



**Українська Католицька Парафія
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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

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

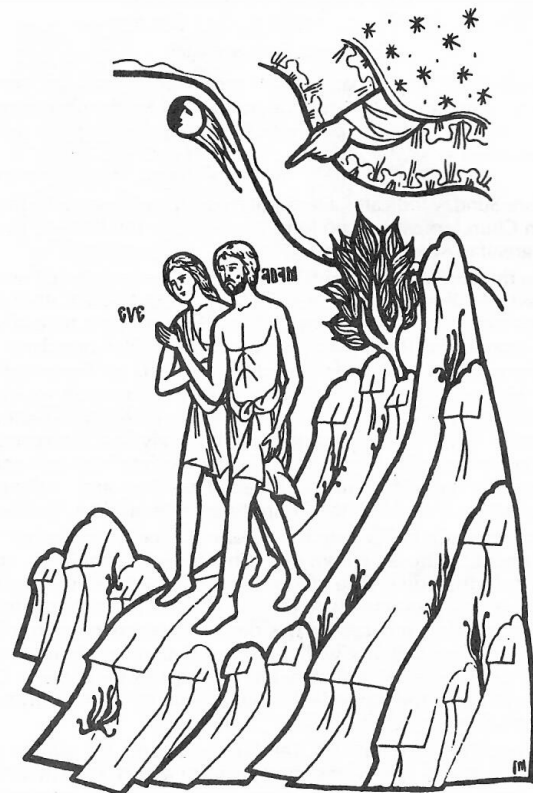
Marriages - the arrangements with the priest must be made at least 6 months before the marriage

Funerals - by arrangement

Basilian Fathers serving the Parish

Fr. Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM - Administrator

Сиропусна Неділя



Cheese-Fare Sunday

Romans 13:11 - 14:4
Matthew 6:14-21

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.

Today: Monetary collection for the Vancouver Food Bank at both morning Divine Liturgies.

Hymns at the 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: By the Rivers of Babylon (Basilian Chant)

Communion: page 246: Вірую Господи, Вірую Hospody

Closing: page 292: Як славен; Yak slaven

Monday, March 3. Great Lent begins. The first day of Great Lent is a strict fast day. We are to abstain from meat, dairy products and eggs, as well as foods that contain these ingredients.

Wednesday, March 5: 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross in chapel.

Friday, March 7: 7:00 pm - Memorial Divine Liturgy and Sorokousty in church.

(You may submit new names for the Sorokousty Service by using the Sorokousty envelopes that are found in the church vestibule.)

Blessings and Congratulations

Happy Birthday to Deacon Howard Burton who will celebrate his 87th birthday tomorrow, March 3rd. Deacon Howard, may Our Lord bless you and our Blessed Mother spread her mantle of protection over you! Многая Літа!

St. Mary's UCWLC

Our League would like to thank everyone for supporting the Bake Sale that was held last Sunday. We hope you have enjoyed your goodies. Thank you!!

Our next event will be an "**Easter Bake Sale**"- **April 13 (Palm Sunday)**. This is for our parishioners only. Order forms will be available next Sunday, March 9 and for all Sundays leading up to that date. Cut-off date for ordering is April 9. All orders may be picked up in the parish auditorium on Palm Sunday between 10:00 am - 12 Noon (following each Divine Liturgy). Please don't wait till the last minute to place your order, as we need numbers for quantity to make. Thank you! Marlayne Andrijaszyn, President.

Taras Shevchenko Concert

Sunday, March 16: *Lyrika Chorus* of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, Vancouver will be presenting a short concert in honour of Taras Shevchenko in our Fellowship Room. Start time: 12:15 pm. Please join us in commemorating our great Ukrainian poet, writer and artist.

Vancouver Food Bank Donations

Our Parish will be collecting monetary donations for the Vancouver Food Bank. A collection will take place four times a year, on the first Sunday of March, June, September and December 2025.

A collection, MONETARY ONLY, will be held on Sunday, March 2 at both Divine Liturgies. May Our Lord bless you for your kindness and generosity.

If you would like a tax receipt, please write your name and address on the special envelope "Vancouver Food Bank Donation". Make cheques payable to "St. Mary's Parish" and indicate in the memo portion that it is for the "Vancouver Food Bank."



St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church Lenten Mission

Missionary: Fr. Dmytro Dnistrian, C.Ss.R.

Associate Pastor - Sts. Peter & Paul
Ukrainian Catholic Church, Saskatoon, SK

"Hope does not disappoint." (Romans 5:5)

"Let us discover the true identity of Our Lord"

Friday, March 21: 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy, Panachyda & Mission Homily

Saturday, March 22: 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy & Mission Homily

Sunday, March 23: Mission Homily at 8:30 am & 10:30 am Divine Liturgies

Opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession at each Divine Liturgy

Holy Father's Intention for March 2025

For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Frozen Pyrohy (Perogies)

Frozen pyrohy (perogies) will be available for purchase after both Sunday Divine Liturgies in the Fellowship Room kitchen. \$10/dozen.

Ukrainian Embroidery Club

A Ukrainian Embroidery Club meets on Monday evenings at St. Mary's 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.

Ukrainian Classes for Adults

Ukrainian classes for adults are held on Monday evenings at St. Mary's. Please come join us. All levels welcome. For more information and tuition rates, etc., see ukrainianclasses.com, email info@ukrainianclasses.com or call Susan at 604.733.3756.

Cheese-Fare Sunday

Reflection from the Lenten Triodion - Vespers

Let us begin the time of this bright Fast, giving ourselves over to spiritual struggle. Let us sanctify our soul and purify our flesh. Let us not fast only from food; let us also abstain from every passion and cultivate spiritual virtues. And let us faithfully persevere in this, so that we may be worthy to see the holy passion of Christ our God and the joy of His holy resurrection.

Почнім радісно час посту! Віддавши себе духовному подвигу, очистьмо душу, обмиймо тіло і стримуймося в їжі, і від усяких пристрастей, насолоджуючись духовними чеснотами. Зростаючи в них любов'ю, сподобимося всі побачити всечесну страсть Христа Бога і, радіючи духом, святу Пасху.

Prayer of St. Ephrem (Prayed during the period of Great Lent)

O Lord and Master of my life, keep from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust for power, and idle chatter. (Prostration)

Instead, grant to me, Your servant, the spirit of wholeness of being, humble-mindedness, patience and love. (Prostration)

O Lord and King, grant me the grace to be aware of my sins and not to judge my neighbour, for You are blessed, now and for ever and ever.

Amen. (Prostration)

(Then with a simple bow the following prayer is repeated four times)

God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy of me.

I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord.

Then the entire Prayer of St. Ephrem is recited without the usual prostrations.

One prostration is made at the end.

Relics of Blessed Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky, C.Ss.R



Our parish has been gifted a number of Third Class Relics of Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky, a Ukrainian Catholic Redemptorist Bishop and Martyr. (A Third Class Relic of Blessed Vasyl is a piece of cloth, which was touched to his holy body, wrapped in paper.) Please see Fr. Joseph to obtain a relic of Blessed Martyr Vasyl.

For more information on Blessed Martyr Vasyl's life and of the Shrine dedicated to him in Winnipeg, please visit: <https://bvmartyrshrine.com/about/his-life/>

Intercessory Prayer to Blessed Martyr Vasyl

O Lord God, You are praised by the whole world for the marvelous works in your saints. I thank you for the grace you gave to Blessed Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky to be a faithful witness to You unto the point of death. Through his intercession I ask for the following favour _____, for your Name is glorified forever. Amen.