



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
ПАРАФІТА УСПІННІА ПРЕСВ. БОГОРОДНИЦІ

A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF EDMONTON

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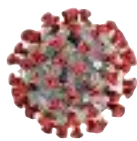
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**At Dormition everyone is always welcome...
...unless you are feeling sick.**

This year, due to the Covid
Pandemic, there will be no clergy
going from house to house

blessing our homes,

however, this does not mean you
can not bless your own home.

Simply take holy water from the
church (if you are unable to get
some ask Fr. Bo to deliver some to
you) and use the prayers on page 3 of this bulletin.



Looking for your 2021 Liturgical Calendar?

.... well, so are we. They have
not yet arrived at Park Memorial. Please, hold tight. I will bring
them in when they arrive. In the mean time you can use the
calendar in this bulletin. It tells you the saint and the readings of
the day, and even has a fish on days we are supposed to abstain.

Please say a prayer for the newly departed servant of God + Pauline Halko, who once was
active in our parish. Her funeral date has not been set, but due to Covid, it will not be open to
the public. Please also pray for her family as they mourn her passing.

In blessed sleep grant eternal rest, O Lord, to the soul of Your departed servant, Pauline, and
make her memory eternal. Vichnaya Pamyat.

Saint of the Day from OCA.org

Saint Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa

Saint Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, was a younger brother of Saint Basil the Great (January 1). His birth and upbringing came at a time when the Arian disputes were at their height. Having received an excellent education, he was at one time a teacher of rhetoric. In the year 372, he was consecrated by Saint Basil the Great as bishop of the city of Nyssa in Cappadocia.

Saint Gregory was an ardent advocate for Orthodoxy, and he fought against the Arian heresy with his brother Saint Basil. Gregory was persecuted by the Arians, by whom he was falsely accused of improper use of church property, and thereby deprived of his See and sent to Ancyra.

In the following year Saint Gregory was again deposed in absentia by a council of Arian bishops, but he continued to encourage his flock in Orthodoxy, wandering about from place to place. After the death of the emperor Valens (378), Saint Gregory was restored to his cathedra and was joyously received by his flock. His brother Saint Basil the Great died in 379.

Only with difficulty did Saint Gregory survive the loss of his brother and guide. He delivered a funeral oration for him, and completed Saint Basil's study of the six days of Creation, the Hexaemeron. That same year Saint Gregory participated in the Council of Antioch against heretics who refused to recognize the perpetual virginity of the Mother of God. Others at the opposite extreme, who worshipped the Mother of God as being God Herself, were also denounced by the Council. He visited the churches of Arabia and Palestine, which were infected with the Arian heresy, to assert the Orthodox teaching about the Most Holy Theotokos. On his return journey Saint Gregory visited Jerusalem and the Holy Places.

In the year 381 Saint Gregory was one of the chief figures of the Second Ecumenical Council, convened at Constantinople against the heresy of Macedonius, who incorrectly taught about the Holy Spirit. At this Council, on the initiative of Saint Gregory, the Nicene Symbol of Faith (the Creed) was completed.

Together with the other bishops Saint Gregory affirmed Saint Gregory the Theologian as Archpastor of Constantinople.

In the year 383, Saint Gregory of Nyssa participated in a Council at Constantinople, where he preached a sermon on the divinity of the Son and the Holy Spirit. In 386, he was again at Constantinople, and he was asked to speak the funeral oration in memory of the empress Placilla. Again in 394 Saint Gregory was present in Constantinople at a local Council, convened to resolve church matters in Arabia.

Saint Gregory of Nyssa was a fiery defender of Orthodox dogmas and a zealous teacher of his flock, a kind and

compassionate father to his spiritual children, and their intercessor before the courts. He was distinguished by his magnanimity, patience and love of peace.

Having reached old age, Saint Gregory of Nyssa died soon after the Council of Constantinople. Together with his great contemporaries, Saints Basil the Great and Gregory the Theologian, Saint Gregory of Nyssa had a significant influence on the Church life of his time. His sister, Saint Macrina, wrote to him: "You are renowned both in the cities, and gatherings of people, and throughout entire districts. Churches ask you for help." Saint Gregory is known in history as one of the most profound Christian thinkers of the fourth century. Endowed with philosophical talent, he saw philosophy as a means for a deeper penetration into the authentic meaning of divine revelation.

Saint Gregory left behind many remarkable works of dogmatic character, as well as sermons and discourses. He has been called "the Father of Fathers."



Saint Dometian, Bishop of Melitene

Saint Dometian, Bishop of Melitene, was born and lived during the sixth century, in the time of the emperor Justin the Younger. He was married but was widowed, and thereafter he became a monk and lived a strict and holy life.

At thirty years of age he was chosen bishop of the city of Melitene (in Armenia). Wise and zealous in questions of faith, strong in word and deed, Saint Dometian quickly gained fame as a good and dedicated pastor. More than once he carried out government commissions in Persia to avoid conflict with the Greeks. Beloved by all, Saint Dometian often received rich gifts, which he distributed to the poor. Both during his life and after his death in 601, Saint Dometian was glorified by God with miracles.

A Lay Person's service for the
**Blessing of Homes on the
Feast of Theophany**

Because this year with the Covid pandemic it is not safe for anyone to go from house to house.

House blessings typically take place from the feast of Theophany till as late as the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord (Feb 2), but it is never a bad idea to ask God to bless our homes.



✠ Through the prayers of our holy Fathers and Mothers, O Lord, Jesus Christ, have mercy and save us.

Amen.

✠ Glory be to You, Christ God our hope, glory be to You.

Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth, Who are everywhere present and fill all things, Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of life, come and dwell within us; cleanse us of all that defiles us, and, O Good One, save our souls.

✠ Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. (3x)

Glory be to the ✠ Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

Trinity most holy, have mercy on us. Cleanse us of our sins, O Lord; pardon our transgressions, O Master; look upon our weaknesses and heal them, O Holy One; for the sake of Your name.

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Glory be to the ✠ Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, ✠ Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

O God our Saviour, the true Light, Who was baptized in the river Jordan by John to renew all of us by the water of regeneration, and who condescended to enter under the roof of Zacchaeus to bring salvation to him and all his household, keep safe also from harm all of us who dwell here; grant us Your blessing, purification and bodily health, and all our petitions for salvation and life everlasting:

✠ For blessed are You, together with Your eternal Father, and Your all-holy, gracious, and life-giving Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Take some holy water blessed by a priest and sprinkle it within your home, saying:

Lord, bless my/our home by the sprinkling of this holy water, in the name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Glory be to You, O Christ our God, our hope glory be to You.

✠ Through the prayers of our holy Fathers and Mothers, O Lord, Jesus Christ, have mercy and save us. Amen.



The UCWLC of our Eparchy has put together an Art Contest for young people from grades I through I2.

For all the details please see the bulletins of the past few weeks, that can be found on our parish bulletin.

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton is changing the way we Evangelize in 2021. With that, we're looking to our community of faithful to **help create a logo that represents our Ukrainian Catholic community!** Anyone can take part in this contest, *submissions close on January 22nd*. Our Church's mission statement is:

We strive to carry out the mission entrusted to the Church by Christ Himself to fulfill in the world, namely, to journey with God's people in their coming to know God, to love God, and to serve God.

Our Eparchial theme is "**Come Follow Me**", and thus the logo should be a representation of the diverse groups of laity and clergy that all are united in following Christ's teachings. This logo can be a simple hand drawing or done in any graphic design software. Submissions may be posted on social media when submitted and the winner will be announced on January 25th. Here are some general ideas for an Eparchial logo:



- A modern logo designed in the context of our current society.
- Representative of a diverse group of people
- Representative of people following Christ's teachings
- Keep in mind the traditions and culture around the Ukrainian Catholic Church
- Avoid text inside the logo where possible

If you choose to use a cross in your logo, both the three bar and single bar crosses are appropriate.

Contest Winner Receives \$300 and \$200 will be donated to a local homeless shelter of your choice!

- Please pray for several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Cory & Family, Ross, Ron, Peter, Anne, Katie, Jean, Edward, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
- Happy birthday to Michael Orysiuk (Jan 11), Kristopher Workun (Jan 11), and Luba Genyk (Jan 16) who all celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you all many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- Jess, the kids and I would like to thank all of you who have given Christmas wishes and even gifts during this time. May God bless you all.

First Solemn Communion

We have one lovely young parishioner who is ready to receive her First Solemn Communion and I anticipate needing to lead a class (likely online) with several others so as to prepare them.

If you know of anyone, especially children in grades 2 or higher, who are ready to move forward with this profound Sacramental step, Please contact Fr. Bo.

Currently my plan is to do weekly classes of 1.5 hours from (soon) till Easter. Then the actual First Confessions and First Solemn Communion would take place either on Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday, or maybe on a Sunday shortly after Easter.

Each child and at least one parent would have to attend live online classes, would have to do a small amount of "homework" and send it to me so that I know they are understanding what I'm explaining, and pray and work with their parents at home too.

More details will be forthcoming soon.

Contact me if you want more info: 780-340-3726 (FR BO)

Dormition Parish January 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>10 Sunday after Theophany, Tone 7; Our Holy Father Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa (after 394); the Venerable Dometian, Bishop of Miletene (582-602); Our Venerable Father Marcian, Presbyter and Econome of the Great Church (450-57);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ephesians 4:7-13; • Matthew 4:12-17 <p>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p>	<p>11 Post-feast of Theophany; Our Venerable Father Theodosius, Founder of the Cenobitic Monastic Life (529); Polyeleos Feast.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Corinthians 4:6-15; • Matthew 11:27-30 <p>Michael Orysiuk's and Kristofer Workun's Birthdays</p>		<p>13 Post-feast of Theophany; the Holy Martyrs Hermylus and Stratonicus (313-24);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Peter 4:1-11; • Mark 12:28-37 	<p>14 Leave-taking of the Feast of the Holy Theophany;</p> <p>Our Venerable Fathers Massacred in Sinai and Rhaithu (c. 370); the Repose of the Holy Equal-to-the Apostles Nina, Enlightener of Georgia;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Peter 4:12-5:5; • Mark 12:38-44 	<p>15 🐟 Our Venerable Fathers Paul of Thebes (312-37) and John the Hut-Dweller (465-74);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Peter 1:1-10; • Mark 13:1-8 	<p>16 The Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and Illustrious Apostle Peter;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Timothy 2:11-19; • Luke 18:2-8 <p>Luba Genek's Birthday</p> <p>Possible start of online First Solemn Communion Classes... but I'm guessing the week after.</p>
<p>17 32 Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday of Zacchaeus, Tone 8; Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Anthony the Great (356);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Timothy 4:9-15; • Hebrews 13: 17-21; • Luke 19:1-10; • Luke 6: 17-23 <p>10 am D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English</p> <p>2 pm D.L. Bilingual Arabic / English</p>	<p>18 Our Holy Fathers and Archbishops of Alexandria Athanasius (373) and Cyril (444);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Peter 2:21-3:9; • Mark 12:13-17 <p>The Pre-Lenten Season Begins</p>	<p>19 Our Venerable Father Macarius of Egypt (c. 390);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Peter 3:10-22; • Mark 12:18-27 	<p>20 Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Euthemius the Great (473); Polyeleos Feast.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hebrews 13: 17-21; • Luke 6: 17-23 	<p>21 Our Venerable Father Maximus the Confessor (662); the Holy Martyr Neophytus (284-305); the Holy Martyrs Eugene, Candidus, Valerian, and Aquilas;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Peter 4:12-5:5; • Mark 12:38-44 <p>Adam Ostopowich's Birthday</p>	<p>22 🐟 The Holy Apostle Timothy; the Holy Venerable-Martyr Anastasius the Persian (628); Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Peter 1:1-10; • Mark 13:1-8 <p>Youth and Young Adult learning and activities online</p>	<p>23 The Holy Priest-Martyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra; the Holy Martyr Agathangel (both 286-305); Blessed Vincent Levoniuk and His Twelve Companions: Nykyta Hrytsiuk, Ivan Andreychuk, Constantine Boyko, Michael Vavryshchuk, Onuphriy Vasyliuk, Philip Kyryliuk, Maxim Havryliuk, Daniel Karmashchuk, Constantine Lukashchuk, Bartholomew Osypiuk, Luke Boyko and Ignatius Franchuk; Martyred at Pratulyn (1871); Passing into Eternal Life (1952) of Blessed Olimpia Bida, Superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph, and Martyr;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Timothy 2:11-19; • Luke 18:2-8
<p>24 Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, Tone 1; Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Timothy 3:10-15; • Luke 18:10-14 	<p>25 Our Holy Father Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople (390);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Corinthians 12:7-11; • John 10:9-16 	<p>26 Our Venerable Father Xenophon and his wife Maria; No fasting or abstention from foods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Peter 2:9-22; • Mark 13:14-23 	<p>27 The Transfer of the Precious Relics (438) of Our Father among the Saints John Chrysostom; Polyeleos Feast.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hebrews 7:26-8:2; • John 10:9-16 	<p>28 Our Venerable Father Ephrem the Syrian (373); No fasting or abstention from foods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 John 1:8-2:6; • Mark 13:31-14:2 	<p>29 no fasting The Transfer of the Relics of the Great-Martyr Ignatius the God-bearer (of Antioch)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 John 2:7-17; • Mark 14:3-9 	<p>30 The Three Holy and Great Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom; and the Holy Priest-Martyr Hippolytus (235); All-night Vigil Feast. A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy. 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hebrews 13:7-16; • Matthew 5:14-19

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Antiphon 1

When Israel came forth from Egypt, the house of Jacob from an alien people.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Judah became His sanctuary, Israel His dominion.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

The sea beheld this and fled,* the Jordan turned back on its course.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Why was it, O sea, that you fled,* that you, O Jordan, turned back on your course?

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

Antiphon 3

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Saviour.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord, and the great king over all the earth.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Entrance

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Troparion: By Your cross You destroyed death;* You opened Paradise to the thief;* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,* and charged the apostles to proclaim* that You are risen, O Christ our God,* offering great mercy to the world.

Troparion: When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan,* worship of the Trinity was revealed;* the voice of the Father bore witness to You,* naming You the beloved Son,* and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the word's

certainty.* Glory to You, O Christ God,* who appeared and enlightened the world.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion: Today, You have appeared to the world* and Your light, O Lord, has been signed on us,* who with knowledge sing Your praises.* You have come, You have appeared, O unapproachable Light.

Prokeimenon:

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us* as we have hoped in you.

verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. (*Psalms 32:2,1*)

Epistle Ephesians 4:7-13

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

Alleluia verses:

Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared.

Gospel Matthew 4:12-17

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles — the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

Hymn to the Mother of God

O my soul, magnify Christ the King, baptized in the Jordan.

and the Irmos: Every tongue is at a loss to praise you as is your due, O Mother of God. Even a spirit from above is filled with dizziness when seeking to sing your praises. But since you

are good accept our faith, for you know well our love inspired by God. For it is you who protect all Christians; therefore, we magnify you.

Communion Hymn

The grace of God has appeared* bringing salvation to all.

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

Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Instead of “Blessed is He who comes...” we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan.

Instead of “We have seen the true light...” we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan.

Instead of “May our mouths...” and “Blessed be the Name...” we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan. (3x)

Everyone knows Fr. Bo makes MANY mistakes in his bulletins, videos, milage reports, phone calls, homilies, and... well almost everywhere. But he is apparently in good company. (these other bulletin makers... not you... but you are good company... just not mistake makers... Oy.) **Here are some actual church bulletin mistakes to make you chuckle:**

- Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles, and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
- The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.
- The Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
- Evening massage – 6 p.m.
- The Pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.
- The audience is asked to remain seated until the end of the recession.
- Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 to 8:30 pm. Please use the back door.
- Ushers will eat latecomers.
- The third verse of Blessed Assurance will be sung without musical accomplishment.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Thank you for your ongoing love and support even though I make mistakes.

