

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



**ST. NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER PARISH
ПАРАФІЯ СВ. МИКОЛАЯ ЧУДОТВОРЦЯ**



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**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ДВАДЦЯТА НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ П'ЯТИДЕСЯТНИЦІ**

The Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus in Syria were appointed to high positions in the army by the emperor Maximian, who did not know that they were Christians. Envious people informed Maximian that his two trusted counsellors did not honor the pagan gods. This was considered to be a crime against the state.

The emperor, wanting to convince himself of the truth of the accusation, ordered Sergius and Bacchus to offer sacrifice to the idols, but they replied that they honored the One God and worshiped only Him: "For us life is Christ, and to die is gain." The holy martyrs were mercilessly beaten and then surrendered their souls to the Lord.



Your holy martyrs Sergius and Bacchus, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from You, our God. For having Your strength, they laid low their adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through their intercessions, save our souls!



Sts. Sergius and Bacchus

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP AFTER DIVINE LITURGY!

SUNDAY HYMNS			
OPENING HYMN	Увійди, Єрею / Come My Friends pg. 238-239		
COMMUNION HYMN	Пливи Світами / Let All Creation pg. 256-257		
CLOSING HYMN	Як Славен / How glorious is Our God in Zion pg. 962 (<i>Anthology</i>)		
<i>Please join us today in singing our Sunday hymns!</i>			
SUNDAY & DAILY SCHEDULE			
SUNDAY, October 7	Divine Liturgy - for the Parishioners of St Nicholas Parish		10:00 AM
MONDAY, October 8	NO SERVICE		
TUESDAY, October 9	NO SERVICE		
WEDNESDAY, October 10	NO SERVICE		
THURSDAY, October 11	NO SERVICE		
FRIDAY, October 12	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom		9:00 AM
SATURDAY, October 13	NO SERVICE		
SUNDAY, October 14	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, October 7	Gal. 1:11-19	Kateryna Yaremyn	Darryl Huculak
SUNDAY, October 14	Heb. 13:7-16	Glikeria Iwanuck	Graciela Spaciuk-Schwarz
SUNDAY, October 21	Gal. 6:11-18	Motria Koropecy	William Vanderven
SUNDAY, October 28	Eph. 2:4-10	Yuliya Pelekhata	Marian Chalifoux
<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. 337

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

Troparion, Tone 3: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with his arm.* He trampled death by death; He became the first born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

Glory: Kontakion, Tone 3: You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord,* and led us out from the gates of death.* Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices,* and the prophets together with the patriarchs* unceasingly acclaim the divine might of Your power.

Now: Theotokion, Tone 3: Today the Virgin stands before us in the church,* and together with the choirs of saints invisibly prays to God for us.* Angels are worshipping with hierarchs,* apostles exult with prophets,* for the Mother of God prays in our behalf to the eternal God.

Prokimenon, Tone 3: Sing to our God, sing; * sing to our King, sing. *Verse:* Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

Epistle - Gal. 1:11-19 - A Reading from the Letter of Saint Apostle Paul to Galatians: Brothers and Sisters, now I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel preached by me is not of human origin. For I did not receive it from a human being, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you heard of my former way of life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it, and progressed in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my race, since I was even more a zealot for my ancestral traditions. But when (God), who from my mother's womb had set me apart and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him to the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; rather, I went into Arabia and then returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to confer with Kephias and remained with him for fifteen days. But I did not see any other of the apostles, only James the brother of the Lord.

Alleluia, Tone 3: *Verse:* In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever. *Verse:* Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me.

Gospel - Luke 7:11-16 - At that time Jesus journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people."

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 3: Нехай веселяться небеснії, нехай радуються земляни,* бо показав владу рукою Своєю Господь,* Він смертю смерть подолав,* первістоком з-поміж мертвих став,* визволив нас із глибин аду,* і подав світові велику милість.

Слава: Кондак, глас 3: Воскрес Ти нині з гробу, Щедрий,* і нас візвів із брам смерти;* нині Адам веселиться і радіє Єва,* разом же і пророки з патріярхами безустанно оспівують* божественну могутність влади Твоїї.

І нині: Богородичний, глас 3: Діва сьогодні стоїть перед нами у храмі* та з хорами святих невидимо за нас молиться Богу.* Ангели з архиереями поклоняються, апостоли ж з пророками радуються,* бо за нас благає Богородиця споконвічного Бога.

Прокімен, глас 3: Співайте Богові нашому, співайте;* співайте цареві нашому, співайте.
Стих: Всі народи, заплещіть руками, кликніть до Бога голосом радости.

Апостол - Гал. 1:11-19 - До Галатів Послання Святого Апостола Павла Читання:
Браття і сестри, звіщаю ж вам, браття, що Євангелія, яку я благовістив, вона не від людей. Бо я не прийняв, ні навчився її від людини, але відкриттям Ісуса Христа. Чули бо ви про моє поступовання перше в юдействі, що Божу Церкву жорстоко я переслідував та руйнував її. І я перевищував в юдействі багатьох своїх ровесників роду мого, будши запеклим прихильником моїх отцівських передань. Коли ж Бог, що вибрав мене від утроби матері моєї і покликав благодаттю Своєю, уподобав виявити мною Сина Свого, щоб благовістив я Його між поганями, я не радився зараз із тілом та кров'ю, і не відправився в Єрусалим до апостолів, що передо мною були, а пішов я в Арабію, і знову вернувся в Дамаск. По трьох роках потому пішов я в Єрусалим побачити Кифу, і в нього пробув днів із п'ятнадцять. А іншого з апостолів я не бачив, крім Якова, брата Господнього.

Алилуя, глас 3: *Стих:* Вислухає тебе Господь у день печалі, захистить тебе ім'я Бога Якова. *Стих:* Господи, спаси царя і вислухай нас, коли будемо взивати до Тебе.

Євангеліє - Лука 7:11-16 - У той час Ісус пішов у місто, що зветься Наїн, а з ним ішли його учні й сила народу. Коли ж вони наблизились до міської брами, якраз виносили мертвого сина, єдиного в матері своїй, що була вдовою; і було з нею досить людей з міста. Побачивши її, Господь зглянувся над нею і сказав до неї: "Не плач." І приступивши, доторкнувся до мар, і ті, що несли, зупинились. Тоді Ісус сказав: "Юначе, кажу тобі, встань!" І мертвий підвівся і почав говорити. І він віддав його матері. Страх огорнув усіх, і вони прославляли Бога та й говорили: "Великий пророк устав між нами", і: "Бог навідався до народу свого."

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 THANKSGIVING:** Wishing you and your families a blessed Thanksgiving, a time to reflect and be thankful for all that God has given to us!

- ◆ **CHOIR PRACTICE:** there will be a choir practice on **Saturday, October 13 at 11:00** am in the church. All choir members please join us. We are also extending a special welcome to new parishioners interested in church singing to attend.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **PANAKHYDA:** today after Liturgy we will be having a Panakhyda for Raya Macewko and John Macewko.
- ◆ **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**; “The Rosary - The Prayer Rule of the Mother of God in the Ukrainian Catholic Church” - **\$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 Koropecy 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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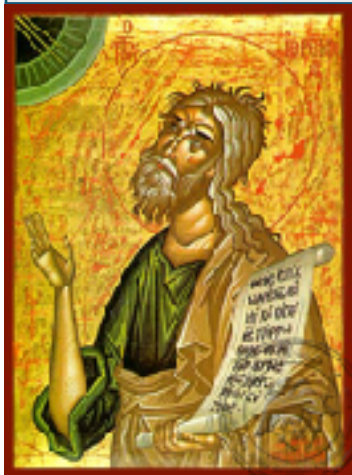
- ◆ **PARISH LIBRARY:** please visit our parish library and browse through the books on spirituality, church history, iconography, history of the Ukrainians in Canada, children's books and more... The library is located in the church vestibule. Please use a library book sign out form when borrowing a 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 30, SUNDAY DONATIONS** - Coffee: \$40.00; Vigil lights: \$10.00; Loose collection: \$69.00; Envelope collection: \$442.00; Pre-authorized donations Sept 24 to Sept 30: \$120.00 **TOTAL: \$681.00**

GETTING TO KNOW OUR ICONOSTASIS



Prophet Jeremiah (*May 1*)

The Holy Prophet Jeremiah, one of the four great Old Testament prophets, was son of the priest Helkiah from the city of Anathoth near Jerusalem, and he lived 600 years before the Birth of Christ, under the Israelite king Josiah and four of his successors. He was called to prophetic service at the age of fifteen, when the Lord revealed to him that even before his birth the Lord had chosen him to be a prophet. Jeremiah refused, citing his youth and lack of skill at speaking, but the Lord promised to be always with him and to watch over him.

He touched the mouth of the chosen one and said, “Behold, I have put My words into your mouth. Behold, I have appointed you this day over nations and kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to rebuild, and to plant” (Jer. 1:9-10). From that time Jeremiah prophesied for twenty-three years, denouncing the Jews for abandoning the true God and

worshipping idols, predicting sorrows and devastating wars. He stood by the gates of the city, and at the entrance to the Temple, everywhere where the people gathered, and he exhorted them with imprecations and often with tears. The people, however, mocked and abused him, and they even tried to kill him.

Depicting for the Jews their impending enslavement to the king of Babylon, Jeremiah first placed on his own neck a wooden, and then an iron yoke, and thus he went about among the people. Enraged at the dire predictions of the prophet, the Jewish elders threw the Prophet Jeremiah into a pit filled with horrid, slimy creatures, where he almost died. Through the intercession of the God-fearing royal official Haddememek, the prophet was pulled out of the pit, but he did not cease his prophecies, and for this he was carted off to prison. Under the Jewish king Zedekiah his prophecy was fulfilled.

Nebuchadnezzar came, slaughtered many people, carried off a remnant into captivity, and Jerusalem was pillaged and destroyed. Nebuchadnezzar released the prophet from prison and permitted him to live where he wanted. The prophet remained at the ruins of Jerusalem and bewailed his nation's misfortune. According to Tradition, the Prophet Jeremiah took the Ark of the Covenant with the Tablets of the Law and hid it in one of the caves of Mount Nabath (Nebo), so that the Jews could no longer find it (2 Mac. 2). Afterwards, a new Ark of the Covenant was fashioned, but it lacked the glory of the first.

Among the Jews remaining in their fatherland there soon arose internecine clashes: Hodoliah, Nebuchadnezzar's viceroy, was murdered. The Jews, fearing the wrath of Babylon, decided to flee into Egypt. The Prophet Jeremiah disagreed with their intention, predicting that the punishment which they feared would befall them in Egypt. The Jews would not listen to the prophet, however, and taking him along by force, they went into Egypt and settled in the city of Tathnis. There the prophet lived for four years and was respected by the Egyptians, because by his prayers he killed crocodiles and other creatures infesting these parts. When Jeremiah prophesied that the King of Babylon would invade Egypt and annihilate the Jews living there, the Jews murdered him. In that very same year the saint's prophecy was fulfilled. There is a tradition that 250 years later, Alexander the Great transported the relics of the holy Prophet Jeremiah to Alexandria.

The Prophet Jeremiah wrote his Book of Prophecies and also the Book of Lamentations about the desolation of Jerusalem and the Exile. The times in which he lived and prophesied are described in 4/2 Kings (Ch. 23-25) and in the Second Book of Chronicles (36:12) and in 2 Maccabees (Ch. 2).

In the Gospel of Matthew it is said that the betrayal of Judas was foretold by the Prophet Jeremiah, "And they took thirty pieces of silver, the price of him on whom the sons of Israel had set a price, and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord directed me" (Mt. 27:9-10). Perhaps Jeremiah 32:6-15 is meant.

Even after his death, the Prophet Jeremiah was regarded as a wonderworker. Dust from his tomb was believed to cure snake-bite, and many Christians pray to him for this purpose.

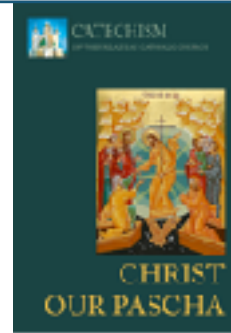
READING THE CATECHISM “CHRIST - OUR PASCHA”



1) Marriage Is a Mystery of Love between a Man and a Woman

#475 Christian marriage is founded on Christ’s commandment of love: “Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another” (Jn 13:34). The apostle Paul enjoins the husband to love his wife “as Christ loved the Church and gave himself up for her” (Eph

5:25). He then enjoins the wife to regard her husband as she regards the Lord, because the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the Church (see Eph 5:22-25). This is possible because the husband and wife are united in love not only with each other, but also with Christ. Granting their love to each other, they grant it to Christ, and granting it to Christ, they grant it to each other. In this mutual gift of love they grow together into one Body of Christ (see Eph 5:31-32)



#476 Marriage as a union of love between a man and a woman derives from the very nature of the human person: “Indeed from the beginning, God appears to have made special provision for this union; and referring to the two as one, he said: ‘Male and female he created them.’” The mutual marital love of a husband and wife is the power and foundation for the growth of strong families and the creation of healthy societies.

2) The Rite of Crowning

#477 The Rite of Crowning is preceded by the Betrothal. In the narthex of the church, those intending to marry declare their decision before the priest. As a sign of their betrothal, he places a ring on the hand of each and pronounces the words of prayer: “O Lord our God ... Bless now the betrothal of your servants. Affirm the words spoken by them and strengthen them with the sacred unity that comes from you ... Confirm their betrothal in faith and harmony, in truth and love.” The rings symbolize the power of the Lord’s love, which fortifies the love of the betrothed. The Church prays that “the angel [of the Lord] go before them all the days of their lives.”

#478 The priest leads the betrothed into the church as the following words are sung: “Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways” (Ps 127[128]:1). Then, just as at the Divine Liturgy, he begins the Rite of Crowning. He solemnly exclaims: “Blessed be the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” This exclamation indicates the intimate

connection between the Holy Mystery of Marriage and the Holy Eucharist, by the grace of which the bride and groom become one body.

The Eucharist is the perfecting of each divine service and the seal of every divine Mystery. The Church does well in preparing the Holy Gifts for the union and blessing of the married couple. This is because Christ himself, who gave us these gifts, and himself is these gifts, came to the wedding [at Cana of Galilee] to bring them [the betrothed] union in peace and harmony. Thus, those who unite in marriage should be worthy of Holy Communion. They should be joined before God in the church - the house of God - because they are children of God.

#479 Then, the betrothed, placing their hands upon the Gospel Book, make their wedding vows before God. These are promises of “love, fidelity, and honour in marriage.” They commit not to leave each other “until death.” However, the steadfast foundation of the marriage union is not only the consent of the betrothed, but first of all the power of God: “Stretch forth Your hand now, O Master, from your holy dwelling place and join this your servant (name) with your handmaid (name), for it is you who join a man and a woman.” It is from the Lord that come all the gifts that create and strengthen this union: “Bind them together in oneness of mind, crown them for love, unite them into one flesh, and grant them the fruit of the womb and fine children.” The priest confirms the vows of the bride and groom with the words: “What God has joined together, let no one separate” (Mk 10:9).

VISIT LOURDES, PARIS, SENLIS & UKRAINE SEPT 2019
with Sister Angelica & Myrna Arychuk

04 Sept 2019 Depart home city
Wednesday

05 Sept 2019 Arrive in Toulouse, France [4:15PM]
Thursday Bus Transfer to Lourdes [2 hrs] Hotel Croix des Bretons
Dinner @ our hotel on arrival.

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

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

21 Sept 2019 Breakfast
Saturday 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 Breakfast
Sunday Depart for home

** Those wishing to extend their stay in Lviv may do so with add on
** Those wishing to extend their stay to Kyiv may do so with add on
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CHRISTMAS FOOD FAIR FOOD PREPARATION SCHEDULE			
Saturday, Dec. 8 // 11am - 2pm			
DATE	TASK	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
Tue. Oct. 9	Peel potatoes/shred cheese	8:30 am-10:30 am	Need 2-3 volunteers
Wed. Oct. 10	Make potato balls	8:30-11:30 am	Need 5-6 volunteers
Thu. Oct. 11	Make pyrohy - LUNCH to follow	9:00 am-1:30 pm	Need 22-25 volunteers
Sat. Oct. 13	Bag frozen pyrohy	9:00-11:00 am	Need 3-4 volunteers
Tue. Oct. 16	Make cabbage rolls - LUNCH to follow	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Need 12-15 volunteers
Thu. Oct. 18	Package cooked cabbage rolls	10:00 am-11:30 am	Need 2-3 volunteers
Tue. Oct. 23	Steam/rib cabbage - LUNCH to follow	9:30-12:30 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Thu. Oct. 25	Peel & dice onions	9:30 am-11:00 am	Need 2-3 volunteers
Tue. Oct. 30	Peel potatoes/shred cheese	8:30-10:30 am	Need 2-3 volunteers
Wed. Oct. 31	Make potato balls	8:30 am-11:30 am	Need 5-6 volunteers
Thu. Nov. 1	Make pyrohy - LUNCH to follow	9:00 am-1:30 pm	Need 22-25 volunteers
Sat. Nov. 3	Bag frozen pyrohy	9:00 am-11:00 am	Need 3-4 volunteers
Thu. Nov. 8	Make cabbage rolls - LUNCH to follow	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Need 12-15 volunteers
Sat. Nov. 10	Package cooked cabbage rolls	12:00-1:30 pm	Need 2-3 volunteers

Tue. Nov. 13	Prep. sauerkraut & cottage cheese for pyrohy	9:00 am-11:00 am	Need 2 volunteers
Thu. Nov. 15	Make pyrohy (sauerkraut & cottage cheese) - LUNCH to follow	9:00 am-1:30 pm	Need 22-25 volunteers
Sat. Nov. 17	Bag frozen pyrohy	9:00 am-11:00 am	Need 3-4 volunteers
Sat. Nov. 20	Bake kolachi	8:30 am-1:30 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Tue. Nov. 27	Bake kolachi	8:30 am-1:30 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Tue. Dec. 4	Make pampushky & other pastries	8:30 am-12:00 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Fri. Dec. 7	Set up tables, package & price, put up signs	9:00 am-4:00 pm	Need 4-5 volunteers
Sat. Dec. 8	FOOD FAIR - 11:00am-2:00pm	8:30 am-4:00 pm	Need 20+ volunteers in shifts for sales & clean up

NOTE - hot lunch TBD

As always your assistance in helping out with the preparations for our Christmas Food Fair is very much appreciated as this is a major fundraiser for our parish. Please invite your friends and other family members to help with the various food prep, specially to make pyrohy and cabbage rolls. For more information contact Robert Herchak @ 250-386-7872 or @ rlherchak@gmail.com

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NEWS

Pope to Synod Fathers: Our Responsibility Is to Show Young People That Engaging With Church, Christ's Timeless Message, Is Worth It

Our responsibility is to show young people that engaging with the Church and Christ's timeless message, is worth it, not a waste of time.

Pope Francis underscored this today, Oct. 3, 2018, to the Synod Fathers at the first General Congregation of the Synod on Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment, Oct. 3-28, 2018.

The Holy Father began by thanking the young people connected to the congregation via streaming, and all the youth who have made their voices heard.

“I thank them for having wagered that it is worth the effort to feel part of the Church or to enter into dialogue with her; worth the effort to have the Church as a mother, as a teacher, as a home, as a family, and, despite human weaknesses and difficulties, capable of radiating and conveying Christ's timeless message.”

He thanked them also for wagering that it is “worth the effort to hold onto the boat of the Church which, despite the world's cruel storms, continues to offer shelter and hospitality to everyone; worth the effort to listen to one another; worth the effort to swim against the tide and be bound by lofty values: family, fidelity, love, faith, sacrifice, service, eternal life.”

“Our responsibility here at the Synod,” Francis said, “is not to undermine them; but rather to show that they are right to wager: it truly is worth the effort, it is not a waste of time!”

The young people present and those participating from afar “fills us with joy and hope.”

He made some suggestions to the Synod Fathers: “The Synod we are living is a moment of sharing, he said, noting this means all are invited to speak with courage and frankness (parrhesia). “Only dialogue can help us grow. An honest, transparent critique is constructive and helpful, and does not engage in useless chatter, rumours, conjectures or prejudices.”

Humility in listening, he said, must correspond to courage in speaking. “I told the young people in the pre-Synod Meeting: “If you say something I do not like, I have to listen even more, because everyone has the right to be heard, just as everyone has the right to speak.””

“Many of you have already prepared your intervention beforehand – and I thank you for this work – but I invite you to feel free to consider what you have prepared as a provisional draft open to any additions and changes that the Synod journey may suggest to each of you,” he

acknowledged, recommending: “Let us feel free to welcome and understand others and therefore to change our convictions and positions: this is a sign of great human and spiritual maturity.”

Discernment Rooted in Faith & Conviction God Acts Throughout History

Francis reminded the Synod is an ecclesial exercise in discernment. “Discernment is not an advertising slogan, it is not an organizational technique, or a fad of this pontificate, but an interior attitude rooted in an act of faith. Discernment is the method and at the same time the goal we set ourselves: it is based on the conviction that God is at work in world history, in life’s events, in the people I meet and who speak to me.”

He also reminded: “We are a sign of a Church that listens and journeys.”

“A Church that does not listen shows herself closed to newness, closed to God’s surprises, and cannot be credible, especially for the young who will inevitably turn away rather than approach.”

The Pope also advised those present to leave behind prejudice and stereotypes, to decisively overcome the scourge of clericalism, and to cure the virus of self-sufficiency and of hasty conclusions reached by many young people.

The Holy Father prayed the Synod awaken our hearts. “The present moment, and this applies also to the Church, appears to be laden with struggles, problems, burdens,” he acknowledged, “But,” he continued, “our faith tells us that it is also the *kairos* in which the Lord comes to meet us in order to love us and call us to the fullness of life.”

We Must Rediscover Our Reasons for Hope & Pass Them Down ... Don’t Be Tempted by Prophets of Doom

“The future is not a threat to be feared...” he said, stressing: “We need to rediscover the reasons for our hope and, above all, to pass them on to young people who are thirsting for hope.”

“Do not let yourselves be tempted, therefore, by the “prophets of doom”, do not spend your energy on “keeping score of failures and holding on to reproaches”, keep your gaze fixed on the good that “often makes no sound; it is neither a topic for blogs, nor front page news...”

“And do not be afraid,” he continued, “before the wounds of Christ’s flesh, always inflicted by sin and often by the children of the Church.”

Pope Francis concluded, saying: let us work to “spend time with the future,” to take from this Synod “not merely a document – that generally is only read by a few and criticized by many – but above all concrete pastoral proposals capable of fulfilling the Synod’s purpose.”