

Christ is among us!
He is and will be!



LITURGY INTENTIONS

Христос посеред нас!
Є і буде!

Sunday, December 7 • 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Ephesians 5: 8-19 ~ Luke 12: 16-21

5:00 pm (Sat.) † Stanley and † Helen Malchuk.....Daughter Sharon
8:30 am For success in my examinations..... Antonia Krasko
10:00 am (HFH) † Kay Kormylo.....Deacon Nicholas Kohuch
11:00 am God's Blessings for St. Joseph's Parishioners.....

Monday, December 8 • Venerable Patapius

1 Timothy 5: 1-10 ~ Luke 17: 20-25

8:00 am † John & † Helen LukieWynn and Harv Edwards
11:00 am (Bethany) No Liturgy.....



Tuesday, December 9 • Immaculate Conception

Galatians 4: 22-31 ~ Luke 8: 16-21

8:30 am God's blessings for good health for Father Frank.....Mary Hamm
11:00 am (Bethany) No Liturgy.....
7:00 pm God's blessings & good health for Tom & Nettie Rodeck.....Darlene and Duane

Wednesday, December 10 • Martyr Mennas (PF of Imm.Concep) 1 Timothy 5:22 - 6:11 ~ Luke 18: 15-17; 26-30

8:00 am God's blessings for UCWLC members.....UCWLC
10:00 am (HFH) God's blessings for Alexander Schaefer.....Bernatsky family
7:00 pm Devotions to Blessed Vasyl and Anointing.....

Thursday, December 11 • Venerable Daniel (PF of Imm.Concep)

1 Timothy 6: 17-21 ~ Luke 18: 31-34

8:00 am Successful surgery and good health for Marcyfriends and family
11:00 am (Bethany) † John ZarudenecSr Joanne

Friday, December 12 • Venerable Spiridion (PF of Imm. Concep)

2 Timothy 1:1-2 ; 8-18 ~ Luke 19: 12-28

8:00 am † Mary Hlady.....Anne, Mary, Michael and James
10:30 am (HFH) † Dr. Roman Buchok.....Moe and Helen
11:00 am (Bethany) No Liturgy.....

Saturday, December 13 • Martyr Eustratius (PF of Imm.Concep) 2 Corinthians 11:21 - 12:9 ~ Luke 21: 12-28

7:30 am (HFH) God's blessings & good health for Sister Oresta.....Bethany Home
8:30 am God's blessings & good health for Olivia Gray.....Family

Sunday, December 14 • Sunday of the Holy Fore-Fathers (PF of Imm.Concep) Colossians 3: 4-11 ~ Luke 14: 16-24

5:00 pm (Sat.) † Anne and † William Chick.....Children & Grand-Children
8:30 am Thanksgiving for God's Blessings.....Marlene and Vladimir
10:00 am (HFH) Health of Bill Bereziuk.....Glicaria Bilinsky
11:00 am God's Blessings for St. Joseph's Parishioners.....

SUNDAY COLLECTION November 30, 2014 THANK YOU! 145 envelopes \$ 3,226.00

Open Collection \$84.70 ; Vigil Lamps \$154.00 ; Outreach \$225.00 ; CCCB \$25.00 ;

Holy Spirit Seminary \$25.00 ; Flowers \$181.00 ; Christmas Offerings \$50.00 ;

We gratefully acknowledge the **Seniors' Club** for their Building & Capital Fund donation \$10,000.00

The Van Committee gratefully acknowledges the **Seniors' Club** for their Van donation \$500.00;

Parishioners who need a ride to Divine Liturgy 5:00pm Saturday (ENG), 8:30am Sunday (UKR), are asked to please call Josie & Rudy 694-8763 or 797-4639 no later than 6:00 pm the evening before.

ST. JOSEPH'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Українська Католицька Парафія Святого Йосифа

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DECEMBER 7TH 2014 • 26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

DECEMBER 9, 2014 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

7 ГРУДНЯ 2014 • 26- А НЕДІЛЯ ПО ЗІСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО ДУХА

PASTORAL CARE - REDEMPTORISTS

PASTOR: FATHER BOHDAN LUKIE, CSSR
ASSISTANT: FATHER FRANK SZADIAK, CSSR

FATHER LEONARD RATUSHNIAK, CSSR
Pastor of ST. ANDREWS PARISH

SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY

5:00 PM SATURDAY (ENGLISH)

8:30 AM (UKRAINIAN) • 11:00 AM (ENGLISH)

DAILY DIVINE LITURGY

8:00 AM MONDAY - FRIDAY • 8:30 AM SAT.

VESPERS SATURDAY 4:15 - 5:00 PM
STARTING SEPT 13, 2014

Holy Days

8:30 AM (UKRAINIAN) • 7:00 PM (ENGLISH)

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SHRINE - MUSEUM - GIFT SHOP

HOURS OF OPERATION

SUNDAY: AFTER DIVINE LITURGIES

MONDAY: CLOSED

TUESDAY – FRIDAY: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

SATURDAY: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ! СЛАВА НА ВІКИ!
Парафія святого Йосифа сердечно вітає всіх
гостей, які прибули до нас на Богослуження.
Нехай Бог вас благословить!

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!
The parish of St. Joseph extends a warm welcome
to all our guests. We are pleased that you have
come to pray with us. May the Lord bless you!

Dear Parishioners and Guests!

The Christmas tree is by far the most popular form of greenery in Canada. Indeed, it has become such an integral part of our Christmas celebration that most people cannot imagine celebrating the holiday without one in their living room, workplace, or church. The beauty, the smell (provided the tree is not artificial), the fun of decorating, the spirit, the memories of holidays past all point to the reality that there is nothing like a Christmas tree.

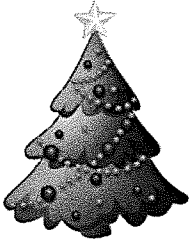
I recall that as a teenager it was my job to get a Christmas tree for home. Once December I went searching for the most beautiful tree around. My instincts took me to the edge of town, that area where the forest still remained intact. Looking for the ideal tree is no easy task. I gazed here and there, but no tree met my satisfaction. Quite oblivious to time and direction, I wandered deeper into the forest. Then, I panicked - I was lost! Wandering back and forth and getting very cold in the process, I felt my guardian angel say, "Why don't you climb up one of the bigger trees and you should notice the smoke from the chimneys of town and know where to go." Great idea! So that's what I did, but I still had no tree. Another prompting came my way. It spurred me to an innovative solution - to cut off the top of the big tree I had climbed. I was relieved that my mission was accomplished! The tree was no viewer's delight, for the north wind had beaten one side. Yet, this Christmas tree was special! It was bruised but we decorated it with joy, for it would remind us of the **tree of life, of the coming of Christ into our world.**

Soon, (if not already), we will be decorating our homes for Christmas. Standing proudly along-side the nativity scene will be our elegantly arrayed "Christmas Tree." Tradition has it that this tree exalts *the value of life*, for during winter the evergreen becomes a sign of *undying life*. Christmas gifts are placed at its base. The Christmas tree also has a profound Christian significance. It calls to mind "**the tree of life**" (*Genesis 2:9*), a figure of Christ, God's supreme gift to humanity.

The message of the Christmas tree consequently is that **life stays "evergreen" if we make a gift of it**, not so much of material things, but of life itself: in friendship and sincere affection, in fraternal help and forgiveness, in time shared and listening to one another!

This Advent let us ponder the great gift of life that God shares with us in Jesus. "*I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.*" (*John 10:10*) May we yearn for this Life and open our hearts to it. Thank God for Christmas trees that remind us of just that!




Fr. Frank




THE TREE


Whether short or tall,
Bent or straight,
Young or old, Full or bare,
Once chosen and decorated
With tender care
Each tree becomes lovely,
Bathed in lights,
Wrapped in color,
Clothed in newness...
A symbol of bent, bare
empty lives
Chosen by the Father,
Bathed in Light,
Wrapped in Hope,
Clothed in Forgiveness,
REBORN,
Because long ago
A tiny baby
Entered our world
And shattered the darkness.

Crystal J. Kirgiss


December 6th December 7, 2014	December 13th December 14, 2014	St. Joseph's Parish Perogy Bee Tues, Dec 9 & Wed, Dec 10th. We need your help to peel, pinch, or pack. The Maximum number of orders has been reached. Thank You.  <u>Ladies of St. Joseph's Parish,</u> UCWLC Christmas lunch and meeting on <u>Sunday, Dec 7th</u> following 11am Liturgy. Please bring card for your Prayer Partner, non-perishable food item , & \$10 which will be donated to Outreach / Orphans in Ukraine.  A very warm heart-felt Thank You to all those, ladies and gents, who came out on Nov 28, Dec 1 and Dec 3rd to prepare, pinch, and pack the Sauerkraut Varenyky. We could not have done it without YOUR help! May God Bless You! And Thank You to All those who purchased the sauerkraut perogies; your continual support in the UCWLC fundraising projects are always appreciated! Ollie Szutiak 
<u>Epistle Readers</u> 5:00 pm Saturday D. Sumka 8:30am Sunday Parish Choir 11:00am Sunday H. Stockburn	<u>Epistle Readers</u> 5:00 pm Saturday S. Sumka 8:30am Sunday Parish Choir 11:00am Sunday Children's Liturgy	
<u>Ushers</u> 5:00 pm Saturday J. Tchir D. Dahl 8:30 am Sunday Z. Hudyma L. Hudyma 11:00am Sunday G. Fallis G. Lasko	<u>Ushers</u> 5:00 pm Saturday M. Gwozd P. Gwozd 8:30 am Sunday D. Gnutel E. Gnutel 11:00am Sunday P. Samorodny B. Wowczuk	
<u>Vigil Lamps</u> <u>Dec 8 - Dec 21, 2014</u> M. Lukie E. Kuzenko	<u>Vigil Lamps</u> <u>Dec 8 - Dec 21, 2014</u> M. Lukie E. Kuzenko	




Parishioner Volunteers are needed to porter residents of Holy Family Home to Sunday Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am during the month of December. Please come for 9:00 am.



Condolences and prayers are offered to Virginia Gushuliak and family on the repose of her brother † **Ken Demedash**. May God grant his soul eternal rest. Вічна пам'ять



Upcoming at St. Joseph's:
Outreach Christmas Hampers - call Iris 339-2325 before December 9.
Dec 06 Sat '**Light up for Christmas**' ceremony outside, following 5pm Liturgy, then snacks inside. Hosted by Knights of Columbus. Let's '**Keep Christ in Christmas**'
Dec 07 Sun St. Joseph's Choir sings 8:30am Liturgy. Catechism 10am & Adult Study 10am
Dec 08 Mon Knights of Columbus meeting 6:30 pm and fellowship
Dec 10 Wed Altar Servers meeting 5:30 pm
Dec 13 Sat St. Joseph's Choir practice 10 am
Dec 14 Sun Choir sings 8:30am Liturgy; Catechism 10am & Adult Study; Children's Liturgy 11am; followed by hotdog lunch provided by K of C (Silver collection) & St. Nicholas Festivities
Dec 15 Mon Parish Council meeting following Liturgy 7pm
Dec 17 Wed Seniors' Club Liturgy 10:30 am with fellowship & birthday lunch
Dec 18 Thur Men's Club Christmas gathering 5:30 pm



PYLYPIWKA - THE PRE CHRISTMAS FAST
A Journey of Expectation, Preparation and Fulfillment

THE FEAST OF THE CONCEPTION OF SAINT ANNA - DECEMBER 9

In the fullness of time God sent His Son, born of a virgin in a miraculous way. But long before the Nativity **God prepared the way** by making the mother of God's birth miraculous as well. **Anna, Mary's mother**, was barren and advanced in years, but God intervened to prepare the way for the incarnation.

Our journey to the feast of the birth of Christ is an orderly progression during the fall. We see Mary born on September 8. She enters the temple on November 21 and Christ is born on December 25. Just before the Nativity we are reminded of the special way that Mary was born to prepare us for the even more miraculous birth of Jesus.

The other pattern of time we see is the nine month cycle from conception to birth. **Jesus is God incarnate, a perfect man.** He is born exactly nine months after conception. But Mary is still human; she is born one day less than nine months later.

Mary is of the created earth, but she is the perfect vessel of creation. We link her to the temple, God's dwelling place, since she carried God in her womb. The Church sees creation gone wrong in Adam and Eve while Jesus becomes the new Adam and Mary the new Eve to show us the way to God's salvation.

Adapted from The Winter Pascha bulletin series week 2 by Steve Puluka

THEOLOGY OF THE INCARNATION

Throughout history, the Eastern Christian Church has maintained the body of teaching and presented it consistently under the inspiration and protection of the Holy Spirit. This is our comfort and our strength. The linchpin of this teaching is the Incarnation.

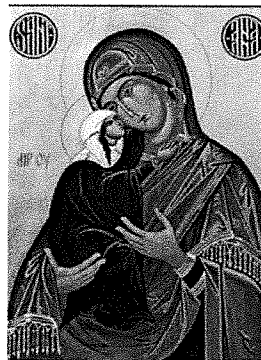
TWO MYSTERIES

The Trinity: One of the basic truths and mysteries of Christianity is that of the Holy Trinity. In as much as we can grasp this mystery, we can perceive that these **three persons of God are united** in a dynamic **communion of love.** God wants to share this relationship with his favoured creatures that daily spurn his attention and have done so since they were created.

The Incarnation: Salvation history reinforces the concept that mankind has never been left totally to its own devices. **God has always been with His people.** Time after time, **God has intervened to save His people.** Each of these interventions was prophetic of the actual entering of God into Time and History. Here we see a paradox: **God is totally other yet God becomes one of us.**

Even in light of this event, we can only approach an understanding of God and His ways. That which we can begin to understand is only by the grace of God's Self-revelation. God and his nature will always be a Mystery. It is only in Mystery that we see a relational God reaching out to His people by entering time and history as one of their own, our Lord, God and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

As Christians we are called to believe in this Mystery which is the Incarnation.



A Stocking for Jesus

Hang a Christmas Stocking with Jesus' name on it

What do you think Jesus would like to find in His stocking Christmas morning?

Each day as we prepare for Jesus's birthday, think what you can do or how you can behave that would please Jesus.

At the end of your day, write on a slip of paper what you have done and place it in the stocking. Or you can place a photo, or an object that reminds you, too.

You can think of lots of things, that will make Jesus happy. Here's a few ideas to get you started. You have **19** days to fill Jesus's stocking.

Bake cookies for someone who is alone.

Say your prayers.

Visit someone who is elderly.

Surprise Mom or Dad with a job well done.

Obey your parents the first time you are asked. Pray for someone.

Treat others with kindness.

Help someone at school.

Share with your brothers/sisters.

Phone your grandparents and tell them you love them.

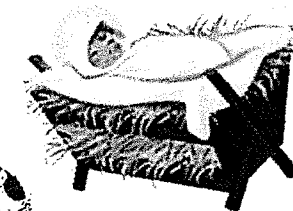
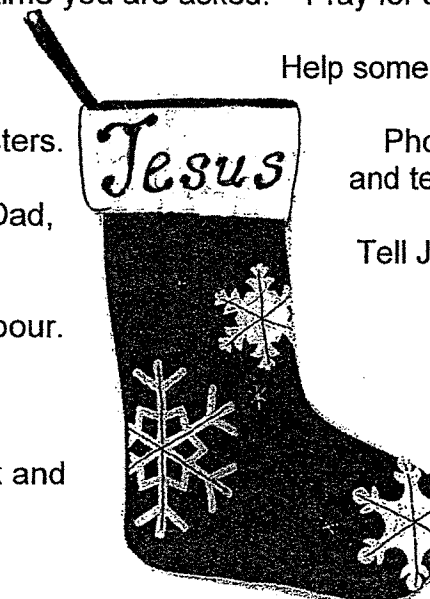
Show respect to Mom and Dad, Teachers, Grandparents.

Tell Jesus you love Him.

Shovel snow for your neighbour.

Give up a toy for someone.

Give up a treat once a week and Give the money to a charity.



Do you think Jesus will be pleased with how you have prepared your heart for the feast of His Birth?



Mary's Angels

Mary's Angel ornaments are sold as a Christmas "In memoriam" project. **Panakhya Service** for your loved ones will be held after Liturgy **Sat Dec 20 (5pm)** and **Sunday, Dec 22 (8:30 am & 11 am)**. The total profit sales will be going to financially help 2 orphan girls in Ukraine. With the assistance of Sr. Julia Flak, S.S.M.I. these girls will be provided with clothing and personal items. Thank You for your support.

Once again the **Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra** is performing the famous work of Handel, with "**Taurins Conducts Messiah**", on **Saturday, December 13th at 8pm** at the **Centennial Concert Hall**. The concert also features the Mennonite Festival Chorus. The WSO has given us the opportunity to use this great Christmas family tradition-concert as a **fundraiser for our Church**.

Just call **WSO Box Office 949-3999** to book your tickets directly AND **QUOTE THE CODE: STJOS**



Sun. Dec 7 - 10 -11am in the Youth Room. Meet **UCY/YA Guest Speakers**, vibrant young adults: Learn what UCY is all about & found out how you can get involved!

Sun. Dec 14 - Youth & Young Adults Gift Wrapping Bee! 3-5 pm at **St. Andrew** Ukr, Catholic Church hall, 160 Euclid Ave (use Maple St side entrance). Come help wrap 60 presents for The Welcome Home and enjoy a pizza supper! **RSVP Michelle 204-799-1060**

Then all walk over to The Welcome Home, 188 Euclid Ave for **Christmas Wind-up, 5-7pm** **EnJoy** a multitude of Christmas festiviites! Please bring a present (\$5 value!) for the gift exchange!

NEW UR YOUTH are welcome, for **Gr. 8-12**. **RSVP** to Michelle at rymcssr@gmail.com. 799-1060

Sat. Dec 20 - Annual UCY Wii Just Dance Christmas Party and Ornament Making! 4-10 pm **233 Scotia Street (Chancery)**; To register, contact: Tamara **338-7801**; youth@archeparchy.ca

***** **St. Joseph's** is in need of a new **Youth Coordinator!***** We have a vibrant youth group in our parish that meets twice a month. It is a growing group and we need someone to take the lead in coordinating them. Do you feel called to this ministry? *****

Community Events

Dec 12 (10am -8pm) & Dec 13 (10am- 4pm) Christmas Fair with Ukrainian Flair at Oseredok Boutique, 184 Alexander Ave East. For Ukr Xmas Eve: Kolach, pyrizhky, borshch, varenyky, holubtsi; And Jewelry, artwork, toys, ceramics, music, ornaments & more. **Fri Dec12 & Dec19 10am - 8pm; Mon-Sat 10am-4pm.**

Fri Dec 12 ~ 'Rebuilding Amidst Conflict: Ukraine in 2014' 6:30 pm at Holy Family Home, Guest Speakers

Sun Dec 7~Candlelight Celebration of Life Service, 7pm **Green Acres Funeral Home & Cemetery, Hwy #1E.** (inside the Perimeter) Music & words of encouragement and comfort led by **Fr. Robb McDougall & Adoramus Music Ministries**. A Reception will follow the service. All are welcome! **RSVP by Thur Dec 4' 14 to 204-222-3241**

Sun Dec 14 ~ Christmas Charity Meat Bingo at **St. Nicholas Church**, 737 Bannerman Ave, **2-5pm~Tickets \$7**

Wed Jan 14 ~ Ukr. acappella 'Пікардійська Терція' from Lviv Ukraine, 7pm, Westminster United Church, 745 Westminster Ave Tickets: \$35, \$55 Oseredok, Kalyna, Svitoch or 204-881-3793

Sat Jan 17, 2015~All Inclusive Malanka, Victoria Inn, 1808 Wellington Av, Music by *Sloohai*, **\$120**. Cocktails 6pm, Reserved Seating for Dinner 7pm, Formal Attire, Zabava 'til 1am; Lesia S 470-4095

Sat Jan 24~Fundraising Breakfast for Home of Hope (Safe-House for teenage girls at risk in Lviv) at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Ave; Tickets **\$25** available in St. Joe's Parish Office.

Sat Jan 24~Plast Malanka at Fort Garry Place, Music by *Zirka*, **Tickets:** Tatiana 338-4898 **\$100**; Student \$65 ; Dance Tks \$40 - call Natalia 770-9085; or malankawinnipeg.ca



Help us save on mailing costs! Please pick up this years **Christmas schedule** which includes a message from the Fathers. These envelopes (with the schedule) are downstairs , in alphabetical order, beside the 2015 boxed 'Offering envelopes', which are in numerical order.

To find your Boxed Offering Envelopes, please check the bulletin board for your number. It's an alphabetical list of names! (If your number was higher than 460, then you have a new number!)

**** Year End 2014 Donations must be in the office by Monday, December 29, 2014 ****

Br. Knights of Fr. Shyshkowich Council. Just a reminder that our **Monday, Dec 8th** meeting will begin at **6:30 pm**. After a brief meeting, our Knights will enjoy a great meal and fellowship to usher in the Christmas season.



Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith... with Fr. Robert Barron, for an **adult program**. A DVD presentation of what Catholics believe and why (filmed in 50 locations throughout 15 countries). Join us **Sunday mornings, 10 to 11 AM** in St. Joseph's Monastery Dec 7, Dec 14 2014, then back January 18, 2015.



This Holy Season you can help provide comfort and joy by making a gift to the Holy Family Home – Festival of Lights Campaign

The Festival of Lights Campaign has been designated to the Chapel Project – a multi-year plan to renovate and expand the Chapel. Pick up a Festival of Lights envelope at the back of the church or visit www.holyfamilyhome.mb.ca.

On behalf of the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate, Holy Family Home and the Lubov SSMI Foundation, **thank you** for considering our invitation.

May you be blessed with the spirit of Christmas which is peace, the joy of Christmas which is hope, and the heart of Christmas which is love.

You are cordially invited to attend a special **3 day pre-nativity** preparation at St. Anne church with: The Rev. Fr. Gregory Kevin Hryniw, ASTH. On the theme of **The Joy of the Gospel**

Sun. Dec 7, 10:00 am Praznyk Divine Liturgy -Theme: The Joy of the Liturgy

Mon. Dec 8, 7:30 pm Theme: The Joy of Encountering: Christ and Pope Francis

Tues. Dec 9, 7:00 pm Divine Liturgy~ *Feast of the conception of Anne* - Theme: Joy of Serving My Neighbour; (To learn about Fr. Gregory go to <http://www.asketerion.com/>)



A change in **Parish Dance Classes** held on **Tuesdays** in church hall:

Introduction to Dance! 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm \$10/ couple-Entrance is **SUBJECT TO RSVP** by each **Monday 4:00 pm** Bulldog@mymts.net and or text/leave message **204-227-6434**

Your cooperation to adhere to the RSVP notification stipulation will be appreciated!!!

***to attend Improvers and or Intermediate classes you first have to attend the Introduction to Dance Classes

Improvers 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm \$18/ couple & Intermediates 8:15 pm - 9:30 pm \$18/ couple

Last lesson will be Tuesday, Dec.16, 2014 and will resume January 13, 2015