DATE	Тіме	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT Nov 25	5:00 pm English	Sr. Suzanne Kokuruds		Paul Shewchuk Andy Mathuik	
Sun Nov 26 25th Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 am Ukrainian	Lorne Stechyshyn	Ed Pindus	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood	
	11:00 am English	Terry Ruf	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Terry Ruf Nadia Ruf	Iris Skehar
SAT DEC 2	5:00 pm English	Delores Oucharek		Lionel Fedorowich Steven Hrynkiw	
Sun Dec 3 26th Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 am Ukrainian	lvan Bachynskyy	Lorne Stechyshyn	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood	
	11:00 am English	Elizabeth Zahayko	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Mike Smud Bill Krywulak	Iris Skehar

SUNDAY	Received in 139 Regular Envelopes\$ 2,347.00
COLLECTION	Received in 139 Regular Envelopes
	Received in 6 Other Envelopes\$ 242.00
2017	Received in 49 Christmas Flowers Envelopes \$ 489.00



#### COVENANT OF CARE ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT PROTOCOL

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Covenant of Care Abuse and Misconduct Protocol is designed to ensure that all 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 please contact your

Pastor, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) *Geraldine Koban* at 306-782-0270 or *Deb Larmour*, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at (306)653-0138 ext. 228 or email: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org

More information is available on the Eparchial Website, www.skeparchy.org

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#### ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH BULLETIN

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Христос Посеред нас!

Є і буде!

Christ is Among Us!
He is and will be!



The parish community of St. Mary's extends a warm *Welcome - Вітаємо* 

to everyone who is with us today, especially all visitors. We are pleased that you have come to pray with us this Sunday. May the Lord bless You.

#### Pastoral Care of the Ukrainian Redemptorists

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

**OFFICE HOURS** Monday - Friday 9:15 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

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

#### **W**EEKDAYS

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

#### Dear Beloved Parishioners and Guests,

Unfortunately, for many of us, as the days before the Birthday of Christ get fewer, anxiety and stress grow greater. The serenity of ancient Bethlehem, lyric-ized in Christmas carols, is in sharp contrast to the growing pandemonium that pervades shopping malls across the country. With a month remaining, it would be good to plan a *prayerful preparation* for this *Christ-mas* and for those that follow in the future.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Begin by asking what Christmas really means to you.

Examine past celebrations of Christmas. What *spirit* has pervaded? Based on this, determine what elements are important to retain, which are *superficial* and *unnecessarily* clutter your celebration.

Christmas is **first** and most importantly a **spiritual experience**. If we honestly look at the significance of the Feast, we might have to admit that the spiritual aspect has often been overwhelmed by material considerations. If this is the case for you, then it's time to do some "**Christmas house-cleaning**."

The <u>first step</u> is to get the **spiritual significance** into better focus. A few ideas: regular Scripture reading, time for daily prayer and reflection, journal writing or some other spiritual activity. Be reasonable with the time and effort you can devote, but be determined to sharpen up this spiritual dimension.

Once the spiritual preparations are in focus, then plan the material approach. Make a list of the usual Christmas preparations. These might include sending cards, purchasing gifts, decorating, visiting friends and relatives, and special baking too. Determine which activities you want to maintain, which could be cut out or pared down to more manageable proportions.

We often do things *out of habit* rather than thinking through the reason for doing them. *Do you really need to send as many cards as in the past?* Could you address the envelopes early and work on the cards during a specific time set aside each day?

As a way of keeping the cost of Christmas *gifts* more reasonable and avoiding endless trips to the store, many families exchange names and buy *one person* a gift.

Others donate the money they would have spent on gifts to a favorite charity. Some leave the decorating until Christmas Eve, perhaps keeping the decorations to one area of the house. Prudent limits in baking, visiting, and other activities might also be considered. The guidelines can be summoned up: "All things in moderation"!

Let me make it clear that I am not trying to be *Scrooge* about the beautiful traditions of the season. The point is to use *"common sense"*. Does the activity contribute to or detract from the celebration of **Jesus' birth**? Be honest with yourself!

Don't get discouraged if all of this doesn't work out overnight. **Advent is a time of preparation.** The fact that you are serious enough to want to do something is essential to good preparation and ensures a more **beautiful holy Christmas!** 

May this **Advent** truly be a time of peaceful preparation for the **Prince** of **Peace**. Let us welcome Him ever so warmly!



UPCOMING EVENTS				
December 3	First Solemn Holy Communion Class	9:45 am		
December 3	Bible Study DVD Series (Church Basement)	10:00 am		
December 3	Knights of Columbus Brunch 10:15 a	nm & 12:15 am		
December 4	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm		
December 4	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm		
December 6	Feast of St. Nicholas			
December 6	Knights of Columbus Bingo	7:00 pm		
December 9	Feast of the Immaculate Conception			
December 11	Cultural Centre Board Meeting	6:00 pm		
December 13	Holy Rosary Hour	12:00 Noon		
December 16	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Bingo	7:00 pm		
December 17	First Solemn Holy Communion Class (plus - Parents' Class & Meeting)	9:45 am		
December 17	Bible Study DVD Series (Church Basement)	10:00 am		
December 18	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting	7:00 pm		
December 19	Parish Council Meeting	7:00 pm		
December 25	Nativity of Our Lord			
December 26	Sobor of the Mother of God			
December 27	Feast of St. Stephen			
December 27	Knights of Columbus Bingo	1:00 pm		
December 28	Golden Agers Birthdays and Anniversaries	1:00 pm		
January 1	Circumcision of Our Lord - St. Basil's - New Year's			
January 5	Vigil of Theophany Solemn Water Blessing & Divine Liturgy			
January 6	Feast of Theophany			



#### St. Gerard's CWL

#### "CHRISTMAS SPARKLE" TEA AND BAKE SALE



SATURDAY, DECEMBER  $2^{ND}$  \* 2:00 - 4:00 PM \* ST. GERARD'S PARISH COMPLEX Bring a friend and enjoy tea, sandwiches and dainties, then shop for Christmas Baking,

Christmas Pudding, Potato Bags, Rice Bags, and "holiday sparkle" with gently-used jewellery, purses and scarves!

ADMISSION IS \$5.00 EVERYONE IS WELCOME! PROCEEDS GO TO PALLIATIVE CARE



# MUSÉE UKRAINA MUSEUM INC. 2018 CASH LOTTERY CALENDARS

Cost \$20 Each for 365 draws

Available from: Parish Office 306-783-4594 Joyce Kniaz 306-621-8827 Peter Moroz 306-783-6293 Makes a great birthday, anniversary or Christmas gift.



# CHRIST THE TEACHER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS November 27 - Dec 1

	SACRED	St.	St.	ST.	St.	St.
	HEART	ALPHONSUS	Mary's	MICHAEL'S	Paul's	THEODORE'S
Mon					Time Capsule Opening 9:00 am	
TUES						
WED		Gr. 7 & 8 to Little Mermaid			Gr. 7 & 8 to SHHS Musical	
		Growing Smiles Plant Pick up 3-5:30 pm				
Thurs	Little Mermaid				SCC Hot Lunch	
	7:00 pm					
FRI	Little Mermaid				SCC Christmas Basket Items	
	7:00 pm				Due	



Sacred Heart High School presents

# DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID

Thursday, November  $30^{\text{TH}}$  @ 7:00 pm Friday, December  $1^{\text{ST}}$  @ 7:00 pm Saturday, December  $2^{\text{ND}}$  @ 2:00 pm Sunday, December  $3^{\text{RD}}$  @ 2:00 pm

SACRED HEART PERFORMING ARTS THEATRE

Tickets available from SHHS Office, Investors Group, M & M Meats \$15 Advance Tickets \$20 at the Door

#### YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

#### Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

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

CALDER	Sunday, November 26	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
MELVILLE	Sunday, November 26 Sunday, December 3 Sunday, December 10	No Divine Lit 10:00 am No Divine Lit	Divine Liturgy

#### 25<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**NOVEMBER 26, 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 in the
Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings
booklets that are found at the entrances of the church.

Next Week's Readings: Epistle - Ephesians 5:8-19 Gospel - Luke 12:16-21

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S			
SUNDAY	9:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm	$\omega$	
TUESDAY THURSDAY SATURDAY	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm 1:00 pm 9:00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Golden Agers Birthdays and Anniversaries Divine Liturgy Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Bingo	

**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.* 

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



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

St. Mary's UCWLC

# \*\*CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE TODAY - Sunday, November 26th 1:00 pm



St. Mary's Cultural Centre Traditional Ukrainian

Perogies, Cabbage Rolls, Borscht, Kolachi, Christmas Baking & More

\*\* Free Admission \*\*

Christmas Raffle Baskets

Coffee/Tea & Dessert \$3.00



#### **DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

25th Sunday after Pentecost		Ephesians 4:1-6 ~ Luke 10:25-37
<b>MON Nov 27</b>	Great Martyr James	
8:00 am	+Fred Bodnaryk	Jerry & Toni Gromnisky
8:00 am	+Norman Yasinsky	Knights of Columbus
<b>TUE Nov 28</b>	Venerable Stephen	1 Timothy 1:8-14 ~ Luke 14:25-35
8:00 am	+John Achtemichuk	Anne & family
8:00 am		Alice & family
WED Nov 29	Martyrs Paramon & Philumenes	1 Timothy 1:18-20,2:8-15 ~ Luke 15:1-10
8:00 am	+Stella Uhryn	June Malinsky
8:00 am	+Russell Blischak	Stella Hardybala
8:00 am	+Mary Lukash	David & Sharon Uhryn
THU Nov 30	Apostle Andrew	1 Corinthians 4:9-16 ~ John 1:35-42
8:00 am	Members & Families	Knights of Columbus
8:00 am	Health & Spiritual Welfare for Walter	& Anne MyskoN.N.
8:00 am	Health for Audrey Balaberda	N.N.
FRI Dec 1	Prophet Nahum	1 Timothy 4:4-8 ~ Luke 16:15-18,17:1-4
8:00 am	Reparation to the Immaculate Hear	t of MaryBlue Army
8:00 am 🖚	Health & God's Blessings for the Gui	rica & Lukie FamiliesOllie & Ernie Gurica
8:00 am	God's Blessings for Ann Tomcala	Fran Uhryn
SAT Dec 2	Prophet Habacuc	Galatians 3:8-12 ~ Luke 13:19-29
9:00 am	+Jean Sakundiak	Teresa & Ben Uhryn & family
5:00 pm	Health & God's Blessings for Rita Dia	kowGrace Chorney & family

**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 New **Eparchial Stipend Schedule** (effective November 1, 2017), the recommended **stipend** (offering) for a Divine Liturgy Intention is now \$20.00.



# CHRISTMAS RADIO BROADCAST - CONTRIBUTIONS WELCOMED!

The Christmas 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 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.



### Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



#### Balance of the Fund to date: \$ 323,345.22 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..."

## Collection for Orphanages in Ukraine - 2017 December $2^{\text{ND}}$ & $3^{\text{RD}}$

We will have a collection for Orphanages in Ukraine on the weekend of December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> during the Divine Liturgies.

(If you wish, you may use the special envelope in your offering envelopes)

The Sisters will purchase the required gifts for the children in the Orphanage. A tax receipt can be given out if you include your envelope number with your donation.

Please make your cheques payable to: St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church.

Please give generously,
as these children are in need and appreciate their Canadian Gift.

#### USHERS & EPISTLE READERS URGENTLY NEEDED!

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.



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUNDAY BRUNCH



Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Mary's Cultural Centre

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

\*ADULTS \$10.00 \* CHILDREN (12 & UNDER) \$6.00 \* FAMILY \$30.00 \* CHILDREN (5 & UNDER) FREE \*

The Knights Would Appreciate your Support! Everyone Welcome!