

A TRADITIONAL UKRAINIAN EASTER DIVINE LITURGY FROM St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

will be broadcasted on GX94 Radio

Easter Sunday, April 17th 10:30 am - 12:00 Noon The program will consist of Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy & Easter hymns.

Sponsored by K of C 5182, St. Mary's UCWLC & UCBC

The Radio Broadcast on GX Radio is very costly. We are always very appreciative of our organizations K of C, UCBC and UCWLC who continue to support this endeavor every year. If families or individuals are interested in contributing to this wonderful annual tradition, please come by the Parish Office with your

contribution or place an envelope in the collection plate clearly marked for the Radio Broadcasts.

DATE	Тіме	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT APR 16	7:00 pm English	Darlene Shymanski	English Choir	Stan Shymanski Darlene Shymanski	
Sun Apr 17 Resurrection Easter Sunday	7 July 1 Slota Stechyshyn Lorine Stechyshyn				
	11:00 am English	Gwen Bilyk	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Gwen Bilyk	Iris Skehar
SAT APR 23	5:00 pm English	Sonia Starling	Sonia Starling	Stan Shymanski Darlene Shymanski	
Sun Apr 24 St. Thomas Sunday	9:00 am Ukrainian	lvan Bachynskyy	Lorne Stechyshyn	Lorne Stechyshyn Elsie Stechyshyn	
	11:00 am English	Sandra German	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Larry German Sandra German	Iris Skehar

SUNDAY	Received on 86 Regular Envelopes (Apr 10)\$3,557.0
COLLECTION	Received in Loose Collection
	Received in 19 Other Envelopes\$ 565.0

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Церква Матері Божої Неустанної Помочі **Our Mother of Perpetual Help**

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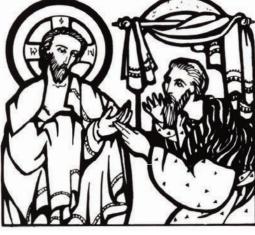
PARISH BULLETIN

APRIL 17 & 24, 2022

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!



Христос Воскрес! Воїстину Воскрес!



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. Leonid Malkov. CSsR - Pastor Fr. Yevhen Zadorozhnyi, CSsR - Assistant Pastor Most Rev. Peter Stasiuk. CSsR

Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday **9:00 am - 12:00 pm** Office is in the Church Basementuse Golden Agers Entrance on North side

> Office 306-783-4594 Sick Calls - 306-229-1755

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES* by Appointment *Please contact the pastor at least six months before the wedding date.

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Saturday Sunday

English 5:00 pm 9:00 am Ukrainian English 11:00 am

HOLY DAYS

9:00 am

WEEKDAYS

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



St. Michael's Summer Camps

Come join us for days full of canoeing/kayaking, swimming, arts/crafts, spiritual growth, campfire singing, outdoor games, great food and create long lasting friendships!

MINI Youth Camp (July 7-10) ages 8-13, \$155

Day Camp (July 7, 8, 9) ages 8-13, \$40/day, 9:30am -8:00pm

Youth Camp (July 10-16) ages 8-13, \$300 (early bird \$250)

Teen Camp (July 17-23) ages 13-16, \$300 (early bird \$250)

EARLY BIRD PRICING BEFORE MAY 1st! To register-email camp@stmichaelscamp.com

Interested in donating to our child/youth summer camp programs? Contact us at camp@stmichaelscamp.com to find out how. All donations are greatly appreciated!

















NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SASKATCHEWAN CORPORATION

When: Monday, April 25, 2022 (Note: This will be a virtual meeting via the Zoom meeting facility)

Time: Registration (Sign into Zoom) – 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm Annual General Meeting – 7:30 pm

Where: This will be a virtual meeting via the ZOOM Meeting facility.

Members wishing to participate in the Annual General Meeting must register with the UCFSASK office via email (admin@ucfsask.org) or telephone T (306-653-0138, EXT 223) by no later than Thursday, April 21, 2022 – 4:00 pm. A Zoom meeting invite will be sent to all who have registered for the Annual General Meeting.

Who: All members of a Ukrainian Catholic parish or mission within the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon who are 18 years of age or older are entitled to participate and vote at the meeting.

Purpose: This meeting is being called for the purposes of:

- Approving the Financial Statement Reviewer's Report and the Annual Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021.
- Appointing a Reviewer/Auditor of our financial records for the 2022 fiscal period
- Approving Bylaws or Amendment to the Bylaws see below.
- Reporting of activities and motions of the Directors to the membership
- Electing Directors
- For transacting such other business as may properly come before an Annual General Meeting.

Access to Documents: Annual Meeting Documents and the Financial Statements are posted on the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan website – www.ucfsask.org . You may also pick- up copies at the Foundation Office at 214 Avenue M South, Saskatoon Sask.

Bylaw Changes: Bylaw 6.6 & Bylaw 6.9 – Change to allow Eparch to appoint a proxy for meeting of Members. Bylaw 7.6 - ineligible for election after eleven months to "after 5th term ended" from after eleven months "after 3rd term ended".

	Upcoming Events						
May 1	1st Solemn Holy Communion Class - Review & Divine Liturgy	9:00 am					
May 2	St. Mary's UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm					
May 4	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton Crossing	10:30 am					
May 4	Moleben to the Mother of God (in Ukrainian for Wednesdays in May)	7:00 pm					
May 5	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:00 am					
May 6	Moleben to the Mother of God (in English for Friday in May)	7:00 pm					
May 12	Divine Liturgy at Gladstone Seniors' Residence	11:00 am					
May 12-14	St. Mary's Treasure Market						
May 13	Divine Liturgy at Bentley Retirement	10:30 am					
May 14	First Reconcilation & Rehearsal						
May 15	First Solemn Holy Communion	11:00 am					
May 19	Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court	2:00 pm					
May 26	Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord	•					
May 26	Divine Liturgy at Theodore Health Centre	2:00 pm					
June 5	Pentecost Sunday	•					
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YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

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

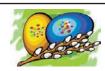
BEAVERDALE	Sunday, April 17	10:00 am	Easter Divine Liturgy
CALDER	Saturday, April 16	7:00 pm	Easter Divine Liturgy
INSINGER	Saturday, April 23	7:00 pm	Easter Divine Liturgy (Julian Calendar)

WHITESAND Sunday, April 24 **Canceled**

Thank you...

Safeguarding Policy

We wish to thank the **Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood** for providing the Pussy Willows for Willow / Palm Sunday.





ALTAR BOYS & CHILDREN OF MARY

Any children or youth with their First Communion Sacrament are invited to serve as an Altar boy or Children of Mary. Text Rhonda Falconer at 306-641-5333 for more information and training.

> The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Eparchial Safeguarding Policy: Covenant of Care, Electronic Communication and Technology & Abuse and Misconduct Policy is a code of conduct which is designed to create safe and respectful church communities and healthy ministerial relationships, and to protect people from abuse and the harm that results.

To speak to someone about a concern please contact your Pastor, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) Deborah Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at (306)-653-0138 ext. 228; Cell: 306-222-1475 or email: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org More information is available on the Eparchial Website, www.skeparchy.org.

ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

TREASURE MARKET



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Spring cleaning is around the corner, if you wish to purge, we have a great opportunity for you.

We kindly ask that you consider donating your "slightly used" or "new but not needed" *TREASURES* to St. Mary's Church for a Treasure Market to be held in the Cultural Centre *May 12-14*. Exact times of the market will be announced later. Please watch upcoming bulletins for additional information.

This market will be one of the many fundraising activities that the Parish Council will be conducting to raise funds for the "Renovation Project" brought about by the need to have the Monastery demolished.

So please, start gathering and boxing up your items and give them a second chance at a new home. Mark down the date on your calendar to *drop off* your treasures (garage sale items) to *St. Mary's Cultural Centre* on *Wednesday, May 11 anytime from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm.*

If you require assistance or need further information, please contact one of the Treasure Market committee members listed below.

Note: to respect the health and safety of our volunteers,

please do not drop off any heavily scented items (smoke, must, moth balls, perfume, etc.)

Thank you

 Dolores Harris
 306-621-7225
 Rose Maleschuk 306-621-4987

 Sharon Thompson
 306-547-9390
 Sharla Schrader
 306-621-7605



NOW HIRING

St. Michael's Camp Staff for July 4-23, 2022!

Available positions include counsellors (16+) and camp director (21+). Come gain experience working with children and youth, build your re-

sume, receive an honorarium, grow in your faith and build your leadership skills! Apply by sendingyour resume to camp@stmichaelscamp.com by May 15^{th} .



St. Mary's Parish Pre-authorized Giving Plan (PAG)



The Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Program enables you to make donations to the parish on a monthly or semi-monthly basis right from your bank account. It eliminates the need of having the correct amount of cash on Sunday and/or from having to write a cheque.

Holiday planning is here. Please support your parish by joining PAG

For more information or to enroll, please see the pamphlets at the church entrances or at the Parish Office.

RESURRECTION SUNDAY ~ EASTER St. Thomas Sunday

APRIL 17, 2022 APRIL 24, 2022

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 the Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings handout available at the entrances.

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARY'S					
SUN	A PR 17	Resurrection Sunday ~ Easter			
		Bright Week	, and the second		
MON	APR 18	9:00 am			
TUE	A PR 19	9:00 am			
WED	A PR 20	9:00 am			
THU	Apr 21	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy		
		2:00 pm	Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court		
FRI	APR 22	9:00 am			
SAT	Apr 23	9:00 am			
			Distribution of UCBC Crosses & Collection		
		5:00 pm	Divine Liturgy		
SUN	Apr 24	St. Thomas Sunday			
		9:00 am			
		11:00 am			
MON	A PR 25		U.C.B.C. Meeting (at the Cultural Centre)		
TUE	APR 26		St. Mary's Parish Council Meeting		
THU	APR 28		Divine Liturgy at Theodore Health Centre		
SAT	A PR 30		n Divine Liturgy		
		5:00 pm	Divine Liturgy		

CONGRATULATIONS ~ SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM & CHRISMATION

Destin Daniel Derkach, son Derek of & Kimberly (nee Heebner)

Многая Літа May God Grant Him Many Years Многая Літа

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon.** The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, May 1st. Please call the Parish Office in the mornings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or email your information to st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net.

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Resurrection	(Easter) Sunday	Acts 1:1-8 ~ John 1:1-17
MON APR 18		1:12-17,21-26 ~ John 1:18-28
9:00 am	Health for Victor Puchala	
9:00 am	Health & God's Blessings for Beverly Lutz	
TUE APR 19	Bright Tuesday	Acts 2:14-21 ~ Luke 24:12-35
9:00 am	Health & God's Blessings for Peter & Verna M	orozLorne & Elsie Stechyshyn
9:00 am	Health for my wife	Husband
WED APR 20		Acts 2:22-26 ~ John 1:35-51
9:00 am	+Geraldine Koban (1 Year)	Family & Friends
9:00 am	+Joe Smigelski	Julie, Brian, Barry & families
THU APR 21 9:00 am	Martyr Januarius Health & God's Blessings for Doreen Clark	Acts 2:38-43 ~ John 3:1-15 Laurie Fedorowich
9:00 am	Peace in Ukraine	N.N.
FRI APR 22 9:00 am	Venerable Theodore Health & Birthday Blessings for Fr. Yevhen	Acts 3:1-8 ~ John 2:12-22
9:00 am	God's Blessings & well-being for Grandson	
SAT APR 23 9:00 am	Great Martyr George +Donald Blishchak (1 Year)	Acts 3:11-16 ~ John 3:22-33 Maria
5:00 pm	Health & Birthday Blessings for Fr. Yevhen	(50th)Lena Popowich

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 24

MON APR 25 Apostle & Evangelist Mark 1 Peter 5:6-14 ~	Mark 6:7-13
	
8:00 am +Pauline PrystaiAde	line Pacholka
TUE APR 26 Priest Martyr Basil Acts 4:1-10 ~ .	John 3:16-21
8:00 am Birthday Blessings for Fr. YevhenFatima Praye	
WED APR 27 Priest Martyr Simeon Acts 4:13-22 ~	John 5:17:24
8:00 am +Ellen Lukey and +Sandra Boyda	Brian & Sandi
THU APR 28 Apostle Jason Acts 4:23-31 ~ .	John 5:24-30
8:00 am +Mary PuchalaAnn Musey an	nd Mary Malin
FRI APR 29 9 Martyrs of Cyzice Acts 5:1-11 ~ J	John 5:30-6:2
8:00 am +William GulkaVal Edw	ards & family
SAT APR 30 Apostle James Acts 12:1-11 ~	Luke 5:1-11
9:00 am 🚓 + Agnes Gawryluik	Family
5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Members & FamiliesUkrainian Catho	olic Brotherhood

Saint Marv's Bu	uildina	Fund Donations	- 12	4
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ALFA Engineering (Business Partners)\$	In Memory Ire 400.00	Doreen Rathgeber	\$	50.00
Larry & Sandra German \$		Lorne & Elsie Stechyshyn	\$	20.00
	In Memory S	Susan Pisiak		
Doreen Rathgeber \$	50.00	Mike Smud	\$	20.00
Larry & Sandra German \$	50.00	Dave & Faye Spelay	\$	20.00
Metro Zawada \$ Peter Wyatt \$	50.00	Virginia Serelo	\$ \$ \$	20.00
		Lorne & Elsie Stechyshyn	\$	20.00
Steve & Sonia Popowich \$	20.00	George & Lorraine Flunder	\$	10.00
St	Mary's Pond	ovation Project		
	1,000.00	Eileen Kentz	\$	100.00
Richard & Marcella Yaremko \$		Margaret Koshman	\$	300.00
Larry & Sandra German \$		Dave & Sonia Starling	\$	100.00
George & Rosely Spelay \$	500.00	Dave a Corna Claiming	Ψ	100.00
In Memory Mary Spilak, Len & Ann		In Memory Matt Shumay	_	
Harold & Rosanna Bilokreli \$	200.00	Anne Shumay	\$	100.00
In Memory John & Katie Uhryn		In Memory Pauline Prystai		
	1,000.00	Walter Prystai	\$ 1	1,000.00
		•		
In Memory Harry, Richard & Gregor				
Mary Oucharek \$	20.00			

In Memory Parents Mike & Rose Cherewyk/Peter H & Mary Huchkowsky

Ernie & Ann Cherewyk \$150.00

Balance of the Fund to date: \$386,525.70 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...*"



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

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

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

In accordance with the **Eparchial Stipend Schedule (effective November 1, 2017), the suggested **stipend (offering)** for a Divine Liturgy Intention is **\$20.00**.

NEW You can find Liturgy Request Forms with envelopes at the Church Entrances.

Once you have completed the form, place it in the envelope with your stipend, seal the envelope and drop into the collection plate or through the mail slot in the Rectory.

Musée Ukraina Museum Inc. 2022 Lottery Winners for January

\$20.00 Winners: Marlene Nemeth-Wakaw, Shirley McIntosh-Saskatoon, Shaun Leibel-Regina, Lilly & Zak Adamko-Saskatoon, Shawn & Allie Hyshka-Vonda, Margaret Jardine-Toronto(ON), Bob Devrome-Saskatoon, Carol Baker-Saskatoon, Mark Lazurko-Moose Jaw, Jean & Ivar Orenchuk-Regina, Robert Konecsni-Ituna, Margaret Scott-Regina, John Wawryk-Yorkton, Nettie Okrainetz-Canora, Natalie Maruschak-Alvena, Glen Lazeski-Regina, Mary Omelan-Wakaw, Bonita Elliott-Biggar, Rodney Rogalski-Saskatoon, Ida Forcier-Beauval, Jane Lesiuk-Regina, Mike Hryniuk-Prud'homme, Marlene Del Col-Porcupine(ON). \$50.00 Winners: Doreen Gulka-Preeceville, Doreen Gulka-Preeceville, Bob Devrome-Saskatoon, Veronica Hyshka-Prince Albert, Luba Feduschak-Sherwood Park(AB). \$100.00 Winner: Emil Strutynski-Yorkton. \$200.00 Winners: Olga Sakundiak-Yorkton, Vince Kiryluk-Saskatoon.

Congratulations to all the winners! There are 334 draws remaining.

Lottery License #RR21-0303

Musée Ukraina Museum Inc. 2022 Lottery Winners for February

\$20.00 Winners: Bernard Florkow-Vegreville(AB), Moira Stoll-Melville, Olya Kowaluk-Saskatoon, Judi Fournier-St. Albert(AB), Mike & Barb Knauf-Saskatoon, Mykola Bilash-Edmonton(AB), Mark Piniach-Regina, Nancy Bobick-Saskatoon, Gav & Nissa Tarasoff-Saskatoon, Karen & Mike Satterthwaite-Saskatoon, Jack & Frances Bartko-Canora, Jean Rabiej-Prince Albert, Annie Rumak-Hudson Bay, Irene Andrusyk-Canora, Vi Protz-Yorkton, Todd Rocen-Yorkton, Mary Billay-Prince Albert, Justin Chomitzky-Saskatoon, Ted Dusyk-Regina, Bill & Sophie Senkowski-Saskatoon, Eldon Hymers-Moose Jaw. \$50.00 Winners: Danita McDonald-Edmonton(AB), Donna Lozinsky-Saskatoon, Marge Sakundiak-Fort Smith(NWT), Vi Hrapchak-Saskatoon. \$100.00 Winners: Alice Kadun-Porcupine Plains, Jackie Medvid-Wynyard. \$200.00 Winner: Carol Baker-Saskatoon.

Congratulations to all the winners! There are 306 draws remaining.

Lottery License #RR21-0303

Musée Ukraina Museum Inc. 2022 Lottery Winners for March

\$20.00 Winners: Bertha & Norman Hain-Saskatoon, Irene Demchuk-Calgary(AB), Olenka Bilash-Edmonton(AB), Lecia & Mike Chalupiak-Preeceville, Elora Lake-Yorkton, Boris Derow-Brooklyn(NY), UCBC – St. Athanasius-Regina, Steve Latos-Wakaw, Darci McLashen-Saskatoon, Bill Gulka & Beng Cui-Saskatoon, Patty Gianoli-Regina, Theresa Skomar-Saskatoon, John & Carol Nowostawski-Winnipeg(MB), Sandra Lazorko-Wynyard, St. Peter & Paul UCWLC-Saskatoon, Vicki Karpiak-Ottawa(ON), Ray Storozuk-Regina, Jacqueline Fetchuk-Canora, Bradley & Candace Loshka-Buchanan, Morgan & Mike Elemans-Lethbridge(AB), Maureen Bertsch-Calgary(AB), Wayne & Lillian Harris-Regina, Barbara & Patricia Holinaty-Wakaw, Steven & Jenelle Teslak-Calgary(AB), Eileen Bunko-Saskatoon. \$50.00 Winners: Shane & Stacy Wallace-Saskatoon, Jay & Kristi Lalach-Calgary(AB), Iris Machuk-Regina, Joe Bartoshewski-Saskatoon. \$100.00 Winners: Todd Murray-Regina, Kevin & Bernadette Karkut-Ituna.

Congratulations to all the winners! There are 275 draws remaining.

Lottery License #RR21-0303





OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

YORKTON, SK

50/50 Fundraiser Total prize value of \$10,000 Guaranteed prize of \$2,000 TICKET PRICES

1 for \$10.00 4 for \$20.00 20 for \$50.00 100 for \$100.00 20,000 tickets available

All Tickets can be purchased online at www.rafflebox.ca

This link can be found on the church website: saintmarysyorkton.com and our Facebook page.

Fundraiser commences March 1/22 and will end April 25/22

Draw will be made May 1st at 12:00 Noon at St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

Tickets can only be purchased by Saskatchewan residents who are 18 years of age and over.

Contacts: Rose Maleschuk 306-621-4987 or rcmaleschuk@sasktel.net Sharla Schrader 306-621-7605 or sharus75@yahoo.ca

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the renovations and upgrades of our church. **Your Support will be greatly appreciated!**Lottery License# RR21-0544

**Fundraiser Committee members will be available at the back of the church to assist with ticket purchases following Divine Liturgy on the following dates: *April 23 & 24*



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE

Easter Monday, April 18th following the 9:00 am Divine Liturgy



Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage.

Please note - No Handicap Accessible Bathroom:

The handicap accessible bathroom is no longer functional. Please use the bathrooms located in the basement. Please use the stairs in the east entrance.

Sorry for any inconvenience this will cause. A new handicap bathroom will be built in the future. *Thank you for your patience during this transitional time.*



THE ST. VOLODYMOR BRANCH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD

will be distributing 2022 Crosses at the weekend Divine Liturgies on April 23 & 24

The collection will be given for Aid to Ukraine



2022 PASTORAL LETTER OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CANADA ON THE OCCASION OF THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

To the Very Reverend Clergy, Monastics and Religious Sisters and Brothers, Seminarians and Laity of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada:

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid" (Matthew 28:8)

Easter and the Resurrection: A Journey from Fear to Joy and Hope

Today, we celebrate the glorious Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Today, we rejoice in Christ's victory over sin and death. Today, all things are filled with joy.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord, and as we try to make sense of what it means for us today, let us reflect on the myrrh-bearing women – the first to encounter the news of the Risen Lord, and their incredible journey from fear to joy and hope.

The myrrh-bearing women are the eyewitnesses of Jesus' death and the place of his burial. They are also the witnesses of his resurrection. They are the ones who receive the glorious news from the angel, who tells them, "Do not be afraid; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. Go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you" (Mark 16:6-7).

Yet, in the Gospel of Mark's telling of the Resurrection account, we read: "So the myrrh-bearing women went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid" (Mark 16:8).

"Terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid."

Fear had the potential to prevent the myrrh-bearing women from fulfilling the task given them by the angel. Fear had the potential to paralyze them, to bind them. Fear brought about in the myrrh-bearing women worry, terror, panic, anxiety, an inability to act. Fear could have prevented us from ever learning about the Resurrection of Our Lord, instead leaving Jesus buried in the tomb forever.

Yet, somehow the myrrh-bearing women were able to overcome their fear. Matthew's Gospel tells us: "So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me'" (Matthew 28:8-10).

The fear of the myrrh-bearing women had turned to joy and hope. Their newfound courage and strength transformed them into witnesses and messengers of the Resurrection. Their testimony allowed the Good News of the Word of God to spread and the number of faithful to increase greatly, so much so that today some 2.38 billion people around the world are followers of Christ, that is, one-third of the world's population.

In the context of this year's celebration of the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord, the whole world

watches in disbelief and dismay that Ukraine has been invaded by Russia, causing massive destruction and the loss of thousands of innocent lives, many of whom are women and children. The fear of war once again, like that of the myrrh-bearing women, has the potential not only to paralyze the people of Ukraine but the entire world.

Yet, this is clearly not the case. The people of Ukraine have found courage to fight and to defend their families and neighbours in the midst of the chaos that war brings. Furthermore, the people of Ukraine fight bravely not only to defend their nation but the very fabric of freedom and democracy, upholding the fundamental ideals and principles of justice and human dignity that the world values and promotes.

We might ask ourselves just where does the courage of the people of Ukraine come from? The short answer is faith in God and in the Risen Lord. Already in the first century, Saint Andrew the Apostle, according to the chronicle The Tale of Bygone Years, erected a cross on the banks of the Dnipro River, prophesying that a great city would be built on its shores – today's city of Kyiv, which has stood through the centuries as a centre of faith and witness to God's love for God's people. For centuries others have coveted these lands, yet each time the people of Ukraine, led by the Church, have emerged victoriously from the catacombs, experiencing in their own right Christ's passion and crucifixion, journeying to the Resurrection and the newness of life. In this the people of Ukraine find strength.

Today, fear has the potential to silence the voice of the people of the world. Like the myrrh-bearing women, let us find courage to overcome our fear. Let us continue to speak with one voice and one heart, speaking on behalf of the people of Ukraine whose voice is being attempted to be silenced by foreign aggressors. Let us speak truth about what is happening in Ukraine, in solidarity and with conviction that war is wrong, and that peace is the only path forward.

Our voice is being heard. The world has responded in an outpouring of prayer for peace in Ukraine and love for its people by providing unprecedented humanitarian aid in response to the world's worst humanitarian crisis since the Second World War.

We pray for peace in Ukraine, and throughout the world. We pray in particular for the people of Ukraine as they endure the war. We pray for their safety and for their families. We pray for those who have left Ukraine and those who remain. We pray for those who have died. May God bless you and may the Mother of God spread her omophorion of protection upon you.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection, let us be the myrrh-bearing women of today. Like them, let us break free from any fear that holds us back. Let us go tell others, boldly and with courage, of the joy of the Gospel message, of God's love and mercy in the world, so that they too may experience joy and hope in their lives.

As the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops in Canada, we pray that God's grace and love fills your heart, and that of your family and friends, and brings happiness and peace to all people.

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

- + Lawrence Huculak, OSBM, Metropolitan Archbishop of Winnipeg
- + David Motiuk, Eparchial Bishop of Edmonton; Apostolic Administrator of New Westminster
- + Bryan Bayda, CSsR, Eparchial Bishop of Saskatoon; Apostolic Administrator of Toronto
- + Michael Wiwchar, CSsR, Bishop Emeritus of Saskatoon
- + Stephen Chmilar, Bishop Emeritus of Toronto

TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 17 RESURRECTION (EASTER) SUNDAY

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

Third Antiphon:Let God arise and His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from His presence.



Tropar:

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

As smoke vanishes, let them vanish, as wax melts from the presence of fire.

Christ is risen from the dead

So let sinners perish from the presence of God but let the righteous rejoice.

Christ is risen from the dead....

At the Little Entrance: In assemblies bless God, the Lord, you who spring from Israel. Christ is risen from the dead....

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and for ever and ever. Amen!

Kondak, tone 8: Though You went down to the grave, immortal Lord,* You destroyed the power of Hades* and rose victorious, Christ our God.* You who said "Rejoice" to the myrrh-bearing women,* give peace to Your apostles* and offer resurrection to the fallen

Instead of 'Holy God....': All you, who have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia!

Prokimen, **tone 8:** This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Verse: *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting.*

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (1: 1 - 8)

In my first account, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up to heaven, having first instructed the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit. In the time after his suffering he showed them in many convincing ways that he was alive, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking to them about the reign of God. On one occasion when he met with them he told them not to leave Jerusalem: "Wait, In my first account, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up to heaven, having first instructed the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit. In the time after his suffering he showed them in many convincing ways that he was alive, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking to them about the reign of God. On one occasion when he met with them he told them not to leave Jerusalem: "Wait, rather, for the fulfillment of my Father's promise, of which you have heard me speak. John baptized with water, but within a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." While they were with him they asked, "Lord, are you going to restore the rule to Israel now?" His answer was: "The exact time it is not yours to know. The Father has reserved that to himself. You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes down on you; then you are to be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, yes, even to the ends of the earth."

Alleluia Verses: Rise, take pity on Zion.

The Lord has looked down on earth from heaven

Gospel: John 1: 1 - 17

In the beginning was the Word; and the Word was in God's presence, and the Word was God.

He was present to God in the beginning, through him all things came into being, and apart from him nothing came to be.

Whatever came to be in him, found life, life for the light of men. The light shines on in darkness, a darkness that did not overcome it.

There was a man named John sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the light, so that through him all men might believe.

But only to testify to the light, for he himself was not the light. The real light which gives light to every man was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and through him the world was made, yet the world did not know who he was. To his own he came, yet his own did not accept him.

Any who did accept him he empowered to become children of God. These are they who believe in his name.

Begotten not by blood, nor by carnal desire, nor by man's willing it, but by God.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we have seen his glory; the glory of an only Son coming from the Father, filled with enduring love.

John testified to him by proclaiming: "This is he of whom I said, The one who comes after me ranks ahead of me, for he was before me."

Of his fullness we have all had a share -- love following upon love.

For while the law was given through Moses, this enduring love came through Jesus Christ.

Instead of 'It is truly right': The angel cried out to the One full of grace: "O chaste Virgin, rejoice!" And again I say, rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day and raised the dead." Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exalt now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn: Receive the Body of Christ; partake of the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

"Christ is risen..." replaces: "Blessed is he who comes...,' 'We have seen the true light,' "May our mouths be filled,' 'Blessed be the name of the Lord,' and 'Glory be to the Father....' at the dismissal.

At the conclusion of the Liturgy, "Christ is risen..." is sung three times, with the addition of "And to us He grants life eternal, let us bow to his third day resurrection."

TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 24 St. THOMAS SUNDAY

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

Tropar, tone 7: Though the tomb had been sealed,* from the tomb You arose, O Life and Christ our God.* Though the door had been locked,* You appeared among the disciples, O Resurrection of all;* and thus You restored an upright spirit for us* according to your great mercy.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and for ever and ever. Amen!

Kondak, **tone 8**: Thomas placed his restless hand* into your life-giving side, O Christ our God;* and since You entered, although the doors were locked,* he cried out to You with the other apostles:* "You are my Lord and my God!"

Prokimen, tone 3: Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit. Verse: *Praise the Lord, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious.*

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (5: 12 - 20)

In those days through the hands of the apostles, many signs and wonders occurred among the people. By mutual agreement they used to meet in Solomon's Portico. No one else dared to join them, despite the fact that the people held them in great esteem. Nevertheless more and more believers, men and women in great numbers, we continually added to the Lord. The people carried the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mattresses, so that when Peter passed by at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. Crowds from the towns around Jerusalem would gather, too, bringing their sick and those who were troubled by unclean spirits, all of whom were cured. The high priest and all his supporters (that is, the party of the Sadducees), filled with jealousy, arrested the apostles and threw them into the public jail. During the night, however, an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the jail, led them forth and said, "Go out now and take your place in the temple precincts and preach to the people all about this new life."

Alleluia Verses: Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior. For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.

Gospel: John 20: 19 - 31

On the evening of the first day of the week, even though the disciples had locked the doors of the place where they were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood before them. "Peace be with you," he said. "When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. At the sight of the Lord the disciples rejoiced. "Peace be with you," he said again. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Then he breathed on them and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive men's sins, they are forgiven them; if you hold them bound, they are held bound." It happened that one of the Twelve, Thomas (the name means "Twin"), was absent when Jesus came. The other disciples kept telling him; "We have seen the Lord!" His answer was, "I will never believe it without probing the nail prints in his hands, without putting my finger in the nail marks and my hand into his side." A week later, the disciples were once more in the room, and this time Thomas was with them. Despite the locked doors, Jesus came and stood before them. "Peace be with you," he said; then to Thomas: "Take your finger and examine my hands. Put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!" Thomas said in response, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus then said to him: "You became a believer because you saw me. Blest are they who have not seen and have believed." Jesus performed many other signs as well -- signs not recorded here -- in the presence of his disciples. But these have been recorded to help you believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, so that through this faith you may have life in his name.

Instead of 'It is truly right': The angel cried out to the One full of grace: "O chaste Virgin, rejoice!* And again I say, rejoice!* Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day* and raised the dead."* Let all people rejoice!* Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem,* for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!* Exalt now and be glad, O Sion!* And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight* in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn: Glorify the Lord O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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