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All are welcome here today. We hope that your “God experience” will be personal and that you will come again.

April 1, 2018 – The Glorious and Holy Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord, and Savior Jesus Christ

Our HOPE in Jesus Christ

Pope's Monthly intention: Universal: For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters. That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



PA LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sun. Apr. 1	9:00 EASTER SUNDAY /Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy and basket blessing
Tues. Apr. 3	9:00 Divine Liturgy for health of Dolores Clark from Fr. Vasyl
Wed. Apr. 4	9:00 Divine Liturgy for health of Molly Cowie from Fr. Vasyl
Thur. Apr. 5	9:00 Divine Liturgy for health of Larry and Shirley Danylyshen from Fr. Vasyl
Fri. Apr. 6	9:00 Divine Liturgy for health of Marta Derkach from Fr. Vasyl
Sat. Apr. 7	9:00 Memorial Divine Liturgy for the repose of the soul of Walter Chubey from Olive and Family
Sun. April 8	10:00 Divine Liturgy/Double Collection/Holy Land-Eastern Congregation

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If you want to offer Liturgy intentions, please contact Fr. Vasyl at 306-763-3645 or 306-940-9785.

Fr. Vasyl will be hearing confessions every Sunday at 9:30 before Divine Liturgy as well as by appointment.

Fr. Vasyl will be taking Mondays as his day off unless otherwise designated.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: If you or a family member are admitted to the hospital, your patient file **will not** include Fr. Vasyl's name as your spiritual contact person. If you or your loved one would like to have spiritual services, such as visiting, praying, bringing the Holy Eucharist, hearing confession, anointing or blessing of the sick, last rites, baptisms, provided by Fr. Vasyl, you, or someone you trust, must contact him directly. Fr. Vasyl would like to do his very best to meet the spiritual needs of the parish.



The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Covenant of Care Abuse and Misconduct Protocol is designed to ensure that all allegations of physical and sexual abuse and other misconduct are handled responsibly, transparently and with all due care and attention. To speak to someone about a concern please contact your Pastor, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) Rosalee Chubak at 306-764-6456 or Deb Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at (306)-653-0138 ext. 228 or email: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org. More information is available on the Eparchial Website, www.skeparchy.org.

PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, Apr. 8th - St. Thomas Sunday

Greeters/Ushers: Rosalee Chubak & Lorette Worobetz

Reader: Anne Senga

Extraordinary Communion Minister: Gary Tenaschuk

NIPAWIN SCHEDULE

Apr. 15 1:30 Divine Liturgy
Apr. 29 1:30 Divine Liturgy
May 13 1:30 Praznyk/Divine Liturgy/Panakhya and
Cemetery blessing

MELFORT SCHEDULE

Apr. 8 1:00 Divine Liturgy

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

1. Wednesday at 10:00 the ladies will be making cabbage rolls for the Barveenok competition.
2. Parish bingo on Saturday at 11:30.

Easter Tea and Bake Sale was a great success. Thank you to all who brought baking and all who helped. Great turnout.

Perogies, cabbage rolls and borscht for sale. Contact ladies league members.

PARISH EVENTS BEYOND THIS WEEK – MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Apr. 11 7:30 K of C meeting
Apr. 14-28 Eparchial Appeal
Apr. 15 12:30 UCWLC meeting
Apr. 12 7:00 Parish council meeting
Apr. 22 Praznyk with a potluck lunch
May 5 11:30 Parish bingo

COMMUNITY EVENTS

1.



The Knights of Columbus are selling **Chase the Ace** tickets in the Knights Hall immediately after Divine Liturgy. These tickets support the Prince Albert Catholic School Foundation as well as the K of C. Week 27 winner is Anne Hart, winning \$110.80. The growing jackpot is \$598360. Card drawn from the new deck was the 4 of spades.

EPARCHIAL EVENTS (Information about all the following events is on the Eparchial web site)

1. **Discovering the Unity of Life and Love Podcast Part VI: *Discovering the Unity of Life and Love*** is a document of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, which in our Family and Life Office podcast will be divided up into “bite sized” chunks, narrated by our own Bishop Bryan and followed up by either some thought provoking discussions or web links to help us go deeper and explore important questions like “what it means to be human—male and female?”; “the compatibility of faith and science”; “the role of beauty in our faith”; “how do we discover the true meaning of love?”; “what is true human freedom?” and many more. **Easter Sunday we will focus on the role of our Desires as we seek this Unity of Life and Love and For Further Reflection we take a look at a topic we hear more and more about in the media—particularly as to how it is affecting our children and grandchildren—Pornography. This may seem likely material that is not in keeping with the festal season however, it is only in deeply celebrating Christ’s salvific work “..by His death He conquered death...” that we can find true hope while facing these realities in our lives. Next week (Part 8-- Thomas Sunday) we will look at how sin in our lives distorts and subverts the Unity of Life and Love and For Further Reflection we will contemplate the power of God’s mercy and His transforming love in our lives so that like the disciple Thomas our faith may be strengthened by encountering Christ. Find the podcast by going to the Eparchy of Saskatoon Family and Life Office website www.skeparchy.org/flo . Or go to www.skeparchy.org and click on the **Family and Life Office** icon. It is never too late to join us.... So take some time to go deeper in your faith...it’s just a few clicks.**

2. **Easter 2018 Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude, Patriarch Sviatoslav** is now posted on the eparchial website and available for everyone to read. For those not having access, there are some copies, also in **Ukrainian**, available on the desk in the church entrance.
3. **Our Eparchial Youth Ministry Office** is sponsoring a "**Youth Easter Zabava**" that will be taking place on Sunday, April 8th at 5:00 pm at St. George's Cathedral, Saskatoon! This invitation is open to all youth 14 years and up. Come and share in the joy of Christ's Resurrection - Ukrainian Style. Food, Dancing, Games & Workshops. We promise you an unforgettable time! Deadline for registration is Sunday, April 1st. Please have your youth register by sending their name, e-mail address and age to uwitness2youth@gmail.com. Check the poster on the bulletin board for more details and information.
4. **Musée Ukraina Museum** (222 Ave. M South - Sister Theodosia Lane, Saskatoon) **is currently displaying an Art Exhibit entitled "Roma, Inspired for Life"**. This solo exhibition features the works of Saskatoon visual artist, **Roma Nowakowski**. **The exhibit runs from March 4 to May 5, 2018**. Museum Hours are Sundays - 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Check the poster on the bulletin board.
5. This year we celebrate the **10th Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of His Excellency Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR, on Saturday, June 23, 2018** at St. George's Cathedral in Saskatoon. **Episcopal Divine Liturgy will be at 5:00 pm, Cocktails at 6:30 pm and Banquet at 7:00 pm**. Tickets will be available in early April with prices set at: Adults: \$35 ~ Youth (9-21): \$25 ~ Children (under 8): \$10. **Clergy, religious and laity from throughout the Eparchy are invited to come and celebrate with us!** Mark the date on your calendar . . . watch your parish bulletins for ticket purchase details coming out soon! **Sponsored by the Eparchial Pastoral Council and AGEMI**. For more information contact: Geraldine Koban at 306-782-0270 – email gmkoban@gmail.com. Check the poster on the bulletin board.
6. **Looking for a summer job?** St. Volodymyr Camp is looking for individuals who have experience working with children and love sharing their Ukrainian cultural heritage. Camp Dates are July 20 - July 29, 2018. Please find all the details and how to apply at: <https://stvolodymyrcamp.com/now-hiring/>. Or contact us at: stvolodymyrcamp@gmail.com. Poster on the bulletin board.
7. **Youth Survey "Make Your Voices Heard"** is our sincere attempt to listen to your voice in the light of Pope Francis' request: "We must find new ways to meet the youth's expressed needs, providing resources which help them respond to the challenges of our secular culture, so that they may grow in faith and holiness". Therefore, we are inviting You, our Friend, our Neighbour, to share your opinions and to actively participate in this survey. Log on to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NNDBRYR>. See the poster on the bulletin board.
8. **It's a season of Faith Films! - Don't miss "Paul, Apostle of Christ," "I Can Only Imagine", and "God's Not Dead: A Light In Darkness."** These Christian films that are now playing or are coming very soon to some of our theatres in the province. They are high quality, high impact films that represent the Christian faith well in three very distinct ways.
9. The diocesan Hospital Chaplaincy office is hosting a **Dying Healed** workshop from **9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7** at the Bishop Klein Room of the **Cathedral of the Holy Family**, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Cost is \$15 (includes lunch). To register please contact Jacqueline Saretsky at hospitalchaplaincy@rcdos.com (306) 659-5839. Eparchial Family and Life Office Director Deborah Larmour will be one of the presenters. **Dying Healed** teaches ways to experience human dignity through sincere outreach, and explores concepts related to coping with suffering, end of life issues, and the power of presence. Explore ways to reach another person and show compassion and love, especially to someone suffering with a terminal illness or coping with a physical or mental health condition in a health care facility. The beauty of this program is that it is not complicated and it doesn't require advanced degrees. You have the ability to make an impact, just by being who you are and giving of your time to those most in need. If we don't reach out to the suffering, who will? If you would like information about this program and would like to have it come to Prince Albert, please contact Fr. Vasyly or Dcn Harrold.

If you want something in the bulletin, it must be submitted by Thursday midnight. My email address is cannon_iris@hotmail.com. If you would like to have the bulletin emailed to you, forward your e-mail address to cannon_iris@hotmail.com and I will add you to the list.

The Resurrection

Christ is Risen from the dead trampling Death by death and to those in the tombs granting Life!

Easter is the earliest Christian feast. The whole tone and meaning of the liturgical life of the Church is contained in Easter, together with the subsequent fifty-day period, which culminates in the feast of the Pentecost, the coming down of Holy Spirit upon the Apostles. This unique Easter celebration is reflected every week in the Christian Sunday, Resurrection Day. Every week the Church comes to the same central experience; every Sunday is dedicated to the resurrection of Christ, so that we never lose sight of the centrality of Christ's victory over death. Every week, the same fundamental fact of our Christian faith is proclaimed: Christ is risen! St. Paul says: "If Christ is not risen, then your faith is in vain."

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the fundamental truth and absolute fact of the Christian faith. It is the central experience and essential teaching of the Church. It confirms the authenticity of Christ's remarkable earthly life and vindicates the truth of His teaching. It seals all His redemptive work: His life, the model of a holy life; His compelling and unique teaching; His extraordinary works; and His awesome, life-creating death. Christ's Resurrection is the guarantee of our salvation. Together with His Ascension it brings to perfection God's union with us for all eternity.



The Descent into Hades Icon

In traditional iconography, the actual moment of the Resurrection of Christ was never depicted. The Gospels and Church Tradition are silent about that moment and do not say how Christ arose. Neither does the icon show it.

The action of the event takes place in the depths of the earth, in hell, shown as a gaping black abyss. In the centre of the icon is the figure of the Saviour. He appears in hell not as its captive, but as its Conqueror and Deliverer, as the Master of life. He is surrounded by a radiant mandorla with rays issuing from the centre of the mandorla. His garments are not those in which He is portrayed during his lifetime. They are brilliant white.

The darkness of hell is filled by the light of these Divine rays. Christ tramples underfoot the two crossed boards of hell's doors that He has pulled down. In many icons, below the doors, in the black abyss, the cast down figure of the prince of darkness, Satan, is seen. The power of hell is destroyed. This is symbolized by the keys, nails, and so forth.

Christ raises Adam from the grave with His right hand and Eve with His left hand. By this he frees Adam's soul and with it the souls of all those who wait for His coming with faith. This is why, to the right and left of this scene are shown two groups of Old Testament saints, with prophets at the front. On the left are kings David and Solomon in royal robes and crowns and in front of them, John the Forerunner (Baptist). On the right are the prophets. Seeing Him, they at once recognize Him as the One whom they had foretold.

By freeing the old Adam, and with him, the whole of humankind, He laid the foundation of a new life for all humankind. The spiritual raising of Adam is a symbol of the coming resurrection of the body, the first-fruit of which was the resurrection of Christ.

In the upper section of the icon, the two peaks of rock remind us that "the earth shook and the rocks were split" (Mt. 27:51) after the death of Christ. The dividing of the rocks also reminds us of the dividing of the waters of the Red Sea as the Israelites traveled from the slavery of Egypt to the freedom of the Promised Land.