



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

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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)

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Sunday, January 26th

32nd Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday of Zacchaeus, Tone 8.

Our Venerable Father Xenophon and his wife Maria

Christ Is Born! - Let us glorify Him!



Our First “Community Night” will take place this THURSDAY, January 31 at 6pm. More details inside this bulletin.

Pre-Lent

by Fr. Thomas Hopko

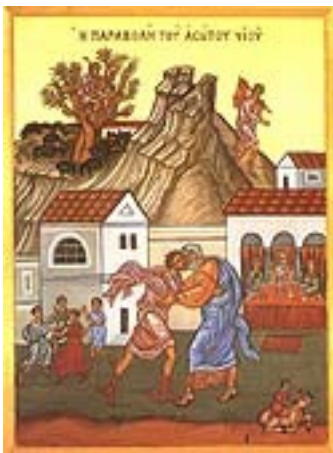
The paschal season of the Church is preceded by the season of Great Lent, which is itself preceded by its own liturgical preparation. The first sign of the approach of Great Lent comes five Sundays before its beginning. On this Sunday the Gospel reading is about **Zacchaeus** the tax-collector. It tells how Christ brought salvation to the sinful man and how his life was greatly changed simply because he “sought to see who Jesus was” (Lk 19.3). The desire and effort to see Jesus begins the entire movement through lent towards Easter. It is the first movement of salvation.



The following Sunday is that of the **Publican and the Pharisee**. The focus here is on the two men who went to the Temple to pray—one a pharisee who was a very decent and righteous man of religion, the other a publican who was a truly sinful tax-collector who was cheating the people. The first, although genuinely righteous, boasted before God and was condemned, according to Christ. The second, although genuinely sinful, begged for mercy, received it, and was justified by God (Lk 18.9). The meditation here is that we have neither the religious piety of the pharisee nor the repentance of the publican by which alone we can be saved. We are called to see ourselves as we really are in the light of Christ's teaching, and to beg for mercy.

Pre-Lent

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The next Sunday in the preparation for Great Lent is the **Sunday of the Prodigal Son**. Hearing the parable of Christ about God's loving forgiveness, we are called to "come to ourselves" as did the prodigal son, to see ourselves as being "in a far country" far from the Father's house, and to make the movement of return to God. We are given every assurance by the Master that the Father will receive us with joy and

gladness. We must only "arise and go," confessing our selfinflicted and sinful separation from that "home" where we truly belong (Lk 15.11–24).

The next Sunday is called **Meatfare Sunday** since it is officially the last day before Easter for eating meat. It commemorates Christ's parable of the **Last Judgment** (Mt 25.31–46). We are reminded this day that it is not enough for us to see Jesus, to see ourselves as we are, and to come home to God as his prodigal sons. We must also be his sons by following Christ, his only-begotten divine Son, and



by seeing Christ in every man and by serving Christ through them. Our salvation and final judgment will depend upon our deeds, not merely on our intentions or even on the mercies of God devoid of our own personal cooperation and obedience.

... for I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you took Me in, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and in prison and you visited Me. For truly I say to you, if you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to Me (Mt 25).

We are saved not merely by prayer and fasting, not by "religious exercises" alone. We are saved by serving Christ through his people, the goal toward which all piety and prayer is ultimately directed.

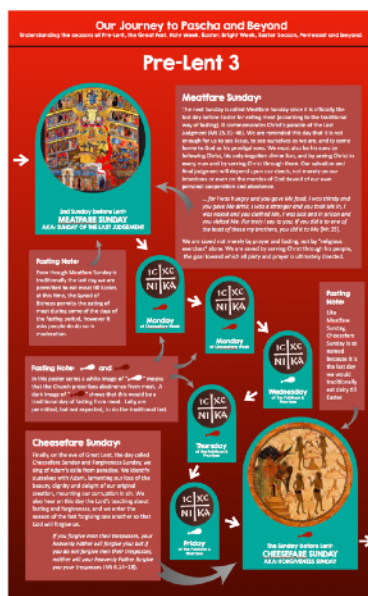
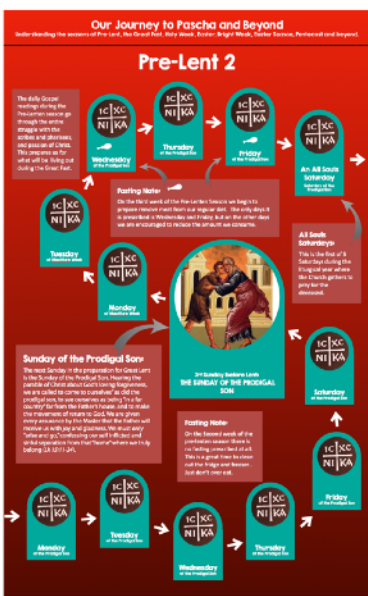
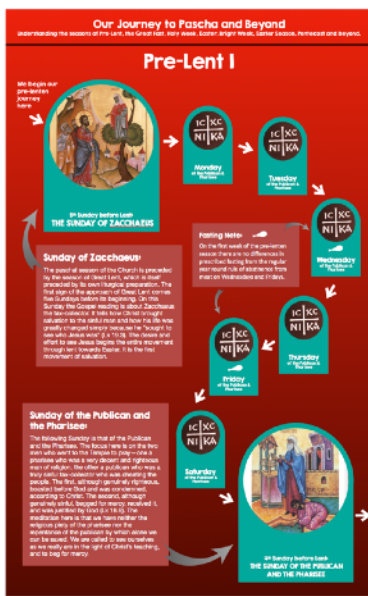
Finally, on the eve of Great Lent, the day called **Cheesefare Sunday and Forgiveness Sunday**, we sing of Adam's

exile from paradise. We identify ourselves with Adam, lamenting our loss of the beauty, dignity and delight of our original creation, mourning our corruption in sin. We also hear on this day the Lord's teaching about fasting and forgiveness, and we enter the season of the fast forgiving one another so that God will forgive us.

If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your heavenly Father forgive you your trespasses (Mt 6.14–18).



In our hall Fr. Bo has put up both his old and new versions of "Our Journey to Pascha and Beyond" This display explains the entire church seasons from Pre-Lent, through the Great Fast, Holy Week, Easter, and everything up to Pentecost. Check it out.



Venerable Xenophon, his wife, Mary, and their two sons, Arcadius and John, of Constantinople

Saint Xenophon, his wife Maria, and their sons Arcadius and John, were noted citizens of Constantinople and lived in the fifth century. Despite their riches and position, they distinguished themselves by their simplicity of soul and goodness of heart. Wishing to give their sons John and Arcadius a more complete education, they sent them off to the Phoenician city of Beirut.

By divine Providence the ship on which both brothers sailed was wrecked. The waves tossed the brothers ashore at different places. Grieved at being separated, the brothers dedicated themselves to God and became monks. For a long time the parents had no news of their children and presumed them to be dead.

Xenophon, however, already quite old, maintained a firm hope in the Lord and consoled his wife Maria, telling her not to be sad, but to believe that the Lord watched over their children. After several years the couple made a pilgrimage to the holy places, and at Jerusalem they met their sons, living in asceticism at different monasteries. The joyful parents gave thanks to the Lord for reuniting the family.

Saints Xenophon and Maria went to separate monasteries and dedicated themselves to God. The monks Arcadius and John, having taken leave of their parents, went out into the wilderness, where after long ascetic toil they were glorified by gifts of wonderworking and discernment. Saints Xenophon and Maria, laboring in silence and strict fasting, also received from God the gift of wonderworking.



Christ in the Old Testament: Prophecy and Fulfillment

We know that God promised a saviour and that Jesus was the fulfilment of that promise. Join us for 4 sessions during the Great Fast, as we look at the Old Testament and explore where we find the promises and then

look at the New Testament in the life of Christ and beyond to see the glorious fulfilment of God's promise to us. Sessions will consist of a presentation and will conclude with prayer.

DATES & TIMES:

- March 12 – Introduction, The Messiah - Fr. Danylo Kuc
- March 19 – The Nativity - Fr. Stephen Wojcichowsky
- March 26 – The Suffering of Christ - Fr. Mihajlo Planchak
- April 2 - The Passover - Fr. Peter Babej

All sessions run 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

LOCATION: Holy Eucharist Parish, 6425 120 Ave, Edmonton

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: You are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions. No registration is necessary.

Livestreaming will be made available for those at a distance. Contact Bernadette education@edmontoneparchy.com to make arrangements.



Table for Two - You are My Valentine

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.

WHEN: Feb 9, at 5:30 pm
WHERE: St. Josaphat Cathedral Basement, 10825 - 97 St.
HOW MUCH: \$75 per couple.

Register by Feb. 2, at Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/table-for-two-tickets-86055659795>

Come and join our **“Little Friends of Jesus”** who will be having classes as usual on the following Sundays:

* January 26	* February 23	* March 15	* April 19	* May 24
* February 2	* March 8	* April 5	* May 3	* June 14

“Singing With Namisha” is expanding to include **3 SATURDAYS!**

All are encouraged to participate



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| • Sunday, January 26: | Namisha at DL |
| • Thursday, January 30: | Practice at 7 pm |
| • Saturday, February 1 | Practice at 10 am |
| • Sunday, February 2: | Namisha at DL |
| • Thursday, February 6: | Practice at 7 pm |
| • Sunday, February 9: | Namisha at DL |
| • Thursday, February 13: | Practice at 7 pm |
| • Saturday, February 15: | Practice with KIDS at 10 am |
| • Sunday, February 16: | Namisha at DL |
| • Thursday, February 20: | Practice at 7 pm |
| • Saturday, February 22: | Practice at 10 am |
| • Sunday, February 23: | Namisha at DL |
| • Thursday, February 27: | Practice at 7 pm |

DL = Divine Liturgy



Don't miss out!

All Kids & Youth are invited especially on Feb 15

Beginner through Advanced (Adult)
"St. Photini: the Woman at the Well"

Iconography Workshop

February 14-17, 2020
(Family Day Long Weekend)

Camp Oselia
Retreats



Camp Oselia
CAMPS

July 2 - 4, 2020

Teen Camp



Eparchial

First Solemn Communion Camp



March 20-22, 2020



Camp Oselia
Retreats



Camp Oselia
CAMPS

July 12 - 17, 2020


Elementary Camp




Camp Oselia
RETREATS

March 26 - 29, 2020

Teen Lenten Spring Break Retreat


Camp Oselia
CAMPS

July 19 - 24, 2020

Mixed

Elementary & Jr. High

Camp




Camp Oselia
RETREATS

Eparchial

Marriage Prep Course

April 17 - 19, 2020




Camp Oselia
CAMPS

July 26 - 31, 2020

Jr. High Camp



Catholic

Festival

of the Mother of God

Sunday, May 3




Camp Oselia



Camp Oselia
CAMPS

August 28 - 30, 2020

Family Camp




THE GREAT DANCE BEFORE THE GREAT FAST PUSCHENYA THE 2020 CAMP FUNDRAISER



SUPPORT 2 GREAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CAMPS ON

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

AT THE UKRAINIAN YOUTH UNITY COMPLEX

9615 153 Ave NW, Edmonton

Family Friendly, Casual Camp Theme, Silent Auction, Games for the Kids, 50-50, Late Lunch, Indoor Campfire, Door Prizes, Canoe Races, Bar for the Grown-Ups, "Bar" for the kids, and Sweet Live Dance Music by:



Camp Oselia
God's Playground

Mike & The Relics



COME AS STRANGERS
LEAVE AS FRIENDS

Tickets: Adults \$40 (\$50 after Feb 7). Youth 5-12 \$20 (\$25 after Feb 7). Under 5 free. Available at many Ukrainian Catholic Parishes & the U.C. Pastoral Centre and Online

EEparchy.com or CampOselia.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Zacchaeus Sunday 10 am Divine Liturgy with Little Friends of Jesus program 2 pm Melkite Liturgy Melkites meal	27 "Pre-Lent" Begins 4 pm Puschenya Update Meeting Melkite Youth in Hall Fr. Bo's Evening Family Time	28	29 🐟	30 3 pm Fr. Bo & others start making soup 6 pm Our First: "Community Night"  7 pm Singing with Namisha(or slightly later)	31 🐟 7 pm Funeral Prayers for +Fr. Myron Chimy, OSBM in Mundare Melkites use hall in the evening Donna Koziak's Birthday	1 10 am Singing with Namisha 10 am Funeral Liturgy for +Fr. Myron Chimy, OSBM in Mundare
2 The Feast of the Encounter of our Lord in the Temple Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee 10 am Divine Liturgy with Little Friends of Jesus program 2 pm Melkite Liturgy	3 Melkite Youth in Hall Fr. Bo's Evening Family Time	4	5 🐟	6 Camp Oselia Society Meeting 7 pm Singing with Namisha	7 🐟 Puschenya tickets price increases Melkites use Hall	8
9 Sunday of the Prodigal Son 10 am Divine Liturgy 2 pm Melkite Liturgy 5:30 Tables for Two at St. Josaphat's	10 Melkite Youth in Hall Fr. Bo's Evening Family Time Natalya Dashewytch's Birthday	11	12 (no fasting)	13 7 pm Singing with Namisha	14 (no fasting)	15 10 am Singing with Namisha
16 Meatfare (Last Judgement) Sunday 10 am Divine Liturgy After Liturgy UCWLC's AGM 2 pm Melkite Liturgy	17 Melkite Youth in Hall Fr. Bo's Evening Family Time	18	19 🐟	20 7 pm Singing with Namisha Marko Laschuk's Birthday	21 🐟 7-11 pm Puschenya at the UYUC  Melodie Sokoloski-Tower's Birthday	22 10 am Singing with Namisha



What ever you do: don't spell
PART backwards. It's a ...

My Uncle always said
"With great reflexes comes
great response ability."



Parish & Eparchial News:

- **Fr. Myron Chimy, OSBM** passed into eternal life on January 24. We offer condolences to the Basilian Fathers and Brothers and ask for your prayers for the repose of Father Myron's soul. Prayers are scheduled for Friday, January 31 at 7:00 p.m. with the Funeral Divine Liturgy on Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in Mundare, Alberta. May his memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pam'iat!
- We **pray for the health and well-being** of all the servants and handmaidens of God who need our prayers: **Fr. Bill Hupalo, Stephania Nahachewsky, Miranda Mayko, Jean Miskew, Sarah Komar, Marge Woitas, Katie Bunio, John Puto, Ann Horsman, 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 **happy birthday** to our parishioner: **Donna Koziak** who's birthday is this week. May 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 your corrected birthdate and name.
- **NEW:** The **UCWLC** of our parish will be having their **Annual General Meeting** on **February 16th** after the Sunday Divine Liturgy. All UCWLC members are requested to attend
- The **First Solemn Communion Camp** at Camp Oselia will be our parish's FSC program. If your child is in or near grade 2 and ready to receive their sacraments, please contact Fr. Bo.
- Coming soon: Parish Photo Directory project... no details yet.
- The **Ukrainian Musical Society of Alberta** will hold its annual **Concert of Carols**, 3:00 pm, Sunday, **January 26**, at Saint Josaphat Cathedral.
- Each year the Edmonton and District Council of Churches organizes an ecumenical celebration to coincide with the annual worldwide Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's Ecumenical Prayer Service, hosted by the Anglican Diocese of Edmonton, will take place on Sunday, January 19, from 7:00-9:00 pm at St. Patrick's Anglican Church, 334 Knottwood Road North NW, Edmonton. This year's theme calls us to move from shared prayer to shared action. The international resources for the 2020 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity have been prepared by colleagues in Malta. The 2020 theme, "They showed us unusual kindness" (Acts 28:2), remembers the historic shipwreck of Paul on the island of Malta and calls us to a greater generosity to those in need. Resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and throughout the year 2019 were jointly prepared and

published by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the Commission on Faith and Order of the World Council of Churches. Local resources for Canada can be accessed at (week of prayer.ca). Join Bishop David and other Ecumenical Leaders as we pray for Christian unity!

- Rev. Peter Babej, Pastor, Saint Josaphat Cathedral, will lead an Eparchy of Edmonton-wide Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 17-29, 2020. Open to all faithful. Contact Father Peter at (780) 422-3181 or : fr.babej@eeparchy.com for details.
- **UPDATED:** Our parish's **Annual General Meeting** will take place **later**. Perhaps in February after one of our Sunday Liturgies. As soon as we know we will post the date. All parishioners are requested to join us for this important meeting. The following is the current **proposed slate for the 2020 PPC** that might be elected at this meeting. As always nominations can be raised from the floor.

Pastor	Fr. Bo Nahachewsky
Chair	Greg Ostopowich
Vice Chair	Don Kwas
Vice Chair	Jordan Schabel
Treasurer	Sheila Leiding
Secretary	Sharon Lonsberry
Past Chair	Simon Pryma
Director 3 year	Helen Sirman
Director 2 year	Sharilynn Shakeshaft
Director 1 year	Steve Konowalec
UCWLC Pres.	To be elected Jan 19
Finance Committee Chair	Alex Schabel
Treasurer	Sheila Leiding
Member	Iryna Laschuk
Member	Jonathan Sharek

- After the AGM Fr. Bo will appoint people to head various committees such as Liturgical, Outreach, Communications, Maintenance and others... Let him know if you are willing to help.
- **Lenten and Holy Week Schedule:** If you wish to have input to our Lenten, Holy Week and Easter Schedules, please send Fr. Bo an email with your ideas (or write them down and pass him a paper).
- Missed your opportunity for **house blessing**? You can always call Fr. Bo and arrange something. No problem.

Changeable Parts for today's Liturgy

Troparion, Tone 8: You came down from on high, O Merciful One,* and accepted three days of burial* to free us from our sufferings.* O Lord, our life and our resurrection,* glory be to You.

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

Kontakion: When You rose from the tomb,* You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam.* Eve exults in Your resurrection,* and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead,* O most merciful One.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion: To you, O Mother of God,* the invincible leader,* we, your servants, ascribe these victory hymns* in thanksgiving for our deliverance from evil.* With your invincible power free us from all dangers* that we may cry out to you:* "Hail, O bride, and pure Virgin!"

Prokeimenon, Tone 8:

Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God.

verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Epistle: I Timothy 4:9-15

My son Timothy: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and struggle, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Saviour of all people, especially of those who believe. These are the things you must insist on and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I arrive, give attention to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through

prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

Alleluia:

verse: *Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.*

verse: Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms.

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

At that time as Jesus; entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.



Our first ever "Community Night" at Dormition Parish will take place on

THURSDAY, January 30 at 6 pm.

The plan is to celebrate a simplified version of Vespers that is often called "Welcome Home" Vespers (as it was designed for the inner city community of the Welcome Home in Winnipeg). Following this prayer we will sit together with whomever comes and enjoy a hot bowl of soup and a bun. We eat, we visit, and then we are done. Simple.

The goal of this Community night is not to raise money, nor to solve the needs of the hungry, but rather to BE WITH people.

Fr. Bo will be cooking a big pot of soup or two from mid afternoon (about 3pm) The plan is a Home/Church made "Chicken Noodle Soup" and some "Button Soup" with whatever ingredients we want to throw in it. If anyone else wants to make a pot of soup with him, that would be cool. Just be mindful that we need to cook in our commercial kitchen following all the safety - food handling rules. Just give Fr. Bo a call well in advance. (Buns will likely be Costco Buns).

If 5 people come, good. If 50 come, wow, thats very good. If 100 come... we will run out of soup and bowls (unless Jesus does His miraculous multiplication of food again). If this happens will know to cook more soup next time.

Next time...: Let's see how this one goes first.