

Blessing of Homes at Theophany

In the days following Theophany, the Fathers will be visiting and blessing the homes of parishioners with the newly blessed "Jordan Water". If you wish to have your home blessed please fill out the bottom portion of this page and drop it in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory office.

HOME BLESSING 2017

Name	Addre	SS		Phone
	Most Suitable time to visit:	Morning	Afternoon	Evening

DATE	Тіме	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST	GREETERS
SAT DEC 31	5:00 pm English			Jean Kitsch Ann Musey		
Sun Jan 1 Sunday before Theophany	9:00 am Ukrainian	Elsie Stechyshyn	Lorne Stechyshyn	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Dave Spelay	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Dave Spelay Faye Spelay	Iris Skehar	
SAT JAN 7	5:00 pm English			Don Gabora Lionel Fedorowich		
Sun Jan 8 Sunday after Theophany	9:00 am Ukrainian			Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Elizabeth Zahayko	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Steven Hrynkiw Myron Kulasa	Iris Skehar	

SUNDAY	Received in 141 Regular Envelopes\$ 4,182.00
COLLECTION	Loose Collection \$763.04
DEC 25	Received in 10 Other Envelopes \$ 260.00
2016	Received in Christmas Church (Gift to Church) Envelopes

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ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Церква Матері Божої Неустанної Помочі Our Mother of Perpetual Help

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Христос Раждається! Славіте Його! **≪** Christ is Born!
Glorify Him!



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

Office 306-783-4594 Info Line 306-782-0654

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

Христос Раждається! Славіте Його! Christ is born! Let us praise Him!

This past week, or rather I should say, last year, we joyously and wonderfully celebrated the **Birth-Day** of our Lord and Saviour **Jesus!** And verily it was a wonderful parish family celebration. It was so gratifying to pray with so many of your family members who did sojourn home to honor Christmas in St. Mary's with us all! How much we are encouraged to happily continue the 'Spirit of Giving' – especially the "giving of ourselves" as Jesus did! Yes, we know we can do it!!!



The **New Year 2017** is a blank page in our daily life. Each additional year is a **gift** of God. It is a heavenly ladder that should lead us closer and closer to God – **one step at a time!** Since each year is a Gift of God, every yearly gift of life requires us to make a positive act of **thanksgiving** and **appreciation**. **Gratitude** is an empty sentiment unless it is accompanied by positive acts of virtue and love.

There should be a visible difference in us spiritually from year to year as we grow nearer to the end of our earthly pilgrimage. Each year we should show a marked improvement in our spiritual life based on our annual experiences. The classic book Imitation of Christ composed by **Thomas a Kempis** in **1420** suggests that, if we were to eliminate at least one habit of sin each year, we would become truly holy. To accomplish this requires discipline and cooperation with God's graces.

Therefore, we should commence the new year with **faith** and **hope**, knowing that God truly loves us. Christmas, Holy Friday and Easter Sunday are incontestable proofs of this. Our Lord can truly be trusted and loved.

We are to face the future with **love**. We are God's children. He gave us a **heart** with which to love Him, a **soul** to devote to Him and **talents** and **strength** to labor for His honour and glory. Love is proven by sacrifice. Keeping the commandments is a strong indication of our love. **Love for others** is part and parcel of our

love for God. We are, therefore, to face the **New Year** with love for God and one another.

We do not know what the future holds in store for us. We only ask that God continue to light our paths and give us the grace to see the *'light'* of His ways and the strength and courage to be His loyal children.



UPCOMING EVENTS				
January 13	Holy Rosary Hour			
January 15	First Solemn Holy Communion Class	9:45 am		
January 16	Cultural Centre Board Meeting	7:30 pm		
January 16	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting	7:00 pm		
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January 17	Parish Council Meeting (preceded by Divine Liturgy)	7:00 pm		
January 26	Golden Agers Birthdays and Anniversaries	1:00 pm		
January 29	First Solemn Holy Communion Class	9:45 am		
January 30	Feast of the Three Holy Bishops			
February 2	Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple			
February 2	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:30 am		
February 6	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm		
February 6	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm		

HAS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGED ??

Please notify the Parish Office
if you have a <u>change of address</u> or a new phone number.
This will help to keep our records current and
<u>ensure that tax receipts go to the correct address</u>.



Thank you.

2015 -16 **Our Target for this year is \$3000.00** \$3,000 \$2,500 \$2,000 \$1,500 \$1,000 \$ 500 2015 2016

Co-Missionary Fund

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*.

EPARCHIAL NEWS

THE CHRISTMAS EDITION OF THE
EPARCHIAL NEWS
IS AVAILABLE AT
THE CHURCH ENTRANCES.





Listen for the UKRAINIAN HOUR

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

Дорогі Парафіяни!

Новий Рік є незаписаною сторінкою щоденник нашого життя. Кожнйи додатковий рік є Божим даром. Це небесна драбина, яка веде нас ближче і ближче до Бога — ступінь за ступенем. Кожний рік є даром Божим. З кожнорічний дар життя треба його цінити І за нього дякувати. Вдячність є безвартісна і тільки настроєва, якщо не получена з готовістю до дії.



З кожним роком, як наближуємося до кінця нашої земною мандрівки, повинна зростати наша духовість. Кожний рік, як зростає наш життєвий досвід, повинен виявляти значну поправу нашого духового життя. НАСЛІДУВАННЯ ХРИСТА натякає, що коли б ми могли кожного року позбутись хоч одного гріха, ми стали б дійсно святими. Щоб це осягнути треба дисципліни і співпраці з Божою ласкою.

Починаймо Новий Рік з вірою і надією, бо знаємо, що Господь дійсно любить нас. Різдво, Страстна П'ятниця і Великдень є незаперечними цього доказами. Довіряймо Богові і любім Його.

Глядім у будучину з любов'ю. Ми Божі діти. Він дав нам <u>серце</u> — щоб ми любили Його, <u>душу</u> — щоб ми присвятили себе Йому, <u>здібності й силу</u> — щоб трудитись у Його честь і славу. Любов доказується жертвою. Додержування заповідей є виявом нашої сильної любови. Любов для ближніх є частиною нашої лювоби до Бога. Стрічаймо Новий Рік в любові для Бога і нашого ближнього.



Не знаємо, що заховане для нас у будучині. Благаймо Всевишнього, щоб роз'яснив наші стежки й уділив нам ласку бачити світло Його шляху, та силу й відвагу, щоб бути вірними Його дітьми.

Найщиріші вітання з нагоди Різдвяних Свят і Нового Року. Миру, душевного спокою, віри і світла у наступному році. Хай Божа аска і благословення завжди супроводжують Вас у житті.

Якщо не знаєте, що кому подарувати на Різдво, радимо Вам: дайте ворогам прощення, противникам толеранцію, дитині любов і добрий приклад, батькам увагу, приятелям серце, собі респект, а людям милосердя!

CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD * FEAST OF ST. BASIL * New YEAR'S DAY JANUARY 1, 2017

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 pages 1-3 in the

Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings

booklets that are found at the entrances of the church.

Next Week's Readings: Epistle - Ephesians 4:7-13 Gospel - Matthew 4:12-17

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S Circumcision of Our Lord - St. Basil's - New Year's 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 11:00 am...... Divine Liturgy MON 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 pm......UCWLC Meeting Vigil of Theophany (Epiphany) THU 6:00 pm Solemn Water Blessing & Divine Lituray Parish Potluck Supper to follow (at St. Mary's Cultural Centre) Feast of Theophany (Epiphany) FRI 9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Water Blessing SAT 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm...... Divine Liturgy

OFFICE Hours - The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 2nd for New Year's Day.

WEDDING 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.*

2017 Church Offering Envelopes



ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP AT THE EAST ENTRANCE.



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

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy & prayers to the family & friends of +Mary F. Lazurko who passed away recently.

Вічная Память God Grant Her Eternal Rest Вічная Память

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

Circumcision of	f Our Lord / St. Basil / New Year's Day	Colossians 2:8-12 ~ Luke 2:20-21;40-52
MON Jan 2	Pope Sylvester	Hebrews 3:5-11,17-19 ~ Luke 20:27-44
8:00 am	Health & Salvation for Brothers, Sisters	s & familiesFamily
8:00 am	Christmas Blessings for Gail Kluk	Prayer Partner
TUE Jan 3	Prophet Malachias & Martyr Gordius	s Hebrews 4:1-13 ~ Luke 21:12-19
8:00 am	God's Blessings for Glen & Lena Tymia	ıkJohn & Adeline Pacholka
8:00 am	God's Blessings for the Sisters Servants of	Mary ImmaculateSacred Heart Alumni Assoc.
8:00 am	Health & God's Blessings for Fr. Len Ra	atushniak, CSsRTed & Emily Deneschuk
WED Jan 4	Synaxis of 70 Apostles H	lebrews 5:11-6:8 ~ Luke 21:5-8,10-11,20-24
8:00 am	Members & Families	UCWLC
8:00 am	Health for Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw	Eugene Stechyshyn
THU Jan 5		1 Corinthians 9:19-27 ~ Luke 3:1-18

6:00 pm Vigil of Theophany & Solemn Water Blessing

Titus 2:11-14;3:4-7 ~ Matthew 3:13-17

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9:00 am Feast of Theophany of Our Lord - Jordan

SAT Jan 7 Saturday after Theophany Ephesians 6:10-17 ~ Matthew 4:1-11
9:00 am +Veronica Fedorowich (40 Days)......Family

5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Bella Gulka......Family

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from Tuesday, December 20th until Tuesday, February 21st. It will resume on Tuesday, February 28th.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN USHERING OR READING THE EPISTLE?? We are looking for volunteers to usher at Divine Liturgy on Saturday evenings at 5:00 pm and Sundays at 11:00 am. We are also seeking volunteers to read the Epistle at the 11:00 am Divine Liturgy. Please call Andy Mathuik at 306-783-3835 for more information or to volunteer.

THEOPHANY WATER BLESSING

Parishioners are reminded to bring their own containers for the blessed water.

YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

Please note: this schedule is subject to change, please check regularly

CALDER Sunday, January 29 11:00 am Divine Liturgy

Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



Balance of the Fund to date: \$ 318,086.74 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

CHURCH DONATIONS

To ensure that your donation is properly recorded and acknowledged, please mark your envelope and the memo line on your cheque "In memory of..." or "On the occasion of..."

A Special Invitation to a Beautiful Parish Celebration

Your Presence Is Requested on the Eve of

The Feast of Theophany ~ Thursday, January 5th

For Divine Liturgy & the Solemn Blessing of Water beginning at **6:00 pm** to be followed by a Parish Theophany Supper (Pot Luck) at St. Mary's Cultural Centre. *Kutia will be prepared by the Cultural Centre*.

Everyone is asked to bring your favorite Potluck Dish to share. Please remember it is a Fast Day.



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF FAITH, KNOWLEDGE AND UNITY SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL 1917 - 2017 Saturday, January 14th



1:00 pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

2:30 - 4:30 pm Activities at Sacred Heart High School including:

School Tours * Display of Historic Yearbooks and other Memorabilia Coffee & Cookies * Senior Girls Basketball Tournament

Tickets are \$30 per person for the following (at St. Mary's Cultural Centre)

5:30 pm - Gathering

6:00 pm - Banquet

7:30 pm - Program

Banquet Tickets available at the SHHS Main Office or online at www.eventbrite.ca $until\ January\ 4^{th}$.

Friends, families and former students are invited to take part in this very special celebration.