



St. Joseph's

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Bishop - Martyr

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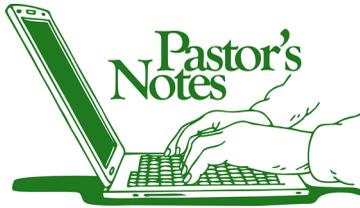
Live Streaming
Sunday Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

YouTube—St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church Winnipeg

Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky CSsR Devotions Wednesdays 7:00 pm
YouTube—Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine

Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Glory forever!



Dear Parishioners,

Many years ago, I was in Lviv, Ukraine for the feast of Pentecost. On this Sunday, the colour green is very easily seen.

Green vestments are worn by the clergy. Altar clothes are often green. Branches of greenery decorate the churches. I noticed greenery on fences and attached to cars. All of this decorating is to remind us, that with the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, new life is brought not only to the church, but also to the whole world. It was certainly wonderful to see this.

However, within a few days, I noticed that all the greenery was turning brown. It was withering and becoming very dry and brittle. This of course was a natural result when a plant is disconnected from its roots, its source of life. Then the following line crossed my mind:

*When we are connected to God, we are green and alive,
if not, we wither and die.*

May this feast of Pentecost, remind all of us, of how important it is to be connected with our God. And if for some reason, if we feel separated from the source of life, the gift of the Holy Spirit can always re-establish this vital connection.

Peace & Prayers, Fr Dmytro

Pentecost: The Descent of the Holy Spirit

In the Old Testament, Pentecost was the feast that occurred fifty days after Passover. As the Passover feast celebrated the exodus of the Israelites from the slavery of Egypt, so Pentecost celebrated God's gift of the ten commandments to Moses on Mount Sinai.

In the new covenant of the Messiah, the Passover event takes on its new meaning as the celebration of Christ's death and resurrection, the "exodus" of men from this sinful world to the Kingdom of God. And in the New Testament as well, the Pentecostal feast is fulfilled and made new by the coming of the "new law," the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Christ.

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Pentecost Sunday

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



Live Streaming

YouTube—St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church Winnipeg

Saturdays	3:45 pm	Great Vespers
Sunday	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
Sunday	7:00 pm	Moleben

Blessed Vasyl Devotions Wednesday 7:00 pm

YouTube—Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine

New Public Health Orders from the Province of Manitoba were issued on May 7 to help stop the spread of Covid-19. Until further notice there will be no in-person attendance at St. Joseph's. All Sunday and Holy Day Divine Liturgies, as well as Molebens will be **livestreamed only**.



Moleben to Mary Mother of God

Every Sunday in May 7:00 pm

Livestreamed on YouTube

Immaculate Heart of Mary School, a Kindergarten to Grade-8 co-ed Ukrainian Catholic School, is currently accepting applications for enrolment. The school offers strong academic, spiritual, Ukrainian culture, arts and athletic programs. Kindergarten is a full time program. Before and after school supervision is also provided. If you are interested in having your child educated in a Christian environment, please inquire to book your own personal tour: Phone: (204) 582-5698 or E-mail: ihms@ihms.mb.ca For more information about Immaculate Heart of Mary School visit: <http://www.ihms.mb.ca/>

Sunday Collection May 16, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$215
Miscellaneous Donation	\$2180
Outreach	\$25
Building & Capital Fund	\$2500

Thank you for your support

Please Support the **IHM Lubov Nursery School's** Fundraising Wine Raffle! Tickets are \$5 each, and can be purchased by calling 204-669-1023. You could win 5, 10, or 15 bottles of wine! Draw date Wednesday, May 26, 2021.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Fr. Shyshkovich Council #8925 for the generous donation of \$2500 to the Building & Capital Fund.

Pentecost Sunday - Sunday May 23, 2021

(After 'Blessed be the Kingdom...' all kneel and say the following:)

Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth,* Who are everywhere present and fill all things,* Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of Life,* come and dwell within us;* cleanse us of all that defiles us,* and O Good One, save our souls.

First Antiphon: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Day pours out the word to day, and night to night imparts knowledge.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Through all the earth their voice resounds, and to the ends of the world, their message.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Glory be . . . now and forever . . . : Only Begotten Son

Post –feast Third Antiphon: *Regular 3rd Antiphon but with the following response:*

O good Advocate, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Third Antiphon: O Lord, in your strength the king is glad; in your victory how greatly he rejoices.

Tropar, tone 8: Blessed are You, O Christ our God.* You filled the fishermen with wisdom,* sending down upon them the Holy Spirit.* Through them You have caught the whole world in your net.* O Lover of Mankind, glory be to You!

You have granted him his heart's desire; you refused not the wish of his lips.

Blessed are you, O Christ our God....

For you welcomed him with godly blessings. You placed on his head a crown of pure gold.

Blessed are you, O Christ our God....

At the Little Entrance: Be extolled, O Lord, in your strength! We will sing, chant the praise of your might.

Blessed are you, O Christ our God....

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

Kondak tone 8: When the Most High descended and confused tongues,* He scattered the people,* but when He distributed the tongues of fire,* He called all to unity.* Therefore, with one voice, let us praise the most Holy Spirit.

Instead of 'Holy God...': All you, who have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia!

Prokimen, tone 8: Through all the earth their voice resounds, and to the ends of the world, their message.

Verse: *The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.*

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (2:1-11)

When the day of Pentecost came it found them gathered in one place. Suddenly from up in the sky there came a noise like a strong, driving wind which was heard all through the house where they were seated. Tongues as of fire appeared which parted and came to rest on each of them. All were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to express themselves in foreign tongues and make bold proclamation as the Spirit prompted them. Staying in Jerusalem at the time were devout Jews of every nation under heaven. These heard the sound, and assembled in a large crowd. They were much confused because each one heard these men speaking his own language. The whole occurrence astonished them. They asked in utter amazement, "Are not all of these men who are speaking Galileans? How is it that each of us hears them in his native tongue? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites. We live in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the regions of Libya around Cyrene. There are even visitors from Rome — all Jews, or those who have come over to Judaism; Cretans and Arabs too. Yet each of us hears them speaking in his own tongue about the marvels God has accomplished."

Alleluia Verses: *By the word of the Lord the heavens were made; by the breath of his mouth all their host. From heaven the Lord looks down; he sees all mankind.*

Gospel: John 7: 37-52, 8:12:

On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood up and cried out; "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me; let him drink who believes in me. Scripture has it: 'From within him rivers of living water shall flow.'" (Here he was referring to the Spirit, whom those that came to believe in him were to receive. There was, of course, no Spirit as yet, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.) Some in the crowd who heard these words began to say, "This must be the Prophet." Others were claiming, "He is the Messiah." But an objection was raised: "Surely the Messiah is not to come from Galilee? Does not Scripture say that the Messiah, being of David's family, is to come from Bethlehem, the village where David lived?" In this fashion the crowd was sharply divided over him. Some of them even wanted to apprehend him. However, no one laid hands on him. When the temple guards came back, the chief priest and Pharisees asked them, "Why did you not bring him in?" "No man ever spoke like that before," the guards replied. "Do not tell us you too have been taken in!" the Pharisees retorted. "You do not see any of the Sanhedrin believing him, do you? Or the Pharisees? Only this lot, that knows nothing about the law — and they are lost anyway!" One of their own number, Nicodemus (the man who had come to him), spoke up to say, "Since when does our law condemn any man without first hearing him and knowing the facts?" Do not tell us you are a Galilean too," they taunted him. "Look it up. You will not find the Prophet coming from Galilee." Jesus spoke to them once again: "I am the light of the world. No follower of mine shall ever walk in darkness; no, he shall possess the light of life."

Instead of 'It is truly right'

O my soul, extol the One God* in three persons.* Rejoice, O Queen* and glorious Virgin Mother!* what orator, rich in eloquence,* could find the proper words to fashion a hymn of praise worthy of you?* For every spirit shudders* before the mystery of your holy birthgiving;,* and we also unite our voices* to glorify you.

Communion Hymn

May your good spirit guide me on level ground. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Icon of Pentecost



Acts 2:1-13 describes the descent of the Holy Spirit as ‘a sound like the rush of a violent wind that filled the entire house where they were sitting.’ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Jews from every nation under heaven gathered and were bewildered. Amazed and perplexed they asked, ‘What does this mean?’ But others sneered and said, ‘They are filled with new wine.’

Even though this Pentecost icon deals with an extraordinarily exciting event, it radiates sheer tranquility. Not a tongue of fire, rush of wind or perplexed crowd to be seen. This makes clear that the icon is not trying to give a historically accurate account of what took place, but rather wants to illuminate the meaning of Pentecost, then and now. According to the icon the crux of Pentecost is this: the advent and presence of the Holy Spirit in the Church and via the Church in the world.

How does the icon portray this? At the very top we see a small semi-circle with twelve rays coming out of it. These rays of light settle on the twelve apostles and depict the descent of the Holy Spirit. Twelve apostles? Weren't there only eleven, as Judas was not with them anymore? Yes, that's right. The twelfth person is Paul here, seated in the middle at the right hand side opposite to gold-robed Peter. Viewed historically he was certainly not there, as his unexpected conversion was to take place only later. But as an important pillar of the Church and the proclamation of the gospel to the peoples of the earth he takes in a prominent place in the circle of the apostles.

The twelve apostles together represent the Church here. They are sitting in a semi-circle that symbolizes their unity and harmony. The semi-circle is open at the front, so that the viewer is included in the circle of the Church while being drawn into its unity. The faces of the apostles are deep in thought. Several are looking up. Two seem to look at us. Each apostle holds a scroll in one hand, while pointing up or making a frightened (the three in front at the left) or receiving gesture with the other. Paul especially holds his right hand wide open.

In the middle, between Peter and Paul, we see an open spot. It is the place of honour, the seat of the teacher, around which all the others have gathered. It is reserved for Christ, who – though physically ascended into heaven – is the invisible but always present head of the Church. On many, mostly western, Pentecost icons Mary is seated in this central place. The Bible does indeed tell us that she was present at this gathering. But more than that she is depicted in the teacher's seat as she is considered the exemplary human being, immaculate and without sin like Christ.

Under and at the feet of the apostles we see a third semi-circle with an enigmatic crowned figure stepping out of it. This symbolic personage is Cosmos, representing the peoples of the world living in darkness. He is an old man, as he stands for a perishable world that is passing. He is surrounded by the blackness of sin and death. He holds a cloth, wherein twelve scrolls have been placed that symbolize the teaching of the apostles which will bring light to the dark world of the nations.

Icon are always considered “written”, not “painted. They are not regarded so much as art, but as a representation of the theology of the Church. Their content is therefore fixed. If one compares Pentecost icons, it will soon be evident that they all contain the same elements as the icon above. These Pentecost icons make visible that the Holy Spirit empowers the Church to spread the light of the gospel to the farthest corners of the earth. With a power that cannot be stopped. With a power like the wind penetrating into the smallest cracks and holes. With a power like flames spreading like wildfire. With a power that no-one had deemed possible, least of all this obscure bunch of followers of Jesus meeting in a backstreet of Jerusalem.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

*Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth,
Who are everywhere present and fill all things,
Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of Life, come and dwell within us,
cleanse us of all that defiles us,
and, O Good One, save our souls.*

Divine Liturgy Intentions & Scripture Readings

May 23-30

Pentecost Sunday			Acts 2:1-11 John 7:37-52, 8:12
Sunday 10:00 am	May 23	For Our Parishioners	
Holy Trinity			Eph. 5:8-19 Matt. 18:10-20
Monday	May 24	Health Olga	Norm & Sandy
3rd finding of the head of John the Baptist			2 Cor. 4:6-15 Matt. 11:2-15
Tuesday	May 25	Health Rudy Macsymach	Frank & Kathy Hrechka
Apostle Carpus			Rom. 1:18-27 Matt. 5:20-26
Wednesday	May 26	+Walter & Sophie Daciuk	Dawna Halat
Priest Martyr Therapontus			Rom. 1:28-2:9 Matt. 5:27-32
Thursday	May 27	Health Zorian Hudyma	Dennis & Steffie Wawryko
Venerable Nicetas			Rom. 2:14-29 Matt. 5:33-41
Friday	May 28	+Anne Andrychuk	Kay Zawortny
Martyr Theodosia			Rom. 1:7-12 Matt. 5:42-48
Saturday	May 29	+Patricia Ouellette (Leniuk)	Allan & Joanne Malenko
All Saints Sunday			Heb. 11:33-12:2 Matt. 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30
Sunday 10:00 am	May 30	For Our Parishioners	

Canon Luhovy Assembly , Knights of Columbus and The Welcome Home, have produced a Community Charity Cookbook, that will generate funds for both The Welcome Home programs and Canon Luhovy Assembly #0374 Community Charities. The cookbook offers 286 recipes with contributions from community leaders including His Grace Most Reverend Lawrence Huculak, OSBM. Cookbooks are \$15 each and are available at Galarnyk Insurance, Neumann's Market, Petal's or The Welcome Home. For further information contact Robert Erstle at (204) 339-3837 or via email coltsp2015@gmail.com.

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!***