the singing of the verse “Let my prayer rise like incense before you,” which culminates with great prostrations. We also kneel during the solemn transfer of the Gifts from the Preparation Table to the Holy Table - the Gifts that are already the very Body and Blood of Christ. The penitential and fasting character of this Liturgy expresses the expectation of the paschal fullness. The reception of Holy Communion also strengthens the faithful spiritually as they walk the way of repentance and fasting.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Centennial Square to the BC Legislature, Thursday May 10, 2018

Join thousands of others from throughout B.C. on Thursday, May 10, 2018 for the 11th annual March for Life, Victoria.

All are welcome to start the day in prayer:

- 12:00 PM Protestant Prayer Service at Central Baptist Church (833 Pandora Ave.)
- 12:00 PM Mass at St. Andrew’s Roman Catholic Cathedral (740 View St.)
- 12:00 PM Mass at St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic Church (2060 Haultain St.)

Marchers should be at Centennial Square by 1:45. The March will leave at 1:45, and head down Government Street to the B.C. Legislature.

Marchers will arrive at the Legislature front lawn at approximately 2:15 PM for the Rally for Life, which will have inspirational speakers and lively music until 3:15 PM.

The day ends with the Victoria Pro-Life Gala Dinner (St. Leopold’s Church Hall, 4081 Gordon Head Rd.,) Doors open at 5:30 PM. Tickets are \$40 each, \$25 for students.. For details contact youthprotectingyouth@gmail.com

CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR - August 19-26, 2018

Start planning your summer holidays now! Come join us to celebrate our 34th year of camp for children in our Eparchy! Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build self-confidence and self-esteem, develop life-long skills while reconnecting with nature

and building friendships. Our camp is also a wonderful opportunity to experience God through nature and the companionship of others.

Campers will learn about the Ukrainian language and culture along with games, hiking, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and much more!

If you are between the ages of 7-15 this is a summer must do! Registration is \$380. Book by July 4 to save \$50. Bus transportation is also available to and from New Westminster. Register online using Eventbrite. Search “Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018.” For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com.

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CAMP: Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. Please contact Jennifer if you are interested in helping.

VOLUNTEER as a Camp Counsellor: We are seeking between 8-10 individuals to help plan and organize our camp activities. Apply online using Eventbrite. Search “Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018.” Applications due May 15, 2018. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal record check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

VOLUNTEER as a Camp Chef: We are seeking between 4-6 individuals to help us each day in the kitchen. It is your opportunity to get creative and be a part of the campers top 5 things at camp; The Food!

VOLUNTEER as our Camp Nurse: We are looking for an individual to be our camp nurse. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the children in our Eparchy. This position would require valid first aid and nursing certification. Responsibilities would include administering medications brought by campers/staff as well as recording all incidents and treatments. Supplies and medications are provided by the camp.

DONATE Food: We are always happy to accept food donations of fresh fruits and vegetables, breakfast items; cereal, syrup, pancake mix, jam, Nutella, lunch items; chicken soup, Kraft dinner, cheese, drinks; juice boxes, powdered drinks, brownie/cake mixes, Jello, snack bars, cookies or treats. Gift certificates to Superstore and Costco are also welcomed.

DONATE Monetarily: Each year the Eparchy sponsors several children to attend. You can help send a deserving child to camp through your donations. Donation can be made through the Eparchy or online at our Eventbrite page. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$25 or more.

Visit our website www.nweparchy.ca

UPCOMING ORDINATION IN THE EPARCHY



**Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster**

22 April 2018

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Dear Friends,

I would like to share with you some wonderful news for our Eparchy. In December of 2015 Andriy Malysh visited our Eparchy at my invitation. He was in his final year of a Masters-Licentiate Degree in Evangelization at the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome. He completed his seminary training at Holy Spirit Seminary in Lviv and his Philosophy and Theology from Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv. Andriy was born in Nadvirna, Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast, Ukraine. After his studies in Rome, he married Ivanka Danylyk of Lviv. They have a daughter, Daryna who was born in October of last year.

As you know I was appointed the head of the Vibrant Parish Working Group of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in 2011. In the autumn of 2016, I hired Andriy to be our full-time Administrative Secretary of the Working Group. In 2017 I was asked by His Beatitude Sviatoslav to head a special team to conduct an audit of the financial structures and activities of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Patriarchal Curia (Chancery). Among the team members I brought on board Andriy Malysh who assisted in the coordination of our audit team.

Andriy has visited our Eparchy a few more times since 2015 including 2017 for our Holy Week and Easter celebrations with his wife Ivanka. During these visits Andriy along with Ivanka and I have been on a journey of vocation discernment. I am very pleased to announce that Andriy will be ordained a sub-deacon and a deacon for our Eparchy. These ordinations will take place in Lviv. His ordination as a deacon will be celebrated at the Patriarchal Centre Chapel of the Annunciation in Lviv on Sunday 20 May of this year. Andriy will continue to work in Lviv with the Vibrant Parish Working Group for the next year or so and then God willing he will be ordained a priest for our Eparchy and will come to British Columbia with his family to begin his pastoral ministry with us.

I would like to ask you, dear Sisters and Brothers to pray for Andriy as he prepares himself for ordination asking God to bless him. I would ask that at each Divine Liturgy we add a special petition/litany for him:

Priest: We also pray for the servant of God, Andriy that the Lord would send his Holy Spirit to guide him as he prepares for his ordination as a sub-deacon and a deacon for the Eparchy of New Westminster, Lord hear us and have mercy!

Faithful: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy!

Certainly if you will be in Lviv on 14 May (ordination as a sub-deacon) and on Sunday 20 May for Andriy's ordination as a deacon you would be most welcome to attend!

With prayerful best wishes,



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Bishop of New Westminster