

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 Address Fibrie	Name	Address	Phone
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Most Suitable time to visit: Morning __ Afternoon __ Evening __

DATE	Тіме	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST	GREETERS
SAT DEC 17	5:00 pm English	Delores Oucharek		Andy Mathuik Paul Shewchuk		
Sun Dec 18 Sunday of the Holy Fathers	9:00 am Ukrainian	Harry Kardynal	Lorne Stechyshyn	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Gloria Rhinas	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Richard Zulyniak Myron Kulasa	Iris Skehar	
SAT DEC 24 Eve of the Nativity	8:00 pm English	Eleanor Shumay	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Henry Shumay Jerry Gromnisky John Uhryn Leonard Puchala	Iris Skehar	
	10:30 pm Ukrainian	Elsie Stechyshyn	Lorne Stechyshyn	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
Sun Dec 25 Nativity of Our Lord	9:00 am Ukrainian	lvan Bachynskyy	Ed Pindus	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Ron Wizniak	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Emil Strutynski Lorne Semaschuk	Iris Skehar	

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SUNDAY	Received in 157 Regular Envelopes\$ 3,423.00]
COLLECTION DEc. 11	Loose Collection \$ 102.00	
2016	Received in 10 Other Envelopes	

ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH BULLETIN

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Христос Посеред нас! € 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

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

Slava Isusu Khrystu! Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Today I wish to share about **the Bethlehem Flame of Peace**, the fire that constantly burns in Bethlehem in the manger where Jesus was born. The light of this fire symbolizes warmth, peace, harmony, tranquility and love toward all people of the world.

The project of sharing this Fire of Peace with the world began in **1986** through the Austrian TV and radio station ORF in Linz. From its very beginnings this project was meant to support handicapped children and everyone who needs help and attention before Christmas. This noble cause was immediately taken up by the Austrian **Scouts**. The Scouts take this fire into special oil lamps and transport it via plane to Austria where during a cer-



emony in the Viennese Cathedral they give it to representatives from many different countries. This flame travels from hand to hand and crosses many different boundaries and comes to those who await the light of hope before the feast of Christmas.

In November 2000 it looked as though the Light would not be able to leave wartorn Bethlehem. However a 12 year old Palestinian Scout took the flame from the Grotto of Christ's Birth and carried it to the border. Here it was received by Israeli Scouts who raced it to the Tel Aviv Airport where it was passed on. Never before had the words "Shalom" and "Salaam Alekum" (both expressions of "Peace") meant so much to the whole world.

Plast, Ukraine's Scouts, have been bringing the Flame of Peace to many different Ukrainian towns and villages for <u>almost 20 years</u>. They bring this flame in trains, in cars and by bike to churches, to government institutions, schools, children's day cares, old age homes and hospitals so that every person, particularly those who are far away from their homes, can feel the warmth of the Bethlehem Star.

For many all over the world the flame from the **Bethlehem Flame of Peace** has become essential during the celebration of Christmas. Some people bring the *live flame* home or they blow out their Bethlehem Flame and re-light it again when they get home (for they are reassured by priests that the sanctity of this Fire is not lost through this.)

The first time that Ukrainian Canadian (Plast) Scouts received the Bethlehem Flame of Peace was in 2008. The Austrian Scouts brought an oil lamp with this flame to the JFK airport in New York where they handed it to the American Scouts who brought it by car from Minneapolis. The Flame then spread throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. In 2009 the Bethlehem Flame of Peace finally found its way to Winnipeg and I was most pleased **to give it a home at St. Joseph's** for my 7 years as Pastor. It stayed lit in our church until the Feast of Jordan.

Now the Bethlehem Flame is being transported here to **St. Mary's** in Yorkton and we encourage you to purchase a 5 day candle, light it from the Bethlehem candle on the little altar and then have it peacefully burn in your home during your Christmas celebrations!

May this flame from the Fire of Peace indeed be the symbol of peace, warmth, harmony, tranquility and love toward all people of the world.



	UPCOMING EVENTS	
December 25	Nativity of Our Lord	
December 26	Sobor of the Mother of God	
December 27	Feast of St. Stephen	
December 28	Golden Agers Birthdays and Anniversaries	1:00 pm
January 1	Circumcision of Our Lord - St. Basil's - New Year's	·
January 2	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm
January 2	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm
January 5	Vigil of Theophany Solemn Water Blessing & Divine Liturgy	
January 5	Parish Potluck Supper	
January 6	Feast of Theophany	
January 5	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:30 am
January 13	Holy Rosary Hour	
January 15	First Solemn Holy Communion Class	9:45 am
January 16	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting	7:00 pm
January 16	Cultural Centre Board Meeting	7:30 pm
January 17	Parish Council Meeting (preceded by Divine Liturgy)	7:00 pm

CONTACT INFORMATION

EPARCHIAL PASTORAL COUNCIL - Pat Thompson 306-782-9425 **PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT** - Geraldine Koban 306-782-0270

 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Bill Prybylski UCBC - GOLDEN AGERS Bill Prybylski Peter Moroz Verna Moroz
 306-782-5259 306-783-6293 306-783-6293
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Young Adult Ministry Office - Phone: 1-204-799-1060 Email: rymcssr@gmail.com



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*.

PARKLAND RIGHT TO LIFE MEETING

held on the third (3rd) Wednesday of each month at St. Gerard's Basement (CWL Room) at 7:30 pm

Next meeting is Wednesday, December 21st

For further information call 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



CHRIST THE TEACHER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS DECEMBER 19 - DECEMBER 24

	SACRED	St.	Sт.	St.	St.	St.
	HEART	ALPHONSUS	MARY'S	MICHAEL'S	Paul's	THEODORE'S
Mon		Christmas Concert 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm				Christmas Concert 7:00 pm
TUES	Last Day of School	Advent Celebration lead by Gr. 6 9:00 am				Christmas Potluck Lunch 11:45 am



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 4th*.

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

MINUTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Minutes approved at the last Parish Council Meeting are available for viewing on our website (www.saintmarysyorkton.com). Please click on *"Organizations"* and then click on *"Parish Council"*. Click on the link found on that page.



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

YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

Sch	nedule of Services in	the Yorkto	on Pastoral District
Please	note: this schedule is subj	iect to chan	ge, please check regularly
BEAVERDALE	Sunday, December 25	10:00 am	Christmas Divine Liturgy
CALDER	Saturday, December 24	9:00 pm	God is with Us & Divine Liturgy

Sunday of the Holy Fathers Sunday before Christmas December 18, 2016

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 33-36 in the
Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings
booklets that are found at the entrances of the church.
Next Week's Readings: Epistle - Galatians 4:4-7 Gospel - Matthew 2:1-12

		THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S
SUN	9:45 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Divine Liturgy First Solemn Holy Communion Class for Children & Parents Adult Faith Presentation (Golden Agers Centre) Divine Liturgy Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Regular Meeting & AGM
TUE	7:00 pm	
WED	6:30 pm	Christmas Reconciliation(Confessions)
SAT	Eve of the Nativity 10:30 am8:00 pm	0)

Wedding

Chad Clifford Sebulsky, son of Bernie & Faye (nee Wunder)

and

Danielle Leigh Lefebvre, daughter of Allan & Wanda (nee Carfantan)

Banns
2nd
Notification

Curtis Kenneth Julian Hyra, son of Kenneth Hyra & Lee Anne Jamieson and

Kaetlyn Amber Shewchuk, daughter of Willie & Phyllis (nee Fedyk)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS - The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, December 23rd & Monday, December 26th for Christmas Holidays.

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.*



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

Just a Reminder...

All contributions and donations that require

a tax receipt for 2016

must be in the Parish Office by

Wednesday, December 28th.

2017 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP AT THE EAST ENTRANCE.



DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

Sunday of the I	loly Fathers/ Sunday before Christmas	Hebrews 11:9-10;17-23;32-40 ~ Matthew 1:1-25
MON Dec 19	Martyr Boniface	James 2:14-26 ~ Mark 10:46-52
8:00 am		Rose
8:00 am	+Jullian Furmanuik	Family
TUE Dec 20	Priest Martyr Ignatius	James 3:1-10 ~ Mark 11:11-23
8:00 am	+Joe & Valerie Ratushniak	James 3:1-10 ~ Mark 11:11-23
8:00 am	+Ervin Krywulak	Mom & Dad
8:00 am	+Steve & Nettie Mysko	Judy & family
WED Dec 21	Martyr Juliana	James 3:11-4:6 ~ Mark 11:22-25
8:00 am	+Deceased Members & Families, +De	eceased Clergy & ReligiousUCWLC
8:00 am	+Tom, +Lena, +Mike, +Mabel, +Sharo	n & +DouglasBrian & Sandi
8:00 am	+Peter Kostyniuk	Shirley Kostyniuk
THU Dec 22		James 4:7-5:9 ~ Mark 11:27-33
8:00 am	Health & God's Blessings for Marty N	apadyTed & Emily Deneschuk
8:00 am	Health & God's Blessings for Grandma Bet	ty BrezinskiJason, Eric, Tim, Stephanie & Joseph
FRI Dec 23	10 Martyrs of Crete	1 Peter 1:1-2,10-12,2:6-10 ~ Mark 12:1-12
8:00 am	Health & Thanksgiving for Fr. Len Rat	ushniak, CSsRGrace Chorney & family
8:00 am 🖚	Health & God's Blessings for Ella Fieg	alPrayer Partner
8:00 am	Health for Karen Wishlow	Anton & Victoria Fedyk
SAT Dec 24		Hebrews 1:1-12 ~ Luke 2:1-20



8:00 pm Eve of the Nativity - "God is with Us" Service & Divine Liturgy 10:30 pm

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.

Christmas Reconciliation (Confessions)

will be held on Wednesday, December 21st at 6:30 pm with Divine Liturgy at 7:00 pm.



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD

ANNUAL MEETING & REGULAR MEETING

WILL BE HELD TODAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18[™] AT 2:00 PM

All Members are urged to attend.

Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



In Memory of Adella Byblow
Robert & Veronica Fahv

\$ 100.00

In Memory of Bella Bilan Robert & Veronica Fahy

\$ 100.00

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..."

CHRISTMAS RADIO BROADCAST - CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED!

We are always very appreciative of our organizations - K of C, UCBC and UCWLC who continue to support this endeavour 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 Broadcast. *The choir will acknowledge all donors in the Bulletin*.



EPARCHY OF SASKATOON VIBRANT PARISHES: COVENANT OF CARE ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT PROTOCOL

Covenant of Care 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

Patriarch Sviatoslav Shevchuk in his Pastoral Letter (Dec. 2, 2011) states that the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church functions on the principles of "The Vibrant Parish – a place to encounter the living Christ" -- working to build communities that are rooted in love. We hereby affirm that in order to

maintain these vibrant communities that proclaim and follow Christ, it is imperative to build on a foundation of trust. This *Covenant of Care* 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. This protocol strives to provide proactive protection for:

- · children, youth and vulnerable adults, and
- those who minister, including clergy, employees and church volunteers.

The *Abuse and Misconduct Protocol* is designed to ensure that allegations of physical and sexual abuse and other misconduct are handled responsibly, transparently and with all due care and attention.

To speak to someone about a concern related to the Covenant of Care, please contact Deb Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at 306-653-0138 ext. 228.

The Eparchial Covenant of Care information is available on our Eparchial website: www.skeparchy.org on the Home Page "Covenant of Care" icon.

As well as under Policies and Procedures under the Eparchy tab: http://www.skeparchy.org/wordpress/about-us/policies-and-procedures/





Церква Матері Божої Неустанної Помочі St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

Порядок Богослужень 2016-2017 Schedule of Service



SATURDAY	D ECEMBER 24 ГРУДНЯ	Субота
ATURDAY	D ECEMBER 24 ГРУДНЯ	Субо

Christmas Eve (Fast Day) - Навечер'я Різдва (Піст)

God is With Us Service (Eng)8:00 pmВелике Повечеря (Анг)Divine Liturgy8:30 pmСлужба Божа (Анг)God is With Us Service (Ukr)10:30 pmВелике Повечеря (Укр)Divine Liturgy (Ukr)11:00 pmСлужба Божа (Укр)

Sunday December 25 Грудня Неділя

Christmas Day - Різдво

Divine Liturgy (Ukr)9:00 amСлужба Божа (Укр)Divine Liturgy (Eng)11:00 amСлужба Божа (Анг)

Монрам December 26 Грудня Понеділок

Sobor of the Blessed Mother - Собор Прес. Богородиці

Divine Liturgy9:00 amСлужба БожаDivine Liturgy7:00 pmСлужба Божа

Tuesday December 27 Грудня Вівторок

Feast of St. Stephen - св. Стефана

Divine Liturgy9:00 pmСлужба БожаDivine Liturgy7:00 pmСлужба Божа

Христос Раждається!



SATURDAY DECEMBER 31 ГРУДНЯ СУБОТА

Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Служба Божа

(Anticipated for Circumcision/St. Basil the Great)

Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Служба Божа (Анг)

Sunday January 1 Січня Неділя

Circumcision of Our Lord - Обрізання Г.Н.І.Х. St. Basil the Great - Сь. Василія Великого

Divine Liturgy (Ukr)9:00 amСлужба Божа (Укр)Divine Liturgy (Eng)11:00 amСлужба Божа (Анг)

Thursday January 5 Ci4ha

ЧЕТВЕР

Theophany Eve (Fast Day) Навечеря Богоявлення (Піст)

Solemn Water Blessing Врочисте Водосвяття

Divine Liturgy (Eng) 6:00 pm Служба Божа (Анг)

Parish Potluck Supper to Follow

FRIDAY JANUARY 6 CI4HR

П'ятниця

Theophany (Jordan) - Богоявлення (Йордан)

Solemn Water Blessing Врочисте Водосвяття

Divine Liturgy (Ukr) 9:00 am Служба Божа (Укр)

Christ Is Born!

Слава Ісусу Христу!

Сьогодні розповім вам про **Вифлеємський Вогонь Миру** — це вогонь, що постійно горить у Вифлеємі в яскині на місці народження Ісуса Христа. Світло Вифлеємського Миру є символом тепла, миру, злагоди, душевного спокою та любови до людей і до світу.

Акцію поширення Вифлеємського Вогню Миру започаткувала о́ 1986 року австрійська телерадіокомпанія ОRF з міста Лінц. Із самого початку акція планувалася з метою підтримки неповносправних дітей та усіх, хто потребує допомоги та уваги в передріздвяний час. Цю благородну справу відразу взяли в свої руки австрійські скаути, які бе-



руть Вогонь з Вифлеєму і в спеціальній лампаді транспортують його літаком до Австрії. Після урочистостей у віденському Кафедральному соборі вони передають Вогонь з рук в руки до сусідніх країн. Вифлеємський Вогонь Миру мандрує через багато кордонів і потрапляє до всіх, хто чекає на світло надії у переддень Різдва Христового.

В листопаді 2000 року, коли Вифлеєм охопила війна, виглядало, що Вогонь того року недійде до решти світу, але 12-літній палестинський скаут взяв цей Вогонь з місця Хрѐстового нао̀одження і якось поніс це до кордону. Там від нього Вогонь відібрали ізраїльські скаутипоспішили з Вогнем до аеропорту в Теле Авів' і передали вогонь далі. Ще ніколи слова «Шалом» і «Салаам Алейкум» немали глибокого значення.

Україні Вифлеємський Вогонь Миру вже понад років поширюють українські скаути, **члени Пласту**. Вони везуть Вогонь поїздами й автами від міста до міста і заносять його â церкви, державні установи, школи, дитячі притулки, будинки для старців, лікарні, щоб кожна людина, а особливо ті, хто перебувають далеко від своїх домів під час Різдва, могли відчути тепло Вифлеємської зірки.

Ідея **Вифлеємського Вогню** стала багатьом доповненням під час святкування Різдва. Декотрі люди несуть додому живе полум'я або гасять раз запалену від Вифлеємського Вогню свічку, яку знову запалюють вдома (за твердженням священиків, від цього святість Вогню не втрачається).

Перший раз, що українські скао́ти (пластуни) дістали Вифлеємський Вогонь Миру було 2008-го року. Скаути з Австрії привезли ліхтар з Вогнем на летовише *JFK* в Ню Йорку, щоб передати його американським скао́там, які приїхали автом з Міннеаполісо́. Вогонь поширювався по цілій Америці і Канаді, навіть до Мекс'ко. Цього року Вифлеємський Вогонь Миру знайшов дорогу також і до Вінніпеґу і ми з великою радістю прийняли його до нашої церкви. Він горітиме у нашій церкві до Йордану. Тепер ми починаємо цю традицію тут у нашій церкві Св. Марії в Йорктоні.

Нехай Вогонь Миру буде дійсі́им символом тепла, миру, злагоди, душевного спокою та любови до людей і до світу.

A Traditional



Ukrainian Christmas Liturgy Broadcast

From St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

GX94: 940 AM

Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25th 10:00 am

The 90 minute program will include the Divine Liturgy, Ukrainian Carols and Christmas greetings on behalf of the parish.

If you are not in the listening area, tune in to: www.gx94radio.com (http://cjgx.streamon.fm)

We hope you will tune in to our program.



SURVEY RE: SENIORS' RESIDENCES WITHIN THE EPARCHY

Out of concern for the needs of retired Ukrainian Catholics within the Eparchy and in light of the extensive waiting list for admittance to St. Volodymyr Villa in Saskatoon, and, at a time when issues of health care and end-of-life care are foremost in the minds of legislators, health care providers, and citizens, the Eparchy is interested in finding out whether there is interest among the faithful for an Eparchial initiative that would see the development of a project similar to Saskatoon's St. Volodymyr Villa in Yorkton to serve the Ukrainian Catholic faithful in the South-East quadrant of the Eparchy.

We would appreciate receiving responses from all Ukrainian Catholic adults 50 years of age and older. Please respond to this survey by December 31, 2016.

.ge: _	Contact information:
١.	☐ I would be prepared to retire to a Ukrainian Catholic facility in Yorkton
	☐ I would not be prepared to retire to a Ukrainian Catholic facility in Yorkton
l. If	retired to Yorkton, I would be looking for:
	☐ a life/lease condo to purchase
	☐ an apartment to rent with recreational facilities and optional provision for meals
	□ an assisted living facility
	☐ I am already on the waiting list for St. Volodymyr Villa in Saskatoon
	☐ I am not on the waiting list for St. Volodymyr Villa in Saskatoon
omn	nents:

**Please place the completed surveys in the collection plate or drop off at the Parish Office. Thank you.