

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**

17 April 2022 - EASTER SUNDAY

CHRIST IS RISEN! Xpucmoc Bockpec!

Brothers and sisters,

This is the Day that the Lord has made! Go to any cemetery or any grave in the world. There you will find buried the remains of the dead. But there is one grave, and one only in the world, that is different. It is the tomb of Christ. It has no remains; in fact, it is empty. There is no monument on this grave. If a monument existed, it would have inscribed on the words: HE IS NOT HERE! HE IS RISEN!

Christ is Risen! That is the cry that re-echoes repeatedly among us today. Notice that we use the present tense in this declaration. We don't say, "Christ was risen", but rather, we declare that His Resurrection is a reality today. This is an event that transcends time and space. Christ IS risen today, and He is risen among us!

On behalf of Luba, Roman and Annika, I wish you and your families a joyful Easter season. May God bless you abundantly and bring you peace!

Fr. André

UPCOMING LITURGIES & EVENTS: April 17-24, 2022

Date	Time	Location	Event	
Sunday, April 17	8:00AM	Dormition-Church	Resurrection Matins, Easter Divine Liturgy & Basket Blessing	
Easter Sunday		<u>Livestreamed</u>		
Monday, April 18 Bright Monday	10:00AM	Dormition-Church	Easter Monday Liturgy: For Our Parishioners	
Tuesday, April 19 Bright Tuesday	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +James Chrusch (40 th Day Memorial)	
Wednesday, April 20	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: Birthday Blessings – Phil (Marianne G.)	
Saturday, April 23 St. George	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Allan Rudyk (10-Year Memorial)	
	11:00AM	Dormition-Church	First Reconciliation: Matviy, Remington, Maria	
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Great Vespers	
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Sunday, April 24 Thomas Sunday	11:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy & 1st Solemn Holy Communion: Matviy, Remington & Maria	
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Shelly Perepeluk (Brenda Airth)	

Ministry Schedule						
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Epistle Reader</u>	Children's Liturgy		
April 17	8:00AM	Parish Executive Members	Darryl Adamko			
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April 24	9:30AM	Darci McLashen & Nadia Stadnyk	Mary MacKinnon	Luke Y. & Eli O.		
	5:00PM	Darryl Adamko	Volunteer			

Date	Church Cleaning	Sunday 9:00AM Rosary Leader	Extraordinary Communion Ministers
April 17	Ina, Morris & Jana		Coming Soon
April 24	MacSorley Family	Jana Lalach	Coming Soon

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.1) or Deborah Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at 306-222-1475 or email: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org.

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; Janet Loiselle (Maroniuk), Emily Woytowich.

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.

Quick Links:

- Livestreamed Liturgy on YouTube; 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>.

Grief Ministry program for widows and widowers:

"From Mourning to Dawn" will hold a spring session **April 5 to May 24**. The times will be determined by program participants, with the program held weekly at the Catholic Pastoral Centre,123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. The facilitators (who have also experienced the death of a marriage partner) engage with participants on an eight-week journey of transformation and healing, offering support and encouragement for bereaved spouses. "From Mourning to Dawn" is open to participants who have been widows/widowers between two months and two years. Cost is \$35. To register or for more information, contact Dianna Knaus at dknaus@sasktel.net or (306) 382-0535.

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].

CWL Clothing Depot in Saskatoon continues to depend on donations. At this time Clothing Depot needs are: cutlery towels, blankets, warm clothing, pots and pans and small appliances in good working condition. Donations may bedropped off weekdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.at the back-alley entrance of the Clothing Depot, which is located at 619 20thStreet West. Volunteers are also needed for a three-hour commitment 12 noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and 9:30 a.m.to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. Call Bea (306) 242-5042 to volunteer.

"Walking with Your Neighbour" adult faith formation Encounter Dessert Night featuring guest speakers Archbishop Donald Bolen of Regina and Chief Cadmus Delorme of Cowessess First Nation will be held in-person at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 28 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon. This Encounter evening includes dessert /coffee; tickets: \$20. Deadline to register is April 22. Register at https://rcdos.ca/dessert or call (306) 659-5836.

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 www.vesnafestival.com.

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

YORKTON ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 50/50 FUNDRAISER

Total prize value of \$10,000; Guaranteed prize of \$2,000 TICKET PRICES

1 FOR \$10.00; 4 FOR \$20.00; 20 FOR \$50.00; 100 FOR \$100.00 20,000 tickets available

ALL TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE AT www.rafflebox.ca

This link can be found on the church website: saintmarysyorkton.com and our Facebook page.



St. Michael's Summer Camps

Come join us for days full of canoeing/kayaking, swimming, arts/crafts, spiritual growth, campfire singing, outdoor games, great food and create long lasting friendships!

MINI Youth Camp (July 7-10) ages 8-13, \$155

Day Camp (July 7, 8, 9) ages 8-13, \$40/day, 9:30am -8:00pm

Youth Camp (July 10-16) ages 8-13, \$300 (early bird \$250)

Teen Camp (July 17-23) ages 13-16, \$300 (early bird \$250)

EARLY BIRD PRICING BEFORE MAY 1st! To register-email camp@stmichaelscamp.com

Interested in donating to our child/youth summer camp programs? Contact us at camp@stmichaelscamp.com to find out how. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Canadian Blood Services: We need your help. In April, we must fill **1200 appointments** to meet patient needs and hospital demands in Saskatoon. I am asking you to please tell your group, congregation about the need for donors & to organize a group donation thru me or individuals can book on their own at blood.ca. Please give like lives depend on it ...because they do.

Your local Canadian Blood Services center is located at 1206 Emerson Ave. To schedule a group donation, please contact Lisa Beechinor at 306-251-0986 or email Lisa.Beechinor@blood.ca. You can also book now at blood.ca.

2022 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,

Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid" (Matthew 28:8)

Easter and the Resurrection: A Journey from Fear to Joy and Hope

Today, we celebrate the glorious Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Today, we rejoice in Christ's victory over sin and death. Today, all things are filled with joy.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord, and as we try to make sense of what it means for us today, let us reflect on the myrrh-bearing women – the first to encounter the news of the Risen Lord, and their incredible journey from fear to joy and hope.

The myrrh-bearing women are the eyewitnesses of Jesus' death and the place of his burial. They are also the witnesses of his resurrection. They are the ones who receive the glorious news from the angel, who tells them, "Do not be afraid; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. Go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you" (Mark 16:6-7).

Yet, in the Gospel of Mark's telling of the Resurrection account, we read: "So the myrrh-bearing women went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid" (Mark 16:8).

"Terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." Fear had the potential to prevent the myrrh-bearing women from fulfilling the task given them by the angel. Fear had the potential to paralyze them, to bind them. Fear brought about in the myrrh-bearing women worry, terror, panic, anxiety, an inability to act. Fear could have prevented us from ever learning about the Resurrection of Our Lord, instead leaving Jesus buried in the tomb forever.

Yet somehow the myrrh-bearing women were able to overcome their fear. Matthew's Gospel tells us: "So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me'" (Matthew 28:8-10).

The fear of the myrrh-bearing women had turned to joy and hope. Their newfound courage and strength transformed them into witnesses and messengers of the Resurrection. Their testimony allowed the Good News of the Word of God to spread and the number of faithful to increase greatly, so much so that today some 2.38 billion people around the world are followers of Christ, that is, one-third of the world's population.

In the context of this year's celebration of the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord, the whole world watches in disbelief and dismay that Ukraine has been invaded by Russia, causing massive destruction and the loss of thousands of innocent lives, many of whom are women and children. The fear of war once again, like that of the myrrh-bearing women, has the potential not only to paralyze the people of Ukraine but the entire world.

Yet, this is clearly not the case. The people of Ukraine have found courage to fight and to defend their families and neighbours amid the chaos that war brings. Furthermore, the people of Ukraine fight bravely not only to defend their nation but the very fabric of freedom and democracy, upholding the fundamental ideals and principles of justice and human dignity that the world values and promotes.

We might ask ourselves just where does the courage of the people of Ukraine come from? The short answer is faith in God and in the Risen Lord. Already in the first century, Saint Andrew the Apostle, according to the chronicle *The Tale of Bygone Years*, erected a cross on the banks of the Dnipro River, prophesying that a great city would be built on its shores – today's city of Kyiv, which has stood through the centuries as a centre of faith and witness to God's love for God's people. For centuries others have coveted these lands, yet each time the people of Ukraine, led by the Church, have emerged victoriously from the catacombs, experiencing Christ's passion and crucifixion, journeying to the Resurrection and the newness of life. In this the people of Ukraine find strength.

Today, fear has the potential to silence the voice of the people of the world. Like the myrrh-bearing women, let us find courage to overcome our fear. Let us continue to speak with one voice and one heart, speaking on behalf of the people of Ukraine

whose voice is being attempted to be silenced by foreign aggressors. Let us speak truth about what is happening in Ukraine, in solidarity and with conviction that war is wrong, and that peace is the only path forward.

Our voice is being heard. The world has responded in an outpouring of prayer for peace in Ukraine and love for its people by providing unprecedented humanitarian aid in response to the world's worst humanitarian crisis since the Second World War.

We pray for peace in Ukraine, and throughout the world. We pray for the people of Ukraine as they endure the war. We pray for their safety and for their families. We pray for those who have left Ukraine and those who remain. We pray for those who have died. May God bless you and may the Mother of God spread her omophorion of protection upon you.

As we celebrate the Feast of the Resurrection, let us be the myrrh-bearing women of today. Like them, let us break free from any fear that holds us back. Let us go tell others, boldly and with courage, of the joy of the Gospel message, of God's love and mercy in the world, so that they too may experience joy and hope in their lives.

As the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops in Canada, we pray that God's grace and love fills your heart, and that of your family and friends, and brings happiness and peace to all people.

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
- + Stephen Chmilar, Bishop Emeritus of Toronto

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SASKATCHEWAN CORPORATION

When: MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022

(NOTE: This will be a virtual meeting via the Zoom meeting facility)

Time: Registration (Sign into Zoom) – 7:00pm to 7:30pm

Annual General Meeting – 7:30pm

Where: This will be a virtual meeting via the ZOOM Meeting facility.

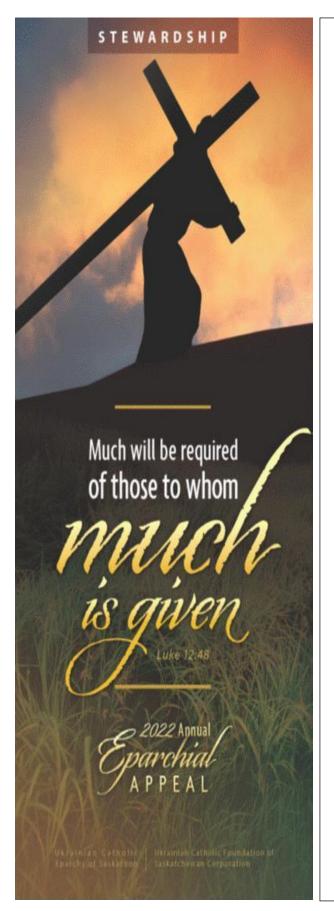
MEMBERS WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MUST REGISTER WITH THE UCFSASK OFFICE VIA EMAIL (<u>ADMIN@UCFSASK.ORG</u>) OR TELEPHONE (306-653-0138, EXT 223) BY NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2022 – 4:00PM. A ZOOM MEETING INVITE WILL BE SENT TO ALL WHO HAVE REGISTERED FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Who: All members of a Ukrainian Catholic parish or mission within the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon who are 18 years of age or older are entitled to participate and vote at the meeting.

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF SASKATCHEWAN CORPORATION Call for Nominations to the Board of Directors of Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan

The Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan is searching for people who are interested in serving on our Board of Directors. To qualify, a person must be 18 years of age or older, a resident of Canada and a member in good standing with a Ukrainian Catholic Parish or Mission within the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon.

The Board has two vacancies from the **Saskatoon Deanery**. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors as a Deanery Representative from the Saskatoon Deanery, please contact the **Office Administrator**, **Iris Owchar at 306-653-0138**, ext 223, or email your intention to admin@ucfsask.org. Each nomination will require a letter of support from your Pastor. **Nominations will close on Thursday**, **April 21**, 2022, at 4:00pm. **D**irectors will be elected at the Annual Meeting on Monday, April 25, 2022.



It seems like yesterday when we wrapped up the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal. Yet here we are ready to embark on the 2022 Annual Eparchial Appeal. This year the Annual Eparchial Appeal will kick-off on April 23rd, 2022 and wrap up on June 4th, 2022. The theme of the 2022 Annual Eparchial Appeal is "For much will be required of those to whom much is given" (Luke 12:48). The theme doesn't only refer to the personal blessings and gifts that have been bestowed on us by God, but also, we must consider the sacrifice that Jesus Christ made for our salvation. Therefore, because of His sacrifice and His great love for us, we are asked to in return to love greatly and use everything He has bestowed upon us for His glory.

The Catholic Church, and by extension, our Eparchy, has the most important mission of any organization in world: to preach the soul- saving Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Eparchial Ministries are just one of the tools that we have at our disposal to help us attain salvation, as well as help us to nurture, grow and preserve our faith in the Ukrainian Catholic Church and to make our parishes vibrant.

Carrying on this mission, of course, takes earthly resources. Those of us who, by God's gratuitous Grace, have received the gift of faith and a new life in Jesus Christ, should naturally want to generously provide what we can to support this desperately important work. Giving back is a way for us to not only affirm that we believe this but to demonstrate it with a concrete action and build virtue in ourselves. We can learn much from the resilience and sacrifice of our Ukrainian people in Ukraine about the importance of our faith and culture.

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. Within the next two weeks you will be receiving your **Annual Eparchial Appeal Letter Package** in the mail, which will contain detailed information on the various Eparchial Ministries and Programs supported by the 2022 Annual Eparchial Appeal. Now more than ever, it is so important to feed the spiritual needs of all the people. Please consider your support of the 2022 Annual Eparchial Appeal. Your generosity will have already been rewarded by the sacrifice made by Jesus Christ for the salvation of your soul.

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