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SAT OCT 14	5:00 pm English	Bernadette Gabora	Bernadette Gabora	Terry Greene	
Sun Oct 15 20 th Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 am Eng / Ukr	Darlene Shymanski	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Stan Shymanski Darlene Shymanski	Iris Skehar
SAT OCT 21	5:00 pm English	Tom Abrametz	Tom Abrametz	Gerry Smysnuik	
Sun Oct 22 21st Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 am Eng / Ukr	Sonia Popowich	Lorne Stechyshyn	Eugene Maystrowich Bev Maystrowich	

THANKSGIVING OUTREACH COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER



This Thanksgiving, the Outreach Committee of St. Mary's Church encourages you, our Parishioners, to remember those less fortunate.

Please note that there is a Thanksqiving Outreach Envelope for October in the Sunday Offering envelope box. Outreach donation envelopes are also available at each entrance of the church.

SUNDAY	Received on Oct 1 in 59 Regular Envelopes\$ 2,362.00
COLLECTION	Received on Oct 8 in 51 Regular Envelopes \$ 1,772.00
Ост 1 2023	Received in Loose Collection \$197.00 Received in 8 Other Envelopes \$180.00 Received in 16 Thanksgiving Outreach Envelopes \$360.00

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ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

155 Catherine Street, Yorkton, SK S3N 0B9

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Christ is Among Us! He is and will be !

Христос Посеред нас! € і буде!





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.

YORKTON - ITUNA PASTORAL DISTRICT

Fr. Basil Malowany - Administrator / Pastor

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 Fr. Basil - 306-540-5102 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 Eng / Ukr

HOLY DAYS

7:00 pm

WEEKDAYS

Wednesdays 7:30 am Fridays 7:30 am



Musée Ukraina Museum Presents

9th Annual Varvara's Varenyky & Vodka Vechir

An Evening Fundraiser to Support Musée Ukraina Museum

Thursday, October 26, 2023 6:00 pm (Supper @ 6:45 pm)

St. George's Senior Citizen's Centre (1235 20th Street West) \$30/person

Includes Varenyky (Perogies), Cabbage Rolls, Sausage, Condiments & Dessert For Tickets contact: Nissa @ 306.260.5950 Amanda @ 306.321.4304 or stop by the Museum (222 Avenue M. South) Open Sundays 11:30 am - 3:30 pm

** Deadline for tickets: October 22nd (limited tickets)

* Ukrainian Inspired Beer * Vodka Shots * Special Raffle * Unique Prizes * Entertainment *



The Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan Presents

A CLASSIC CHRISTMAS II

with Trevor Wingerter & Martin Janovsky
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25[™]

CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY FAMILY HALL

(123 NELSON ROAD, SASKATOON) 5:30 pm Cocktails

6:30 pm Dinner - Ukrainian Cuisine catered by Touch of Ukraine 8:00 pm Entertainment

Tickets: \$100 per person (Tax receipt will be issued for \$45.00)
Silent Auction Opportunities

Buy tickets: 306-653-0138, ext 223 or www.ucfsask.org

The Search

Finding the meaning of life

A seven part video series for those looking for meaning in life and for the answers to life's deepest questions.



7 Saturdays from November to February

November 4: What do you seek? November 18: Who are you? December 16: What's our Story? January 13: Who is Jesus? January 27: Am I saved? February 3: Why a Church?



Time: Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am, Program at 10:00 am

Location: St. George's Cathedral

Please contact Sofia Larmour at sofialarmour@gmail.com or 639-318-9518 to register

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 6	Divine Liturgy at Theodore Health Centre	10:00 am
November 6	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm
November 6	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm
November 7	Great Vespers for Feast of Archangel Michael	6:30 pm
November 8	Moleben followed by confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
November 11	Divine Liturgy for Remembrance Day	9:00 am
November 13	Holy Rosary Hour	12:00 Noon
November 14	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton Crossing	10:30 am
November 15	Pylypivka (Pre-Christmas Fast) Begins	
November 15	Akathist followed by confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
November 16	Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court	2:00 pm
November 16	Emmanuel Moleben	6:30 pm
November 20	Great Vespers for the Feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God	6:00 pm
November 20	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting	7:00 pm
November 21	Feast of the Entrance into the Temple of the Mother of God	
November 21	Divine Liturgy at The Bentley	10:30 am
November 21	Parish Council Meeting	6:30 pm
November 22	Akathist followed by confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
November 28	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:00 am
November 29	Akathist followed by confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
November 30	Emmanuel Moleben	6:30 pm

YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

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

BEAVERDALE	Sunday, October 22	7:00 pm	Divine Liturgy
INSINGER	Saturday, October 14	7:00 pm	Divine Liturgy
WHITESAND	Sunday, October 22	4:00 pm	Divine Liturgy

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 or email: **safe-quarding@skeparchy.org** More information is available on the Eparchial Website, **www.skeparchy.org**.



"SHARE THE SPIRIT" 50/50 LOTTERY DRAW

(Lottery License - #LR23-0067)

The Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan (UCFSASK) will again be conducting a "Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery Draw. The draw date will be made on Friday, December 8th at 2:00 pm at 214 Avenue M South, Saskatoon.

The ticket price will be \$20.00 per ticket. The ticket distribution will be as follows:

- 50% or \$10.00 of each ticket sold will go to the winner of the lottery draw
- 25% or \$5.00 of each ticket sold will go to a Parish/Mission or designated Eparchial Organization named on each ticket by the ticket purchaser as the "Parish/Mission or Eparchial Organization Designation".
- 25% or \$5.00 of each ticket sold will go to UCFSASK
- Total number of tickets available for sale: 11,000
- Total maximum prize value: \$110,000.00

This "Share the Spirit" Lottery will provide the Faithful of the Eparchy an opportunity to participate in a 50/50 Lottery Draw; to support their favorite Ukrainian Catholic Parish/Mission or the designated Eparchial Organization in the Eparchy of Saskatoon; and, to assist UCFSASK in promoting the cultural, social, educational, and spiritual initiatives, policies, and objectives of the Eparchy of Saskatoon among Ukrainian Catholics in the Province of Saskatchewan.

Very shortly each Parish Family in the Eparchy will receive a package containing information concerning this lottery draw and tickets for purchase. Please check your mailbox for your package.

Please consider the purchase of the 50/50 Lottery Ticket, and help support a Parish/Mission, or a designated Eparchial Organization and UCFSASK. We thank you graciously and humbly ask for your support. The winner of the 2022 "Share the Spirit – 50/50 Lottery draw won \$28,720; (2021 - \$32,720; 2020 - \$32,900; 2019 - \$29,220; 2018 - \$29,440).

For more information on the Lottery, please contact the Foundation office at (306) 653-0138, ext. 223 (collect). If you want more detailed information on the "Share the Spirt" 50/50 Lottery, please visit the USCFSASK Website at www.ucfsask.org.

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- Make cheques payable to: UCFSask Corp

Save the date...

Happy New Year!

New Year's Gala - Saturday, December 30th



Refreshments 5:00 pm * Dinner & Dance 6:00 pm \$50.00 Dance Only Doors Open 8:30 pm \$ 20.00 Music by The Zayshley Band Silent Auction

Proceeds to St. Mary's Church Building Fund Watch the bulletin for more details...

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Остовек 15, 2023 Остовек 22, 2023

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	Ост 15	20 th Sunday after Pentecost
		9:00 amDivine Liturgy English & Ukrainian
MON	Ост 16	7:00 pmUkrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting *canceled
TUE	Ост 17	10:30 amDivine Liturgy at The Bentley
		6:30 pmParish Council Meeting
WED	Ост 18	7:30 amDivine Liturgy
		6:30 pmAkathist to Mary & confessions
THU	Ост 19	2:00 pmDivine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home
FRI	Ост 20	7:30 amDivine Liturgy
SAT	Ост 21	5:00 pmDivine Liturgy
SUN	Ост 22	21st Sunday after Pentecost
		9:00 amDivine Liturgy English & Ukrainian
TUE	Ост 24	10:00 amDivine Liturgy at Yorkton Crossing
WED	Ост 25	7:30 amDivine Liturgy
		6:30 pmVespers for St. Demetrius with confessions to follow
THU	Ост 26	Feast of St. Demetrius
		7:00 pmFeast Day Divine Liturgy
FRI	Ост 27	7:30 amDivine Liturgy
SAT	Ост 28	5:00 pmDivine Liturgy

WEDDING PLANS ??- If you are planning to be married at St. Mary's or any of the Yorkton District parishes, *please contact Fr. Basil (306-540-5102) at least six months before the wedding date.*

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon.** The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, October 29th. Please call the Parish Office in the mornings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or email your information to st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net.



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

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy & prayers to the family & friends of + Sylvia Ukrainetz who passed away recently.

Вічная Память God Grant Her Eternal Rest Вічная Память

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

	after Pentecost	Hebrews 13:7-16 ~ John 17:1-13
ИОN Ост 16	Martyr Longinus	Philippians 4:10-23 ~ Luke 7:36-50
	Fr. Basil - Day Off **No Divine	e <i>Liturgy</i>
	Prophet Hosea	Colossians 1:1-11 ~ Luke 8:1-3
The Bentley)		
0:30 am	+Christopher Gray	Colossians 4:5-9;14-18 ~ Luke 10:16-2
VED О ст 18	Apostle & Evangelist Luke	Colossians 4:5-9;14-18 ~ Luke 10:16-2
′:30 am 👍	+Rose Mysko (10 Years)	Children
6:30 pm 🔎	Akathist to Mary	
Г НИ О ст 19	Prophet Joel	Colossians 1:24-29 ~ Luke 9:7-1
Sunshine Mar	nor, Ituna	
	(Ituna Intention)	
RI Ост 20	Great Martyr Artemius	Colossians 2:1-7 ~ Luke 9:12-1
′:30 am	+Peter Gulka (5 Years)	Anna Gulk
SAT Oct 21	Venerable Hilarion	Anna Gulk 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 ~ Luke 6:1-1
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Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



In Memory Sylvia Ukrainetz

Justin Ukrainetz\$ 75.00Emily Gazdewich\$ 25.00Lorne & Elsie Stechyshyn\$ 40.00Steve & Sonia Popowich\$ 20.00Larry & Sandra German\$ 25.00Stella Hardybala\$ 20.00

In Memory Olga Kishalowich

Larry & Sandra German \$ 25.00

St. Mary's Building Fund Renovation Project

Total Renovation Project Expenses:
January 1 to October 10, 2023 \$ 251,555.87

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.

Thank you very much

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..."**



Thank you....

We wish to thank and acknowledge **Nataliya and Mykhalo Zotov** for the very generous gift of the **new banners** which grace the Our Mother of Perpetual Help Icon behind the altar and the **new priestly vestments**. These beautiful banners and vestments were handmade and a true labour of love!



Thank you for sharing your time and talents with our parish!



ATTENTION - NO ACCESS TO THE RAMP

The Ramp I the ramp at

The Ramp Door is closed during construction. Please do not attempt to use the ramp at this time, it is extremely dangerous and will likely result in injury.

There will be no handicapped access during the project. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS - If you are making an offering for this service by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: St. Mary's Church. The suggested **stipend (offering)** for a Divine Liturgy Intention is **\$20.00**. **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.

TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH COUNCIL



Sunday Tropar, tone 3: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.* He trampled death by death; He became the first born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

Tropar of the Holy Fathers, tone 8: Tropar of the Holy Fathers, tone 8: O Christ our God, You are above all praise,* for You established our Fathers as beacons to all the earth.* You led us to the true faith through them.* O Most Bountiful Lord, glory be to You.

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

Sunday Kondak, tone 3: You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord,* and led us out from the gates of death.* Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices,* and the prophets together with the patriarchs unceasingly acclaim* the divine might of Your power.

Prokimen, tone 3: Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

Verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

Epistle: A reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews 13:7-16

Brothers and Sisters! Remember your leaders who spoke the word of God to you; consider how their lives ended, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teaching. It is good to have our hearts strengthened by the grace of God and not by foods which are useless to those who take them as a standard for living. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. The bodies of the animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sin offering are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus died outside the gate, to sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us go to him outside the camp, bearing the insult which he bore. For here we have no lasting city; we are seeking one which is to come. Through him let us continually offer God a sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips which acknowledge his name. Do not neglect good deeds and generosity, God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.

Alleluia Verses: In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever.

Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me.

Gospel: John 17:1-13

At that time Jesus looked up to heaven and said: "Father, the hour has come! Give glory to your Son that your Son may give glory to you, inasmuch as you have given him authority over all mankind, that he may bestow eternal life on those you gave him. Eternal life is this, to know you, the only true God, and him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ. I have given you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. Do you now, Father, give me glory at your side, a glory I had with you before the world began. I have made your name known to those you gave me out of the world. These men you gave me were yours; they have kept your word. Now they realize that all that you gave me comes from you. I entrusted to them the message you entrusted to me and they received it. They have known that in truth I came from you, they have believed it was you who sent me. For these I pray -- not for the world but for these you have given me, for they are really yours. Just as all that belongs to me is yours, so all that belongs to you is mine. It is in them that I have been glorified. I am in the world no more, but these are in the world as I come to you. O Father most holy, protect them with your name which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. As long as I was with them, I guarded them with your name which you gave me. I kept careful watch, and not one of them was lost, none but him who was destined to be lost -- in fulfillment of Scripture. Now, however, I come to you; I say all this while I am still in the world that they may share my joy completely.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.

Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 21st Sunday After Pentecost



Tropar, tone 4: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection* and cast off the ancestral condemnation,* they proudly told the apostles:* "Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen* granting to the world 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 4: My Saviour and Deliverer* from the grave as God has raised out of bondage the children of earth* and shattered the gates of Hades;* and as Master, He rose on the third day.

Prokimen, tone 4: How great are Your works, O Lord: You have made all things in wisdom. **Verse:** Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Epistle: A reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians 2:16-20

Brothers and Sisters! Knowing that a man is not justified by legal observance but by faith in Jesus Christ, we too have believed in him in order to be justified by faith in Christ, not by observance of the law; for by works of the law no one will be justified. But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we are shown to be sinners does that mean that Christ is encouraging sin? Unthinkable! If, however, I were to build up the very things I had demolished, I should then indeed be a transgressor. It was through the law that I died to the law, to live for God. I have been crucified with Christ, and the life I live now is not my own; Christ is living in me. I still live my human life, but it is a life of faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Alleluia Verses:

Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

Gospel: Luke 8:5-15

The Lord told this parable: "A farmer went out to sow some seed. In the sowing, some fell on the footpath where it was walked on and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, sprouted up, then withered through lack of moisture. Some fell among briers, and the thorns growing up with it stifled it. But some fell on good soil, grew up, and yielded grain a hundredfold." As he said this he exclaimed: "Let everyone who has ears attend to what he has heard." His disciples began asking him what the meaning of this parable might be. He replied, "To you the mysteries of the reign of God have been confided, but to the rest in parables that, seeing they may not perceive, and hearing they may not understand. This is the meaning of the parable. The seed is the word of God. Those on the footpath are people who hear, but the devil comes and takes the word out of their hearts lest they believe and be saved. Those on the rocky ground are the ones who, when they hear the word, receive it for a while, but fall away in time of temptation. The seed fallen among the briers are those who hear, but their progress is stifled by the cares and riches and pleasures of life and they do not mature. The seed on good ground are those who hear the word in a spirit of openness, retain it, and bear fruit through perseverance."

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.

Alleluia! Alleluia!