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Parish Bulletin

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Христос Воскрес! Воістину Воскрес!



Christ is Risen!

Indeed, He is Risen!

Sunday Divine Liturgy Live Streamed at 10:00 am

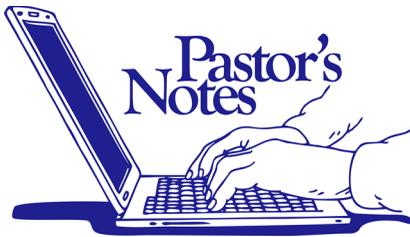
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Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky CSsR Devotions Wednesdays 7:00 pm

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Dear Parishioners,

As the month of May begins, there seems to be a slight change in the mood of society. The recent announcement from the Province on the easing of certain guidelines does have an influence on us. What will be the results? Unfortunately, we will have to wait and see? Let us keep in mind that this journey is still not over. It is so important that all of us continue to strive to be *flexible, adjustable and versatile*. These qualities most likely have helped to ease the guidelines thus far. As good neighbors let us continue to be *flexible, adjustable and versatile*.

During this time of the Covid-19 pandemic, our “normal” way of being a parish has changed dramatically. Yet, we are still a community of faith. As parishioners of St Joseph’s, all of us, given the current situation have been called to be *flexible, adjustable and versatile*. The use of live streaming, group emails, and the parish website have helped of all us to “attend” our Divine Liturgies and also to pass on any new information. Thank you to each and every one for keeping in touch with each other and for praying for our parish. Also, there is much gratitude to all who are still able to make your financial offerings during this “unusual” time. Guided by the gentle hand of God, let us continue to be *flexible, adjustable and versatile*.

The month of May is dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. This past Friday, His Grace, Metropolitan Lawrence celebrated a Moleben to the Mother God at our parish. At this service a special consecration of the Archeparchy to Mary’s protection against the Covid-19 virus was made. Calling upon Mary for her Protection is always powerful. May all of us especially during this month of May seek Mary’s intercession against this virus. Also, as we journey to the new “normal” as a parish and as part of society, let us ask Mary also for her intercession for the graces to be *flexible, adjustable and versatile* and to continue to care for one another.

*Peace & Prayers,
Fr. Dmytro*

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Христос Воскрес!

Sunday of the Paralytic

*As a sign of the joy of the Resurrection
and to emphasize the fact that we have all been forgiven by the Risen Christ,
we are to stand (to refrain from kneeling) during the Divine Liturgy and other liturgical services,
from Easter Sunday until Pentecost Sunday (May 31).*

Knights of Columbus Fr. Shyshkovich Council # 8925 The 35th Anniversary Celebration planned for May 2nd has been postponed. The new tentative date is September 26th. Details to follow in the near future. For individuals who have purchased advance tickets please hold onto them as they will be honoured for the rescheduled date.

St. Joseph's UCWLC The May & June general meetings and AGM are cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. It is hoped that the AGM will be held in September, depending on the situation at that time. Please pray for one another and stay in contact with each other. Stay safe and healthy. God Bless!



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Moleben to the Mother of God, Sundays in May 7:00 pm

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Sunday Collection April 26

Sunday Collection	\$285
Miscellaneous Donation	\$1795
Outreach	\$60.00
Easter Offering	\$345
Easter Flowers	\$25.00
Initial Offering	\$25.00
Share Lent/Church in Ukraine	\$30
April EFT	\$4155

Thank you for your support.

World Day Prayer for Vocations

Today, Sunday May 3, is the world day of prayer for vocations. In prayers please ask our loving God for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life and the dedicated lay life.

Sunday of the Paralytic- Sunday May 3, 2020

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим що в гробах, життя дарував

Tropar, tone 3: : Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.* He trampled death by death; He became the first born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and for ever and ever. Amen!

Kondak, tone 3: With your divine protection, O Lord,* as You once raised the Paralytic, now lift up my soul* paralyzed with all kinds of sin and evil deeds of wickedness,* so that, as saved, I may cry out to You:* “Glory to your might, O merciful Christ.”

Now and for ever and ever. Amen!

Kondak, tone 8: Though You went down to the grave, immoral Lord,* You destroyed the power of Hades* and rose victorious, Christ our God.* You who said “Rejoice” to the myrrh-bearing women,* give peace to Your apostles* and offer resurrection to the fallen.

Prokimen, tone 1: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

Verse: *Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting.*

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (9:32-42)

In those days Peter was making numerous journeys, he went - among other places - to God's holy people living in Lydda. There he found a man names Aeneas, a paralytic who had been bedridden for eight years. Peter said to him, “Aeneas, Jesus Christ cures you! Get up and make your bed.” The man got up at once. All the inhabitants of Lydda and Sharon, upon seeing him, were converted to the Lord. Now in Joppa there was a certain woman convert named Tabitha (in Greek Dorcas, meaning a gazelle). Her life was marked by constant good deeds and acts of charity. At about that time she fell ill and died. They washed her body and laid it out in an upstairs room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples who had heard that Peter was there sent two men to him with the urgent request, “Please come over to us without delay.” Peter set out with them as they asked. Upon his arrival they took him upstairs to the room. All the widows came to him in tears and showed him the various garments Dorcas had made when she was still with them. Peter first made everyone go outside; then he knelt down and prayed. Turning to the dead body, he said, “Tabitha, stand up.” She opened her eyes, then looked at Peter and sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her to her feet. The next thing he did was to call in those who were believers and the widows to show them that she was alive. This became known all over Joppa, and because of it, many came to believe in the Lord.

Alleluia Verses: *The favors of the Lord I will sing forever, through all generations. For you have said: my kindness is established forever.*

Gospel: John 5: 1-15

At that time Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Pool there is a place with the Hebrew name Bethesda. It's five porticoes were croded with sick people lying there blind, lame or disabled, waiting for the movement of the water. For from time to time an angel of the Lord used to come down into the pool; and the water was stirred up, so the first one to get in was healed of whatever sickness he had had. There was one man who had been sick for thirty eight years. Jesus, who knew he had been sick a long time, said when he saw him lying there, "Do you want to be healed?" "Sir," the sick man answered, "I do not have anyone to plunge me into the pool once the water has been stirred up. By the time I get there, someone else has gone in ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up! Pick up your mat and walk!" The man was immediately cured; he picked up his mat and began to walk. The day was a sabbath. Consequently, some of the Jews began telling the man who had been cured, "It is the sabbath, and you are not allowed to carry the mat around." He explained, "It was the man who cured me who told me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.'" "This person who told you to pick it up and walk," they asked, "who is he?" The man who had been restored to health had no idea who it was. The crowd in that place was so great that Jesus had been able to slip away. Later on, Jesus found him in the temple precincts and said to him: "Remember, now, you have been cured. Give up your sins so that something worse may not overtake you." The man wen off and informed the Jews that Jesus was the one who had cured him.

Instead of 'It is truly right'

The angel cried out to the One full of grace:* "O chaste Virgin, rejoice!* And again I say, rejoice!* Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day* and raised the dead."* Let all people rejoice!* Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem,* for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!* Exalt now and be glad, O Sion!* And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight* in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ; partake of the source of immortality. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



Epistle & Gospel Readings

May 3-10

Sun. May 3	Sunday of the Paralytic	Act 9:32-42	John 5:1-15
Mon. May 4	Martyr Pelegia	Acts 10:1-16	John 6:56-69
Tues. May 5	Martyr Irene	Acts 10:21-33	John 7:1-13
Wed. May 6	Midfeast	Acts 14:6-18	John 7:14-30
Thur. May 7	Apparition of the Holy Cross	Acts 10:34-43	John 8:12-20
Fri. May 8	Apostle & Evangelist John the Theologian	1 John 1:1-7	John 19:25-27; 21:24-25
Sat. May 9	Transfer of the Relics of St. Nicholas	Heb. 13:17-21	Luke 6:17-23
Sun. May 3	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman	Acts 11:19-26, 20-30	John 4:5-43

Sunday of the Paralytic

One wonders sometimes about why the Gospel story of the healing of the paralytic was chosen for the Paschal (Easter) season. One understands why the stories of Thomas and the Myrrh Bearing Women, but the paralytic? Perhaps our incomprehension is rooted in our modern separation of Pascha (Easter) from baptism. In the early Church, Pascha was considered as the time for baptism. Even now in the Easter Divine Liturgy, in place of the “Holy God” we sing “All those who have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ.” That might explain why all the Sunday Gospels in the Paschal season after the Sunday of the Myrrh-bearers focus upon water: the Samaritan woman finds Christ by the well, and the blind man finds salvation as he washes in the pool of Siloam. Similarly, the paralytic encounters Christ as he sat by the waters of Bethesda. In all of these Gospels, we find water, a clear echo of baptism for those to whom baptism was linked with Pascha (Easter).

Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus, We pray for care and healing.
For those who are particularly vulnerable, We pray for safety and protection.
For all who experience fear or anxiety, We pray for peace of mind and spirit.
For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety, We pray for policies that recognize their plight.
For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.
For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.
For our brothers and sisters around the world, We pray for shared solidarity.
For public officials and decisionmakers, We pray for wisdom and guidance.
Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.
Grant peace. Grant comfort. Grant healing. Be with us, Lord. Amen.

Prayer to Our Mother of Perpetual Help



O Mother of Perpetual Help, we come before your holy Icon seeking to follow Your Son. Mary, please gently guide us to enter more deeply into the mystery of Redemption. Help us as we contemplate the Incarnation, Passion, Death & Resurrection of Your Son, Jesus, Our Redeemer. Help us to receive and accept the Light of Christ present in your arms. Mary, we present our needs to you and ask that you place them in the hands of your Son. Most Holy Mother of God, Our Mother of Perpetual Help, save us. Amen.

O Most Holy Mother of God, save us! Пресвята Богородице, спаси нас!