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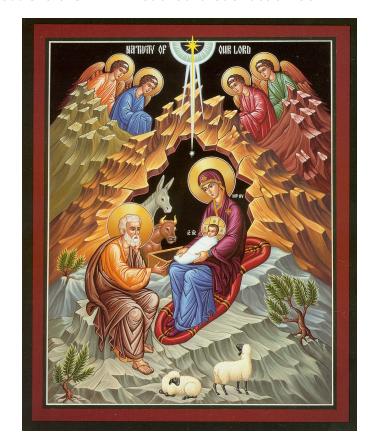
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CATHEDRAL IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE



CATECHETICAL PROGRAMS: See inside for specifics

BAPTISM: By appointment (Pre-Baptismal preparation)

CONFESSIONS - СПОВІДЬ: Every Sunday @ 9:00 а.т.

MATRIMONY: By appointment (one year in advance)

FUNERALS: By arrangement

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Call any time

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOMES: First Friday of the month

DIVINE LITURGY

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

5:00 pm **Feast day:** 10:00 a.m.

Daily: 8:00 a.m.

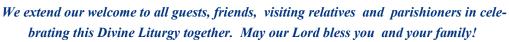
БОЖЕСТВЕННА ЛІТУРГІЯ

В неділю: 10:00 рано

5:00 вечером

Свята: 10:00 рано **Шодня:** 8:00 рано

Вітаємо всіх гостей, приятелів та рідних, які зєдналися сьогодні разом брати участь в цій Службі Божій. Нехай наш Господь благословить Вас і Вашу родину!







ЦЬОГО ТИЖНЯ В КАТЕДРАЛЬНІЙ ЦЕРКВІ December 20th- December 27th THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL PARISH



HEДІЛЯ / SUNDAY, December 20th: Sunday before Nativity - The Holy Fathers (Matthew 1:1-25) Неділя перед Різдвом, - Св. Отців

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for all Parishioners (Bilingual)- Свята Літургія за парафіян Livestream 5:00 р.m. Divine Liturgy for all Parishioners (Bilingual)- Свята Літургія за парафіян Livestream

ПОНЕДІЛОК - MONDAY, December 21st Livestream

6:00 p.m. Moleben with Christmas Confession - Молебень та Різдв'яна сповідь

BIBTOPOK - TUESDAY, December 22nd Livestream

8:00 a.m. + Irina and +Vladislav Kolosnjaji...... Family

6:00 р.т. Moleben with Christmas Confession - Молебень та Різдв'яна сповідь

СЕРЕДА - WEDNESDAY, December 23rd Livestream

8:00 a.m. + Irina and + Joakim Kocis......Family

HETBEP - THURSDAY, December 24th Livestream

4:00 p.m. Eve of the Nativity/ Compline, Divine Liturgy (Bilingual)

Навечір'я Різдва Христового, Служба Божа (Luke 2:1-20)

10:00 p.m. **Eve of the Nativity/ Compline , Divine Liturgy (Bilingual)**

Навечір'я Різдва Христового, Служба Божа (Luke 2:1-20)

П'ЯТНИЦЯ / FRIDAY, December 25th THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD - РІЗДВО ХРИСТОВЕ

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy **Livestream**

СУБОТА / SATURDAY, December 26th Plenary Memorial of the Mother of God-Собор Пресвятої Богородиці

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Livestream

НЕДІЛЯ / SUNDAY, December 27th : Sunday after Nativity –St Stephen, First-Martyr (Matthew 2:13-23)

Неділя по Різдві, -Св. Стефана первомученика

10:00 а.m. Divine Liturgy for all Parishioners (Bilingual)-Свята Літургія за парафіян Livestream

5:00 р.m. Divine Liturgy for all Parishioners (Bilingual)-Свята Літургія за парафіян Livestream



Христос
Раждається!
Всім людям доброї
волі бажаємо
щасливих та
Благословених Свят

Christ is Born!
We wish you a Merry
and Blessed Christmas!
Rector of St. George's
Cathedral:
Fr. Janko L
family

Thank You

to all parishioners for your generous monetary donations throughout the year and donation of your free time and talents for our Cathedral. Without each and every one of you, we could not sustain our parish. Thank you!!

- Registration for each Sunday Divine Liturgy is a MUST due to Cathedral limit/Social distancing. To register please phone parish office at 306-664-3459, Father J. Kolosnjaji at 306-380-2866 or by email: saintgeorge@shaw.ca. Contact number required.
- Prior to attending Divine Liturgy, all participants will have to complete COVID-19 Screening.
- As of November 6th 2020 MASKS ARE MANDATORY
- Starting midnight, Friday Nov 27th number of liturgy participation is reduced to 30 people. Liturgy registration will be done only for next Sunday. Anyone phoning after the 30 people threshold is reached will be offered a following Sunday placement.
- Once in church, please pay attention and follow clearly marked **EXIT** signs.

SPECIAL 2020 PARISH PYLYPIWKA (ADVENT) COLLECTION AND PRE-AUTHORIZED PARISH GIVING FORM 2021

Recurring monthly giving is simple and automatic—a straightforward, affordable way to spread your support to your parish over time. Your monthly contribution to your parish will automatically renew as long as you wish – no annual renewal forms! You can change or stop your monthly recurring gift anytime by calling your parish.

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SPECIAL 2020 PARISH PYLYPIWKA (ADVENT) COLLECTION

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Dear Mr.... and Mrs....,

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!"

That old refrain – and Christmas itself -- is not quite the same during this unusual year. In many ways, this PYLYPIWKA (Advent) and Christmas season does not look as it usually does. We are not able to gather or to celebrate as we usually do, with reduced numbers undoubtedly continuing well into the New Year. Preparations, expectations, and long-standing traditions are requiring modification.

Setting aside how we think Christmas should *look*, let us pause to remember and connect to how Christmas *appeared*. "And there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them." Luke 2:8-9

While Christmas celebrations may indeed look different this year, the light of Jesus Christ coming into our world continues to be true and real, regardless of the circumstances. A light *is* being shone, and an opportunity is being given.

In the midst of the pandemic and the associated safety protocols, our mission to proclaim Christ and to reach out in service continues. At the same time, this has brought challenges and mounting concern about how best to continue our mission and meet the needs of our parish. Resources are required more than ever during these extraordinary times.

Since the outbreak of the pandemic, we have been and will continue to strive to serve our faith community in new and emerging ways. Our priorities have been to:

- ... implement regulations regarding public worship in order to accommodate in-person worship in the safest possible manner
- ... offer extra Liturgy times to enable more people to attend, given restrictions on numbers
- ... offer a platform for online Liturgies for those who have not yet returned to in-person celebration of the Eucharist ... find ways to accommodate funerals, weddings, sacramental preparation and other important milestones in the lives of parishioners
- ... keep important information flowing and available to all parishioners
- ...bring prayers, presence and sacraments to those whose families are unable to visit loved ones while they are in hospital, In order for all such efforts to continue and hopefully to expand resources are needed.

The PYLYPIWKA (Advent) and Christmas Liturgies are traditionally a critical source of funds for the parish. In addition, because of the disruption to regular Liturgy attendance, gatherings and events over the past nine months, collection revenue has fallen well below the operational level needed to sustain the life our parish. In normal times, this weekly generosity directly supports a wide range of ministries, initiatives and outreach that many rely upon. While our collections have dropped, our ministry and outreach are needed more than ever during this pandemic.

Truly, everyone's lives have been disrupted through the COVID-19 pandemic. It has, and for the foreseeable future will impact how we worship and how we engage in programs offered by our parish. Humbly, yet candidly, I share with you that your financial assistance is needed to ensure the parish can continue to offer the faith support and development that we all have come to depend upon.

In all of this, there is not only a need to address current and probable future financial shortcomings. There is also an opportunity to build the strength of our faith and our parish community. I am asking you to please prayerfully consider making a special financial Pylypiwka (Advent)gift to the parish. Know each gift makes a difference and will be met with gratitude. Please also take the time to fill in your current email and cell number. This way we can bring our parish records up to date and keep in contact with you while gathering restrictions are still in place.

These are indeed unprecedented times in which the challenges facing our world are casting shadows over our lives. Yet no amount of darkness has power over even the smallest glimmer of light. As Catholic Christians, we are called to be light for the world:

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.

Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on a stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16.)

May your hearts, homes, and loved ones near and far be filled with peace, joy, and love. The Light of the world is coming!

Yours in Christ, Fr Janko Kolosnjaji

2020 CHRISTMAS VIDEO GREETING FROM HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP BRYAN BAYDA, CS&R



Message in English: https://vimeo.com/490932375
Message in Ukrainian: https://vimeo.com/490932375

CONTRIBUTIONS - ПОЖЕРТВИ

ALL contributions that you want to be included on your 2020 tax receipt **MUST** be in the parish office **NO LATER** than 1:30pm Tuesday **December 31, 2020.**

Дорогі парафіяни, просимо Вас хто бажає ще скласти пожертви на 2019 рік зробити це до 1:30 пополудні вівторка 31-го грудня, щоб дістати посвідку на Іпсоте Тах за 2020 рік. Також хто має які небудь зауваги, щодо ім'я на посвідці або адреси, будь ласка зголосіть це до парафіяльної канцелярії.

THANK YOU

Thank you all for your generous Christmas donations for the children of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. These are our friends and neighbours. Many of them have limited financial means. Your generosity will bring them added joy and delight this Christmas Season. On your behalf, we delivered your cheque to their Parish leadership for \$545.

You have supported our friendship outreach to the First Nations and Metis Nation parishioners of Guadalupe in many ways over these past years. This Christmas Gift Giving is only your most recent gesture of support.

В часі Різдва, по церквах в Епархії переводиться спеціяльна збірка, яку вірні жертвують для своїх священослужителів, так звана "Дар Любови". Для того можете вживати ковертку що в притворі церкви, або ковертку з Вашої коробки коверток.

At Christmas a "Dar Lubovy" donation can be made that is intended for your clergy. Please use the envelope marked "Christmas Offering". If offering a cheque please make it payable to Fr. Kolosnjaji.

ATTENTION - UCWLC Members

Membership Fees of \$20.00 for 2021 are now due. This year, because of COVID-19, you can pay two ways: **1.** by enclosing your cash or cheque in an envelope and putting it in the collection basket. Please mark as "UCWLC Membership" on the outside of the envelope. **2.** by enclosing your cash or cheque mailing it to my home: UCWLC Membership, c/o Iris Owchar 170 Arrand Cres., Saskatoon, SK. S7M 4Z8. Your receipt of payment will be sent to you in the mail in January 2021. Thank you, Iris Owchar, Membership Chairperson 306-220-8275

Григоріянський & Юліянський Церковний Календар на 2020 рік 2020 Religious Gregorian & Julian Calendars are available in church.

One (1) calendar per Parish family is free of charge, every additional calendar is \$3. Church Calendars are Compliments of **PARK FUNERAL CHAPEL**. Thank you!

Julian and Gregorian Livestream

Caroling an interested individual or a group please contact Fr. Kolosnjaji at 306-370-2866 or B. Bodnar at 306-371-9807

OF INTEREST

Solid Wood Stereo Console Cabinet Available.
Contact parish Office.



PASTORAL LETTER

FROM THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CANADA ON THE OCCASION OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD 2020-2021

To the Reverend Clergy, Monastics, Seminarians and Laity of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada:

Dearly Beloved in Christ!

Christ is Born! Let Us Glorify Him!

"Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." Lk 1:28

With what mixed emotions did the Mother of God experience the Annunciation when the Archangel Gabriel greeted Her? On one hand. She experienced fear and confusion about what was taking place in Her life: physically - bearing Jesus in her womb while not yet married; and spiritually - being filled with the Holy Spirit and overwhelmed with peace and joy! Nine months later, at the birth of Her Son Jesus, She continued to treasure and ponder all these words in Her heart. And now, as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ we might ask ourselves what we are pondering in our hearts? For the past nine months, how have we been pondering the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the presence of Jesus, indeed, the Trinity dwelling in us?

Understandably, it was painful for Mary, when some ridiculed Her as a maiden with child. Meanwhile, others rejoiced with Her, such as her cousin Elizabeth. How important it must have been for Mary to have faith in God's presence so that she was able to face all storms in life with a deep conviction of His love. Similarly, be mindful of how important it is for all of us today to be certain of God's presence for He walks with us through the tragedies in life and is ever ready to celebrate times of joy with us. Either way, He accompanies us doing the will of the Father

We must pray for the same assurance the Mother of God had at that time. Let us draw strength from Her example of faith and trust in God. She gave birth to Jesus and raised Him, sharing His Sacred Heart with others through Her Heart. We strive to do the same, and pray for those in our families who long for a deep confidence in knowing they are loved and not alone during these difficult times. The challenges we face as individuals, as families and communities are numerous, and we need to be reminded that God is with us in our challenges. Jesus is the true vine, and "every branch that bears fruit, he prunes to make it bear more fruit" (Jn15:2 NRSV).

Therefore, while growing weary of COVID and all the adjustments to life we are making, let us remain connected to our parish family. Let us celebrate our faith by knowing the presence of God in Holy Scripture. You are part of the vine. Remain in God through the Eucharist either physically or through spiritual communion. Prepare to celebrate Reconciliation sacramentally as we forgive one another on a daily basis. Then, renewed in Christ, let us follow Him as Missionary Disciples to minister to those who feel isolated and alone: in Canada, Ukraine or wherever our loved ones struggle. Celebrate the birth of Christ by being Christ for others! God has given us the grace to make sure others don't feel alone despite physical distancing and much more difficult circumstances. Jesus fulfills Scripture through us when we realize more deeply that He dwells within us, helping others believe, sing and proclaim, "God is With Us, Understand This All You Nations! And Be Humbled, For God Is With Us!"

May our celebration of this profound truth this Christmas be a time to encounter Jesus Christ in our spouse, in our family members and in our parish because we are an essential part of this profound truth. May we be aware of the presence of Jesus, Mary and Joseph that give us the gift of the Holy Family which is present in our personal and parish families. And may this awareness bear fruit in our lives throughout the new year, 2021, and beyond.

God is with us! Christ is Born!

Sincerely in Christ.

- +Lawrence Huculak, OSBM Metropolitan Archbishop of Winnipeg +Michael Wiwchar, CSsR Eparch Emeritus of Saskatoon +Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM Eparch Emeritus of New Westminster +Stephen Chmilar, Eparch Emeritus of Toronto and Eastern Canada
- +David Motiuk, Eparchial Bishop of Edmonton, Administrator of the Eparchy of New Westminster
- +Bryan Bayda, CSsR, Eparchial Bishop of Saskatoon, Administrator of the Eparchy of Toronto & Eastern Canada







Schedule of Christmas & Theophany Services in our parishes throughout our Eparchy will be posted on our Eparchial website!

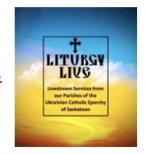
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PLEASE NOTE: THAT AS OF NOVEMBER 27TH PLACE OF WORSHIP CAPICITY IS 30 PEOPLE!!!

— PLEASE CALL TO PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND

Take part via our Livestreaming option through the parishes listed below:

- Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George, Saskatoon, SK | Website»»
- Ukrainian Catholic Church of Dormition of the Mother of God, Saskatoon, SK
 | Website» | Facebook»»
- Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Saskatoon, SK | YouTube Channel»»
- St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Regina, SK | Website» | Facebook»
- Sacred Heart Ukrainian Catholic Church, Ituna, SK | Facebook»»
- St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Kamsack, SK | Facebook»» | Website»
- Live Streaming Services of Ukrainian Catholic Churches in Canada and the World | Royal Doors»»



Chancery Office Hours over the Christmas Season

Thursday, December 24th: 9 am-12 noon Friday, December 25th: CLOSED Monday, December 28th: CLOSED Thursday, December 31st: 9 am-12 noon Friday, January 1, 2021: CLOSED

Please visit our Eparchial website www.skeparchy.org for Christmas services throughout our parishes in our Eparchy

As we celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord, may the deep joy and peace of His birth be celebrated in your homes this Christmas. May the Blessing of Emmanuel fill your heart and the hearts of those in your family with joy and gladness this Christmas and strengthen you





Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Українська Католицька Єпархія Саскатуну



This Monday afternoon, December 14 at 3:00 pm, Dr. Saqib Shahab, Saskatchewan's Chief Medical Health Officer, announced revised public health orders effective this Thursday, Dec. 17th.

These remain in effect until Friday, January 15, 2021, unless amended. The revisions affecting places of worship are as follows:

The Places of Worship Guidelines are established under the provisions of the Public Health Act of Saskatchewan and are legally binding on all residents of

Saskatchewan. The government has asked the police to step up enforcement and we have seen a number of local health inspectors looking closely at places of worship. The faith leaders' group has asked all faith communities to protect vulnerable people by following these guidelines.

30-person capacity, no concurrent services:

Over the past three weeks there have been discussions regarding the Nov. 27 health order. These have led to differing rulings by local health inspectors and considerable confusion for local faith communities. The text of the Places of Worship Guidelines has been revised to read: "All places of worship must reduce capacity to 30 people, including wedding, funeral, and baptismal services. No food or drink may be present or served. Services must be held in their usual location. Concurrent services in other rooms within the facility are not permitted." This means that the 30-person capacity limit applies to the whole facility, not to individual rooms. For clarification, the 30-person capacity **does not include the minimal number of clergy and other leaders required to facilitate the service**. However, faith communities are encouraged to keep this number at a reasonable level.

Yours in Christ.

Rev. Janko Kolosnjaji, Vicar General, Eparchy of Saskatoon COVID-19 Guideline Committee:

– Rev. Ivan Nahachewsky, Marcella Ogenchuk, Bernie Bodnar

Saskatchewan OPDATE 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Virtual Christmas With Camp St. Basil-Edmonton – December 28 to 31-2020

11 am - 12:15 pm (CST) — 10:00 am - 11:15 am (MST)

We are so excited to share that we will be hosting a Christmas camp from Dec. 28-31! Join our Christmas themed games, crafts, and a lesson on the Christmas story!

Details: December 28-31 2020, 10:00 to 11:15 A.M. MST (11:00 am to 12:15 pm CST)

Cost: FREE OF CHARGE

Ages: Attendees are *required* to be between the ages of 7 and 14

Register Now: https://sites.google.com/view/campsaintbasil/register?authuser=0
Further questions? Contact: campsaintbasils@gmail.com or call 1-780-434-8010