

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

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A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF EDMONTON

Address:

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Services:

Sunday Divine Liturgy
(Ukr & Eng) at 10 am
& Melkite (Arabic) D.L.
at 2 pm

Akathist or Molebyn
Most Wednesdays at 6 pm
(see calendar)

Parish Website:

[http://
dormition.eeparchy.com](http://dormition.eeparchy.com)

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Sunday, January 20, 2019

30th Sunday after Pentecost; our Venerable and God-bearing Father Euthemius the Great (473)

CHRIST IS BORN! - LET US GLORIFY HIM! Христос Раждається! - Славім Його!

Welcome to the family of God. Last Sunday **Tamara Ruff** (picture to the right), and yesterday **Sam Ostopowich** (picture below) received their Sacraments of Initiation in our parish. Congratulations to them and their families on this profound beginnings to their life in Christ.



"Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the sinful body might be destroyed,

and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For He who has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. The death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus." - Saint Paul in his letter to the Romans (6:3-11)

This Thursday: 11 am Funeral of the Servant of God + Peter Powlousky

in our parish. May God grant him eternal rest.

Вічна Память

Next Sunday: First Solemn Communion for Elizabeth Shakeshaft

Please keep this brilliant young girl in your thoughts and prayers as she takes the incredibly courageous step to receive her First Confession, then to approach the Eucharist on her own.

Today after the Divine Liturgy:

Our parish's UCWLC is having their **Annual General Meeting**. All ladies of the parish are welcome to come. Non members are welcome to become members.



Saint Euthymius the Great

Saint Euthymius the Great came from the city of Melitene in Armenia, near the River Euphrates. His parents, Paul and Dionysia, were pious Christians of noble birth. After many years of marriage they remained childless, and in their sorrow they entreated God to give them offspring. Finally, they had a vision and heard a voice saying, "Be of good cheer! God will grant you a son, who will bring joy to the churches." The child was named Euthymius ("good cheer").

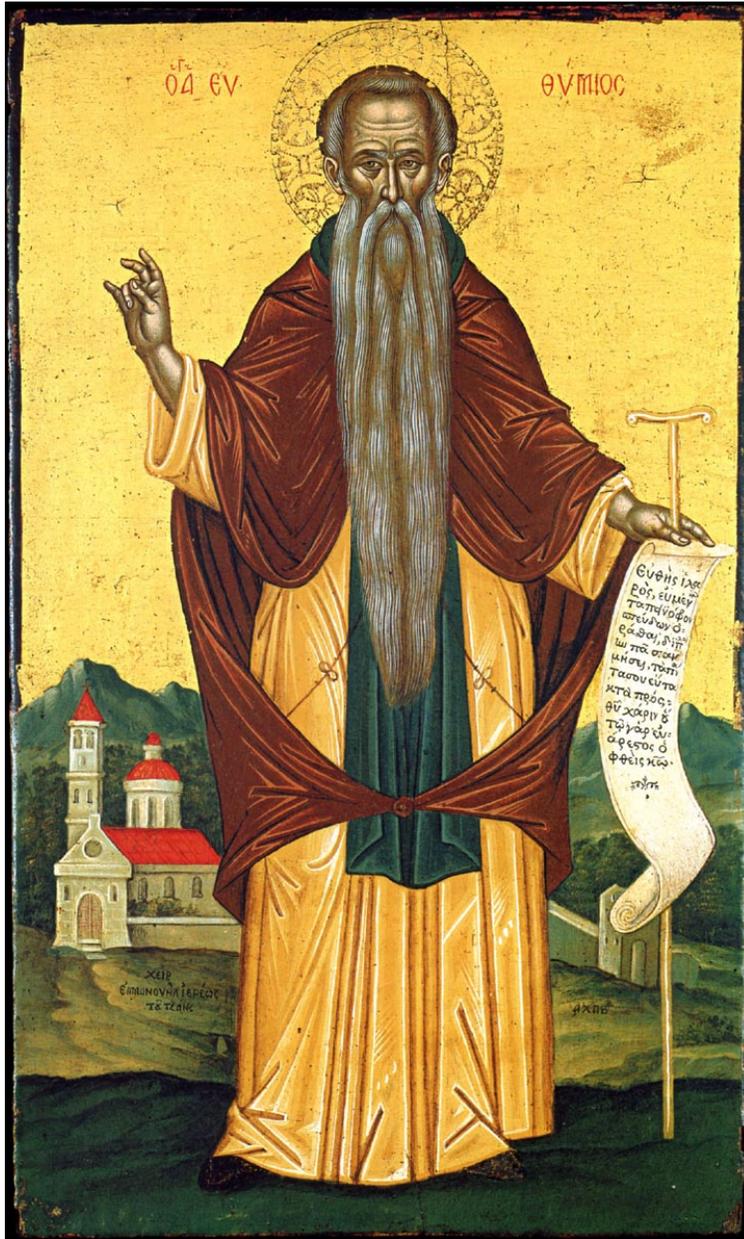
Saint Euthymius' father died soon after this, and his mother, fulfilling her vow to dedicate her son to God, gave him to her brother, the priest Eudoxius, to be educated. He presented the child to Bishop Eutroius of Melitene, who accepted him with love. Seeing his good conduct, the bishop soon made him a Reader.

Saint Euthymius later became a monk and was ordained to the holy priesthood. At the same time, he was entrusted with the supervision of all the city monasteries. Saint Euthymius often visited the monastery of Saint Polyeuctus, and during Great Lent he withdrew into the wilderness. His responsibility for the monasteries weighed heavily upon the ascetic, and conflicted with his desire for stillness, so he secretly left the city and headed to Jerusalem. After venerating the holy shrines, he visited the Fathers in the desert.

Since there was a solitary cell in the Tharan lavra, he settled into it, earning his living by weaving baskets. Nearby, his neighbor Saint Theoctistus (September 3) also lived in asceticism. They shared the same zeal for God and for spiritual struggles, and each strove to attain what the other desired. They had such love for one another that they seemed to share one soul and one will.

Every year, after the Feast of Theophany, they withdrew into the desert of Coutila (not far from Jericho). One day, they entered a

steep and terrifying gorge with a stream running through it. They saw a cave upon a cliff, and settled there. The Lord, however, soon revealed their solitary place for the benefit of many people. Shepherds driving their flocks came upon the cave and saw the monks. They went back to the village and told people about the ascetics living there.



People seeking spiritual benefit began to visit the hermits and brought them food. Gradually, a monastic community grew up around them. Several monks came from the Tharan monastery, among them Marinus and Luke. Saint Euthymius entrusted the supervision of the growing monastery to his friend Theoctistus.

Saint Euthymius exhorted the brethren to guard their thoughts. "Whoever desires to lead the monastic life should not follow his own will. He should be obedient and humble, and be mindful of the hour of death. He should fear the judgment and eternal fire, and seek the heavenly Kingdom."

The saint taught young monks to fix their thoughts on God while engaging in physical labor. "If laymen work in order to feed themselves and their families, and to give alms and offer sacrifice to God, then are not we as monks obliged to work to sustain ourselves and to avoid idleness? We should not depend on strangers."

The saint demanded that the monks keep silence in church during services and at meals.

When he saw young monks fasting more than others, he told them to cut off their own will, and to follow the appointed rule and times for fasting. He urged them not to attract attention to their fasting, but to eat in moderation.

In these years Saint Euthymius converted and baptized many Arabs. Among them were the Saracen leaders Aspebet and his son Terebon, both of whom... continued on next page



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...Saint Euthymius healed of sickness. Aspebet received the name Peter in Baptism and afterwards he was a bishop among the Arabs.

Word of the miracles performed by Saint Euthymius spread quickly. People came from everywhere to be healed of their ailments, and he cured them. Unable to bear human fame and glory, the monk secretly left the monastery, taking only his closest disciple Dometian with him. He withdrew into the Rouba desert and settled on Mt. Marda, near the Dead Sea.

In his quest for solitude, the saint explored the wilderness of Ziph and settled in the cave where David once hid from King Saul. Saint Euthymius founded a monastery beside David's cave, and built a church. During this time Saint Euthymius converted many monks from the Manichean heresy, he also healed the sick and cast out devils.

Visitors disturbed the tranquillity of the wilderness. Since he loved silence, the saint decided to return to the monastery of Saint Theoctistus. Along the way they found a quiet level place on a hill, and he remained there. This would become the site of Saint Euthymius' lavra, and a little cave served as his cell, and then as his grave.

Saint Theoctistus went with his brethren to Saint Euthymius and requested him to return to the monastery, but the monk did not agree to this. However, he did promise to attend Sunday services at the monastery.

Saint Euthymius did not wish to have anyone nearby, nor to organize a cenobium or a lavra. The Lord commanded him in a vision not to drive away those who came to him for the salvation of their souls. After some time brethren again gathered around him, and he organized a lavra, on the pattern of the Tharan Lavra. In the year 429, when Saint Euthymius was fifty-two years old, Patriarch Juvenal of Jerusalem consecrated the lavra church and supplied it with presbyters and deacons.

The lavra was poor at first, but the saint believed that God would provide for His servants. Once, about 400 Armenians on their way to the Jordan came to the lavra. Seeing this, Saint

Euthymius called the steward and ordered him to feed the pilgrims. The steward said that there was not enough food in the monastery. Saint Euthymius, however, insisted. Going to the storeroom where the bread was kept, the steward found a large quantity of bread, and the wine casks and oil jars were also filled. The pilgrims ate their fill, and for three months afterwards the door of the storeroom could not be shut because of the abundance of bread. The food remained undiminished, just like the widow of Zarephath's barrel of meal and cruse of oil (1/3 Kings 17:8-16).

Once, the monk Auxentius refused to carry out his assigned obedience. Despite the fact that Saint Euthymius summoned him and urged him to comply, he remained obstinate. The saint then shouted loudly, "You will be rewarded for your insubordination." A demon seized Auxentius and threw him to the ground. The brethren asked Abba Euthymius to help him, and then the saint healed the unfortunate one, who came to himself, asked forgiveness and promised to correct himself. "Obedience," said Saint Euthymius, "is a great virtue. The Lord loves obedience more than sacrifice, but disobedience leads to death."

Two of the brethren became overwhelmed by the austere life in the monastery of Saint Euthymius, and they resolved to flee. Saint Euthymius saw in a vision that they would be ensnared by the devil. He summoned them and admonished them to abandon their destructive intention. He said, "We must never admit evil thoughts that fill us with sorrow and hatred for the place in which we live, and suggest that we go somewhere else. If someone tries to do something good in the place where he lives but fails to complete it, he should not think that he will accomplish it elsewhere. It is not the place that produces success, but faith and a firm will. A tree which is often transplanted does not bear fruit."

In the year 431, the Third Ecumenical Council was convened in Ephesus to combat the Nestorian heresy. Saint Euthymius rejoiced over the affirmation of Orthodoxy, but was grieved about Archbishop John of Antioch who defended Nestorius.

In the year 451 the Fourth Ecumenical Council met in Chalcedon to condemn the heresy of Dioscorus who, in contrast to Nestorius, asserted that in the Lord Jesus Christ there is only one nature, the divine (thus the heresy was called Monophysite). He taught that in the Incarnation, Christ's human nature is swallowed up by the divine nature.

Saint Euthymius accepted the decisions of the Council of Chalcedon and he acknowledged it as Orthodox. News of this spread quickly among the monks and hermits. Many of them, who had previously believed wrongly, accepted the decisions of the Council of Chalcedon because of the example of Saint Euthymius.

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Because of his ascetic life and firm confession of the Orthodox Faith, Saint Euthymius is called “the Great.” Wearing by contact with the world, the holy abba went for a time into the inner desert. After his return to the lavra some of the brethren saw that when he celebrated the Divine Liturgy, fire descended from Heaven and encircled the saint. Saint Euthymius himself revealed to several of the monks that often he saw an angel celebrating the Holy Liturgy with him. The saint had the gift of clairvoyance, and he could discern a person’s thoughts and spiritual state from his outward appearance. When the monks received the Holy Mysteries, the saint knew who approached worthily, and who received unworthily.

When Saint Euthymius was 82 years old, the young Sava (the future Saint Sava the Sanctified, December 5), came to his lavra. The Elder received him with love and sent him to the monastery of Saint Theoctistus. He foretold that Saint Sava would outshine all his other disciples in virtue.

When the saint was ninety years of age, his companion and fellow monk Theoctistus became grievously ill. Saint Euthymius went to visit his friend and remained at the monastery for several days. He took leave of him and was present at his end. After burying his body in a grave, he returned to the lavra.

God revealed to Saint Euthymius the time of his death. On the eve of the Feast of Saint Anthony the Great (January 17) Saint Euthymius gave the blessing to serve the all-night Vigil. When the service ended, he took the priests aside and told them that he would never serve another Vigil with them, because the Lord was calling him from this earthly life.

All were filled with great sadness, but the saint asked the brethren to meet him in church in the morning. He began to instruct them, “If you love me, keep my commandments (John

14:15). Love is the highest virtue, and the bond of perfectness (Col. 3:14). Every virtue is made secure by love and humility. The Lord humbled Himself because of His Love for us and became man. Therefore, we ought to praise Him unceasingly, especially since we monks have escaped worldly distractions and concerns.”

“Look to yourselves, and preserve your souls and bodies in purity.

Do not fail to attend the church services, and keep the traditions and rules of our community. If one of the brethren struggles with unclean thoughts, correct, console, and instruct him, so that he does not fall into the devil’s snares. Never refuse hospitality to visitors. Offer a bed to every stranger. Give whatever you can to help the poor in their misfortune.”

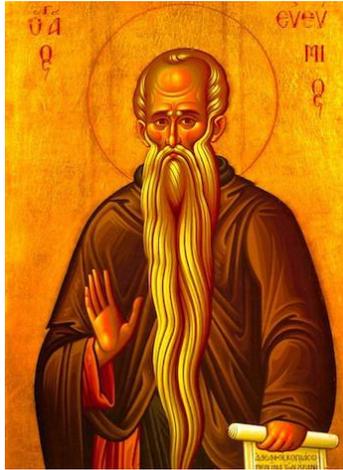
Afterwards, having given instructions for the guidance of the brethren, the saint promised always to remain in spirit with them and with those who followed them in his monastery. Saint Euthymius then dismissed everyone but his disciple Dometian. He remained in the altar for three days, then died on January 20, 473 at the age

of ninety-seven.

A multitude of monks from all the monasteries and from the desert came to the lavra for the holy abba’s burial, among whom was Saint Gerasimus. The Patriarch Anastasius also came with his clergy, as well as the Nitrian monks Martyrius and Elias, who later became Patriarchs of Jerusalem, as Saint Euthymius had foretold.

Dometian remained by the grave of his Elder for six days. On the seventh day, he saw the holy abba in glory, beckoning to his disciple. “Come, my child, the Lord Jesus Christ wants you to be with me.”

After telling the brethren about the vision, Dometian went to church and joyfully surrendered his soul to God. He was buried beside Saint Euthymius. The relics of Saint Euthymius remained at his monastery in Palestine, and the Russian pilgrim Igumen Daniel saw them in the twelfth century.



Home Blessings:

It is the hope of Fr. Bo to visit every household of the parish over the next several weeks to bless your house and to visit with you. At least a day before he comes, he will phone you and make the appropriate arrangements. If you want to book a particular date or time with him you

can send him an email at fr.bo.nahachewsky@gmail.com or text or call on his cell phone 780-340-3726. You don’t need to do anything special, just open your door and have a short visit with him.

If you have ideas for the parish you can pass a note onto him, or if any of your contact information has changed this would be a great time to update it.



I might not have visited many of you yet, but don't give up on me. I will keep trying to visit everyone. Even if it's not January, it's never too late to bless a home.



Dormition News

- This Thursday, the 24th of February at 11am we will be serving the **funeral of the Servant of God + Peter Powlousky** in our parish. Please keep him and his family in your prayers
- We **pray for the health and well-being** of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: **Sam** Ostopowich, **Sarah** Komar, **Marge** Woitas, **Katie** Bunio, **Stella** Dronyk, **John** Puto, **Ann** Horsman, **Annie** Polack, **Louis** Pewar & **Rosa** Maria Santos. (If you know any other people who should be on this list: please email me.)
- We wish God's blessings and a **happy birthday** to our parishioners: **Peter** Sontrop, **Adam** Ostapovich & **Marta** Dashkewytch who celebrate their birthdays this week. God grant you 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.
- **Upcoming Sacraments** (regular Confessions, Eucharist & Anointings not included):
 - **Sunday, January 27**, First Solemn Communion for Elizabeth Shakeshaft
 - **Sunday, February 10**, Sacraments of Initiation for Declan Mattern
 - **Saturday, February 23**, Marriage of Justin and Stacey
 - **Saturday, October 5**, Marriage of Marvick & Christina
- **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.

- **Bible Study with an Eastern Twist:** Our regular Bible Study continue on Wednesdays. All are welcome. Free tea.
- Can't make it to our Bible Study? Willing to go to a parish on the East side of town? Fr. Michalo Planchak is hosting a Monday night Bible Study from 6-8 starting starting in February. For more info send him an email: frmplanchak@gmail.com
- If you are a **volunteer** in our parish and you have not handed in your **Safer Environments** "volunteer information forms" please do so. If you did, and you are in a high risk position and you have not got your "Police information Check with Vulnerable Sector" yet, please do so. If you don't know what I am talking about... ask me. Thanks.
- It's time for people to consider helping the parish by serving on the **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)**. If you would like to serve, please tell Fr. Bo or one of the members on the current PPC. Likely we will be voting in new members on a weekend near the beginning of February.
- **Call for Casino Volunteers.** The dates for our parish casino are Monday March 18 & Tuesday March 19, 2019 at the Starlight Casino at WEM. We still have a number of volunteer positions to fill. Our completed application needs to be submitted to AGLC by January 19th.
 - Day shifts begin at 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
 - Afternoon shift from 1:00 pm to 8:00 pm
 - Evening shift from 7:30 pm to 3:15 am (including count-room)

If you are able to help, please see Alex Schabel or Iryna Laschuk to complete the required AGLC volunteer forms in the church office or contact Alex at aschabel@shaw.ca.

Our proposed Dormition Parish mission statement:

“To joyfully bring all people into the knowledge, love and service of the Holy Trinity who dwells within us.”

How can you help us in our mission?
We'd love to hear your ideas, and we need your participation.



Workbee to move our “Little Friends of Jesus” Program out of the Basement

If you are available on Saturday, January 26 at 10 am -ish till mid afternoon, Fr. Bo will be building and setting up pantry shelving with locks, whiteboards, and bringing up the children's program furniture and supplies from the basement. Our basement has a musty / moldy smell, and its far from the rest of the community and therefore is not as good a space as being upstairs in the hall.

If you have some tools, (levels, drills, screwdrivers...) bring them with you. Fr. Bo will bring his, but it will go faster if we have more than one set of tools.



Our parish may have the privilege of hosting a traveling icon of **“Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians.”**

Fr. Bo is working with Local Knights of Columbus to set up an evening in the next month or so to gather people from throughout the city (particularly from the western side) to come and pray with us for the needs of the faithful in places in the world where Christianity is under duress.

Since our parish is under the patronage of the Blessed Mother, it is right and fitting for us to beg her to intercede for us and others, to her Son, our Lord.

In addition to praying for our brothers and sisters elsewhere, this is a lovely opportunity for us to open our doors and invite people to join us. Perhaps even to invite people to help our women in the UCWLC and even create a men’s group too, so that we can further the mission of the church.

What would this evening look like? Perhaps we would sing an “Akathist” service to the Mother of God, and have someone from part of the world where the Church is persecuted share their experiences. Then

we could pray in silence, perhaps followed by tea, coffee and donuts (or whatever). Quite easily done, and with a large benefit for all.

When would this take place? I don’t know. I think it might be nice to do this on a weeknight, and perhaps before the Great Fast (Lent). Perhaps a Monday or Thursday during the month of February. Certainly this would depend on the availability of the traveling Icon.

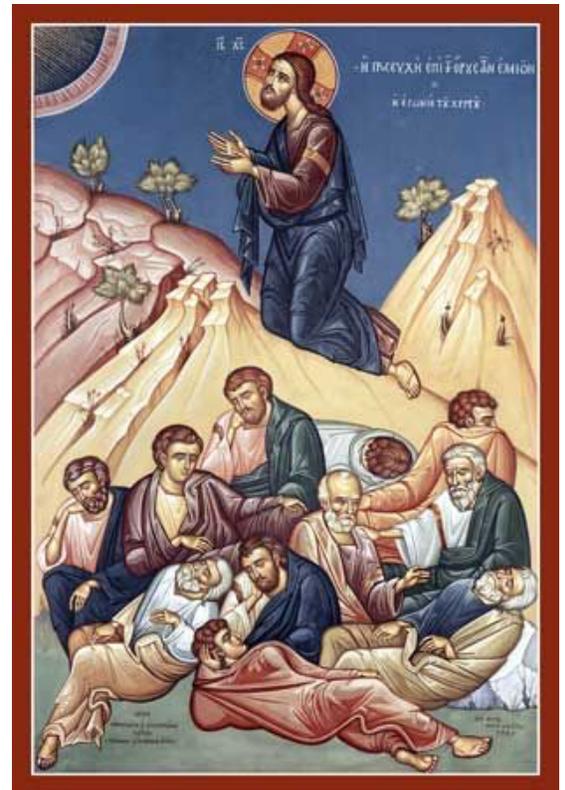
If you would like to be involved with this event, please speak with Fr. Bo.

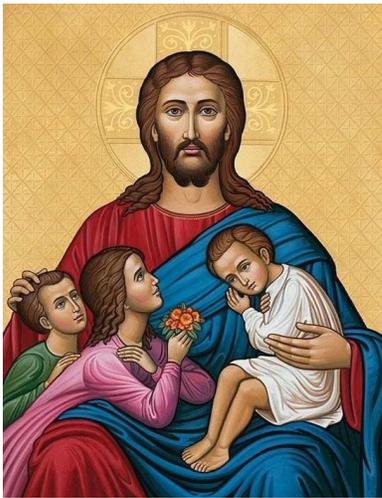
“Teach Us to Pray; An Eparchial Program”

On Thursdays of the Great Fast (and one after Easter), our parish will be hosting five of the six sessions of this exciting program featuring clergy from across our Eparchy.

In the Gospel of Luke one of the disciples asked Jesus to “teach us to pray.” They had seen Jesus pray often and understood the importance of frequent prayer. We know that prayer must be at the heart of our own journey towards an ever closer relationship with God, but it is not always easy. In this series of presentations we will explore various ways of praying and will be presented with practical ways to build a consistent rule of prayer in our lives. Sessions will consist of a presentation and will conclude with prayer.

- March 14 - Fr. Michalo Planchak - the Our Father and the Prayer before Communion
- March 21 - Fr. Peter Babej - the Rosary
- March 28 - Fr. Michael Winn - Contemplative Prayer - Jesus Prayer
- April 4 - Fr. Bo Nahachewsky - Praying with Icons
- April 11* - Fr. Danylo Kuc - Praying the Psalms (*note this evening will happen at a different location)
- April 25 - Fr. Stephen Wojcichowsky - Prayers of the Divine Liturgy





Little Friends of Jesus

Our program for little children is called "The Little Friends of Jesus." We are in process of moving their "room" upstairs but for now they still meet in the basement at 10:00 am on many Sundays. When they are done, they return to join their families during the Liturgy. At the end of the service, they gather at the front of the church to share what we have learned and did on that Sunday.

Our two wonderful teachers are Tanya and Chris. If you have any questions about this program please do not hesitate to contact them. Below is our LFJ schedule:

- January 27
- February 24
- March 17
- April 28
- May 26
- February 10
- March 3
- April 14
- May 5
- June 9

Come Learn, Pray and Play with us.

*Children who have received their F.S.C. are encouraged to participate in the Liturgy as Altar Servers and Singers.

We are on Twitter!

The parish's twitter handle is @dormitionparish or you can find it at <https://twitter.com/dormitionparish>. Thank you to Rebecca for doing this for us.



Anyone in our parish a Instagrammer? or a FaceBooker?

Book Your Vacation days!



Come to Camp
Oselia Ukrainian
Catholic Children's
Camp on Wabamun
Lake,

July 2- July 6, 2019
for our first ever

Family camp!

There will be time for prayer, learning, playing, singing and enjoying the great outdoors together as a family. We will have activities for children and parents, separately and together. You may choose to bring a trailer, tent or motor home, or book a room in the dorms.

COST: \$100 per person, for all adults and children. This covers all activities, food, lodging and programming.

CONTACT: Eparchial Pastoral Office to register 780-424-5496,
Registration opens January 31, 2019.

Registration deadline is June 21



Presented by The Ukrainian
Catholic Eparchy of
Edmonton

Okay men:

Valentines day is less than a month away... and you don't want to mess it up this year for your lovely wife. It's time now to book a table at

Tables for Two



A romantic candlelit dinner for couples, married or dating, "Table for Two" provides the ideal opportunity to focus on each other. Each of the courses is served up with discussion starters which invite couples to explore and deepen their relationship with each other and with God. A guest couple will give a short testimony and presentation on a topic related to sacramental marriage.

Feb 10 – Adult, Dating or Married

TIME: 5:30 pm

LOCATION: St. Vladimir Parish Hall, 12726-119St., Edmonton

COST: \$75 per couple.

CONTACT: Register with payment by Feb. 2, 780-424-5496

Social Mission Workshop/Retreat

March 15, 16 at Camp Oselia

Updated!



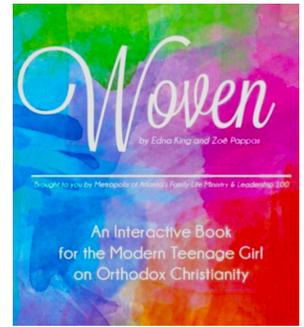
This will be a jam-packed 24 hours! Beginning at 6:30 pm on Friday and ending at 6:30 pm on Saturday. We will focus on two themes:

- our relationship as Ukrainian Catholics with the Indigenous community. We will learn about each other and spend time sharing.
- the concerns of the environment and ways that we can move our Eparchy toward a better treatment of the gift of the earth.

Join us if you have an interest in social justice and development issues. Participants will leave with practical ideas for doing work in these areas, educating ourselves and others about these issues, and with contacts and materials to lead social justice presentations in their own parishes. We recommend that you approach your parish or parish organizations to support you with the cost of registration.

COST: \$70.00. Register by Jan. 11. 780-424-5496. A shuttle to Camp Oselia will be provided if there is an interest.

Woven: A Retreat For Teen Girls (13-18)



The Edmonton Eparchy is hosting a weekend retreat for teen girls aged 13-18 that explores what it means to be a young woman living according to the Eastern Christian faith in the modern world. Using the workbook, Woven, Victoria Kostyniuk, Joyanne Rudiak, and Bernadette Mandrusiak will lead participants through some of the most pressing topics teen girls have questions about such as identity, social media, friendship, relationships, and more!

February 2, 10:00am - February 3 until 3:00pm

Camp Oselia (53230 Range Rd 53, Fallis, AB on Wabamun Lake)

Cost: \$40.00/person. Remainder of cost will be subsidized.

To register, contact 780-424-5496 by Jan. 25, 2019. Spots limited, so register early!

Did you hear about the guy whose whole left side was cut off?
He's all right now.



Theosis Studios presents a

Weekend Beginner Live-In

Iconography Workshop

at Camp Oselia

March 1 - 3, 2019

Learn to write a traditional Byzantine Icon the Mother of God.

Registrations will be open soon.

Workshop lead by: Fr. Bo Nahachewsky
of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton



Camp Oselia
Retreats



Theosis Studios presents a beginner

5 Evening + Saturday
Iconography Workshop
at Dormition Parish, Edmonton

March 4 - 9, 2019

Learn to write a traditional Byzantine Icon of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Registrations will be open soon

Workshop lead by: Fr. Bo Nahachewsky
of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton

Registrations for these **Icon Workshops** will hopefully be out in the next week. But you can spread the word and book the dates off for yourself.

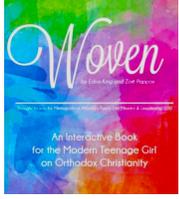
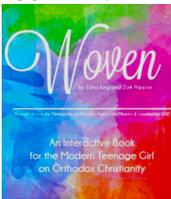
Feb 15-17 in Lethbridge.

March 1-3 at Camp Oselia. Friday evening till Sunday evening.

March 4-9 here in Dormition Parish. Weekday evenings, and all day Saturday.

Open to all who want to learn, pray and paint a traditional icon. No artistic experience needed.

January - February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>20</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>2 pm Melkite Liturgy</p> <p>UCWLC AGM</p> <p>Peter Sontrop's Birthday</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10 am Fr. Bo meets with the family of + Peter Powlousky</p> <p>2pm private iconography lesson</p> <p>5pm Fr. Bo in meetings</p> <p>Adam Ostapovich's Birthday</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Fr. Bo meets with someone about Liturgical Singing in our Parish & Eparchy</p>	<p>23</p>  <p>6 pm Prayer</p> <p>7 pm Bible Study with an Eastern Twist: All Welcome</p> <p>Marta Dashkewytsch's Birthday</p>	<p>24</p> <p>11 am Funeral of the Servant of God + Peter Powlousky</p>	<p>25 </p> <p>registration deadline for "Woven" Teen Retreat Weekend</p> <p>Melkite Bible Study</p>	<p>26</p>  <p>10 am Work-bee: Setting up the Little Friends of Jesus classroom Upstairs</p>
<p>27</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy with First Solemn Communion for Elizabeth Shakeshaft</p>  <p>Little Friends of Jesus</p> <p>Audit Committee Meeting after Liturgy</p> <p>2 pm Melkite Liturgy</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>  <p>6 pm Prayer</p> <p>7 pm Bible Study with an Eastern Twist: All Welcome</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Donna Koziak's Birthday</p>	<p>1 </p>	<p>2</p> <p>Major Feast of the Presentation of Christ.</p> <p>Church Hall Used</p> <p>Woven, retreat for Teen Girls</p>  <p>registration deadline for the "Table for Two"</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Sunday of Zacchaeus</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>2 pm Melkite Liturgy</p> <p>Woven, retreat for Teen Girls</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>The Pre-Lenten Season Begins</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>No Prayers nor Bible Study</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Fr. Bo at Teacher's Convention</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Eparchial Pre-Marriage Course weekend I</p> <p>Fr. Bo at Teacher's Convention</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Eparchial Pre-Marriage Course weekend I</p>

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PARISH? OR DO YOU HAVE NEW CONTACT INFORMATION?

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 20 - DIVINE LITURGY CHANGEABLE PARTS

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal,* You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity.* When You raised the dead from the nether world,* all the powers of heaven cried out:* "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!"

Troparion: Be glad, O barren desert;* take heart, you who have never known labour.* For a man of the desires of the Spirit* has multiplied your children.* He planted them in godliness* and reared them with self-mastery to perfection in virtues.* By his prayers, Christ God, grant peace to our lives.

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

Kontakion: You rose from the tomb, O almighty Saviour,* and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose.* Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults.* And the world, my Saviour, sings Your praises for ever.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion: Creation found joy in your precious birth* and in your divine memorial it takes courage from your many miracles.* Grant a rich share of your wonders to our souls, O Venerable Father,* and cleanse the stains of sin that we may sing: Alleluia.

Prokeimenon

The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation.

verse: The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death. (Psalm 117:14,18)

2nd Prokeimenon

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His venerable ones.

Epistle Colossians 3:12-16

Brothers and Sisters: As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

Alleluia Verses

The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you. (Psalm 19:2)

Lord, grant victory to the king and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You. (Psalm 19:10)

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord; he shall delight exceedingly in His commandments. (Psalm 111:1)

His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth. (Psalm 111:2)

Gospel Luke 18:18-27

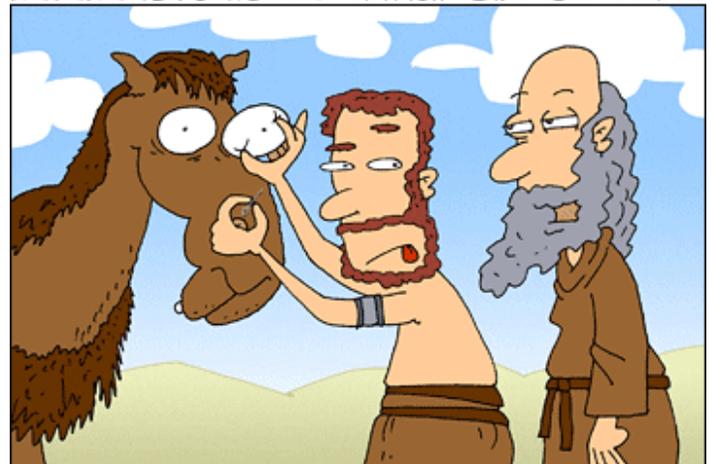
At that time: A certain ruler asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honor your father and mother.'" He replied, "I have kept all these since my youth." When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "There is still one thing lacking. Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." But when he heard this, he became sad; for he was very rich. Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" He replied, "What is impossible for mortals is possible for God."

Communion Hymn

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

The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 111:6)

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I'M PRETTY SURE IT GOES "CAMEL THROUGH THE EYE OF A NEEDLE", NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND!