

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORNITON OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF EDMONTON

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October 28, 2018 Pentecost, Tone 6; the Holy Marty

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 6; the Holy Martyrs Terentius and Neonila; Our Venerable Father Stephen the Sabaite, Composer of Canons (9th c.); the Holy Martyr Parasceve of Iconium

Welcome Fr. Paul Lysak

(Fr. Bo is in Saskatoon today)

Saints of the Day: (texts from the OCA website)



The Martyrs Terence and Neonilla and their children: Sarbelus, Photius, Theodulus, Hierax, Nita, Vele and Eunice suffered martyrdom during a persecution of Christianity under the emperor Decius (249-250). They zealously confessed

Christ and denounced idolatry. For this the pagans subjected the entire Christian family to terrible tortures and torments, but failed to get them to renounce the true Faith. So, the holy martyrs were beheaded, and received crowns of martyrdom.

Saint Stephen the Hymnographer of Saint Sava Monastery, lived the ascetic life at the



Lavra of Saint Sava in Palestine. He and Andrew the Blind were among the first to compose hymns (idiomela) for the period between the Publican and Pharisee and Palm Sunday.



The **Great Martyr Paraskeva of Iconium**, lived during the third century in a rich and pious family. The parents of the saint especially reverenced Friday, the day of the Passion of the Lord, and therefore they called their daughter Paraskeva. This name, Paraskeva means Friday.

Young Paraskeva with all her heart loved purity and the loftiness of the virginal life, and she took a vow of celibacy. She wanted to devote all her life to God and to enlighten pagans with the light of Christ.

Because of her confession of the true Faith, the pagans in a frenzy seized her and brought her to the city prefect. They demanded that she offer unholy sacrifice to the...

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Saint of the day continued... The Great Martyr Paraskeva of Iconium

...pagan idols. With a steady heart, and trusting on God, the saint refused this demand. For this she underwent great torments: after stripping her, they tied her to a tree and beat her with rods. Then the torturers raked her pure body with iron claws. Finally, they threw her into prison, exhausted by the torture and lacerated to the bone. But God did not forsake the holy sufferer, and miraculously healed her wounds. Not heeding this divine miracle, the executioners continued with their torture of Saint Paraskeva, and finally, they cut off her head. Icons of Saint Paraskeva were especially venerated and embellished by the faithful. Iconographers usually depicted the martyr as an austere ascetic, tall of stature, with a radiant crown upon her head. Icons of the saint guard pious and happy households. By Church belief, Saint Paraskeva is protectress of fields and cattle. Therefore, on her Feastday it was the custom to bring fruit to church to be blessed. These blessed objects were kept until the following year. Moreover, Saint Paraskeva is invoked for protection of cattle from disease. She is also a healer of people from grievous illness of both body and soul.

October / November 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 IO am Divine Liturgy with guest priest Fr. Paul Lysak. (Fr. Bo in Saskatoon) 2 pm Melkite Liturgy 2 pm Shroud of Turin at Cathedral	29 Clergy Study Days	30 Katie Bunio's and Josie Zeleny's Birthdays Clergy Study Days	31 CX Clergy Study Days Halloween	November 1 Clergy Study Days	2 CX Clergy Conference "Called to be Holy" Men's Retreat 7 pm Melkite's Bible Study	3 6 pm "Woven" Faith Sharing for Teenage Girls at St. Basil's "Called to be Holy" Men's Retreat Redwater's "Puschenya"
4 10 am Divine Liturgy 2 pm Melkite Liturgy	5 Iconography Lesson (Theosis Studio)	6	7 X 6pm Prayer Service 7pm Bible and Faith Study: Early world - Part 2	8 Archangel Michael & All the Heavenly Hosts Fr. Bo meets with Bishop re Camp 7pm PPC Meeting	9 X Steven Bryson's, Marie Kunec's & Maksym Pryma's Birthdays	10 6 pm "Woven", Faith Sharing for Teenage Girls at St. Basil's
11 10 am Divine Liturgy with guest priest Fr. Peter Brezden. (Fr. Bo away) Remembrance Day Service after Liturgy 2 pm Melkite Liturgy	12 St. Josaphat Toscha Sharek & Stephania Nahachewsky's Birthdays Day off in Lue of Remembrance Day No School for ECSD	13	14 🗙	15 ∝ St. Philip's Fast (Pre- Christimas Fast, "Advent") Begins	16 🗙	17 X 6 pm "Woven", Faith Sharing for Teenage Girls at St. Basil's



VISIT LOURDES, PARIS, SENLIS & UKRAINE Sept 2019 with Sister Angelica & Myrna Arychuk

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Children's Overnight Retreat

November 24 - 25th, 2018 at Holy Eucharist Ukr. Cath. Parish

Ages: Grades 1 through 6 Make new friends! See friends from summer or previous camps at this overnight retreat. Bring a friend and spread the word! Drop off: 3:30, November 24 Pick-Up: After Divine Liturgy November 25. Register with payment by Monday, November 19th.

You can register by emailing Millie @ <u>youth@eeparchy.com</u> or the registration form is at <u>http://bit.ly/childrensjesusretreat</u> Cost is \$20, all snacks and meals will be provided.

A HUGE THANK YOU to those who came and helped illuminate our little Church.

Two weeks ago I asked for volunteers to come and help me hang some Christmas lights and change the burnt out lightbulbs around the exterior of our Church. Many understandably were unable to come due to work, but a lovely handful of volunteers did show up, and we enjoyed some gorgeous weather as we brightened our building. In about 3 hours, we put up 16 strands of lights around the entire perimeter of the building. We also changed lightbulbs on both the front and the back of the church illuminating the four main entrances (we still need to work a little more to get the side doors working, but we did really good.)

Thank you to Abuna (Fr.) Issa, Tony, Louis, Steve and my kids who pitched in and got this lovely job done. It not only looks great, but it also helped us bond the two parishes (St. Nicholas Melkite & Dormition Ukr. Cath), and enabled us to meet and talk to several neighbours. I'm so pleased.

And Bonus: We got the roof's gutters / drains cleared too.



So... How many priests does it take to screw in a bunch of lightbulbs? Two this time, and a few parishioners.

This year marks the 85th Anniversary of the Ukrainian Famine - Holodomor (1932-1933).

By the end of 1933, millions of people in Ukraine died from starvation, perhaps as many as one-quarter of the population. They died needlessly as the crop harvests were plentiful. The famine was human-made, orchestrated to inflict pain and suffering upon the people, all for political reasons. The tragic events of that time are known today as the Ukrainian Famine and Genocide or "Holodomor" in Ukrainian.

Several events have been organized throughout the Province of Alberta to commemorate this horrific tragedy and to pray for the repose of the Holodomor victims. Take time to locate the one nearest you and plan to attend.

The last Saturday of November is designated Ukrainian Famine and Genocide – Holodomor – Memorial Day in Alberta. This year it falls on November 24. On or about this day plan to make a difference in the lives of the poor today. Millions died from starvation in Ukraine from 1932-1933. Millions throughout the world are still dying today from starvation. In remembrance of those who perished in

the Holodomor, challenge yourself as a parish or a family to feed the poor in your local community on this day by donating food or money to a local charity, serving a meal at a local soup kitchen, handing out sandwiches and hot coffee, distributing food hampers to local families – whatever.

You may also consider making a financial donation to help refugees in Ukraine through Catholic Near East Welfare Association – Canada (<u>http://donate.cnewa.ca/emergency-ukraine-p/</u> <u>12368.htm</u>) or to help the victims of the Rohingya Crisis in Burma (Myanmar) through Development and Peace – Carita Canada (<u>https://www.devp.org/en/aboutus/caritascanada</u>).

Let us befittingly honour the memory of the millions who died from starvation from a human-made famine in 1932-1933 first by prayerfully committing their souls in peace to God, and then by actively eradicating poverty by feeding the poor in our midst today one mouth at a time.

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"Fostering Vocations"

Ninth Annual Bishop's Gala, **Thursday**, **November 29**, **2018** at the Chateau Louis Hotel and Conference Centre. This festive gala raises funds to support the operation and programming of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton. The evening will begin with a cocktail reception at 6:00 pm, followed by dinner and an exciting live auction. A silent auction will be held throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$175 each or \$1400 per table of eight. A charitable tax receipt for \$85 will be issued per ticket. Due to the tremendous success of Galas past, you are encouraged to purchase your tickets as soon as possible. Contact the Pastoral Centre to purchase tickets: 780 424 5496 or chancery@edmontoneparchy.com.

We are also accepting monetary donations and/or donations of silent and live auction items from individual and corporate sponsors. Contact Andrea Leader at 780 424 5496 or admin@eeparchy.com to make a donation. All proceeds of the Gala will support the mission of the Church, that is, the sharing of the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Are you a Young adult between the Ages of 18 and 35? Are you ready for a life changing journey?

There is a group of us from across Canada and the U.S. who are going to a pilgrimage / retreat at Holy Transfiguration Monastery (commonly called "Mt. Tabor") in Redwood Valley, California.

Here we will pray, explore and grow as a community in the beautiful setting of the monastery.

This trip will take place from December 27th, 2018 till January 3rd, 2019 (during Christmas break). Space is limited, so if you are interested please click on the link on our parish's website, or call Millie at the Youth Ministry Office 780-446-1061. Coming along on this trip are Fr. Joseph Matlak, from the Eparchy of Parma (USA), Fr. Bo Nahachewsky of the Eparchy of Edmonton (Canada), possibly a couple nuns, and Millie from the Eparchy of Edmonton's Youth Ministry Office. Together with them we will also receive guidance from Abbot Fr. Damian Higgins of the Mt. Tabor community.

In addition to prayer and spiritual growth, we will also do day trips to San Francisco, the Pacific Coast, The Redwood Forest, and even some of Wine Country.

If you want to learn about the monastery, consider watching the video on our website. It's long, but quite good.





Working Together For Safer Environments Protocol

In order to make our parish as safe and secure as possible, **ALL parish volunteers** are asked to fill out a "Working Together For Safer Environments - Volunteer Information Form". Filling out this form will help us keep current records of who is working in our parish and in what capacity. You can get this form from Fr. Bo. If you are working with "Vulnerable Peoples" such as Children, Teens, Disabled Persons or Seniors, if you have a key to the building, or if you are handling moneys, then you will also be asked to fill out a "High Risk" form. These "High Risk" people will be asked to attend a Volunteer Training Session, and to provide the pastor with a Police Information Check (PIC) with Vulnerable Sector.

I, Fr. Bo, will create a letter for those identified in "High Risk" positions hopefully by next Sunday which will identify you as a volunteer within the church, so that the Police Checks can be done for the Volunteer rate of \$15. This \$15 the parish will refund you upon receipt of the Police Check. All information will be kept in the strictest of confidence with only the parish pastor looking at the PIC. The files will be kept in sealed envelopes in a locked filing cabinet, in a locked room.

The next two Volunteer Training Sessions will be held here in Edmonton on: Sunday, October 14th (today) at Holy Eucharist Parish at noon, and on Tuesday, October 23 at Holy Cross Parish at 7pm. For more information please call the Eparchial Pastoral Centre.

This is not only for the safety of our children, and other vulnerable people, but also for the confidence, safety and security of you, our lovely volunteers.



Dormition News

• We wish God's blessings and a **happy birthday** to our parishioners: **Katie Bunio** and **Josie Zeleny** who both celebrate their birthdays this week. God grant you all many years!

If we don't have your birthday, or if we have your birthday info wrong... please send an email (or at least a piece of paper) with the corrected birthdate and your name.

- We pray for the health and well-being of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: Marge Woitas, Katie Bunio, Stella Dronyk, John Puto, Ann Horsman, Annie Polack, Louis Pewar & Stephania Nahachewsky. (If you know any other people who should be on this list: please email me.)
- Hey Kids: Want to Altar Serve? I'd love to have anyone in Grade 2 or higher participate in the Liturgy with me at the Altar. Come and see me before Liturgy. Training is "on the job". Both boys and girls welcome.
- Is your child ready for their **First Solemn Communion** (and First Confession)? Talk to Fr. Bo, and let's set up our program for the year.
- **Confessions:** Fr. Bo is always around before services, so please do not hesitate to ask him to hear your confession. If you are planning to make a "longer" confession, he is always available by appointment too.
- Next **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** will take place on Thursday November 8th. The one we planned for later this week is cancelled due to Fr. Bo's absence.
- On Wednesday the 31 of October there will be no Bible & Faith Study due to Fr. Bo being out of town. The next one is November 7th.
- Little Friends of Jesus schedule till Christmas: Nov. 4, Nov. 18, Nov. 25, Dec. 2, Dec. 9 (St. Nicholas Program and Lunch after Divine Liturgy) & Dec. 16
- There are new colouring sheets on our bulletin board for all kids! And adults: Please check out some of the awesome colouring and sticker work our kids have been doing. I bet they would LOVE your positive attention and encouragement.



I will also be showing up on Sunday December 9th to check on the parish and encourage you.



Eparchial News

- Faith, Family, Friends is a Parent group for Ukrainian Catholic Moms & Dads that is held every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the Month from 9:30 till 11:30 am at St. Nicholas Parish. For more information see the Eparchial Program Guide, or call Joyanne at 780-236-2184.
- All Gentlemen are invited to attend **Called to be Holy: Being a Christian Man in the World Today** on Nov. 2-3. 2018 at Providence Renewal Centre 3005 119 St NW, Edmonton. With the variety of topics and gifted sessional presenters, men of all ages and stages will find something in this conference that will speak to their heart. and encourage them to live out their faith in the world today. For more information check out our parish's website. Deadline to register is Oct 22.
- "No Stone Left Alone Memorial Service" will take place on Monday November 5, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at St Michael's Cemetery's main central Cross. Join Most Rev. David Motiuk, members of the Edmonton Garrison, St Matthews Elementary School, and Edmonton Eparchy Clergy in honouring our veterans and remembering our loved ones during this time of Remembrance.
- St Vladimir Youth will be hosting a **Family Games Night** for All Ages on Friday evening, Nov 16th, 7-10 PM at St Vladimir's Hall (12726-119 Street). Entrance fee will be \$5 per family. There will be a concession stand selling fresh-baked pretzels, pop, chips, and beer and wine for the adults. Bring a board game to share, and some will be there for your use. There will be a bean-bag toss and play-doh table for the little ones, and a paddle-board room. Card tables/games will be available for the adults, so everyone can enjoy the evening!!
- "Woven" Faith Sharing for Teen Girls, is a workbook and seminar designed to help modern girls see themselves as beloved by God, created in His image, and intended by God to reflect His love to others. Through stories, discussion, crafts and activities, this series of 6 sessions will explore what it means to be a young woman living according to the Eastern Christian Faith in the modern world. We will delve into some of the most pressing topics teen girls face today such as identity, social media, friendship, relationships and more. This takes place on Saturdays from November 6 till December 8, from 6-8pm at St. Basil's Cultural Centre. No cost. Register NOW by calling 780-424-5496 or emailing education@edmontoneparchy.com.
- The Shroud of Turin: Discover the facts about the most studied artifact in Christendom. Come join a 2 hour presentation on Oct 28, from 2-4pm at St. Josaphat's Cathedral.
- Did you know that the website called **"Royal Doors"** is a English language site with free resources for the Ukrainian Catholic Church? In it you will find fascinating articles, liturgical texts, daily reflections, the entire text of "Christ our Pascha: The Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church", explanations of feasts and fasts, current news of our Church from around the world, and much much more. Please take some time and explore this ever growing website.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 - DIVINE LITURGY CHANGEABLE PARTS

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 6: Angelic powers were upon Your tomb* and the guards became like dead men;* Mary stood before Your tomb* seeking Your most pure body.* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.* You met the Virgin and granted life.* O Lord, risen from the dead,* glory be to You!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 6: With His life-giving hand* Christ our God, the Giver of life,* raised all the dead from the murky abyss* and bestowed resurrection upon humanity.* He is for all the Saviour,* the resurrection and the life, and the God of all.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion. Tone 6:

Undaunted patroness of Christians,* O steadfast intermediary with the Creator,* turn not away from the suppliant voices of sinners,* but in your kindness come to help us who cry out to you in faith.* Be quick to intercede, make haste to plead,* for you are ever the patroness of those who honour you, O Mother of God.

Prokeimenon, Tone 6

Save Your people, O Lord, * and bless Your inheritance.

Verse: Unto You I will cry, O Lord, my God, lest You turn from me in silence. (Psalm27:9,1)

Epistle Ephesians 2:4-10

Brothers and Sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with

him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Alleluia, Tone 6

Verse: He who lives in the aid of the Most High, shall dwell under the protection of the God of heaven.

Verse: He says to the Lord: You are my protector and my refuge, my God, in Whom I hope. (Psalm 90:1,2)

Gospel Luke 8:26-39

At that time Jesus and his disciples; arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"- for Jesus had

commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the



was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the

boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 148:1)