



# Dormition & District Ukrainian Catholic Parishes

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Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God – **Saskatoon**

Sacred Heart – **Hawruliuke** Sacred Heart – **Vonda** St. John the Baptist – **Smuts** St. John the Evangelist – **Prud'homme**  
St. Volodymyr the Great – **Laniwci** Ss. Peter & Paul – **Bodnari** Ss. Peter & Paul – **Borschiw**

## April 4, 2021 – Easter Sunday/Pascha Христос воскрес! Воістину воскрес!

Dear friends,

This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Peace and God's blessings to you and your family as we celebrate Easter 2021! Unfortunately, I will not be able to see many of you in-person this year, but hopeful you can join the [livestreamed](#) Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy on Easter Sunday. At the end of that Liturgy, I will be blessing Easter baskets for those attending in-person. You are encouraged to bless your baskets at home during the livestream or at an alternative time. Prayers for Easter Basket Blessing can be found [here](#). If necessary, a prayer for simple blessing of water can be found [here](#).

Many of you have reported being vaccinated recently, which is terrific news! Some, however, are less enthused about the vaccine, either for political or ethical reasons. If you are concerned about the ethical implications, [here](#) is a compelling article to soothe your conscience. In short, as a Catholic, you are strongly encouraged to receive a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine for the sake of oneself, our loved ones, and the common good.

Each week we celebrate a Liturgy intention for individual or family members of our parish community (in alphabetical order). It's another way we can pray for each other during these days of being distanced. This week (Sunday, April 11 @ 5:00PM) we pray for the **Lisa Fedorowich**.

Christ is Risen!

Fr. André

## UPCOMING LITURGIES & EVENTS: April 4-11, 2021

Date	Time	Location	Event
<b>Sun, 4 April</b> EASTER SUNDAY	8:00AM	Dormition-Church <a href="#">Livestreamed</a>	Resurrection Matins & Easter Liturgy, followed by Basket Blessing
Mon, 5 April Bright Monday	10:00AM	Dormition-Church <a href="#">Livestreamed</a>	Divine Liturgy: In Thanksgiving
Tues, 6 April Bright Tuesday	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: God's blessings – Luba Lalach (Prayer Partner)
	7:30PM	In-Person or via Zoom	Knights of Columbus Meeting
Wed, 7 April Bright Wednesday	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Nick Chrusch (Rose & Maureen)
Thurs, 8 April Bright Thursday	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: Birthday Blessings – Julius Turta (Marcie)
Fri, 9 April Bright Friday	11:30AM	STM College Chapel <a href="#">Facebook Live</a>	Divine Liturgy: +Brenda Pryputniski (Barb Logan)
Sat, 10 April Bright Saturday	9 :0AM	Dormition-Church <a href="#">Livestreamed</a>	Divine Liturgy: +Koni Lalach (40th Day Memorial)
	5 :00PM	Dormition-Church <a href="#">Livestreamed</a>	Great Vespers
<b>Sun, 11 April</b> Thomas Sunday	9:30AM	Dormition-Church <a href="#">Livestreamed</a>	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: God's Blessings – Lisa Fedorowich

### Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Date	Time	Welcomers	Epistle Reader
4 April	8:00AM	Knights of Columbus	Carol Zubiak
11 April	9:30AM	Lawrence & Ursula Popovitch	Samantha Olenick

### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in these Holy Gifts! I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot receive You now, I place before You my whole life and hope, O loving Master; and I ask, pray, and entreat You: Make me worthy to partake in a mystical way and with a pure conscience of Your awesome and heavenly Mysteries: for forgiveness of sins, for the pardon of offenses, for communion of the Holy Spirit, for the inheritance of the kingdom of heaven, for confidence before You, and not for judgment or condemnation. I embrace You as You enter and abide in me, and I unite myself completely to You. Permeate my soul and body, and never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



### Easter 2021 Message

from His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR  
to the Faithful of the Eparchy of Saskatoon and Toronto & Eastern Canada

**Christ Is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Христос воскрес! Воістину воскрес!**  
**You are invited to view Bishop Bryan's Easter 2021 Message**  
on our [Eparchial website](#) or on [YouTube Channel](#)

Did you know . . . The royal doors and the deacon's doors remain open during Bright Week to show us that because of the Resurrection, heaven has been opened to all. Christ is 'Risen'!

Did you know . . . The royal doors and deacon doors close at Vespers on Bright Saturday, the end of Bright Week, because just like our forefathers Adam and Eve, we cannot remain in paradise in this life, because of our sins. Ours is a life of struggle against our passions, which hold us back from full realization of paradise in this life.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Alex Skakun; Jules Chrusch; Rose Chrusch; Tina Wesolowski; Bill Muzyka; Johanna Bidulka; Albert/Genevieve Zaiachkowski; Al Pobran; Roman Hyshka, Steph Cooley; Nikolas Stefanyshyn; Carlie, Chance and Caitlyn Rothwell; Jim Smith; Al Pobran; Morgan Miller, Kyrell Sopotyk.

Please remember in your prayers those who are in hospitals, care homes and those who are not able to join us actively in our community. If you would like to have your name or a loved one added to the "PLEASE PRAY FOR" list, please call the parish office at 306-652-4837 or send an email to [admin.ducc@sasktel.net](mailto:admin.ducc@sasktel.net).

### NEW 2021 Easter CD:

**"Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Христос Воскрес! Воістину Воскрес!"**



St. Athanasius Parish, Regina, SK, is very pleased to offer a new CD of traditional Easter songs and hymns, in both English and Ukrainian!

This recording was recently completed by several members of our Parish Choir, while following the 2021 pandemic protocols, including wearing masks and physical distancing. This was an intensive labour of love, and the music that resulted is a heartfelt expression of the Joy of the Resurrection that we wish to share with you!

If a digital download is your preference, please contact Father Vasyl at [vasyltymishak@gmail.com](mailto:vasyltymishak@gmail.com) and a link will be sent to you for a download. Words to these songs are on St. Athanasius website:

<https://st-athanasius.ca/nl/liturgical-text/>

Here is a sample of the kind of hymns you can expect to hear on this Easter CD

<https://st-athanasius.ca/nl/new-easter-cd-2021>.

The CD's are available by contacting us at [stathanasius@sasktel.net](mailto:stathanasius@sasktel.net) or by calling our parish office at 306-543-8008 (Tuesday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

We wish you Peace and Joy this Easter Season and beyond!

**Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Христос Воскрес! Воістину Воскрес!**

With Paschal Joy - Singers & Father Vasyl

## Quick Links:

- [Sunday Divine Liturgy Registration \(9:30AM or 5:00PM\)](#)  
(Registration Deadline: 6PM Saturdays. Registration for children 5 & under not required)
- [Livestreamed Liturgy on YouTube](#)
- [Livestreamed Liturgy on Facebook](#)
- Support your parish using [Pre-Authorized Debit \(PAD\)](#)
- Support your parish via E-Transfer: [treasurerdormitionucc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerdormitionucc@gmail.com).

**Retrouvaille helps hurting marriages!** When couples experience difficulties in their marriage, they often feel alone; like there is no one who can help them. Retrouvaille can offer a lifeline to your marriage. Before considering divorce or separation, please try Retrouvaille. For confidential information or to register for the **April 9-11** weekend in Saskatoon, call (306) 652-7155 or e-mail: [retrouvaille@sasktel.net](mailto:retrouvaille@sasktel.net)

### Interested in your child learning a second language? Looking for Kindergarten for your young child?

**Bishop Filevich Ukrainian Bilingual School is hosting a Virtual Open House on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7-8pm.**  
*Please call the school to sign up for the Zoom link.*

The Kindergarten registration form is online:  
<https://www.gscs.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/FIL>

Celebrating **40**  Святкуймо

**Students will achieve functional fluency in both English and Ukrainian, while deepening their knowledge about Ukrainian tradition and culture, enriched by the Byzantine Rite in all of their learning.**

### Benefits of a bilingual education:

- bi- or multi-lingual students tend to have a better memory,
- better problem-solving skills,
- and are generally better at switching between tasks

### About Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools:

Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools provides Catholic education from pre-kindergarten through Grade 12, rooting students in their faith, helping them grow in knowledge, and encouraging them to reach out and transform the world.

**CWL Clothing Depot Hours** - Effective **April 6, 2021**, the Clothing Depot will re-open for sales only on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., and on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The store is limited to six customers at a time. All customers must wear a mask when entering the store and must practice social distancing as required by the Saskatchewan Health Authority. **Starting Thursday, April 29, donation items can be dropped off** on Thursdays only, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the back door of the CWL Clothing Depot, 619 20th Street West, Saskatoon (ring the bell at the back door). Thank you for your patience and ongoing support as the CWL (Catholic Women's League) Clothing Depot strives to serve the needs of both clients and volunteers.

## 2021 EPARCHIAL APPEAL

In Matthew's Gospel (28:19) Jesus tells us to "Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations". The Eparchial Ministries are just one of the tools that we have at our disposal to help us "make disciples", and to help us to nurture, grow and preserve our faith in the Ukrainian Catholic Church and to make our parishes vibrant.

The future sustainability of these Eparchial Ministries is dependent on a fundraising effort through the Annual Eparchial Appeal. Most of the programs offered through the Eparchial Ministries cannot be offered by individual Parishes because of limited resources, both financial and human. That is why it is so critical that the Faithful of our Eparchy continue to collectively ensure that the Eparchy can provide these Eparchial Ministry programs by supporting the Annual Eparchial Appeal.

Thanks to your generosity, prayers and your kind support over the past six years, the Eparchial Appeal has been successful in raising just over \$876,000 to fund Eparchial Ministries. Thank you for helping to strengthen our families. Thank you for helping to form and nurture missionary disciples. Thank you for helping to empower, train and mentor our youth. Thank you for helping to promote the protection of life and God-given dignity for each human person.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Foundation was compelled to cancel the 2020 Annual Eparchial Appeal. We are, however, going full speed ahead with the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal. The **2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal** will kick off on the **April 10<sup>th</sup> weekend** when detailed information regarding the Appeal will be presented.

Within the next two weeks you will be receiving your **Eparchial Appeal Letter Package** in the mail, which will contain detailed information on the various Eparchial Ministries and Programs supported by the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal, and how these will help us to "make disciples".

Now more than ever, it is so important to feed the spiritual needs of all the people. Please consider your support of the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal. Your generosity will be rewarded in many ways as is implied by our theme **"Give & it will be Given unto You!"**

## 2021 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,

*This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it (Psalm 118:24)*

The Easter event is filled with much dramatic activity! The women go to the tomb where Jesus' body was placed. We are told that there was a great earthquake. An angel appears to the women telling them not to be afraid. Jesus is not there. Jesus has been raised. The angel then tells the women, "Go quickly and tell his disciples, He has been raised from the dead, and indeed He is going ahead of you in Galilee. There you will see him" (Mt 28:7). The women began to run from the tomb. They suddenly meet the Risen Christ who tells them not to be afraid. Jesus tells them to "go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me" (Mt 28:10). That same message to go and tell others of what you

have seen and heard, that Jesus, the Messiah, our Saviour, has risen from the dead is repeated again and again in our Easter Sunday Divine Liturgy.

When the eleven disciples went to Galilee, the Risen Christ greets them and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age” (Mt 28:16-20).

This great commandment is directed not only at the disciples. It is directed to all of us, to the followers of Jesus Christ. All of us share in the duty and privilege to announce the Gospel. All of us share in the mission to preach the Good News to all people. Our nature as Church, as the people of God is always missionary. We are all called to evangelize and to give witness to Christ’s presence in the world through action and love. Therefore, the Gospel message is read in so many languages during the Easter Divine Liturgy.

Let us begin by telling our family members of God’s love. Many of our family members experience God’s presence through the light of a dimly lit candle. Sometimes this happens through one’s own choice. At other times, it can happen through circumstances beyond one’s control. Yet, even with a dimly lit candle, there is always hope. Jesus Christ is the Light of the world. Christ can fan the light of that dimly lit candle into a light that burns brightly and is inextinguishable.

With confidence and courage, let each of us share our faith with others. Our faith is a precious gift that has been given to us by Jesus Christ to be shared. It should not be kept to ourselves but shared with others, beginning with our family members whom we love. Together, we are on a mission. May we find hope and courage to go out and preach the Good News. Take as an inspiring example the creativity of many who have provided online sharing of worship and prayer as we responded to the challenges of this pandemic. While the light from gathering in our parishes was dimmed, the light of sharing our faith was illuminated through the internet.

Remember, dear brothers and sisters in Christ, that we do not walk alone in this mission. Jesus Christ promises, “I am with you always until the end of the age” (Mt 28:20). May your hearts be aflame with passion to know the Risen Christ. May you be inspired to share your faith in Jesus Christ with others. May your hearts be filled with overflowing joy on realizing the presence of the Risen Christ within you. May you know the peace of the Risen Christ. May your Easter celebrations be filled with much joy, inner peace, and heartfelt love shared with your family and with all whom you love and meet in the exciting journey of life.

God’s choicest blessings be upon you, because Christ is Risen!

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
- + Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM, Bishop Emeritus of New Westminster
- + Stephen Chmilar, Bishop Emeritus of Toronto