



Rev. Yevhen Zadorozhnyi, CSsR
1996 – October 13 – 2021



We are grateful to you for sharing 25 years of loyal and loving service to the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (The Redemptorists) and the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Saskatchewan, and in the Lviv Province in Ukraine. May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look kindly upon you and give you peace for many years to come.

Многая і Благая Літа!

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT APR 24	5:00 pm English	Tom Abrametz	Tom Abrametz	Julie Abrametz Gwen Bilyk	
SUN APR 25 <i>Sunday of the Paralytic</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Halyna Tsymbali	Lorne Stechyshyn	Victor Puchala Vickie Puchala	
	11:00 am English	Kathy Rusnak	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Bob Rusnak Kathy Rusnak	Iris Skehar
SAT MAY 1	5:00 pm English	Sr. Suzanne Kokoruds	Sr. Suzanne Kokoruds	Gerry Smysnuik Gwen Bilyk	
SUN MAY 2 <i>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Harry Kardynal	Lorne Stechyshyn	Steve Popowich Sonia Popowich	
	11:00 am English	Terry Ruf	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Terry Ruf Nadia Ruf	Iris Skehar

SUNDAY COLLECTION	Received on 56 Regular Envelopes (Apr 11).....	\$ 1,360.00
	Received on 43 Regular Envelopes (Apr 18)	\$ 1,547.00
APR 11 2021	Received in Loose Collection	\$ 9.00
APR 18, 2021	Received in 6 Other Envelopes	\$ 260.00

“Pre-Authorized Giving” for April 2021 \$3,040.00

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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 25 & MAY 2, 2021

Christ is Risen !

Indeed He is Risen !

Христос Воскрес !

Воістину 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

****NEW OFFICE HOURS****

Tuesday - Thursday

****9:00 am - 12:00 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

WEEKDAYS

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

*** Please check in the bulletin for the Co-Vid Safety Procedures**



New Co-Vid measures for all Saskatchewan

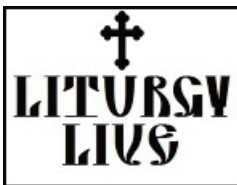
These restrictions apply to all places in Saskatchewan. Both of these measures are a return to the guidelines in effect earlier this year.

1. Effective Friday, April 16th, all places of worship in Saskatchewan will be limited to a maximum capacity of 30 persons. All existing provisions including 2 metre distancing, hand sanitizing, masking, and contact tracing will remain in effect: (Places of worship guidelines). **For clarity:** the regulations permit concurrent meetings, but the combined capacity within the facility may not exceed 30 persons; the capacity limit applies to all persons within the place of worship except clergy/religious leadership and key staff/volunteers. Please keep this number as low as possible.

2. Effective immediately, April 13th, all private indoor gatherings are prohibited immediately. Residents may not expand their household "bubble". All indoor gatherings are restricted to immediate household members only.

Reminder: outdoor public gatherings are limited to 10 people, provided physical distancing between households can be maintained.

These measures are included in the current public health order that expires on May 10th. We can expect further information on the renewal of the health order next week.



Liturgy Live – Welcome to the current Livestream/Recorded Liturgical Services from our parishes in our Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon. If you are unable to attend Divine Liturgies and other Services due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, or if you are away, join us for services directly from our Eparchial Website **Home Page** by clicking on the "Liturgy Live" icon. The following parishes are now providing livestreaming & recorded services:

- Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George, Saskatoon, SK | Website»
- Ukrainian Catholic Church of Dormition of the Mother of God, Saskatoon, SK | Website» | YouTube Channel»» | Facebook»»
- Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Saskatoon, SK | YouTube Channel»»
- St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Regina, SK | Website»» | Facebook»»
- Sacred Heart Ukrainian Catholic Church, Ituna, SK | Facebook»» | YouTube Channel»»

Check out their **Parish Bulletins** for dates and times of Livestream Services (found on the Eparchial Website **Home Page** by clicking the "Parishes" icon or under the **Eparchy** tab.

Live Streaming Services of Ukrainian Catholic Churches in Canada and the World | Royal Doors»»

DEVOTIONS TO BLESSED VASYL VELYCHKOVSKY, CSSR

Live-streamed from the Shrine in Winnipeg, MB

Every Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm (Saskatchewan time)

Please join us in prayer. Here is the link to the broadcasts:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFDzZoGsYeJG1lqgdZyfYMA>



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 13	<i>Feast of Ascension of Our Lord</i>	
May 18	Parish Council Meeting via ZOOM	7:00 pm
May 22	<i>All Souls Saturday</i> - Divine Liturgy with Sorokousty	9:00 am
May 23	<i>Pentecost</i>	
May 23	Grave Blessing at Yorkton City Cemetery	
May 30	Grave Blessing at Yorkton Memorial Gardens	

"THE CONVERSATION": A weekly Zoom call with Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSSR, Bishops, Clergy and Featured Speakers, and a number of the faithful, as we gather to discuss many topics and field questions from people. **Join us every Thursday evening from 5:00 – 7:00 pm (CST) Watch Livestreaming at: Tranquillight Calling** - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCf39034kKgMTZI_hacrM9nA

Email your questions and receive the Zoom link ucconversation@gmail.com

Questions or concerns on the Church Housekeeping or Groundskeeping?

Our contractors have reviewed the enhanced duties (due to COVID-19 regulations) for housekeeping and are following them closely. Parish Council appreciates their diligence during this pandemic to ensure our church is sanitized between Divine Liturgies. Thank you for removing the snow so quickly and trying to keep the ramp and entrances safe and clean.

If Parishioners have concerns or questions regarding the housekeeping or groundskeeping, please contact **Doreen Rathgeber** at **306-621-1522** or email her at **doreenrathgeber19@sasktel.net**. We ask that you do not call our contractors directly, but follow the proper protocol regarding communications. Thank you.



Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

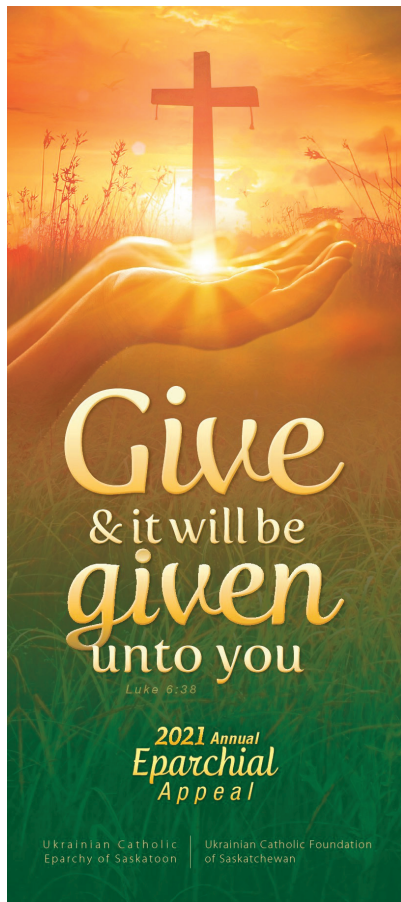
****Please note: this schedule is subject to change, please check regularly****

INSINGER (St. Nicholas)	Saturday, May 1	7:00 pm	Easter Divine Liturgy (Julian)
	Sunday, June 13	11:00 am	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, 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.



2021 ANNUAL EPARCHIAL APPEAL WEEK 3

The Annual Eparchial Appeal supports many important ministries and programs. Today, the Parish Bulletin Insert features the program offered through the Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre – the Eparchial Faith Formation Program. Please take this opportunity to learn about this ministry and all it has to offer. They provide significant benefits, not only to our Eparchy as a whole, but more particularly to our own Parish.

We would also like to remind you to watch the 2021 Annual Eparchial Video again at home. Access to the video, as well as much more information on the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal, is available on the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan website at www.ucfsask.org.

If you have not yet made your pledge, we humbly and respectfully please ask you to consider making a pledge or one-time gift.

Did you know that there is more than one way to give to the Annual Eparchial Appeal?
You can:

- * *Make a one-time gift.*
- * *Make a pledge and spread out your pledge over 12 (or less) monthly payments.*
- * *Have your donation matched by your company with a Corporate Matching Gift.*
- * *Online donations using the QR code which links directly to the UCFSask website.*



If you have any questions or comments regarding the Eparchial Appeal or the Foundation itself, please contact the **Foundation Office at 306-653-0138, ext 223.**



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD 2021 UCBC EPARCHIAL RAFFLE



10 Prizes - \$100.00 each 1 Prize of \$500.00 1 Prize of \$1,000.00

Draw Date: Sunday, December 5, 2021 at St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Regina, SK

Tickets: 3 for \$5.00 or \$25.00 for the book Maximum tickets sold 3,750

For tickets please contact:

Peter Moroz 306-783-6293, Dave Spelay 306-621-3360, Glen Tymiak 306 -783-7040

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SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

APRIL 25, 2021
MAY 2, 2021

Христос Воскрес !
Воістину Воскрес !



Christ is Risen !
Indeed He is Risen !

*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.*

*Please remember: the **Divine Liturgy Book** you use is yours to use for the duration of the Covid Procedures. Please remember to **take it home** and **bring it back to use next time.***

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARY'S

SUN	APR 25	Sunday of the Paralytic Man
		9:00 am Divine Liturgy (<i>Ukrainian</i>)
		11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy (<i>English</i>)
SAT	MAY 1	9:00 am Divine Liturgy
		5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy
SUN	MAY 2	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
		9:00 am..... Divine Liturgy (<i>Ukrainian</i>)
		11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy (<i>English</i>)
SAT	MAY 8	9:00 am Divine Liturgy
		5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy

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.***



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

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon.** The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, May 9th. Please call the Parish Office in the mornings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or email your information to st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

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

Вічна Память God Grant Her Eternal Rest Вічна Память

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

Sunday of the Paralytic Man *Acts 9:32-42 ~ John 5:1-15*
MON APR 26 Priest Martyr Basil *Acts 10:1-16 ~ John 6:56-69*

8:00 am +Bill Lesko.....Adeline
TUE APR 27 Priest Martyr Simeon *Acts 10:17-33 ~ John 7:1-13*

8:00 am +Ellen Lukey and +Sandra Boyda.....Brian & Sandi
WED Apr 28 Mid-feast Wednesday *Acts 14:6-18 ~ John 7:14-30*

8:00 am +Harry Adam.....Harry & Evelyn Kardynal
THU APR 29 9 Martyrs of Cyzice *Acts 10:34-43 ~ John 8:12-20*

8:00 am +Gerald Holowaty.....William & Sylvia
FRI APR 30 Apostle James *Acts 12:1-11 ~ Luke 5:1-11*

8:00 am   God's Blessings for Doreen Rathgeber.....UCFSASK Board & Staff
SAT MAY 1 Prophet Jeremias *Acts 12:1-11 ~ John 8:31-42*


9:00 am Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary..Prayer Apostolate of Fatima

5:00 pm Members and Families.....Knights of Columbus

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 2


Sunday of the Samaritan Woman *Acts 11:19-26,29-30 ~ John 4:5-43*
MON MAY 3 Venerable Theodosius *Hebrews 13:7-16 ~ Matthew 11:27-30*

8:00 am  +Mark Kardynal (1 Year).....Harry & Evelyn & family
TUE MAY 4 Martyr Pelegia *Acts 12:25-13:12 ~ John 8:51-59*

8:00 am +Chris Gray.....Karen Chopty
WED MAY 5 Martyr Irene *Acts 13:13-24 ~ John 6:5-14*

8:00 am +Tom and +Lena Yaginiski.....Brian & Sandi
THU MAY 6 Venerable Job *Acts 14:20-27 ~ John 9:39-10:9*

8:00 am +Deceased family members of the Yawney family.....Family
FRI MAY 7 Apparition of the Holy Cross *Acts 15:5-34 ~ John 10:17-28*

8:00 am  +Geraldine Koban.....St. Mary's Parish Council
SAT MAY 8 Apostle & Evangelist John 1 *John 1:1-7 ~ John 19:25-27;21:24-25*

9:00 am Health for Lionel Fedorowich.....Laurie Fedorowich & family

5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Vi & Ben Kluk.....Friend

Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations

In Memory of Leslie Shumay

Curtis & Rose Maleschuk \$25.00



Balance of the Fund to date: \$344,963.90 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

ST. MARY'S CHURCH DONATIONS

In Memory of Katie Blahut

Nick & Lorraine Maduck \$100.00

In Memory of Leslie Shumay

Joel & Lynel Martinuk \$100.00 Dennis & Lorraine Biblow \$ 25.00

Emil & Sonya Biblow \$ 25.00 Ivan & Evelyn Biblow \$ 25.00

Thank you for your donations!

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..."**

Musée Ukraina Museum Inc. 2021 Lottery Winners for January

\$20.00 Winners: Ken Shumay-Brandon(MB), Lorraine Slater-Vancouver(BC), Pamela Hilkewich-Alvena, Grace Hryniuk-Prud'homme, Tony & Joanna Mazyn-Regina, St. Peter & Paul UCWLC-Saskatoon, Maria Melnyk-St. Catherines(ON), Margaret Gobolos-St. Benedict, Evelyn Karain-Saskatoon, Eleanor Provo-Saskatoon, Ted Pipchuk-Yellow Creek, Ed & Liz Werbicki-Saskatoon, Harry & Joyce Boyko-Alvena, St. Basil's UCBC-Regina, Henry & Lorraine Mandziak-Westbank, Ward Pederson-Regina, Ivar & Jean Orenchuk-Regina, Sally Sandy-Saskatoon, Wade Kindrachuk-Saskatoon, Elaine Smyncniuk-Saskatoon, Mary Omelan-Wakaw, Bill & Sandi Chomyn-Pogo, Breanne Jamieson-Calgary(AB), Tricia Saul-Lumsden.

\$50.00 Winners: Isla Trawick-Calgary(AB), Harold Larson-Summerland(BC), Danae Lord-Crystal Springs, Dustin Holinaty-Air Ronge. **\$100.00 Winner:** Klarissa Komarnicki-Saskatoon. **\$200.00 Winners:** Lesia Chalupiak-Preeceville, Barry & Diane Syrota-Elfros.

Congratulations to all the winners! The 2021 Calendars are now available.

Lottery License #RR20-0127

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.

**TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR
SUNDAY, APRIL 25
SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN**



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

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.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Kondak, tone 3: With your divine protection, O Lord,* as You once raised the Paralytic, now lift up my soul* paralyzed with all kinds of sin and evil deeds of wickedness,* so that, as saved, I may cry out to You.* “Glory to your might, O merciful Christ.”

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.

Prokimen, tone 1: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You

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

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (9: 32 - 42)

<p>In those days Peter was making numerous journeys, he went -- among other places -- to Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, a paralytic who had been bedridden for eight years. Peter said to him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ cures you! Get up and walk. The man got up at once. All the inhabitants of Lydda and Sharon, upon seeing this, were converted to the Lord. Now in Joppa there was a certain woman convert named Tabitha (in Greek Dorcas, meaning a gazelle). Her life was marked by constant good deeds and acts of charity. At about that time she fell ill and died. They washed her body and laid it out in an upstairs room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples who had heard that Peter was there sent two men to him with the urgent request, Please come over to us without delay. Peter set out with them as they asked. Upon his arrival they took him upstairs to the room. All the widows came to him in tears and showed him the various garments Dorcas had made when she was still with them. Peter</p>	<p>and be glad, O Zion!* And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight* in the resurrection of your Son.</p> <p>Communion Hymn: Receive the Body of Christ; partake of the source of immortality. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> <p>“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.</p> <p>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.”</p>
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go outside; then he knelt down and prayed. Turning to the dead body, she said, "Rise up." She opened her eyes, then looked at Peter and sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her to her feet. The next thing he did was to call in those who were bound to show them that she was alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people came to believe in the Lord. Peter and Barnabas went to the synagogues and preached to the people all about the Lord Jesus.

Alleluia Verses: *The favors of the Lord I will sing forever, through all generations. For you have said: my kindness is established forever.*

Gospel: John 5: 1 - 15:

At that time Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Pool there is a place with the Hebrew name Bethesda. It's five porticoes were crowded with sick people lying there blind, lame or disabled, waiting for the movement of the water. For from time to time an angel of the Lord used to come down into the pool; and the water was stirred up, so the first one to get in was healed of whatever sickness he had had. There was one man who had been sick for thirty eight years. Jesus, who knew he had been sick a long time, said when he saw him lying there, "Do you want to be healed?" "Sir," the sick man answered, "I do not have anyone to plunge me into the pool once the water has been stirred up. By the time I get there, someone else has gone in ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up! Pick up your mat and walk!" The man was immediately cured; he picked up his mat and began to walk. The day was a sabbath. Consequently, some of the Jews began telling the man who had been cured, "It is the sabbath, and you are not allowed to carry the mat around." He explained, "It was the man who cured me who told me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.' " "This person who told you to pick it up and walk," they asked, "who is he?" The man who had been restored to health had no idea who it was. The crowd in that place was so great that Jesus had been able to slip away. Later on, Jesus found him in the temple precincts and said to him: "Remember, now, you have been cured. Give up your sins so that something worse may not overtake you." The man went off and informed the Jews that Jesus was the one who had cured him.

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.

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SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN



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

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;

Kondak, tone 8: When the Samaritan woman came to the well with faith,* she beheld You, O Water of Wisdom.* You allowed her to drink in abundance* and glorified her eternally,* for she inherited the heavenly kingdom.

Kondak of the Mid-feast, tone 4: O Christ God, Creator and Lord of all,* when the Paschal Feast was half completed,* You told those present:* "Come and draw the water of immortality."* Let us, therefore, adore You and cry out with faith:* "Grant us your goodness, for You are the Source of our life.

now and for ever and ever. Amen!

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

Verse: *All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God with cries of gladness.*

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (11: 19 - 26, 29 - 30)

In those days those in the community who had been dispersed by the persecution that arose because of Stephen went as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, making the message known to none but Jews. However, some men of Cyprus and Cyrene among them who had come to Antioch began to talk even to the Greeks, announcing the good news of the Lord Jesus to them. The hand of the Lord was with them and a great number of them believed and were converted to the Lord. News of this eventually reached the ears of the church in Jerusalem, resulting in Barnabas' being sent to Antioch. On his arrival he rejoiced to see the evidence of God's favour. He encouraged them all to remain firm in their commitment to the Lord, since he himself was a good man filled with the Holy Spirit and faith. Thereby large numbers were added to the Lord. Then Barnabas went off to Tarsus to look for Saul; once he had found him, he brought him back to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church and instructed great numbers. It was in Antioch that the disciples were called Christians for the first time. This made the disciples determine to set something aside, each according to his means, and send it to the relief of brothers who lived in Judea. They did this, dispatching it to the presbyters in the care of Barnabas and Saul.

Alleluia Verses:

*Bend your bow, prosper and reign for the sake of truth, meekness and justice.
You love justice and hate wickedness.*

Gospel: John 4: 5 - 43:

At that time Jesus came to a Samaritan town named Shechem near the plot of land which Jacob had given to his son Joseph. This was the site of Jacob's well. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down at the well. The hour was about noon. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone off to the town to buy provisions.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew. How can you ask me, a Samaritan and a woman, for a drink?" (Recall that Jews have nothing to do with Samaritans.) Jesus replied: "If only you recognized God's gift, and who it is that is asking you for a drink, you would have asked him instead, and he would have given you living water." "Sir," she challenged him, "you do not have a bucket and this well is deep. Where do you expect to get this flowing water? Surely you do not pretend to be greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us this well and drank from it with his sons and his flocks?" Jesus replied: "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again. But whoever drinks the water I give him will never be thirsty; no, the water I give shall become a fountain within him, leaping up to provide eternal life." The woman said to him, "Give me this water, sir, so that I shall not grow thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." He said to her, "Go, call your husband, and then come back here." "I have no husband," replied the woman. "You are right in saying you have no husband!" Jesus exclaimed. "The fact is, you have had five, and the man you are living with now is not your husband. What you said is true." "Sir," answered the woman, "I can see you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you people claim that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship God." Jesus told her: "Believe me, woman, an hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand, while we understand what we worship; after all, salvation is from the Jews. Yet an hour is coming, and is already here, when authentic worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth. Indeed, it is just such worshipers the Father seeks. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him: "I know there is a Messiah coming. (This term means Anointed.) When he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus replied, "I who speak to you am he." His disciples returning at this point, were surprised that Jesus was speaking with a woman. No one put a question, however, such as "What do you want of him?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar and went off into the town. She said to the people: "Come and see someone who told me everything I ever did! Could this not be the Messiah?" At that they set out from the town to meet him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he told them: "I have food to eat of which you do not know." At this the disciples said to one another, "Do you suppose that someone has brought him something to eat?" Jesus explained to them: "Doing the will of him who sent me and bringing his work to completion is my food. Do you not have a saying: 'Four months more and it will be harvest!?' Listen to what I say: Open your eyes and see! The fields are shining for harvest! The reaper already collects his wages and gathers a yield for eternal life, that sower and reaper may rejoice together. Here we have the saying verified: 'One man sows; another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you had not worked for. Others have done the labour, and you have come into their gain." Many Samaritans from that town believed in him on the strength of the woman's word of testimony: "He told me everything I ever did." The result was that, when these Samaritans came to him, they begged him to stay with them awhile. So he stayed there two days, and through his own spoken word many more came to faith. As they told the woman: "No longer does our faith depend on your story. We have heard for ourselves, and we know that this really is the Saviour of the world."

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.
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!