

Divine Liturgy Intentions

Sun. March 27	Easter Sunday	Acts 1: 1-8 ~ John 1: 1-17
8:30 pm (Sat.)	For Our Parishioners	
10:00 am (HFH)	Easter Divine Liturgy	
11:00 am	For Our Parishioners	
Mon. March 28	Bright Monday	Acts 1: 18-28 ~ John 1: 18-28
8:30 am	For Our Parishioners	
11:00 am (Bethany)	God's Blessings & Health Fr. Frank.....	NN
Tues. March 29	Bright Tuesday	Acts 2: 14-21 ~ Luke 24: 12-35
8:30 am	For Our Parishioners	
11:00 am (Bethany)	God's Blessings & Health Cynthia.....	Friend
Wed. March 30	Venerable John Climacus	Acts 2: 22-36 ~ John 1: 35-51
8:00 am (Shrine)	Health of Iryna.....	Maria Kchik
10:00 am (HFH)	God's Blessings & Health Mary Hull.....	Anne Stefik
Thurs. March 31	Venerable Hypatius	Acts 2: 38-43 ~ John 3: 1-15
8:00 am	†Bunny Walus.....	Trach Family
11:00 am (Bethany)	†Rose MacDonald	Sr. Elicia & Sr. Marianne
Fri. April 1	Mary of Egypt	Acts 3: 1-8 ~ John 2: 12-22
8:00 am	God's Blessings & Health Rose Ozubko.....	Steve & Val Werhun
11:00 am (Bethany)	God's Blessings Sr. Darleane Pelechaty.....	SSMI
11:00 am (St. Joseph's Res)	†Mark.....	Denise
Sat. April 2	Venerable Titus	Acts 3: 11-16 ~ John 3: 22-33
7:30 am (HFH)	Birthday Blessings Krista Schaefer.....	Mary Bernatsky
8:30 am	God's Blessings & Health Julianna.....	Dennis & Steffie Wawrykow & Family
Sun. April 3	Sunday of St. Thomas	Acts 5: 12-20 ~ John 20: 19-31
5:00 pm (Sat.)	†Ashley Owen.....	Family
8:30 am	For Our Parishioners	
10:00 am (HFH)	Health & God's Blessings for UCWLC members.....	St. Joseph's UCWLC
11:00 am	†Ernie Kolsun	Bob & Julia Burkard

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Pamphlets are available for Adults, Youth & Young Adults and Youth. Located next to the confessional.

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Sunday Divine Liturgies

5:00 pm Saturday (English)

8:30 am (Ukrainian)

11:00 am (English)

Daily Divine Liturgies

8:00 am Monday - Friday

8:30 am Saturday

Holy Days Bright Monday 8:30 am

Bright Tuesday 8:30 am

Vespers Saturday 4:15 pm

Blessed Vasyll Devotions

7:00 pm Wednesday

Christ is Risen!



Христос Воскрес!

EASTER MESSAGE OF HIS BEATITUDE SVIATOSLAV

Christ is Risen!

The first-born male from the virginal womb – Christ, who, as a man, has been called Lamb and unblemished, not having the stain of sin. He is our Pasch and, as true God, is called perfect. Paschal Canon, Ode 4, Second Hymn

Once again we gather in Ukraine and throughout the world to greet one another on the glorious feast of our Lord's Resurrection: "Christ is risen!" This joyful greeting for us Christians is the beginning and end of our preaching, the core of our faith, the foundation of our hope, and fulfillment of our love. Although this is already the third time that we celebrate Christ's Pasch in the context of a new way of the cross for the Ukrainian people—war and cruelty by the forces of evil—time and again this feast renews us in the joy and hope of God's children, assured of God's victory over diabolical treachery, mendacity, and malice.

The first-born male from the virginal womb – Christ, who, as a man, has been called Lamb

How mysterious is the depth of divine mercy to humankind! Our Lord "did not utterly turn away from His creature, which He made, nor did He forget the work of His hands" (see Anaphora of St. Basil the Great). At a critical moment in human history the Eternal God, Creator of the Universe, quietly, without great fanfare, entered into human history in an unheard of and unexpected manner. The Only-begotten Son of God became the first-born of the Virgin from Nazareth so that, as the only Holy and Pure One, without the stain of sin, He might offer Himself as a sacrifice for our salvation.

Does God truly require human sacrifice? Certainly not! It is we, created in the image and likeness of God, who need to offer our life to God, order our life according to His commandments, and acknowledge before God that everything we are belongs to Him. The only One who was capable of offering such a perfect sacrifice to God the Father was the God-man, Jesus Christ, the Immaculate Lamb, who, even though He was Innocent, offered Himself to God on behalf of all humankind, and thus opened for us the path to eternal life by His resurrection from the dead.

He is our Pascha and, as true God, is called perfect.

The Pasch-Passover of the Old Testament remembers a remarkable event, when the Almighty Lord liberated His chosen people from Egyptian bondage, and the angel of death "bypassed" every home, which was marked on its doorpost by the blood of the paschal lamb. That is, in fact, the first meaning of the Hebrew word for the feast, *pesach*, which conveys the image of divine punishment "passing over," or "passing by." Thus, when we sing that Christ is "our Pasch," we magnify the One, through whom we have been given the possibility to avoid the consequences of our sins, provided we make a determined decision to leave the captivity of sin and passions, repent and follow His Gospel. For He has saved us by His own blood! "Know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you" (1 Peter 1:18-20).

Not all are able to receive this message of salvation. To speak of the Christ-Lamb, crucified on the cross, in today's world seems as problematic as it was in the times of the earliest Christians. This was St. Paul's understanding when he wrote: "For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart'" (1 Corinthians 1:18-19). Even though Christ's Gospel is being preached now for almost two thousand years, often it seems that the world, even one that calls itself "Christian," still understands only the language of riches, affluence, power, weaponry, and might. Manifestations of the folly of the mighty of this world never disappear from the arena of history. They take on different forms: empires, reichs, unions, federations, led by individuals, who propose themselves instead of God, and impose on others their own depravation as a measure of truth.

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However, in every generation there will also be those, who understand God's ways, know how to be gentle lambs of God in the history of their people, who follow God's gentleness, humility, meekness, spirit of sacrifice, who understand that not only do crosses and suffering pass, but that without them there is no resurrection. In our circumstances among such individuals are thousands of the best sons and daughters of our people, who sacrifice their lives for our freedom and independence. Precisely in the Risen Christ, our Unblemished Lamb, we come to understand the paschal value of their pure sacrifice, which leads us out of the house of captivity, the meaning of Ukraine's suffering at the start of the new millennium.

Most often, it is in weakness and infirmity that God's power and God's wisdom is revealed. What is important is not to allow oneself to be tempted, or deceived, or discouraged in our fight, for that, against which we struggle, is merely a manifestation of the unclean spirit, who shakes, falls to the ground, foams at the mouth and convulses, for it knows that by the blood of the unblemished Paschal Lamb its end is near (see Mark 9:17-27). The Risen Christ, who through suffering and death carries us over to resurrection and eternal life, comes to us today showing us the wounds on His glorified body. As then he spoke to his frightened apostles, so today he says to us, his disciples: "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" (Luke 24:38).

How much have we already experienced the "impossible" made possible for those, who firmly kept their faith in the Risen Lord! Seventy years ago the evil one decided once again to crucify our people and drag our Church into the grave. However, to the surprise of the entire world, she rose and became stronger than at any time in her history. At the Lviv pseudo-sobor of 1946 the enemy attempted to forcibly separate us from unity with the successor to the apostle Peter. Today we are living witness to how the blood of the martyrs and confessors of our Church has forever sealed this Catholic unity and become a force of resilience and resurrection for Ukraine, a force for the unity of its people, and a catalyst for social renewal. Indeed, through such a witnessing of faith in the resurrection an authentic unification of the Churches of Ukraine is possible, a restoration of the unity of the Churches of Kyivan Christianity, which we have received as an inheritance from Prince Volodymyr, equal-to-the-apostles.

Beloved in Christ! The Risen Lord calls us to perfection. Indeed, He Himself is the only source of every perfection—our Saviour, who completes and makes precious and lasting the fruit of our efforts. If we are still far from perfection, if our state is not yet that of which we dream, we do not have reason to abandon our effort: to build, live and struggle for God and Ukraine, for Christ is our Pasch.

I greet all of you with today's feast, or rather, with Christ's spiritual victory this day over the power of the enemy and the realm of evil. Once again to all of you, in Ukraine and throughout the world, I send my heartfelt festive greeting, and sincerely wish you the blessings of the Resurrection of our Lord, a tasty sharing of our traditional blessed egg, and a Paschal joy that is full of light.

The grace of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Христос Воскрес! – Воістину Воскрес!

+ SVIATOSLAV

Given in Kyiv at the Patriarchal Cathedral of the Resurrection of Christ, March 20, 2016 A.D.

March 26th March 27, 2016	April 2nd April 3, 2016
<u>Epistle Readers</u> 8:30 pm Saturday D. Sumka 8:00 am Sunday Parish Choir 11:00 am Sunday P. Krasnowski	<u>Epistle Readers</u> 5:00 pm Saturday S. Sumka 8:30 am Sunday W. Lukie 11:00 am Sunday J. Chabluk
<u>Ushers</u> 8:30 pm Saturday J. Hykawy M. Hykawy 8:00am Sunday T. Rodeck E. Yarish 11:00 am Sunday H. Stockburn B. Rolston	<u>Ushers</u> 5:00 pm Saturday J. Tchir S. Hrushka 8:30 am Sunday A. Danylchuk xxx 11:00 am Sunday E. Faseruk K. Chrapchynski
<u>Vigil Lamps</u> <u>Mar 28 - Apr 10</u> G. Bilinsky R. Kurjewicz	<u>Vigil Lamps</u> <u>Mar 28 - April 10</u> G. Bilinsky R. Kurjewicz

Resurrection Divine Liturgy An original composition by Fr. John Sembrat, OSB, Thursday, March 31 7:00 pm, St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Officiated by Most Rev. Metropolitan Lawrence Huculak OSBM "A combined male chorus of over 50 singers", Michael Zaugg, Conductor Caritas Award Dinner The Catholic Foundation of Manitoba Honouring the Service of Consecrated Men in MB. Thursday, April 14, RBC Convention Centre Tickets \$95 Call 233-4268 prior to April 1st. KUCA Winter Games Indoor Soccer 1pm-3pm April 2 at Seven Oaks Soccer Plex, Register 12:30 pm Sts. Vladimir & Olga Spring Tea , Celebrating 70th Anniversary of the UCWLC Sunday, April 17~ 115 McGregor St.~1:00 pm ~ Opener: His Grace Metropolitan Huculak, OSBM Luncheon & Fashion Show Holy Family Home , Sunday, April 24, 1:00 pm. Tickets \$30 Call Elaine 632-5759
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Sunday Collections March 20, 2016	
234 envelopes	\$5,619.00
Initial Offering	\$15.00
Open Collection	\$214.00
Vigil Lamps	\$213.00
Easter Flowers	\$261.00
Easter Offering	\$160.00
Share Lent	\$725.00
Church in Ukraine	\$245.00
Building & Capital Fund	\$10.00
Outreach	\$90.00
Thank You for your generosity	

St. Joseph's Perogy Bee
Next Perogy Bee is Tuesday, April 12 & Wednesday, April 13 <i>To place your order ~ \$5 a dozen ~ Call Mary 339-1296</i>

Christ Is Risen!

Христос Воскрес!

Pascha Великдень Easter

The Redemptorists and parishioners of St. Joseph's extend a warm welcome to all our guests. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

This Week at Saint Joseph's		
Mon. March 28	8:30 am	Matins & Divine Liturgy
Tues. March 29	8:30 am	Matins & Divine Liturgy
Wed. March 30	7:00 pm	Blessed Vasyli Devotions

S.E.R.V.E
<i>Summer Endeavour in a Redemptorist Volunteer Experience</i> May 5 - May 20, 2016 At The Welcome Home SERVE is an intense two weeks designed to give young adults (18-35 YRS) the opportunity to deepen their Christian faith through an experience of the Redemptorist lifestyle and vision of church, which emphasize preaching the Gospel to the poor and most abandoned. For more info or request an application please contact Michelle Thiessen, rymc SSR@gmail.com, 204-799-1060 APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 1st

UR Youth (Grades 8-12)
Friday, April 8th, 4:30 pm, starting in the youth room. Pick ups at 8:30 pm. Sunday, April 10th—Sunday Session in the youth room. Contact Michelle for more details: rymc SSR@gmail.com or call/ text 204-799-1060 Under the Radar Urban Outreach Program at Siloam Mission. The dates are set! July 25-July 28 Connecting compassionate youth with Winnipeg's inner city! For a camp brochure or an application form, contact Michelle. This is for all Ukrainian Catholic youth, ages 14-18 years. Deadline to apply: June 30th.

Adult Faith Study	April 3, 10, 17 9:45 am—10:45 am Monastery Basement
<i>Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother</i>	

The Easter Sermon of Saint John Chrysostom

Is there anyone who is a devout lover of God? Let them enjoy this beautiful bright festival! Is there anyone who is a grateful servant? Let them rejoice and enter into the joy of their Lord! Are there any weary with fasting? Let them now receive their wages! If any have toiled from the first hour, let them receive their due reward; If any have come after the third hour, let him with gratitude join in the Feast! And he that arrived after the sixth hour, let him not doubt; for he too shall sustain no loss. And if any delayed until the ninth hour, let him not hesitate; but let him come too. And he who arrived only at the eleventh hour, let him not be afraid by reason of his delay.

For the Lord is gracious and receives the last even as the first. He gives rest to him that comes at the eleventh hour, as well as to him that toiled from the first. To this one He gives, and upon another He bestows. He accepts the works as He greets the endeavor. The deed He honors and the intention He commends.

Let us all enter into the joy of the Lord! First and last alike receive your reward; rich and poor, rejoice together! Sober and slothful, celebrate the day! You that have kept the fast, and you that have not, rejoice today for the Table is richly laden! Feast royally on it, the calf is a fatted one. Let no one go away hungry. Partake, all, of the cup of faith. Enjoy all the riches of His goodness!

Let no one grieve at his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed. Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again; for forgiveness has risen from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the Death of our Savior has set us free. He has destroyed it by enduring it. He destroyed Hades when He descended into it. He put it into an uproar even as it tasted of His flesh.

Isaiah foretold this when he said, "You, O Hell, have been troubled by encountering Him below." Hell was in an uproar because it was done away with. It was in an uproar because it is mocked. It was in an uproar, for it is destroyed. It is in an uproar, for it is annihilated. It is in an uproar, for it is now made captive.

Hell took a body, and discovered God. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it did not see. O death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?

Christ is Risen, and you, O death, are annihilated! Christ is Risen, and the evil ones are cast down! Christ is Risen, and the angels rejoice! Christ is Risen, and life is liberated!

Christ is Risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be Glory and Power forever and ever. Amen.

Хто побожний і боголюбивий, нехай радіє цим величним і світлим святом. Хто розумний слуга, нехай весело увійде в радість Господа свого. Хто потрудився постом, нехай сьогодні отримає нагороду. Хто від ранньої години став до праці, нехай тепер одержить справедливую заплату. Хто по дев'ятій годині прийшов, нехай дякує Богові і радісно святкує. Хто по дванадцятій годині прибав, нехай не тривожиться, бо йому ні в чому не буде відмовлено. А хто не встиг і на третю годину, нехай приступить без вагання. І хто прибав лише на п'яту годину, нехай не боїться, що запізнився.

Бо Владика милосердний. Він приймає останнього, як і першого. Він задовольняє однаково і того, хто спізнився, і того, хто працює від ранку.

І останнього він милує і про першого дбає; і тому щедро дає, і цього обдаровує. І вчинки він приймає, і наміри вітає; і зроблене шанує, і щирі бажання він хвалить.

Ось тому й увійдіть усі в радість Господа свого, і перші й останні прийміть однаково нагороду! Багаті й бідні веселіться разом! Витривалі й недбайливі вшануйте цей день! Звеселіться сьогодні ті, що постили, і ті, що не постили! Господня трапеза готова - розкошуйте всі! Пасха свята - нехай ніхто не виходить голодним! Усі відживляйтеся святом віри, всі споживайте з багатства Божої доброти!

Нехай ніхто не нарікає на вбогість, бо царювання вселюдне настало. Нехай ніхто не засмучується гріхами, бо прощення з гробу всім засіяло! Нехай ніхто не боїться смерті, бо смерть Спасителя нас визволила; знищив її той, кого вона тримала. Ад полонив той, хто до аду зійшов: Зазнав він смутку, зіткнувшись з його тілом.

Передбачивши це, пророк Ісаїя голосно кликав: Ад засмутився, стрінувши долі тебе... Засмутився, бо знищений; засмутився, бо зневажений. Засмутився, бо смерть на нього прийшла. Засмутився, бо зруйнований. Засмутився, бо зв'язаний.

Взяв людину, а на Бога натрапив. Взяв землю, а стрінув небо. Взяв, що бачив, і впав через те, чого не добачив. Де твоє, смерте, жало? Де твоя, аде, перемога? Воскрес Христос - і ти звалений. Воскрес Христос — і попадали демони. - радіють ангели. Воскрес Христос - і життя вільно пливе.

Воскрес Христос, - і не стало в гробах ні одного мертвого, бо Христос устав із мертвих і початок воскресіння настав спочилим. Йому слава і влада на віки вічні. Амінь.

