

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE

DORMITION

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Парафію Успінню Пресв. Богороднці

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

Address:

15608 -104 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5P 4G5

Services:

Sunday Divine Liturgy (Ukr & Eng) at 10 am



Major Feast Days at 7pm

Parish Website: http://dormition.eeparchy.com

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A PARISH OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF EDMONTON

Sunday, January 16, 2022

30th Sunday after Pentecost; Octoechos, Tone I; The Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and Illustrious Apostle Peter;

> Христос народився! - Славімо Його! Christ is Born! - Let Us Glorify Him!



First Solemn Communion

First Solemn Communion is an important step in our spiritual lives. It is the first major opportunity for a child to learn about their faith, and fully participate in the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist on their own.

In one sense this is a spiritual graduation from being a child who passively receives the faith from their parents, to a young person who actively participates in their own spiritual development.

Usually children are presented as infants to the Church to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation (aka Confirmation) and the Eucharist. These children are then brought forward at each Divine Liturgy by their parents, God-parents, or grand-parents to continue receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. When they become old enough to understand the basic truths of the faith, and to recognize the meaning of their own actions, they are prepared to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and then approach the Holy Eucharist, no longer being brought forth, but on their own.

This is what "First Solemn Communion" is all about. It is a program designed to recognize a child's growth in maturity, to teach him or her what Life with Christ is about, and to help the child to take more responsibility for his or her own spiritual well-being.

Currently in our parish there are a few (3) families that I have been talking to about starting our program with their children. We are currently emailing back and forth to pick a good time to gather (in person, or perhaps digitally).

If you know of any child who would like to join us, please have their parents email me as soon as possible. fr.nahachewsky@eeparchy.com

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting this Tuesday at 7:15 pm.

All PPC members please attend if you can.

Dormition Parish Calendar						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16	17	18	19	20	21 🗆	22
30 Sunday after Pentecost; Octoechos, Tone 1; The Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and Illustrious Apostle Peter Matins Resurrectional Gospel 1. Colossians 3:12-16; Luke 18:18-27 IO am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng Lyba Genyk's Birthday	Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Anthony the Great (356) Polyeleos Feast. Hebrews 13: 17-21; Luke 6: 17-23 5:30 Appointment	Our Holy Fathers and Archbishops of Alexandria Athanasius (373) and Cyril (444) Hebrews 12:25-26; 13:22-25; Mark 10:2-12 11 am Appointment 7:15 pm PPC Meeting Beginning of the week of Prayer for Christian Unity	Our Venerable Father Macarius of Egypt (c. 390) James 1:1-18; Mark 10:11-16	Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Euthemius the Great (473) Polyeleos Feast. Hebrews 13: 17-21; Luke 6: 17-23	Our Venerable Father Maximus the Confessor (662); the Holy Martyr Neophytus (284-305); the Holy Martyrs Eugene, Candidus, Valerian, and Aquilas Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. James 2:1-13; Mark 10:23-32	The Holy Apostle Timothy; the Holy Venerable-Martyr Anastasius the Persian (628) Colossians 1:2-6; Luke 16:10-15
23	24	25	26	27	28 🖎	29
31 Sunday after Pentecost; Octoechos Tone 2; The Holy Priest-Martyr Clement, Bishop of Ancyra; the Holy Martyr Agathangel; Blessed Vincent Levoniuk and companions; Passing of Blessed Olimpia Bida, Superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph, 1 Timothy 1:15-17; Luke 18:35-43 IO am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng Possible but not confirmed start to our First Solemn Communion Program	Our Venerable Mother Xenia the Roman James 2:14-26; Mark 10:46-52 5:30 Appointment	Our Holy Father Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople (390) Polyeleos Feast. 1 Corinthians 12:7-11; John 10:9-16 11 am Appointment Conclusion of the week of Prayer for Christian Unity	Our Venerable Father Xenophon and his wife Maria James 3:11-4:6; Mark 11:23-26 4 pm Lay & Deaconal Formation Meeting	The Transfer of the Precious Relics (438) of Our Father among the Saints John Chrysostom Polyeleos Feast. Hebrews 7:26-8:2; John 10:9-16 6 pm Camp Oselia Society Meeting	Our Venerable Father Ephrem the Syrian (373) Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. 1 Peter 1:1-2, 10-12; 2:6-10; Mark 12:1-12 11 am Appointment	The Transfer of the Relics of the Great- Martyr Ignatius the God-bearer (of Antioch) 1 Thessalonians 5:14-23; Luke 17:3-10
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32 Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday of Zacchaeus; Octoechos Tone 3; 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. Matins Resurrectional Gospel 3. A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy. 1 Timothy 4:9-15; Hebrews 13:7-16; Luke 19:1-10; Matthew 5:14-19	The Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John (284-305) 1 Peter 2:21-3:9; Mark 12:13-17 5:30 Appointment The Beginning of the Pre-Lenten Season Donna Koziak's Birthday	Fore-feast of the Encounter; the Holy Martyr Tryphon (249-51) Romans 8:28-39; Luke 10:19-21 11 am Appointment	The Encounter of Our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ Feast of our Lord. Holy Day of Obligation. Hebrews 7:7-17; Luke 2:22-40 7 pm Festal Divine Liturgy	Post-feast of the Encounter; the Holy and Just Simeon Who Received God and the Prophetess Anna Hebrews 9:11-14; Luke 2:25-38	Post-feast of the Encounter; Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium (408-50) Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. 2 Peter 1:1-10; Mark 13:1-8 11 am Appointment	Post-feast of the Encounter; The Holy Martyr Agatha (249-51) 2 Timothy 2:11-19; Luke 18:2-8
10 am Divine Liturgy bilingual Ukr / Eng						2

Parish Announcements:

- House Blessings: As bishop David announced, house blessings will only take place this year by request. If you would like your house blessed please email Fr. Bo. (simply telling him... he will likely not remember.)
- Parish Bylaws: We are in the process of updating our Parish Bylaws so that they are more in accord with our needs and the sample bylaws that have been given by our Eparchy. Please pray for us as we do this work.
- **Please pray for** several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Owen, Mickey, Sister Andrea, Kristopher, Greg, Peter, Ross, Ron, Peter, Jean, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
- **Happy Birthday** to: **Lyba Genyk** who celebrates her birthday this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- Next PPC meeting: January 18. AGM: Feb 6.

Are you interested in learning more about God, your faith, and the Church?

Sign up for an online course (or two or three) or even work towards a Certificate in Eastern Christian Traditions at Newman Theological College (Edmonton).

The course offerings include Scripture, Eastern Christian Theology I and II, Eastern Catholic Worship and Spirituality, the Holy Mysteries (Sacraments), and Praying with Icons.

Each course consists of 10 online sessions, spanning 5 weeks, requiring some 4 hours of work per week (2 hours per lesson). No exams. Cost of registration per course \$85.00 plus the cost of books.

To register and for more information, visit Newman.edu/CCS, or contact Bernie Mandrusiak <u>education@eeparchy.com</u> or Andrea Leader <u>admin@eeparchy.com</u> or call the Pastoral Centre (780) 424-5496.

Year I: Certificate in Eastern Christian Traditions I (EASI)

CCS-047 The Theology of Eastern Christianity Part II (mid-January to mid-February) (The Orthodox Way, K. Ware)

CCS-048 Worship and Spirituality of Eastern Catholic Churches (mid-February to mid-March,) (The Face of God, Joseph Raya) – Andrea Leader

CCS-050 The Holy Mysteries: An Introduction (April) (Inexhaustible Delights: God With Us Series) – Rev. Danylo Kuc

CCS-049 Praying with Icons (mid-May to mid-June) (Icons in the Church) – Rev. Bo Nahachewsky

Cantoring Workshop!

On Saturday, January 22, Dr. Melanie Turgeon and Dr. Joy Berg will teach a worship workshop. The eastern (cantoring) component is from 1-3 p.m. Topics to be covered include: The Feast of Presentation, the Third Antiphon, and the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great. This workshop will take place on Zoom. Register by midnight Jan. 20 at: Kingsu.ca/worshipmatters (\$15 fee). For more information e-mail: melanie.turgeon@kingsu.ca



Today after the Divine Liturgy we will be celebrating a Panachyda for **the servant of God + Stanley Kalita** on the occasion of the 40 day since his passing.

With the saints, give him rest, O Lord, Vichnaya pamyat'

Please say an extra prayer for **Owen** as he recovers from a serious battle with Covid. Owen is 5 years old. Last I heard he is recovering at home.

God please grant his a full recovery so that he may run about and give You glory.

Covid does affect us all and should be taken seriously. Please do what you can to help and support those around you, and keep safe.

In the parish, please keep a safe distance from each other and always wear a mask. Thanks.

DORMITION UCWLC UPDATE

Despite not being able to have in person UCWLC meetings our branch has endeavoured to keep active in supporting the parish as well as continuing with our charitable donations. Even though the executive has kept in touch by email and telephone, here is an update of the branch activities during the pandemic to provide more complete information.

There was not an AGM held in 2020. Without an AGM there was no election of a new executive. Branch members consented to have the 2019 executive continue to serve another term. The treasurer arranged to have the financial books to be audited. They were found to be correct and in good order.

Because of the pandemic we did not have an AGM in 2021. Again, the present executive will continue in their positions and the financial records will be audited.

List of donations in 2020

- Bridge of Hope (Ukraine)
- Flood Relief for Ukraine
- Edmonton Food Bank
- Bishop's Gala
- Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate (Mundare)
- Our Lady of Peace School Food Bank Supplies

List of donations in 2021

- No Room in the Inn
- Sign of Hope
- Catholic Social Services (support of Afghan refugees)
- Mustard Seed (In memory of Anne Prokop)
- Bishop's Gala
- Our Lady of Peace School Grocery Food Bank Supplies





Committee work is ongoing. Church linens have been changed, when needed. Clergy vestments and linens have been cleaned. Easter and Christmas flowers were purchased and set up. Special thanks to Helen Sirman. For the Little Friends of Jesus program, Chris Lirette made sure that treat bags were distributed in church, by St. Nicholas in 2020 and 2021.

Pastoral care has mainly consisted of keeping in touch by telephone. In between pandemic waves when restrictions were lifted, Marge Woitas was visited. In addition, seasonal gift packages were prepared for Easter and this past Christmas. They were delivered to some of our elderly and shut- in parishioners.

Three members of Dormition Branch, Anne Prokop, Kay Bunio and Helen Moneta were valued members of our organization. With their passing, we are diminished and saddened. We are left with the memory of the blessings they contributed in sharing their time, talents and treasures with us.

We are delighted that Janet Konowlec and Sheila Leiding have become members of Dormition UCWLC. This update briefly summarizes our activities and what we do to support the parish. If you are not yet a member of our Ukrainian Catholic Women's League, please consider joining our organization. Your participation and support would be most welcome.

Thank you to everyone for persevering in this challenging pandemic time.

Sending you a reminder that the 2022, \$20 membership fee is due. Please pay our treasurer, Darlene Puto, drop it in our sunday collection or mail it to the church: 15608 104 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB T5P 4G5 (Never mail cash).

God Bless,

Virginia Sharek (President)
Dormition UCWLC

The 10 Commandments





When Moses was leading the people of God, God gave them 10 rules to follow. When Jesus was asked about the 10 rules, according to the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus said:

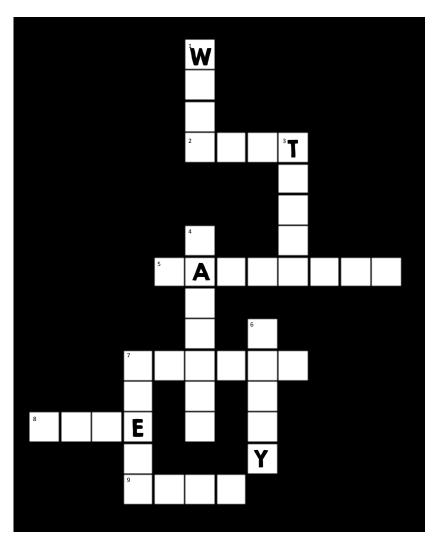
"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."

This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it:

"You shall love your neighbour as yourself."

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Can you figure out this kid friendly crossword about the 10 Commandments?



Across:

- 2 Don't ____ others.
- 5 Be ____ to those you love.
- 7 ____ is a holy day when we should gather as the Church.
- 8 Always use God's ____ with love and respect.
- 9 Love the ____ your God, with your whole soul mind, heart and body.

Down:

- I Don't _____ for other people's things.
- 3 Always tell the ____.
- 4 Respect your _____.
- 6 Be ____ with what you have.
- 7 Don't ____ what is not yours.

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Troparion: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!* Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

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

Kontakion: You arose in glory from the tomb* and with Yourself You raised the world.* All humanity acclaims You as God,* and death has vanished.* Adam exults, O Master,* and Eve, redeemed now from bondage, cries out for joy:* "You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion: When Gabriel uttered to you, O Virgin, his 'Rejoice!'* at that sound the Master of all became flesh in you, the Holy Ark.* As the just David said,* you have become wider than the heavens carrying your Creator.* Glory to Him Who dwelt in you!* Glory to Him Who came forth from you!* Glory to Him Who freed us through birth from you!

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.

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-16 (NRSV)

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:

God gives me vindication, and has subdued people under me.

Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

Gospel: Luke 18:18-27 (NRSV)

At that time a certain ruler approached Jesus and 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; Honour 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.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and All-Glorious Apostle Peter (from <u>OCA.org</u>)

The Veneration of the Honorable Chains of the Holy and All-Praised Apostle Peter: In about the year 42, on the orders of Herod Agrippa, the Apostle Peter was thrown into prison for preaching about Christ the Savior. In prison he was held secure by two iron chains. During the night before his trial, an angel of the Lord removed these chains from the Apostle Peter and led him out from the prison (Acts 12:1-11).

Christians who learned of the miracle took the chains and kept them as precious keepsakes. For three centuries the chains were kept in Jerusalem, and those who were afflicted with illness and approached them with faith received healing. Patriarch Juvenal (July 2) presented the chains to Eudokia, wife of the emperor Theodosius the Younger, and she in turn transferred them from Jerusalem to Constantinople in either the year 437 or 439.

Eudokia sent one chain to Rome to her daughter Eudoxia (the wife of Valentinian), who built a church on the Esquiline hill dedicated to the Apostle Peter and placed the chain in it. There were other chains in Rome, with which the Apostle Peter was shackled before his martyrdom under the emperor Nero. These were also placed in the church. On January 16, the chains of Saint Peter are brought out for public veneration.

