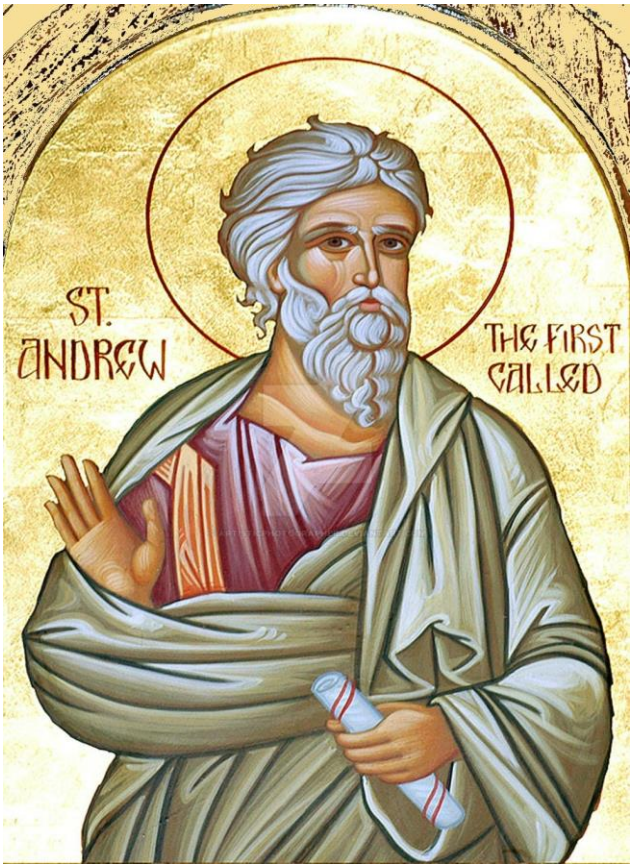
ST. JOSEPH'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine

Served by the Ukrainian Catholic Redemptorists

Parish Bulletin

November 29, 2026



Apostle Andrew ~ First-called of the Apostles
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Sunday Divine Liturgy Schedule

Saturday Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM (ENG)
Sunday 9:00 AM (UKR) 11:00 AM (ENG)
Blessed Vasyl Devotions: Wednesday 7:00 PM

From our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

We have embarked on the path of preparation for the great feast of Nativity of Christ! The Church calls on us to prepare ourselves spiritually for this important event. We try to devote more time to personal prayer, reading spiritual books, and participating in church services. In this way we clothe ourselves with God's clothing, as St Paul teaches us in today's first reading: "Draw your strength from the Lord and his mighty power! Put on the armour of God, so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil. Our battle is not against human forces but against the principalities and powers, the rulers of this world of darkness, the evil spirits in regions above. You must put on the armour of God if you are to resist on the evil day; do all that your duty requires, and hold your ground. Stand fast, with the truth as the belt around your waist, justice as your breastplate, and zeal to propagate the gospel of peace as your footgear". (Eph. 6, 11-15)

Every day we find ourselves in situations where our human weakness becomes clear and evident. We witness our own falls and poor decisions, and we see how incapable we are of handing even simple life challenges. Often, we become discouraged and give up. In such moments, the Apostle Paul tells us to draw strength from the Lord. God leads each of us along his own path. For some, the road is straight and smooth, while for others it is uneven and winding. We don't know why God allows specific events to unfold in our lives rather than others. Yet we know for certain that nothing happens in vain; everything follows a divine logic – a logic that sometimes becomes clear to us only later. I recently learned a new English idiom: "a blessing in disguise", that means something that seems bad at first but turns out to be good. Indeed, it often happens in our life that what initially appears to be a defeat, or a failure actually holds a hidden blessing for the future. Therefore, let us remain steadfast in the Lord. His plan for our lives has one purpose: to lead us to success, to salvation, to His Heavenly Kingdom!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the last Perogy Bee. May God bless each of you and your work for the parish. The next Perogy Bee is December 15th and 16th. I invite anyone who has time to come and support this worthwhile endeavour. Please note that our orders are full for December.

On Saturday, December 5th following the 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy, the Knights of Columbus will host their annual "Lighting of the Christmas Trees". Please come and join up for this event and for a time of fellowship afterwards.

A beautiful Feast Day is almost upon us. St. Nicholas the Wonderworker has indicated that he will once again return to our parish to greet the children and gift them with a bag of treats. Therefore, I invite all of the parish children or grandchildren to come to the Divine Liturgy at either 9:00 am or 11:00 am to greet St. Nicholas and receive a gift from him.

Wishing you a lovely week and the start of the upcoming month of December. During this time before Christmas, please remember to share what you can with those in need.

Fr. Yevhen



Save the Date!

Church Cleaning for Christmas!

Monday, December 7, 2026 ~ 9:00 am

Many hands make quick work!

Glory to Jesus Chris! ***Слава Ісусу Христу!***

27th Sunday after Pentecost ~ 27-а Неділя по Зіс. Св. Духа

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



Sunday 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian)
Sunday 11:00 AM Divine Liturgy (English)
YouTube ~ St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church Winnipeg
Wednesdays 1:30 PM Rosary for Ukraine
Wednesdays 7:00 PM Devotions
YouTube ~ Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine

Upcoming Events at St. Joseph's ~
Майбутні події у церкві Св. Йосипа

Sunday	November 29	9:00 am	**Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian)** Божественна літургія (Укр.)
		11:00 am	**Divine Liturgy (English)** Божественна літургія (Анг.)
Wednesday	December 2	1:30 pm	**Rosary for Ukraine** Молитва на вервиці за Україну
		7:00 pm	**Healing Liturgy Blessed Vasyl**
Saturday	December 5	5:00 pm	**Divine Liturgy (English)** Божественна літургія (Анг.)
Sunday	December 6	9:00 am	**Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian)** Божественна літургія (Укр.)
		11:00 am	**Divine Liturgy (English)** Божественна літургія (Анг.)

Deepest Sympathy

Condolences are extended to the family and friends of the late
+Phyllis Kwiatkowski (Metropolitan Michael's Mother)
+Anthony (Tony) Krawec
+Joanne Healey
† May God Grant them Eternal Rest, Vichnaya Pamyat, Memory Eternal †

The Ushering Ministry is looking for volunteers to help with the Sunday Divine Liturgies. If you have some time to spare, please call Linda Zelinsky at: 204-444-3058

Epistle Readers	Epistle Readers	Ushers	Ushers
November 28 & 29	*December 5 & 6*	*November 28 & 29*	*December 5 & 6*
Sat. 5:00 PM **Donna Sumka** **Sun. 9:00 AM** **Altar Server** **11:00 AM** **Peter Washchyshyn**	**Sat. 5:00 PM** **Stephen Sumka** **Sun. 9:00 AM** **Altar Server** **11:00 AM** **Magda Bodnik**	**Sat. 5:00 PM** **Gloria Bonin &** **Linda Zelinsky** **Sun. 9:00 AM** **Marian Moshansky** **& Elaine Kisiow** **11:00 AM** **Jillian Galay &** **Ernie Matwichuk**	**Sat. 5:00 PM** **Gloria Bonin &** **Linda Zelinsky** **Sun. 9:00 AM** **Marian Moshansky** **& Nettie Royko** **11:00 AM** **TBA**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Blessed Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine ~ Divine Liturgy with anointing for healing ~ December 2, 7:00 pm at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 250 Jefferson Avenue. Confessions available beginning at 6:30 pm. For more information please call 204-338-7321

Holy Family Home ~ Christmas Market ~ December 4 10:30 am to 3:30 pm (cash on)

St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Church Christmas Bake Sale ~ December 5 10:00 am to 12:30 pm 202 Harcourt Street. A variety of authentic Ukrainian Foods will be available.

Mriya Ukrainian Youth Choir invites youth interested in joining to call 204-797-7015

Lighting of the Christmas Trees ~ Knights of Columbus Fr. Shyshkowich Council Saturday, December 5, 2026, St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church following the 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy. Time of fellowship to follow.

The Koshetz Choir 80th Anniversary concert, with special guests Rusalka Dance Ensemble will be held on December 6, 2026, at 7:00 pm at the Jubilee Auditorium, 191 Riverton Avenue. Tickets are $25 per person, Children under 18 are Free. Available at EVENTZILLA. or cash at the door.

St. Joseph's U.C.W.L.C. ~ Cabbage Rolls Orders are now being taken for Cabbage Rolls for Christmas. Please call: Audrey Smith 204-255-0487 before December 7, 2026 Pick up date is: December 11 ~ 1pm to 5pm Rice & Onion $12.00 per dozen Rice, Bacon & Onion $15.00 per dozenAll Cabbage Rolls are sold uncooked. Limited dozens available.

UNF Christmas Market ~ December 12 10am to 6pm UNF Hall 935 Main St. Over 50 talented and local vendors. Enjoy a taste of delicious Ukrainian cuisine while shopping.



St. Joseph's Outreach

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations.

As Advent approaches, please consider donating gift cards to grocery stores so that our recipients have an opportunity to purchase perishable items they need (milk, eggs, dairy, fresh produce)

COFFEE TIME

Following the Sunday Divine Liturgy

Volunteers are needed to help!

Baking is always welcome.

Please call Mark or Sonya Galarnyk

204-781-8446

Training available



Bishope Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine

Rosary for Ukraine

Wednesday 1:30 pm

Devotions

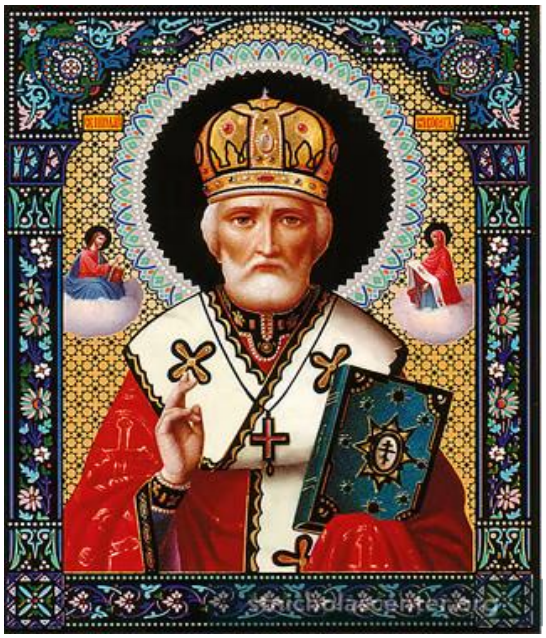
Wednesday 7:00 pm

Shrine Hours

Tuesday-Friday 10am-5pm

Saturday 10am-1pm

The Shrine is open for prayers following the Saturday 5pm and Sunday Liturgies



Children and Grandchildren of St. Joseph's are invited to attend either the 9:00 am or 11:00 am Divine Liturgies on the Feast Day of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, where they can afterwards meet and receive a small gift of treats from St. Nicholas.

Image courtesy of: https://www.stnicholascenter.org/how-to-celebrate/resources/music/hymns/hymns-orthodox-byzantine/troparion

St Nicholas the Wonderworker, December 6

Archbishop of Myra in Lycia

A world-wide symbol of gift giving and love, St. Nicholas is more revered by the Church as a Wonderworker, both in life and in death. Nicholas was born to wealthy Christian parents in Patara, on the southwest coast of the Roman province of Lycia in Asia Minor. He was orphaned in an epidemic while still young and raised by his uncle, another Nicholas, the bishop of Patara. Nicholas was tonsured as a reader by his uncle while quite young and eventually was ordained a priest. Obeying Christ's words to "sell what you own and give the money to the poor," Nicholas used his own inheritance to assist the needy, the sick, and the suffering. Nicholas was imprisoned during the persecutions of Diocletian and Galerius, which ended in 311. In response to his deliverance, Nicholas traveled to the Holy Land on pilgrimage. While there he reportedly lived with a group of monks in what is today Beit Jala. However Nicholas was not called to the monastic life and returned to Patara. On the return voyage the ship was threatened by a powerful storm. The terrified sailors were amazed to see the storm suddenly subside at Nicholas' prayers. This gave rise to the custom of praying to St Nicholas as protector of seamen. In 317 Nicholas was chosen as archbishop of Myra the provincial capital of Lycia. His reputation rests on his pastoral concern for the people under his care, particularly the poor and the defenseless. The tenth-century life of St. Nicholas by Symeon the Translator tells of secret gift-giving to save an impoverished man's daughters from penury. St. Nicholas secretly left money to provide a dowry for each of the daughters in turn. Another tells how, after the emperor had levied a heavy tax on the people of Myra, St Nicholas went to Constantinople and pleaded successfully with the emperor to have the taxes reduced. These stories and more became known in the West and Nicholas became a favorite saint throughout Europe. Nicholas died in Myra on December 6, 343 and was buried in his cathedral. His tomb became famous for many miracles

Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine



Divine Liturgy with anointing for Healing

Wednesday, December 2, 2026

7:00 p.m.

Confession available beginning at 6:30 p.m.



Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine at
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Website: bvmartyrshrine.com

Prayers for the Sick

Please Pray For:

Margaret Fedorchuk
Orest Fedorchuk
Joanne Healey
John Hykawy
Regina K.
Corinne Kowpak
Tony Krawec
Millie Lefko
Jan Lukie
Cory Macsymach
Haley Norman
Steve Prokop
Frances Stelman
Annette Syrotiuk
Chris Topor
Kolia Winchar
Nelson Wolfe

O Holy Father, You sent your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to heal every infirmity. Heal your servants of every spiritual and bodily ill which afflicts them. Restore them by Your grace, and through the prayers of the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary, and of all your Saints. For You, are the fountain of healing, and we glorify You together with your only-begotten Son, and your Spirit, now and forever and ever, Amen.

ST. JOE'S PEROGY BEE
December 15 & 16, 2026!
****PLEASE NOTE DECEMBER ORDERS ARE FULL****

The next perogy bee is December 15th & 16th, where extra hands are always appreciated to help fill Christmas orders. Please consider coming out and blessing us with your time towards a beautiful and worthy cause.

If you would like to volunteer, please call Donna Sumka: 204-339-6025

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who came out this past week to help. Many hands make light work. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.

Sunday Collection November 15, 2026
Недільна збірка 15 листопада 2026 р.

Sunday Collection	$3020
Open Collection	$160
Vigil Lamps	$239.75
Flowers	$10
Seminary	$120

Thank you for your support

Sunday Collection November 22, 2026
Недільна збірка 22 листопада 2026 р.

Sunday Collection	$2,897
Open Collection	$75
Vigil Lamps	$193.05
Outreach	$100
Seminary	$45
Flowers	$85

Thank you for your support

Christmas 2026-2027 ~ Різдво 2026-2027

Thursday, December 24 ~ Nativity of Our Lord ~ Christmas Eve
Четвер, 24 грудня – Святвечір

4:00 pm Great Compline & Divine Liturgy (English)
9:30 pm Great Compline & Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian/English)
16:00 Велике Повечір'я та Божестенна Літургія (англійською)
21:30 Велике Повечір'я та Божестенна Літургія (Українською/ англійською)

Friday, December 25 ~ Nativity of Our Lord ~ Christmas
П'ятниця, 25 грудня – Різдво Господа Нашого

10:00 am Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія (English & Ukrainian)

Saturday, December 26 ~ Sobor of the Mother of God
Субота, 26 грудня – Собор Пресвятої Богородиці

9:00 am Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія (English & Ukrainian)
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія

Sunday, December 27 ~ Saint Stephen
Неділя, 27 грудня – Святий Стефан

9:00 am Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія (English & Ukrainian)
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія

Friday, January 1 ~ Circumcision of our Lord ~ St. Basil ~ New Year
П'ятниця, 1 січня – Обрізання Господа Нашого – Новий Рік – Св. Василя

10:00 am Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія (English & Ukrainian)

Tuesday, January 5 ~ Theophany Eve ~ Baptism of Our Lord
Вівторок 5 січня – Святвечір Богоявлення – Хрещення Господа Нашого

6:30 pm Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія (English & Ukrainian)
Followed by Water Blessing ~ Освячення води

Wednesday, January 6 ~ Theophany ~ Baptism of Our Lord
Середа, 6 січня – Богоявлення- Хрещення Господа Нашого

9:00 am Divine Liturgy ~ Божестенна Літургія (English & Ukrainian)
Followed by Water Blessing ~ Освячення води



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Divine Liturgy Intentions & Scripture Readings
November 29 ~ December 6
Наміри та читання Святого Письма на Божественній Літургії
29 листопада ~ 6 грудня

Sunday November 29 ~ 27th Sunday after Pentecost		Eph. 6:10-17 ~ Luke 13:10-17
5:00 pm	**+Jackie Black**	Family
9:00 am	**For health for Petro, Nadia, Olia, Ostap, Justyna, Danylo**	Nadia
11:00 am	**For health & God's blessings for Sandra & Marcel**	Friends
	For the Health & God's Blessings of our Parishioners	
Monday November 30 ~ Apostle Andrew		1 Cor. 4:9-16 ~ John 1:35-42
8:00 am	**In special intention for family love & unity**	Natalia Shevernoha
Tuesday December 1 ~ Prophet Nahum		2 Tim. 3:16-4:4 ~ Luke 19:45-48
8:00 am	**+George Koch, 40th day**	Koch Family
Wednesday December 2 ~ Prophet Habakkuk		2 Tim 4:9-22 ~ Luke 20:1-8
8:00 am ***In the Shrine***	**For God's blessings for Luba Sirdar & Hazel Kiernicki**	Friends
	For God's blessings for Sirdar children & grandchildren	Baba
Thursday December 3 ~ Prophet Sophonias		Titus 1:5-14 ~ Luke 20:9-18
8:00 am	**For health & God's blessings for Andriy Baraniuk**	Andriy
	For God's blessings for Friends	Sandra & Marcel
Friday December 4 ~ Great Martyr Barbara		Titus 1:15-2:10 ~ Luke 20:19-26
8:00 am	**+Mike & Laurence Kiernicki**	Mary Kiernicki
Saturday December 5 ~ Venerable Sabbas		Gal. 5:22-6:2 ~ Matt. 11:27-30
8:30 am	**+Vira**	Bohdan
	+ Bohdanna Zadorozhna	Helen & Darlene
5:00 pm	**+Peter Keyowski**	Hazel Kiernicki & Family
Sunday December 6 ~ St. Nicholas, Wonderworker		Col. 1:12-18 ~ Luke 14:16-24
9:00 am	**Birthday blessings for Larysa**	Mama, Tato, Alia
11:00 am	***For the Health & God's Blessings of our Parishioners***	

AR Cash Fundraiser

A successful and sold out crowd for both evenings on November 20 & 21 raised $13,000 for medical treatment for wounded soldiers in Ukraine. Thank you to the volunteers who worked so hard to make this a great success. Our sincere thanks go to Aaron and Ashley Prociuk and their band for a fabulous performance. A big thank you to all the supporters who attended the event. Your generous donations will help provide the necessary treatment that the soldiers require

Please continue to pray for the soldiers and for Ukraine.