



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Парафія Успіння Пресв. Богородиці

October 24, 2021

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 5; The Holy Martyr Aretas and those with him (523);

Our Mission is to joyfully bring all people into the knowledge, love and service of the Holy Trinity, Who dwells amongst us.

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

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Major Feast Days at 7pm

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Martyr Aretas and 4,299 Martyrs with him

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The Martyr Aretas and with him 4299 Martyrs suffered for the Lord Jesus Christ in the sixth century. Aretas was prefect of the Christian city of Negran in Arabia. The Arabian (or Omirite) king, Dunaan, who was Jewish, decided to eliminate Christianity from the land. He issued an edict that all followers of Christ were to be put to death.

Because the inhabitants of Negran remained faithful to the Lord, Dunaan came with a large army to destroy the city. At the city walls of Negran the king's heralds announced that Dunaan would only spare those who renounced Christ and referred to His Cross as a "sign of malediction."

Not daring to assault the Christian city by force, Dunaan resorted to a ruse. Dunaan swore an oath that he would not force the Christians into Judaism, but would merely collect a tribute from Negran. The inhabitants of the city would not heed the advice of Saint Aretas, and putting their trust in Dunaan, they opened the city gates.

The very next day Dunaan gave orders to light an immense fire and throw all the clergy of the city into it in order to frighten the rest of the Christians. 427 men were burned. He also threw the prefect Aretas and the other chief men into prison. Then the oppressor sent his messengers through the city to convert the Christians to Judaism. Dunaan himself conversed with those inhabitants brought from the prisons, saying, "I do not demand that you should renounce the God of heaven and earth, nor do I want you to worship idols, I want merely that you do not believe in Jesus Christ, since the Crucified One was a man, and not God."

The holy martyrs replied that Jesus is God the Word, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, Who for the salvation of mankind was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary. Those suffering said, "We shall not abjure Christ, since He is Life for us. To die for Him is to find Life."

More than four thousand Christians, men, women, both the aged and children, from the city of Negran and surrounding villages suffered martyrdom for Christ.





6th annual Called to Be Holy, Men's Conference and Retreat

Registration is now open.

Oct 29 6:30 pm - 8:15 pm & Oct 30, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm.

4:00 pm Vespers (confession available) 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy

The theme for our conference is: St. Joseph; the Man, the Servant, the Saint

Due to increasing Covid cases, we have made the decision to go online. Join us for an exciting line up of presenters and topics. Registration cost is \$30.

Register online at: <https://eeparchy.com/2021/10/04/called-to-be-holy-mens-conference-and-retreat-2021/> or find the link on the Edmonton eparchy website. Deadline to register is Oct 24, 2021. Any questions contact: education@edmontoneparchy.com

- **Please pray for** several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Kristopher, Greg, Peter, Ross, Ron, Peter, Jean, Edward, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
- **Happy Birthday** to lots of people including: **Anne Tymko, Donna Ostopowich, Robyn Orysiuk, Elizabeth Shakeshaft & Josie Zeleny** who all celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you all many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- Next PPC meeting is anticipated on Tuesday, November 17 at 7 pm

Current Covid Precautions:

- We need to wear masks
- We need to keep families 2 meters apart
- We need to limit the number of people in church to 1/3 of its normal capacity (now only 44 people)
- We can not all sing together, either we recite or we have 1 cantor (family)
- We will not be having fellowship after liturgy until further notice.



Gentle Parenting - Parenting with Love

On Oct. 29 at 10:15 am (following 9:00 am Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Parish 6425 120 Ave NW, Edmonton) the Family, Faith and Friends, Parent Group will be hosting the first of 4 sessions for the 2021-2022 year.

Join Therese McDonald (Chesterton House, Mundare) as she presents on the topic of **Gentle Parenting - Parenting with Love**

Therese has 30+ years of accompanying parents who want to see their child reach their full potential, see their family overcome some of the hard things life throws their way, and find a way to maintain faith and sanity throughout all of it.

This will be online and in person. Email education@edmontoneparchy.com to register and you will be sent a zoom link. Only a limited number of people may join the presentation at Holy Eucharist parish. First come, first serve. Please indicate your desire to attend in person or online in your email.

*Note - Therese will not be in person at the church but will be joining via Zoom.



Curious about the program called "Family, Faith and Friends"?

Parents with young families are invited to come together for prayer, faith development, fellowship, and support. To learn more about this group and be kept up to date with events and resources, join the Facebook Group: Family, Faith, Friends, Parent's Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1019387668113464>.

For other questions call or text: 780-914-9093 Christina.

Faridae Mody of Freedom School of Dance would like to invite any interested children to join their dance studio, which teaches many types of dance including **Ukrainian dance**. If you are interested or would like to learn more, you can go to www.freedomsofdance.com

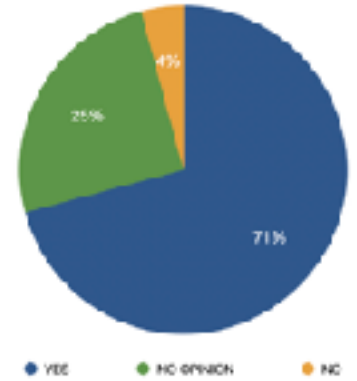


A Catholic Scouts Group in our Parish

Over the past several months we have been discussing as a parish how to engage more people in their faith. One idea was to encourage young families by starting a Youth Ministry initiative such as a Scouts group. In the past there have been many Ukrainian Catholic Churches with their own scouts groups, dance groups, youth choirs and other youth ministry initiatives.

A meeting was held in September and we found out that there was interest from our own young families, as well as many young families from parishes around us to start a Catholic Scouts Group. This group would follow the structure of "Scouts Canada" with its badges and uniforms, but would also include spiritual lessons and activities that pertain to our Catholic faith. These spiritual lessons would include working with those less fortunate, learning about our traditions and beliefs, attending Sunday services, and other activities that benefit the families involved and community around them.

Over the past 2 weeks we had asked all parishioners if they supported this endeavour or not. 24 people replied to our vote with the majority (71%) being in favour of starting a Scouts group. Therefore we will begin working on setting this project up. Only 4% did not support the project. 25% of those who responded did not have strong opinions and/or claimed that they would like more information. So... I will try to answer some questions that were asked in the comment section of the vote.



Question: Is the timing of this right with covid still being around?

Answer: At this time we are only setting up the organization with its own board, bank account, bylaws and training the volunteer Scouters. We will not open up to programming with children and youth till at earliest the new year. Hopefully by then covid will be under control again. If it is not, then we will follow all recommendations of AHS, as well as both the Eparchy of Edmonton and the Scouts Canada Organization. Perhaps if we feel that it is too early we will not open up till we are more ready.

Question: Are there members of our parish that are planning to participate?

Answer: Although we do not have many families with young children among our regular parishioners, yes, a few families that we have indeed shown interest and have even volunteered to lead the program. We hope that other "less regular" parishioner families will see the activities and excitement of this adventurous project, and will consider joining us and will intern become more active in our parish.

In addition to our own parishioners this scouting group will be open to all. We have already approached other catholic churches, schools and groups letting them know that this project is open to them all. Hopefully with time, as the scouts group expands, the families will become more familiar with our faith and parish life and will choose to participate in it more directly. Our goal is not to take people from other parishes, but rather to engage people who do not call any parish their home into our community.

Question: Is there a cost to the parish? / Will they be paying rent?

Answer: Firstly, this is our project, not some foreign group coming to use our building. Yes, there is always the lights, flushing of toilets, cleaning and maintenance associated with using a building (and yes, kids are typically more messy than

grown ups). But this is no different than us having a bible study or liturgical singing practice. We have a building so that we can use it, not so that we can keep it locked up and vacant.

The scouts group will not pay any rent to the parish. However our scouts group can choose to do things that will benefit the whole community. If our scouts choose we can volunteer to help with the maintenance and material needs of the church. Scouts can choose to join in parish fundraising efforts. Scouts can choose to put together a fundraiser for the parish. They can pray with us and attend liturgies and families who do so, can contribute to the collection plate if they so choose.

There is no guarantee that our parish will financially benefit from this endeavour, but it is likely in the long term that our parish will be much better off than it is if we engage with families and work with them to grow our community.

Think of this as we think of the UCWLC. Like the UCWLC, a group of Catholic Scouts would be associated with our parish, and have the best interest of the parish and the whole Catholic Church in mind. Both organizations can do great things out of the goodness of their hearts, but do not contribute because there is some sort of rental contract.

Question: How many families will be involved?

Answer: At first I imagine a few dozen families involved, with children and youth of various ages. As time goes on there could be many, many dozen families. The main limiting factors are the volunteers who will lead the different age groups.

If you have any other questions please feel free to ask Fr. Bo.

The first official meeting of this scouts organizing group will take place this Tuesday at 7 pm in our parish hall.

Dormition Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>24</p> <p>Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 5; The Holy Martyr Aretas and those with him (523); Galatians 6:11-18; Luke 16:19-31</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>2 pm Divine Liturgy bilingual Arabic / Eng</p> <p>5:30 appointment</p> <p>Anne Tymko's & Donna Ostopowich's Birthdays</p>	<p>25</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs and Notaries Marcian and Martyrius (351); 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5; Luke 10:22-24</p> <p>7 pm Appointment</p>	<p>26</p> <p>The Holy and Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius, from Whose Tomb Myrrh Streams Forth (285-310); and the Commemoration of the Great and Terrible Earthquake at Constantinople of 741 AD; 2 Timothy 2:1-10; John 15:17-16:2</p> <p>10 am Spiritual Direction at ExHC</p> <p>7 pm Scouts First Organizing Meeting</p>	<p>27</p> <p>The Holy Martyr Nestor (305); Nestor, writer of the first Chronicle of Rus' (1114); the Holy Martyr Capitolina and Her Slave Erotheides; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Luke 11:9-13</p> <p>10 am Clergy Conference</p>	<p>28</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Terentius and Neonila; Our Venerable Father Stephen the Sabaite, Composer of Canons (9th c.); the Holy Martyr Parasceve of Iconium; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-14; Luke 11:14-23</p> <p>12:45 pm Appointment (Med)</p> <p>Likely Camp Oselia Fundraising Meeting</p> <p>Robyn Orysiuk's Birthday</p>	<p>29 </p> <p>The Holy Venerable-Martyr Anastasia (249-51); the Passing of Our Venerable Father Abraham, Archimandrite and Wonderworker of Rostov (11th c.); Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 1 Thessalonians 2:14-19; Luke 11:23-26</p> <p>10:15 am Gentle Parenting at Holy Eucharist.</p> <p>12:00 noon Camp Oselia Fundraising Meeting</p> <p>Men's Conference and Retreat</p> <p>Elizabeth Shakeshaft's Birthday</p>	<p>30</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Zenobius and Zenobia His Sister (284-305); Passing into eternal life of Blessed Priest-martyr Olesky Zarytsky (1963), Pastor of Strutyn near Zolochiv, and Siberia, Martyr; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; Luke 8:16-21</p> <p>Men's Conference and Retreat</p> <p>6:30 Funeral Arrangement Meeting</p> <p>Josie Zeleny's Birthday</p>
<p>31</p> <p>Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 6; The Holy Apostles Stachys, Amplias and others with them; the Holy Martyr Epimachus (250); Ephesians 2:4-10; Luke 8:26-39</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p> <p>2 pm Divine Liturgy bilingual Arabic / Eng</p> <p>5:30 appointment</p> <p>Halloween</p>	<p>1</p> <p>The Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian; Passing into Eternal Life of the Servant of God Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky, 1944; Passing into Eternal Life (1947) of Blessed Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo, and Martyr; 1 Thessalonians 2:20-3:8; Luke 11:29-33</p> <p>10 am Funeral of + Lois Danelesko at TFC</p>	<p>2</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aptonius, Elpidophorus, and Anempodistus; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 11:34-41</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p>	<p>3</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Acepimas the Bishop (378), Joseph the Priest and Aithalis the Deacon (379); the Dedication of the Church of the Holy Great Martyr George in Lydda, Where His Precious Body is Entombed; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12; Luke 11:42-46</p> <p>65 years of the Canadian Metropolia</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Our Venerable Father Joannicius the Great (846); the Holy Martyrs Nicander, Bishop of Myra and the Priest Hermas; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-8; Luke 11:47-12:1</p> <p>11 am Appointment</p> <p>2pm Appointment</p>	<p>5 </p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Galaction and Epistemis; Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 1 Thessalonians 5:9-13, 24-28; Luke 12:2-12</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Our Holy Father Paul, Archbishop of Constantinople and Confessor (c. 353-61); 2 Corinthians 11:1-6; Luke 9:1-6</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 7; The Thirty-Three Holy Martyrs of Militene (284-305); Our Venerable Father and Wonderworker Lazarus, Hermit of Mount Galesius (1054); Ephesians 2:14-22; Luke 8:41-56</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Other Bodiless Powers of Heaven; All-night Vigil Feast. Hebrews 2:2-10; Luke 10:16-21</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Onisiphorus and Porphyry (456-474); Our Venerable Mother Matrona (456-74); the Venerable Theoctista of Lesbos; 2 Thessalonians 1:10-2:2; Luke 12:42-48</p> <p>Steven Bryson's, Marie Kunec's & Maksym Pryma's Birthdays</p>	<p>10</p> <p>The Holy Apostles Erastus, Olympus, Rodion and those with them; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12; Luke 12:48-59</p>	<p>11</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Menas, Victor and Vincent (138-61); Our Venerable Father and Confessor Theodore the Studite (826); 2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5; Luke 13:1-9</p>	<p>12 </p> <p>The Holy Priest-Martyr Josaphat, Archbishop of Polotsk (1623); John the Merciful, Patriarch of Alexandria (619); Nil the Faster (430); Passing into Eternal Life (1950) of Blessed Hryhoriy (Gregory) Lakota, Auxiliary Bishop of Peremyshl and Confessor; Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. Hebrews 4:14-5:10; John 10:9-16</p> <p>CANCELLED Eparchial Convention</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>Our Holy Father John Chrysostom (the Golden-Mouthed), Archbishop of Constantinople (407); Hebrews 7:26-8:2; John 10:9-16</p>

The Eparchy of Edmonton has launched **Saint Macrina's Online Store**, where you can buy books, icons, CDs, and much more online. Click the link to visit it online, or visit the Eparchial Pastoral Centre in person (8:30 - 4:30 M-F)



Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. (Gal. 6:2)

Social Mission of the Church, Welcome Retreat

Nov 18, 7:00 -9:00 pm on Zoom

Those who have a passion for social development, justice and charity and would like to explore ways that our Eparchy can continue to serve God by serving others, are invited to join this zoom event! Representatives from all of the parishes throughout the Eparchy of Edmonton are encouraged to attend.

Hosted by Bishop David and the members of the Social Mission Commission, this will be an evening of inspiration, discovery, and reflection.

Commission members will share ways that they can help the faithful in all the parishes of the Eparchy of Edmonton to be more active and involved in social justice issues all over the world!

Monica Nino from Development and Peace will teach us about this Catholic organization and ways that we can work together for the good of others.

Participants will be invited to share what they have been doing individually and in their parishes and to learn from each other.

Bishop David will lead us in a reflection on social consciousness in our own lives.

Register at Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/social-mission-of-the-church-welcome-retreat-tickets-191897760367>

Or search: **Social Mission of the Church, Welcome Retreat** on the Eventbrite website (www.eventbrite.ca).

For more information email: socialjustice@eeparchy.com

The Fifth World Day of the Poor

will be marked on **November 14**. Pope Francis message for the occasion focuses on the theme of: [The poor you will always have with you](#) (Mk 14:7)

At the best of times, and especially during COVID-19, many families and individuals struggle to put food on the table. As a sign of solidarity with the those in need, and to live out our Christian vocation to see the face of Christ in each other, parishes and families are encouraged to

support their local food bank

(or similar agency) by making a food or cash donation. This eparchy-wide social outreach activity "**Feeding the Poor of Today**" also honours the memory of the millions who perished in the **Holodomor Famine** (1932-1933) in Ukraine – commemorated this year on Saturday, November 27 – and in other like genocides throughout the world by providing food for the hungry today.

A concrete way to help those in need this Christmas is to collaborate with the **Knights of Columbus' annual initiative [Coats for Kids Program](#)**, which provides warm clothing for children during our cold prairie winters. A case of 12 winter coats costs only \$330 (including shipping). Contact your local Knights of Columbus Council to make a monetary donation towards this exceptional cause. Children during the Holodomor perished from hunger during the cold winter of 1932-1933. Let us honour their memory by providing warmth for our children today.



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Troparion: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

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

Kontakion: You, my Saviour, descended to Hades,* and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates.* With Yourself You, as the Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death,* and delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind.* And so we cry out: "Save us, O Lord."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion: Rejoice, O rampart and protection of those who have recourse to you!* Rejoice, O tranquil haven and Virgin,* who gave birth in the flesh to your Maker and God!* Fail not to intercede for those* who sing and worship the Child you bore.

Prokeimenon:

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us* from this generation and for ever.

verse: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, see what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

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: Luke 16:19-31 (NRSV)

The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Communion Hymn:

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

Our Parish Pastoral Council is considering having

a Perogy Pinching Bee

in the near future (before Christmas) to help our parish with its financial needs. At the time of writing this bulletin we don't know exactly when, but it could be soon. Maybe in the next week or two.



If you are interested in helping please contact Helen S.

Of course with covid we will need to take many precautions to keep each other and the food safe. But we can do this!