

**ST. MARY'S WELCOMES
FATHER BOHDAN LUKIE, CSSR**



Father Bohdan has been with us since August 1st and is by now well known to many parishioners. To let him know how excited and enthusiastic we are about his arrival there will be a brief program planned in conjunction with the regular **Knights of Columbus Brunch at Noon on October 4th**, for organizations and individuals to more formally and officially welcome him as our Pastor.

Those intending to be included in the program that day please contact Geraldine Koban, Parish Council President at (306) 782-0270 or gkoban@sasktel.net.

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST	GREETERS
SAT SEPT 26	5:00 pm English	Bernadette Gabora	Peter Kobyłka	Carl Pacholka Andy Mathuik		
SUN SEPT 27 <i>18th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Elsie Stechyshyn	Ed Pindus	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Emil Strutynski	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Emil Strutynski Mike Smud	Iris Skehar	Eleanor Shumay Henry Shumay
SAT OCT 3	5:00 pm English		Peter Kobyłka	Metro Mosiondz Andy Mathuik		
SUN OCT 4 <i>19th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Harry Kardynal	Colette Karapita	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Doug Falconer	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Doug Falconer Rhonda Falconer	Iris Skehar	

SUNDAY COLLECTION Sept. 20, 2015	Received in 172 Regular Envelopes	\$ 2,813.00
	Loose Change	\$ 85.25
	Received in 9 Other Envelopes	\$ 95.00

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**Христос Посеред нас!
Є і буде!**

**Christ is Among Us!
He is and will be!**



The parish community of St. Mary's extends a warm
Welcome - Вітаємо
 to everyone who is with us today, especially all Visitors.
 We are pleased that you have come to pray with us this Sunday. May the Lord bless You.

**Pastoral Care of the
Ukrainian Redemptorists**

Fr. Bohdan Lukie, CSSR - Pastor
 Fr. Raymond Lukie, CSSR - Assistant Pastor
 Fr. Methodius Kushko, CSSR - Assistant Pastor

OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday
 9:15 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
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SICK CALLS - Anytime
BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES* by Appointment
**Please contact the pastor at least six months before the wedding date.*

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY
 Saturday 5:00 pm English
 Sunday 9:00 am Ukrainian
 11:00 am English

HOLY DAYS
 9:00 am Ukrainian 7:00 pm English

WEEKDAYS
 8:00 am Monday - Friday
 9:00 am Saturday

Dear Beloved Parishioners and Guests,

Yes, this is an exciting week in North America with Pope Francis' six day trip to Cuba and the United States. There are many historical and memorable events – so many “firsts” with the Pope addressing, not only the USA **Congress** (*never before has this taken place!*) but also the **UN Assembly**. It is wonderful to experience Pope Francis sharing his deep faith in humanity and his great love of God and how this is so visible for all his hearers and viewers!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

God bless Pope Francis - his great courage and inspiring leadership! May the gift of his challenging insights and love provide a fertile seedbed in the hearts of all! Please do diligently read the various newspaper articles expressing so many different interpretations of his prophetic words – they provide much food for thought. This is being written on Thursday am. Therefore there is so much more that will transpire...

For example, just a few minutes ago, the NY Times published this report:

"Taking a rostrum never before occupied by the bishop of Rome, the pontiff issued a vigorous call to action on issues largely favored by liberals, including a powerful defense of immigration, a critique of the excesses of capitalism, an endorsement of environmental legislation, a blistering condemnation of the arms trade and a plea to abolish the death penalty."

Also included in this bulletin is a very timely pastoral letter from all the Bishops of Saskatchewan on the current topic of **Legalization of Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia**. All of us must become well informed and not react only emotionally to this deep moral and Christian subject for this can truly impact our lives and the lives of our loved ones!

We as Pastors must constantly strive to become more informed and enlightened that we may provide authentic Christian leadership for our parishes. This also is a challenge to keep abreast of the latest developments. In light of this, Fr. Ray and I will be participating in the **Clergy Study Days** in Saskatoon on **October 5 – 8**. This gives us the opportunity to share precious time and pastoral experiences with fellow priests, and yes, to grow in knowledge and hopefully, in wisdom. Even daily I catch myself constantly reading numerous articles and reports on the internet – what a great learning source!

Another most important topic – **First Holy Communion** classes! Of course, the primary teachers must be and should be is the **Parents** by teaching their children and giving a good example to their “little ones”. On **Sunday, October 4th**, after the 11:00 am Liturgy, we have scheduled a special meeting for all parents registering their children. Please mark your calendar – I wish to meet you personally and encourage you...

May the good Lord continue to bless Pope Francis and each and everyone of you...with much love and happiness....

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 4	Knights of Columbus Brunch	10:15 am & 12:15 pm
October 4	First Solemn Holy Communion Parents' Meeting & Registration	12:15 pm
October 5	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm
October 5	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm
October 5	Knights of Columbus Bingo	7:00pm
October 12	Cultural Centre Board Meeting	7:30 pm
October 13	Holy Rosary Hour	12:00 Noon
October 13	Parish Council Meeting* <i>Please note change of date</i>	7:00 pm
October 15	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Bingo	7:00 pm
October 18	First Solemn Holy Communion Class	9:45 am
October 20	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting * <i>Please note change of date</i>	7:00 pm
October 24	Knights of Columbus Bingo	7:00 pm
October 25	First Solemn Holy Communion Inscription Service	11:00 am
October 29	Golden Agers Birthdays and Anniversaries	1:00 pm
October 30/31	UCCS Eparchial Convention	



The UCWLC Fall Tea and Bake sale is coming.....November 21st!

Baking days at the Cultural Centre (8:00 am start time)

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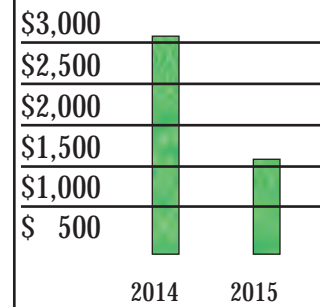
Cabbage Rolls & Borscht (November 20th)

Members and non-members alike are encouraged to volunteer to help get ready as well as enjoying fun and fellowship with each other while we work. Please sign up for as many dates as you are able to help.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!!!

CO-MISSIONARY FUND 2014 -15

****OUR TARGET FOR THIS YEAR IS \$3000.00****



Co-Missionary Fund Contributions can be made monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. Our goal is to contribute \$250/month or \$3,000/yr. Please make your cheques payable to “St. Mary’s” but memo the cheque *Co-Missionary Fund*.

INTERNATIONAL LIFE CHAIN

will be held on Sunday, October 4th 2:00 - 3:00 pm
Corner of Broadway & Gladstone

Everyone Welcome For more information, 306-783-6240



Listen for the UKRAINIAN HOUR

Sundays 3:00 - 4:00 pm Mondays 10:00 - 11:00 pm
on 98.5 the ROCK

Thanksgiving Food Drive

October 10th and 11th



This Thanksgiving the Outreach Committee of St. Mary's Church encourages you, our Parishioners, to remember those less fortunate. We will be having a food drive during the Divine Liturgies on **Saturday, October 10 and Sunday, October 11**. The Outreach Committee welcomes your donations of the food items listed below. Also, there are Outreach envelopes available at the entrances, for those who would prefer a monetary donation. *Non-perishable food items only, please.* Thank you for your support!

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| Granola/snack bars | canned soup | spaghetti sauce | pork & beans |
| dill pickles | jam | pancake syrup | kidney beans |
| ketchup | Cheese Whiz | mustard | cookies |
| jello cups | pudding cups | cereal | juice boxes |

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

WE HAVE LEARNED THAT THE PANTRY AT ST. MARY'S SCHOOL IS EMPTY! PLEASE HELP US FILL IT!

Dear St. Mary's Parish, Fathers, Parishioners and Outreach Program,

Heartfelt thanks to each and every one for your generous and continuous support of St. Mary's School nutrition program.

As we begin the 2015/2016 school year, I am reaching out for your help as the shelves are quite bare. I am enclosing a list of items (please see the Thanksgiving Food Drive List) that are helpful to the program.



Thank you again and God's Blessing to all.

*Sincerely,
Cheryl Villeneuve
St. Mary's School*

YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

BEAVERDALE	Sunday, October 18	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
CALDER	Sunday, September 27	11:00 am	Divine Liturgy
	Sunday, October 25	11:00 am	Divine Liturgy
INSINGER (St. Nicholas)	Sunday, October 4	11:00 am	Divine Liturgy & Thanksgiving Dinner
MODEL FARM	Sunday, October 11	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
SHEHO (Town)	Sunday, October 25	TBA	Praznyk
WHITESAND	Sunday, October 18	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

*The theme of Sunday is always Resurrection.
We invite you to refrain from kneeling during the Divine Liturgy.*



*Today's special liturgical parts & readings are found on page 45-47 in the Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings booklets which are located at the entrances of the church.
Next Week's Readings: Epistle - 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 Gospel - Luke 6:31-36*

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

- SUN** 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy
- TUES** 8:30 am - 4:00 pm..... Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- THUR** 9:00 am & 7:00 pm..... Patronage of the Mother of God Divine Liturgy
1:00 pm..... Knights of Columbus Bingo
- SAT** 9:00 am..... Divine Liturgy
5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy



MOBILE DEVICES

You are kindly reminded to silence your mobile devices upon entering the church.

WEDDINGS PLANS ??- If you are planning to be married at St. Mary's or any of the Yorkton District parishes, **please contact Fr. Bohdan (306-783-4594) at least six months before the wedding date.**

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin is Tuesdays at 4:30 pm.



EMAIL BULLETIN - If you would like to have the Bulletin emailed to you please send your request to: cssrmonastery@sasktel.net

UKRAINIAN CHOIR: New members are welcome at any time! We sing every Sunday at 9:00 am, usually just 2-voice. Anyone is welcome to join us in the choir loft! No previous experience required! Once or twice a month, we sing 4-part music. Practices begin after Thanksgiving. For more information, contact the Director, Colette @ 306-647-2626 or karapita@sasktel.net or speak with any choir member.

Little Angels

Little Angels classes will start on Sunday, October 4th. Classes will be held each Sunday during the 11:00 Divine Liturgy in the board room for children ages 3 - 7. Children must be escorted to the room after kissing the Gospel. One adult out of all the parents must stay with the group.



DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

18th Sunday after Pentecost		2 Corinthians 9:6-11 ~ Luke 5:1-11
MON Sept 28	Confessor Chariton	2 Corinthians 4:6-15 ~ Luke 6:17-23
8:00 am	✠ Health & God's Blessings for John Starosta & family.....Harry & Evelyn	
8:00 am	✠ Continued Health & God's Blessings for Fr. Peter Pidskalny, CSsR.....Andy & Eunice Mathuik	
TUE Sept 29	Venerable Cyriacus	Philippians 1:8-14 ~ Luke 5:12-16
8:00 am	God's Blessings for Richard & Lenora Spezowka (40th Anniversary).....St. Mary's English Choir	
8:00 am	Health for Dan & Alice Nenson.....Laurie Fedorowich & family	
WED Sept 30	Priest Martyr Gregory	Philippians 1:12-20 ~ Luke 5:33-39
8:00 am	+Marie Lackmanec.....Mike, Joe, Peter & Irene	
8:00 am	+Sophie Winnicki.....Sophie Rodych	
THU Oct 1		Hebrews 9:1-7 ~ Luke 10:38-42;11:27-28
	✠ 9:00 am	Feast of the Patronage of the Mother of God 7:00 pm
FRI Oct 2	Priest Martyr Cyprian	Philippians 1:27-2:4 ~ Luke 6:17-23
8:00 am	🐟 Members & Families.....UCWLC	
8:00 am	🐟 Health & God's Blessings for Joanna.....A Friend	
SAT Oct 3	Priest Martyr Dionysius	1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3 ~ Luke 5:17-26
9:00 am	Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.....Blue Army	
5:00 pm	Members & Families.....Knights of Columbus	

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS - If you are paying for this service by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: Ukrainian Catholic Mission

“Called to Serve” Monument Unveiling

Join us on **Thursday, October 1** as we honour the legacy of 5,500 Catholic Sisters who have advanced education, health care and social services across Saskatchewan.

UNVEILING AND BLESSING: 1:30 PM IN WASCANA PARK, REGINA

MASS: 3:00 PM AT HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL, REGINA

Learn more at www.calledtoserve.ca or call Sandra Kary (306) 655-5332.

FIRST SOLEMN HOLY COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION
PARENTS' MEETING & REGISTRATION
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH AT 12:15 PM

Parents of children who are planning to receive
First Solemn Holy Communion & Reconciliation
 in the spring are asked to attend an organizational meeting & registration on
Sunday, October 4th after at the 11:00 am Divine Liturgy (12:15 pm) in the Boardroom.



Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



In Memory of Hector Nelson

Joyce Nelson	\$ 100.00
Gary & Gladys Brodziak	\$ 50.00
Emily Swiderski	\$ 25.00

Balance of the Fund to date: \$337,200.98 Thank you very much

Donations may be given anytime.

All funds collected will be used for the future renovations of our church.

Building Fund Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church

ST. MARY'S CHURCH DONATIONS

In Memory of Stella Tratch

Glen & Lena Tymiak	\$ 25.00	Sophie Madarash	\$ 20.00
Gerald & Debbie Prozniak	\$ 20.00	Tom & Julie Abrametz	\$ 20.00
Bob & Kathy Rusnak	\$ 20.00	Mabel Zawada	\$ 20.00
Larry & Sandra German	\$ 20.00	Ted & Ann Ronn	\$ 20.00
Eva Signarowski	\$ 15.00		



We are Looking for Little Angels Volunteers...

- ❖ Anyone in grades 7-12 can volunteer.
- ❖ The classes will be from October to May at the 11:00 am Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Volunteers are to contact Rhonda Falconer: falconereh@yahoo.com

A REQUEST FROM THE PARISH OFFICE:

Help us keep our records current:

- ➡ If you are new to our Parish and would like to receive offering envelopes please contact the Office.
- ➡ If you are moving or have a new phone number please contact the Office (306-783-4594).

Thank you.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SUNDAY BRUNCH



Sunday, October 4th

St. Mary's Cultural Centre

Following the 9:00 am & 11:00 am Divine Liturgies

The Knights Would Appreciate your Support! Everyone Welcome !

**PASTORAL TO THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL
ON THE LEGALIZATION OF ASSISTED SUICIDE AND EUTHANASIA**

“Those who are weak have great difficulty finding their place in our society. The image of the ideal human as powerful and capable disenfranchises the old, the sick, the less-abled.” - Jean Vanier

Dear Catholic Faithful of Saskatchewan,

At this critical moment in our nation’s history, our faith in Jesus Christ impels us – as the Catholic bishops exercising ministry in Saskatchewan – to reach out to Catholics and invite all to focus attention on the vital issue of legalizing assisted suicide and euthanasia.

On February 6, 2015, the Supreme Court of Canada overturned the existing laws against assisted suicide, giving Parliament one year to write a new law. This is of grave concern to all of us. In particular, we must consider how this decision will impact the most vulnerable among us – including our elderly, those who are dying, and our sisters and brothers who live with disabilities or mental illness. We also face threats to freedom of conscience and religion, particularly for medical professionals who may be pressured to act against their calling as healers.

Euphemisms such as “medical aid in dying”, “assisted death”, and “dying with dignity” attempt to hide the fact that euthanasia is the deliberate taking of someone’s life, and that assisted suicide intentionally provides someone with the knowledge or means to complete suicide.

Eliminating a life is not an appropriate response to suffering. Instead, we urge the promotion of quality palliative and end-of-life care. Our Catholic faith promotes the sanctity of life, the common good, and a culture of life in which each human being is protected, and every person feels responsible for the care and the well-being of others until their natural death.

It is important to note that when we are patients, we already have the right to refuse medical treatments we consider burdensome. We are not required to do everything possible to stay alive as long as possible. Also, giving patients enough medication to provide pain relief is not euthanasia, even if the higher dose might unintentionally shorten the patient’s life. The intent is to reduce suffering rather than to hasten death, unlike assisted suicide and euthanasia whose intent is to kill the patient.

In promoting the dignity of the human person, our Church also defends the freedom of conscience of all people, whatever their religion or philosophy of life. With proposed new policies by professional associations that could limit the freedom of conscience of healthcare professionals, it is urgent and vital for all of us to stand united in defense of those who have accepted the call to serve as healers.

We encourage the Catholic faithful and all Canadians to respond courageously to the challenges posed by the Supreme Court’s ruling, by raising their voices in defense of the life and the human dignity of all persons, especially the most vulnerable. As Saint John Paul II exhorted us, “Be not afraid!”

We also offer some suggestions for action:

- Urge the federal government to take all the time necessary to carry out thorough consultations, to ensure that new legislation on physician-assisted suicide is as restrictive as possible.
- Call on governments and professional associations to implement regulations and policies that ensure respect for the freedom of conscience of all health-care professionals who cannot accept killing as a solution to pain and suffering.
- Support Catholic physicians, nurses, health professionals and administrators as they stand up for their faith in the face of changing circumstances and demands.
- Press for improved access to palliative care, including proper pain and symptom management, offering real choices that reduce suffering, rather than end life. Instead of hastening death for Canadians who are ill or dying, we must support them with high quality palliative care, which offers a wholistic healing experience for them and for their families.

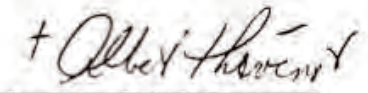
In the Gospels we see Jesus’ compassionate care for the sick and the suffering. As followers of Jesus Christ, we too are called to serve the vulnerable and the voiceless, by caring for the well-being of the whole person. Pope Francis reminds us that, “Truly, the Gospel of the marginalized is where our credibility is at stake, is found and is revealed!” Exercising our responsibility as Christians to act on our concerns about these vitally important matters will encourage the development of health and social policies that are consistent with social justice teachings.

Our Lord came into the world to bring life and healing: “I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full” (John 10:10). We encourage each of you to develop your understanding of the impact of the legalization of assisted suicide and euthanasia. We affirm with deep gratitude and encourage with genuine care all who work to uphold the value of human life and dignity from conception to natural death. All human life deserves respect and protection. We share a common responsibility to serve the sick and the aged, not only by attending to physical illnesses, but also by caring for the well-being of the whole person, in imitation of Christ the Healer.

Yours sincerely in Christ,



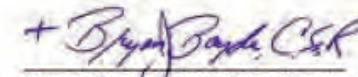
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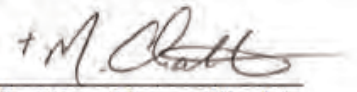
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