



**Українська Католицька Парафія  
Покров Пресвятої Богородиці**

**Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Ukrainian Catholic Parish**

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*“Today the Virgin stands before us in the temple,  
And together with the choirs of saints prays to God for us.”*

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**Служби Божі/Divine Liturgies**

Неділя/Sunday: 8:30 am English  
10:30 am Ukrainian

**19-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа**

**У Свята/Holy Day of Obligation**

10:00 am

**Щодня/Daily (Mon-Sat)**

7:30 am in Chapel

**Сповідь/Confessions**

Before both Sunday Divine Liturgies  
By appointment during the week

**Baptism** by appointment

**Anointing of the Sick/Hospital Visits/  
Eucharist for the sick** - any time

**Marriages** - the arrangements with the priest  
must be made at least 6 months before the  
marriage

**Funerals** - by arrangement

**Basilian Fathers serving the Parish**

Fr. Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM - Administrator



**19th Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Corinthians 11:31 - 12:9  
Luke 6:31-36

**Welcome! The Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish welcomes everyone to our Sunday Divine Liturgy. Thank you for worshipping with us today. Your presence is a blessing to us.**

Coffee and sweets following the 8:30 and 10:30 am Divine Liturgies. Please join us.

**Tickets for our Parish Praznyk Dinner** (Sunday, October 6) will be available in the church vestibule following both Divine Liturgies. Cut-off date for purchase is October 3, 2024.

**Tuesday, October 1: 7:00 pm:** Rosary in the residence chapel.

**Thursday, October 3: 7:00 pm:** Rosary in the residence chapel.

### **Sunday, October 6: Parish Praznyk/Feast Day**

8:30 am: Divine Liturgy

10:00 am: Rosary

10:30 am: Divine Liturgy and Panachyda

On this day we will also be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the Eparchy of New Westminster. For this combined celebration we will be joined by His Excellency Bishop Michael.

We give thanks to Our Lord for the blessings our parish has received, as we celebrate our Eparchy's milestone. A Panachyda will be celebrated for our deceased parishioners following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy. Please join us in prayer.

Our Parish Dinner will be held in the auditorium following the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy.

#### **Hymns at the 10:30 Divine Liturgy**

Opening: page 238: Увійди, єрею; Uviydy, yereyu

Communion: page 256: Пливи світами; Plyvy svitamy

Closing: page 270: Наче повний голос дзвону; Nache povnyi holos dzvonu

**Rosary in October** - Please note that in the month of October we will pray the Rosary on Sundays, at 10:00 am in church. We will also pray the Rosary on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the residence chapel.

Під час місяця жовтня спільна вервиця буде відмовлятися в неділю о год. 10:00 ранку в церкві, в вівторок, і в четвер о год. 7:00 вечора в резиденційній каплиці.

#### **Ukrainian Classes**

Ukrainian classes for adults on Monday evenings at St. Mary'. Please come join us. All levels welcome.

For more information and tuition rates, etc., see [ukrainianclasses.com](http://ukrainianclasses.com), email [info@ukrainianclasses.com](mailto:info@ukrainianclasses.com) or call Susan at 604.733.3756.

**The City of Vancouver has advised us that Cambie Street Northbound will be closed from Broadway to Pacific on Sunday, October 6 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am.**

## Ukrainian Embroidery Club

A Ukrainian Embroidery Club will meet on Monday evenings at St. Mary's. Classes are from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the downstairs classroom. New students, family and friends are welcome. For more information, please call Emily at 778.888.3057.

### Parish Praznyk/Feast Day Dinner

**Sunday, October 6, 2024**

Divine Liturgies: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

**12:00 Noon: Parish Dinner in the Auditorium**

**Tickets: Advance purchase only - Parish Office: 604.879.5830**

Cut-off date for ticket purchase: October 3, 2024

Adults 19 & up: \$35 / Youth 12-18: \$20

Children 6-11: \$10 / Children 5 & under: no charge

No walk-ins at the door

### Holy Father's Intention for September 2024

**For the Cry of the Earth:** Let us pray that each of us hears with the heart the cry of the Earth and victims of natural disasters and climate change, personally committing to care for the world we inhabit.

St. Mary's Parish is seeking a volunteer to become the Booking Coordinator, administering rentals for the Parish Auditorium. Duties would include being the main contact for rental inquiries, responding with rental information, preparing agreements and liaising with the Parish office on the agreements term and rental fees. Knowledge using Word, Excel and Google Calendar is necessary. Good customer relations skills would be an asset. Opening, closing and dropping in at events may also be occasionally required.

Please contact the Parish Office by email ([office@stmarysbc.com](mailto:office@stmarysbc.com)) or by phoning (604-879-5830), if you have an interest serving the Parish as the Booking Coordinator.

### St. Mary's Christmas Fair 2024

This year our Parish Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday, November 30, 2024, from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. We will be having crafts, gift baskets, silent auction, baked goods, preserves, frozen perogies, sit down lunch/take-out food, concession. There will be "NO RUMMAGE SALES".

If there are any crafters in our parish that would like to display their crafts, tables are available: \$30 for one table; \$50 for two tables. Please contact Marlayne at 604.274.3164 for more information.

We will be asking for volunteer help to make this a fun day for our people and surrounding neighbours.

Thank you!

Fair Committee: Michael Myckatyn, Pat Sorochnik, Marlayne Andrijaszyn

### **Preparing for the Christmas Fair**

In preparation for the Christmas Fair, the young adults will be organizing a few pottery making sessions in the next few months. If you are free on the dates below, we would love for you to join us. If you have any questions feel free to contact us at: [smyoungadultsvan@gmail.com](mailto:smyoungadultsvan@gmail.com)

October 25 - 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

October 26 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

November 1 - 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

November 2 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

November 22 - 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

November 23 - 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Готуючись до Різдвяного базару, молодь організує декілька днів щоб ліпити вареників у наступні декілька місяців. Якщо ви вільні у ці дати, ми запрошуємо вас доєднатися до ліпки вареників. З будь яких питань, звертайтеся за імейлом: [smyoungadultsvan@gmail.com](mailto:smyoungadultsvan@gmail.com)

25 Жовтень - 17:30 - 20:30

26 Жовтень - 10:00 - 17:00

1 Листопад - 17:30 - 20:30

2 Листопад - 10:00 - 17:00

22 Листопад - 17:30 - 20:30

23 Листопад - 10:00 - 17:00

### **Feast of the Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God (Pokrov) - October 1**

On October 1st, 911 AD there was an all-night vigil at the Blachernae church of the Mother of God in Constantinople. Constantinople, the capital of the Byzantine Empire, was under threat of invasion and the people were praying for God's help in the Blachernae Church in the suburb of the city.

According to tradition, on Sunday, October 1 at 4:00 am, the Holy Virgin appeared, accompanied by St. John the Forerunner, St. John the Evangelist and several saints. The Theotokos approached the center of the church, knelt down and remained in prayer for a long time. Her face was covered in tears. After completing her prayer, she took her veil and spread it over the people praying in church, protecting them from enemies both visible and invisible. After the appearance of the Mother of God, the danger of barbarian invasion was averted and the city was spared from bloodshed and suffering.

The Most Holy Virgin, Mother of God is the mediator between heaven and earth, the intercessor for the world before the throne of the glory of God. Throughout all the centuries the hearts of believers have been illumined with the joy of the Protection of the Mother of God, the joy of her prayers for the world.

This Feast of Pokrov came to Ukraine with the reception of the Christian faith. Ukraine, being a land abundantly blessed, was often and presently is in danger from invaders. The reminder of a Mother who protects - not only from, but in - times of distress was and is so appealing!

On the Feast of the Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos we implore the defense and assistance of the Queen of Heaven, *"Remember us in your prayers, O Lady Virgin Mother of God that we not perish by the increase of our sins. Protect us from every evil and from grievous woes, for in you do we hope, and venerating the Feast of your Protection, we magnify you."*