

## 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

#### 27 February 2022 - Forgiveness Sunday

#### Glory to Jesus Christ!

Great Lent begins tomorrow - Monday, February 28. If you are able, a day of strict fast (no meat or dairy) is prescribed. Please consult the Liturgical and Events schedule below to see the variety of prayer and catechetical opportunities being offered for this first week and throughout Great Lent, which includes the return of in-person Bible Study at Dormition Parish on Tuesdays. Also note that our Lenten Mission will be offered on Wednesdays of Great Lent during the Presanctified Liturgy – Fr. Gregory will reflect on the Book of Proverbs.

Have a great week -- Fr. André

## UPCOMING LITURGIES & EVENTS: February 27-March 6, 2022

Date	Time	Location	Event	
Sunday, Feb 27 Forgiveness Sunday	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners	
		<u>Livestreamed</u>		
	11:30AM	Prud'homme-Church	Divine Liturgy & Parish Annual General Meeting	
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Archdeacon Ray Lalach	
Monday, Feb 28 1st Day of Lent	6:30PM	Dormition-Church	Compline for the First Day of Lent	
Tuesday, Mar 1	6:30PM	Dormition-Church	Bible Study: The Acts of the Apostles	
	7:30PM	Dormition-Auditorium	Knights of Columbus Meeting	
Wednesday, Mar 2	9:00AM	Dormition-Auditorium	UCWL Cabbage Roll Making Session	
	4:30PM	Dormition-Church	Confessions	
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Presanctified Liturgy: Health – Marcie Lalach (UCWL) **Lenten Mission I with Fr. Gregory	
Thursday, Mar 3	11:30AM	STM College Chapel	Divine Liturgy: God's Blessings – Students & Staff	
	7:00PM	Via Zoom	Parish Finance Committee Meeting	
Friday, Mar 4	2:00PM	Dormition-Auditorium	Women's World Day of Prayer	
	6:00PM	Dormition-Church	Confessions	
	6:30PM	Dormition-Church	Presanctified Liturgy: God's Blessings - Cyndi Zenkewich	
		<b>Livestreamed</b>	(Prayer Partner)	
Saturday, Mar 5	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Josephine Hrabok (40 <sup>th</sup> Day Memorial)	
	10:00AM	Dormition-Church	Confessions	
	11:00AM	Dormition-Church	Lectio Divina	
	1:00PM	Dormition-Auditorium	Ss. Peter & Paul Bodnari Parish AGM	
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Great Vespers	
	7:00PM	Bishop Pocock School	Jr. Youth Night	
Sunday, Mar 6  1st Sunday of Lent	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners	
		<b>Livestreamed</b>	(Knights of Columbus Prayer to St. Joseph at 9:00AM)	
	11:00AM	Dormition-Church	Dormition Parish Annual General Meeting	
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For the Needs of the Eparchy	

Liturgical Ministry Schedule					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Date</u> <u>Time</u> <u>Welcom</u>		<u>Epistle Reader</u>		
27 February	9:30AM	Iris Beblow & Ruth Serack	Annika Lalach		
	5:00PM	Loran Chrusch	Volunteer		
6 March	9:30AM	Knights of Columbus	Rose Hrycuik		
	5:00PM	Jana Lalach	Volunteer		

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 Fr. Andre, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) Jonathan Abrametz at (306-652-8833 ext. I) or Deborah Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at 306-222-1475 or email: <a href="covenantofcare@skeparchy.org">covenantofcare@skeparchy.org</a>.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...** Alex Skakun; Jules Chrusch; Rose Chrusch; Bill & Lil Muzyka; Johanna Bidulka; Albert Zaiachkowski; Al Pobran; Steph Cooley; Nikolas Stefanyshyn; Carlie, Chance and Caitlyn Rothwell; Jim Smith; Morgan Miller; Kyrell Sopotyk; Elaine Bowman; Janet Loiselle (Maroniuk).

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 <a href="mailto:admin.ducc@sasktel.net">admin.ducc@sasktel.net</a>.

## **Ouick Links:**

- <u>Livestreamed Liturgy on YouTube</u>
- Livestreamed Liturgy on Facebook
- Support your parish using <u>Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)</u>
- Support your parish via E-Transfer: <u>treasurerdormitionucc@gmail.com</u>.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Dormition of the Blessed Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church Sunday, March 6th, 2022 @ 11:00AM

All parishioners are urged to attend in-person. However, if you are medically vulnerable or still reticent about participating in public gatherings, please contact the parish office (306-652-4837 or <a href="mailto:admin.ducc@sasktel.net">admin.ducc@sasktel.net</a>) to request a Zoom link.

If you have small children and want to attend the meeting, please let us know and we will arrange some synchronous programming for our kids in the parish auditorium.

A limited number of printed copies of Annual Reports are available in the parish office.

The digital version is downloadable <a href="here">here</a>.

#### SOROKOUSTY SERVICES - ALL SOULS SATURDAYS

Each Saturday is a traditional day for commemorating the deceased in our Byzantine-Ukrainian Catholic Tradition. But there are also special Saturdays during the liturgical year called "All Souls Saturdays" when we proclaim the names of our deceased relatives and friends within the Divine Liturgy. Services this year will be celebrated at 9:00AM on **March 12th**, **March 19th** and **June 4th**. If you would like to have the names of your deceased relatives mentioned on these dates, or if you wish to renew or add to last year's list, please call the parish office @ 306-652-4837, or stop by the parish office before or after Sunday Divine Liturgy over the next few weeks. Suggested offering is \$10 per family.

Justice & Peace - Lent includes three traditional practices: prayer, fasting and alms giving. This year, our parish Justice & Peace Committee is offering <u>red ribbons</u> to parishioners as a reminder to pray for inclusion of all people, the care of our environment and to reflect on Jesus' suffering and royalty. There also is a plan to receive the <u>Lenten Calendar</u> from Development and Peace to be distributed to each household. This past week a Refugee family from Afghanistan requested help from our community with groceries and some essential household items. If you are able to help, please contact Nadia at <u>reinstad@shaw.ca</u>.

**How to support our brothers and sisters in Ukraine:** The war in Ukraine dominates the news headlines. Ukraine has been in a state of war since 2014, when Russia annexed the Crimean Peninsula and then occupied territories of eastern Ukraine, forcing the displacement of tens of thousands of people from their homes. An estimated 2.9 million people need immediate help, with more than half of them in serious need of medical attention.

How can you help? First, pray. Pray for peace in Ukraine and throughout the world. Second, stay informed. Third, donate to support charitable work being done in Ukraine. Towards this end, Bishop Bryan and the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada recommend the "Catholic Near East Welfare Association" (CNEWA). Donate online or mail your cheque to CNEWA Canada, 223 Main Street, Box 80, Ottawa, Ontario K1S 1C4.

Fr. Gregory will lead a teaching on **Christ our Pascha** Ukrainian Catholic Catechism on Thursdays during the Great Fast from 6:30pm-7:30pm at Musée Ukraina Museum on Avenue M South, **Starting March 3**. This is a live event or via WebEx. Contact the Sisters at the Religious Education Centre (<u>rel.ed@sasktel.net</u> or 306-652-1718) for more info.

Our parish UCWL is hosting the Women's World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM in the church auditorium. The theme is "I Know the Plans I Have for You."

- 2:00pm Video "I Know the Plans I Have for You." A prayerful service prepared by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC)
- 2:45pm Refreshments and fellowship
- 3:15pm Round table discussion: How have we answered the call to serve or support the less fortunate in the past? What is God calling us to do in the future? It will be interesting to hear from women from three other Christian churches as to what activities they have done for charity or what their parish has done for social justice.

**RSVP** is required to confirm numbers. Please call Deb Sorestad 306 221 2908. Public health recommendations in effect will be followed, and people are free to leave at any time. For more information about this international Christian women's organization see <a href="https://www.wicc.org">www.wicc.org</a>.

**Engaging through story telling**: Celebrate stories from both Indigenous and Settler perspectives by joining St. Thomas More College for **Achimo 2022**: **Engaging through Storytelling**. At 3 pm. **Tuesday, March 1** at the St. Thomas More College library, 1437 College Drive, Saskatoon. Hear from Elders and story-tellers Louise Halfe and Mary Lee, story-teller David Neufeld, and hip-hop artist, Eekwol. Register in advance at: https://stmcollege.ca/store/event/achimo-2022-engagingthrough-stories-2/ or contact Gertrude Rompré - grompre@stmcollege.ca.

# Junior Ukrainian Catholic Youth (Grades 6, 7, 8 & 9)

Sponsored by Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, Saskatoon Come to Junior UCY!

Bring your creativity, curiosity, friends, mask, and non-marking indoor shoes (for gym time)

- Each evening typically consists of recreation time in the gym, a faith-related teaching, and really good fellowship.
- It is drop-in, so if your child can't attend this time, they can attend the next session no problem.
- The youth-leaders this year are Anna Maria Simko and Petro Seman, who are both faithful and responsible.

#### Next sessions:

Saturday, March 5th, 7 - 9 p.m. Saturday, March 19th, 7 - 9 p.m.

Location: Bishop Pocock Catholic Elementary School 227 Avondale Road - rear entrance For more information, please contact Anna Maria Simko: email, <a href="mailto:ans745@usask.ca">ans745@usask.ca</a> or Petro Seman: email, <a href="mailto:petroseman@outlook.com">petroseman@outlook.com</a>

# UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD of CANADA (UCBC) BISHOP ROBORECKI BRANCH UCBC YOUTH BOWLING & PIZZA EVENING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Bishop Roborecki Branch (Saskatoon) of the Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada is sponsoring the Annual Youth Bowling and Pizza Evening on Saturday, March 5th, 2022. Young people of our Eparchy are invited and encouraged to take part in this activity. The event will start at 4.00 pm with the Divine Liturgy at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George celebrated by Fr. Ivan Nahachewsky and followed by bowling at Hunter's Fairhaven Bowl till 8.00 pm.

Pizza and drinks will be provided. There is no cost for participants. Shoes are provided at no charge. Registration deadline – Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022. The spots are limited. Register with Eparchial Youth Coordinator Viktoriia Marko at <a href="mailto:uwitness2youth@skeparchy.org">uwitness2youth@skeparchy.org</a> or Bill Gulka at <a href="mailto:uwgulka@sasktel.net">uwgulka@sasktel.net</a>.

Kindergarten Registration for Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools is now open. We look forward to meeting you at one of our in-person open houses or information sessions. Hands-on learning will give your child the foundation they need to learn math concepts, build their language skills, develop a love of reading and writing, and grow in their love of God and neighbour. You can also learn more about our language options (French immersion, Ukrainian bilingual, Cree bilingual, Michif) and our fine arts school. Children must be five years old on or before January 31, 2023, to start school in September 2022 (for the communities of Martensville, Warman, Biggar and Humboldt, five years old on or before December 31, 2022). To learn more or to find a Catholic school near you, visit <a href="https://www.gscs.ca">www.gscs.ca</a>.

Sask. K of C Vocations Endowment Support – The Catholic Bishops of Saskatchewan, in partnership with the Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus, request your financial support for seminarians in Saskatchewan. There are currently 13 seminarians from the Roman Catholic dioceses and Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy in Saskatchewan preparing to become future leaders within the Church. This Vocation Endowment was established to help defray the annual educational cost of over \$30,000 per seminarian. A fundraising campaign will take place in parishes during the first two weeks of February. See <a href="https://saskkofc.foundation">https://saskkofc.foundation</a> for further information or to make an online gift.

# Online Bible Study Sessions with Hieromonk Gregory Hrynkiw, ASTH Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:15 pm

Bible Study – Weekly sessions with Hieromonk Gregory Hrynkiw, ASTH run through to May 31, 2022 [No sessions Apr-19 and May-03], meeting in-person at Dormition Parish and on-line via WebEx with Login from 6:15 pm and the sessions will run from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Fr. Gregory will lead the scripture study on the Acts of the Apostles. To register, please contact the Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre (UCREC) - rel.ed@sasktel.net or calling them at 306-652-1718, 306-653-1897 or 306-380-8509 to receive the WebEx link.

**A "goodwill offering" towards the sessions** can be made by: (1). Cheque made out to Father Gregory Hrynkiw, mailed to the **Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre (UCREC)** 214 Avenue M South, Saskatoon, SK S7M 2K4; (2). Via eTransfer from your bank mobile app or website to <u>asketerion@gmail.com</u> [In the Message, simply type in your name], or (3). PayPal:

Vesna Festival is back on May 7, 2022, with a return to TCU Place Centennial Hall. General Admission \$25; Tables of 8/reserved seating \$300; Sponsorship tables \$800 (this includes homemade Ukrainian food and wine PLUS prime seating)

\*NEW\* \$20 Advanced meal ticket purchasing to ensure availability of Homemade Ukrainian food. There will be limited food available for purchase at the festival. This option is recommended.

**Bands:** Nova Mria & Half Na Piv, plus a spectacular showcase of Saskatchewan's Ukrainian talent. For Information and ticket purchases go to <a href="https://www.vesnafestival.com">www.vesnafestival.com</a>.

This is a festival 2 years in the making. We can't wait to celebrate spring with our community again!

## Appeal of His Beatitude Sviatoslav on outbreak of war

Thursday, 24 February 2022

Today we solemnly proclaim: "Our soul and body offer we for our freedom! With one heart we pray: "Lord, Great and Almighty, protect our beloved Ukraine!"

Beloved in God people of Ukraine!

Our country is in danger again!

The treacherous enemy, despite his own commitments and assurances, breaking the basic norms of international law, as an unjust aggressor, stepped on Ukrainian soil, bringing with him death and destruction. Our Ukraine, which the world fairly called "lands of blood", which has been so many times sprinkled with the blood of martyrs and fighters for the freedom and independence of its people, calls us today to stand up for it - to defend its dignity before God and humanity, its rights for existence and the right to choose one's future. It is our natural right and sacred duty to defend our land and our people, our state and all that is dearest to us: family, language and culture, history and the spiritual world! We are a peaceful nation that loves children of all nations with Christian love, regardless of origin or belief, nationality or religious identity.

We do not infringe upon others and do not threaten anyone, but we have no right to give our own to anyone! At this historic moment, the voice of our conscience calls us all as one to stand up for a free, united and independent Ukrainian State!

The history of the last century teaches us that all those who started world wars lost them, and the idolaters of war brought only destruction and decline to their own states and peoples.

We believe that in this historic moment the Lord is with us! He, who holds in his hands the fate of the whole world and of each person in particular, is always on the side of the victims of unjust aggression, the suffering and the enslaved. It is He who proclaims His holy Name in the history of every nation, captures and overthrows the mighty of this world with their pride, the conquerors with the illusion of their omnipotence, the proud and insolent with their self-confidence. It is He who grants victory over evil and death. The victory of Ukraine will be the victory of God's power over the meanness and arrogance of man! So it was, is and will be! Our holy Church-Martyr has always been and always will be with its people! This Church, which has already survived death and resurrection, as the Body of the Risen Christ, over which death has no power, the Lord gave to his people in the baptismal waters of the Dnipro River.

Since then, the history of our people and its Church, the history of their liberation struggles, the history of the incarnation of God's Word and the manifestation of His Spirit of truth in our culture have intertwined forever. And in this dramatic moment, our Church, as a mother and teacher will be with its children, will protect them and serve them in the name of God! In God is our hope and our victory will come from Him! Today we solemnly proclaim: "Our soul and body offer we for our freedom! With one heart we pray: "Lord, Great and Almighty, protect our beloved Ukraine!"

Holy righteous people, martyrs and confessors of the Ukrainian land, pray and intercede for us before God! God's blessing be upon you!

+ Sviatoslav

Given in Kyiv at the Patriarchal Cathedral of the Resurrection of Christ, February 24, 2021 A.D.