

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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DIVINE LITURGIES

Sundays:

8:30am – Ukrainian [chanted]
10:30am – English [choir]
1:00pm – Arabic / English [Melkite]
5:00pm – English [recited]

Weekdays:

8:00am – English
[9:00am – on Statutory Holidays]

Saturdays:

9:00am – English

Feast Days: (subject to change)

9:00am – English
7:00pm – English

THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN

The Holy Martyrs Terence, Pompeius and Others with Them

After the priest has exclaimed, "Blessed be the Kingdom..." and the people have responded, "Amen," the clergy sing the Paschal Troparion once and the people repeat it. Then, the clergy sing the first half, and the people conclude it.

Paschal Troparion

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death; and to those in the tombs giving life.

First Antiphon

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing now to His name, give glory to His praise.

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

Say unto God, "How awesome are Your works! Because of the greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter You."

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

Let all the earth worship You and sing to You, let it sing to Your name, O Most High!

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

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

Only begotten Son and Word of God, You are immortal, and You willed for our salvation to be made flesh of the holy Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, and without change You became man. You were crucified, O Christ our God, and trampled death by death. You are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

Third Antiphon

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

Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You. Alleluia.

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

Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You. Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord and the great King over all the earth.

Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You. Alleluia.

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: The noble Joseph took down Your most pure body from the tree. He wrapped it with a clean shroud and aromatic spices and placed it in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, granting the world Your great mercy.

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

Kontakion: You commanded the myrrh-bearers to rejoice, O Christ God, and ended the grief of our mother Eve by Your Resurrection. You ordered the apostles to proclaim to all: "The Saviour is risen from the tomb."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion: Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One, yet You destroyed the power of Hades; and You rose as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! and giving peace to Your Apostles: You, Who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

Prokeimenon

Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.

HOLY MYSTERIES

Confession:

Sundays and Feast days one-half hour before Divine Liturgies, and by appointment.

Marriage: Arrangements with Fr. Mark.

Baptism-Chrismation-Eucharist:
Arrangements with Fr. Bo.

Anointing of the Sick: For emergencies call 403-249-4818, press 9.

Funeral: Arrangements with either Pastor: Fr. Mark or Fr. Bo.

CLERGY and RELIGIOUS

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verse: Unto You I will cry, O Lord, my God, lest You turn from me in silence.

Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.

Epistle

Acts 6:1-7

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word." What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

At the end of the Epistle parents may send their children to the back of the church to get candles for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

verse: You have shown favour to Your land, O Lord; You brought back the captives of Jacob.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

verse: Mercy and truth have met; righteousness and peace have embraced.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 15:43-16:8

At that time there came Joseph, the one from Arimathea, a councillor of high rank, who was himself looking for the kingdom of God. And he went in boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. But Pilate wondered whether He had expired so soon. And sending for the centurion, he asked him whether He was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that He was, he granted the body to

Joseph. And he bought a linen cloth, and took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen cloth, and laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock. Then he rolled a stone to the entrance of the tomb. But Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Josee were looking on and saw where He was laid. And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, in order to go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb, when the sun had just risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll the stone back from the entrance of the tomb for us?" And looking up they saw that the stone had been rolled back - now, it was very large. But on entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were amazed. He said to them, "Do not be terrified. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, Who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here. Behold the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He goes before you into Galilee; there you shall see Him, as He told you." And they left and fled from the tomb, for trembling and fear had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

In place of: "It is truly right ..."

The angel cried out to the One full of grace: "O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day and raised the dead." Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exalt now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

At the end of Liturgy, after the "Amen":

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death; and to those in the tombs giving life. [3x]

And to us He has granted life eternal; we bow down before His resurrection, on the third day.

Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав,

і тим що в гробах життя дарував. [3x]

І нам дарував життя вічне, поклоняємося Його тридньовному воскресінню!

Recording our choir songs is well underway! Yesterday forty-seven members of St Stephen Protomartyr Choir, under the amazing direction of Dr Linda Dudar, gathered in the familiar choir loft to offer their voices in songs of praise.

(A second recording session will take place next Saturday, April 16th.

Jeffrey Murias is our sound technician, who is known to us from the previous CD, made in 2010, of the Divine Liturgy. His talents range in producing and editing music for Movie and Tv and has a diploma in sound engineering. With his guidance we are capturing the choir's ministry of song!



A new CD is planned—this time a two-disc set of many favourites. Themes for this recording will be: Entrance and Preparation for Holy Eucharist, Songs of Forgiveness, Peace Songs, Holy Communion, Songs to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Songs of Strength, Recessional and Songs of Praise.

It will be made available this summer and will sell for \$20.00.

Texts of the songs and other items of interest are planned to be published in the inner jacket notes.

Feedback from the first CD of the Divine Liturgy was awesome; one story in a prison setting told by Fr Joseph Ostopowich, where it was played regularly on Sundays at the request of the inmates. We pray our new CD will inspire as before, to a host of many varied listeners who seek God.

-Fr MARK



Liturgy Intentions for this week:

Sunday, April 10 – Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women:

8:30am – for the health and well-being of Ann

10:30am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

5:00pm – memorial w/Panakhida for the repose of the soul of +Ed Sakundiak

Monday, April 11:

8:00am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Tuesday, April 12:

8:00am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Wednesday, April 13:

8:00am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Thursday, April 14:

8:00am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Friday, April 15:

8:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Nancy Maksymec

Saturday, April 16:

No Divine Liturgy

Sunday, April 17 – Sunday of the Paralytic:

8:30am – for the repose of the soul of +Sandra Boyda

10:30am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

**ST. STEPHEN CHARITABLE
COMMITTEES, ACTIVITIES &
ORGANIZATIONS**

Charity Subcommittee: Coordinate and market the efforts of all parish charitable activity.

Contact: Eugene Woychyshyn
587-891-9898;

<eugene.woychyshyn@gmail.com>

Inn From The Cold: Monthly provides food & shelter for Calgary's homeless.

Contact: Ambrose Comchi

403-220-9624; <awc@shaw.ca>

Pass It On: Donates clothing to needy families in Calgary.

Contact: Theresa Lewchuk

403-208-0850; <lewchukt@hotmail.com>

Men's Dinner: Annual major church fundraiser for capital expenses plus Inn From the Cold endeavours.

Contact: Greg Bobyn

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The Helping Others Network:

Distributes used furnishings and clothing to the needy.

Contact: Des Peplinski

403-238-0804; <dlp238@shaw.ca>

Art Committee: discusses religious artwork for parish.

Contact: Jim Ochitwa

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UCWLC: Responds to parish and community needs through volunteerism, pastoral works, Ukrainian culture & aid.

Contact: Stacey Bobyn

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Knights of Columbus: Provide financial aid & support for members and their families, and help the sick, needy and disabled in our parish, city and abroad.

Contact: David McMillan

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Plus 50 Club: Provides social interaction for parish seniors, promotes Ukrainian cultural events, and raises funds for the parish.

Contact: Ed Tysowski

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Third Sunday of Pascha—Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women; The Holy Martyrs Terence, Pompeius and Others with Them	The Holy Priest-Martyr Antipas, Bishop of Pergamos in Asia (81-96)	Our Venerable Father and Confessor Basil, Bishop of Parios (741-75)	The Holy Martyr Artemius and His Companions (741-75)
10 SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukr. 10:00 am Elementary School Catechesis 10:30 am Divine Liturgy: Eng. 10:30 am Sunday School 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Eng. PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AT NOON IN THE HALL)	11 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Icon Open Studio 7:00 pm Bible Study	12 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Adult Beginner Language Class 7:00 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	13 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm Bible Study
17 SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukr. 10:00 am Elementary School Catechesis 10:30 am Divine Liturgy: Eng. w/ Installation of New PPC 10:30 am Sunday School 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Eng. INSTALLATION OF NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (CHURCH) FOLLOWED BY PARISH EASTER BUFFET (IN THE HALL) SANDWICHES FOR THE DROP-IN CENTRE	18 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Icon Open Studio 1:00 pm Pass It On Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Bible Study	19 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Adult Beginner Language Class	20 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Bible Study
24 SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukr. 10:00 am Elementary School Catechesis 10:30 am Divine Liturgy: Eng. 10:30 am Sunday School 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Eng.	25 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Icon Open Studio 7:00 pm Bible Study	26 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 11:00 am Plus 50 Group Lunch and Meeting 7:00 pm UCEF Meeting	27 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy
01 SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukr. 10:00 am Elementary School Catechesis 10:30 am Divine Liturgy: Eng. 10:30 am Sunday School 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy w/ Bishop Ibrahim 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Eng.	02 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	03 8:00 am Divine Liturgy	04 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Holy Priest-Martyr John and Those with (284-305)	Our Holy Father Martin the Confessor, Pope of Rome (655); the Newly Revealed Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius (1342)	The Holy Apostles Aristarchus, Pudens and Trophimus (54-68)	The Holy Virgins and Martyrs Agapia, Irene and Chionia (284-305)
am Divine Liturgy om LightWeigh Program om Adult Language Class om Choir Practice	14 8:00 am Divine Liturgy	15  8:00 am Divine Liturgy 4:00 pm Prospora Group: Preparation	16 9:00 am Prospora Group: Baking 5:00 pm Vespers CHOIR RECORDING (PT. 2) 
am Divine Liturgy om LightWeigh Program om Property Management Committee Meeting	21 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am M.A.F.I.A. Playdate 7:00 pm Pass It On Committee Meeting	22  8:00 am Divine Liturgy	23 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Vespers
am Divine Liturgy om LightWeigh Program	28 8:00 am Divine Liturgy Melkite Bishop Ibrahim's Visit to Parish	29  8:00 am Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm Children of Mary / Altar Servers Meeting 7:00 pm Parish Movie Night	30 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Vespers
am Divine Liturgy om LightWeigh Program	05 FEAST OF ASCENSION 9:00 am Festal Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Festal Divine Liturgy	06  8:00 am Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Youth Meeting	07 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Vespers

Prayer & Support Group: Accepts prayer requests for the confidential needs and intentions of parishioners.
Contact: Marilyn Comchi
403-220-9624;
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Support Network: Provides support, encouragement & help for parishioners facing various difficulties/situations with referrals to services or help they need.
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International Trust Fund: Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to international charities in 2nd and 3rd world countries.
Contact: Steve Groch
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Family Support Trust Fund: Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to parishioners in need.
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Calgary Pro-Life Association: Raises funds for educational awareness programs.
Contact: John Siroishka
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Snowflakes for Zambia: Raises funds to build schools for orphaned/at risk children in developing countries.
Contact: Jeanette O'Reilly
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Parish Library: A great place to borrow great books about our faith.
Contact: Olga Kizlyk-Scarpari
<ststephens.library@gmail.com>

ARK Store: Looking for the perfect religious item? Check it out at the entrance to our hall. Open most Sunday mornings after Liturgy.
Contact: Donna Chelack
403-764-0811 <dchelack@shaw.ca>

Mothers and Fathers in Action

(M.A.F.I.A.): A group for parents and little ones from 'in utero' to Preschool.

Contact: Zenon Berg
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Sunday School: A program run on most Sundays during the 10:30am Divine Liturgy for preschoolers age 4 through grade 2 children.

Contact: Lynsey Lowey
<lklowey@hotmail.com>

First Solemn Communion (FSC):

Sacramental Classes for children around GRADE 2 who are ready to approach for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist on their own.

Contact: Kathrine Strashok
<kathrine@strashok.com>

Children of Mary & Altar Servers:

Elementary school children who have completed their FSC, are encouraged to get involved by serving at the Altar, learning, playing and growing together.

Contact: Dan Oryschak
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Junior Youth & Senior Youth: This is an active group of Jr. & Sr. High School students who work, play and grow together in Christ.

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Young Adults: Those aged 18 - 35 are encouraged to gather as a community and learn, embrace and celebrate their faith.

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Adult Catechism (RCIA): This program is open to Adults and Teens who want to receive the sacraments or just understand the faith.

Contact: Fr. Bo Nahachewsky
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Bible Study: On many Mondays we study our faith through Sacred Scripture. Join us.

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KHRISTOS VOSKRES! CHRIST IS RISEN!

LITURGICAL HELP

EPISTLE READERS

8:30am - Vince Letwin
10:30am - Harry and Annette Kozicki
5:00pm - Walter Machny

HOSTS/USHERS

8:30am - Vince Letwin
10:30am - Harry and Annette Kozicki

ROSARY (10:00am): Donna Korchinski

ARK STORE - OPEN: Siroishka Family

PRAYER & CATECHESIS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CATECHESIS CLASS:
today from 10:00am - 10:25am in the boardroom.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY: at 10:30am in the classrooms.

BIBLE STUDY: next session on **Monday, Apr. 11** at 7:00pm in the hall. Everyone is welcome!

GREAT VESPERS: next on **Saturday, Apr. 16** at 5:00pm. We invite all to join in these beautiful evening prayers.

PARISH MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

ADULT BEGINNER LANGUAGE CLASS: on Tuesday, Apr. 12 at 7:00pm in the boardroom.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: on Tuesday, Apr. 12 at 7:00pm in the Knights room.

LIGHTWEIGH PROGRAM: on Wednesday, Apr. 13 at 1:00pm in the boardroom.

CHOIR PRACTICE: on Wednesday, Apr. 13 at 7:00pm.

PROSPHORA-MAKING GROUP: preparation on Friday, Apr. 15 from 4:00pm - 9:00pm; baking on Saturday, Apr. 16 from 9:00am - 1:30pm in the kitchen.

SANDWICHES FOR THE DROP-IN CENTRE: next collection Sunday, Apr. 17.

PASS IT ON COMMITTEE MEETING: on Monday, Apr. 18 at 1:00pm in the boardroom.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING: on Wednesday, Apr. 20 at 7:00pm in the boardroom.

SUMMER CAMP SAVE THE DATE! This year camp will run July 11th to 15th. The theme

this year is *Cave Quest: Following Jesus The Light of The World*. Registration information coming soon.



PARISH EASTER BUFFET

Everyone is invited to our second annual Parish Easter Buffet on Sunday, April 17 following the 10:30am Divine Liturgy. The buffet replaces the traditional sit-down Easter dinner, which many parishioners said was expensive. After very positive reviews last year, Parish Pastoral Council decided once again to do a buffet this year. And best of all: it's FREE!! No tickets to buy, just come and enjoy!

While enjoying our buffet, you will have an opportunity to have a "Meet and Greet" with the newly elected Parish Pastoral Council members.

PARISH MEDIA SERVER IS ONLINE:

a repository of parish videos is available for viewing (think of it as a private YouTube®) courtesy of techie Fr. MArk.

To access the site go to:
<<http://protomartyr.asuscomm.com:8096/web/login.html>>
Username <Protomartyr>
Password <OurLadyofPochaiv2009>



36th ANNUAL HIKE FOR LIFE: will take place on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at Princes Island Park. Registration: 8:30am. Hike: 9:00am - noon. This is in support of the Calgary Pro-Life Respect for Life program. Think of sponsoring someone or entering the Hike yourself. More details and forms coming soon or go to: <<http://calgaryprolife.com/#events-news>>.

NOTICE OF Annual General Meeting

2016 PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING **TODAY:**

in the parish hall following the 10:30am Divine Liturgy. Election of the 2016 - 2017 Parish Pastoral Council will take place, as well as a review of our parish finances, directorate reports, projects and issues of concern to all parishioners. We need a quorum of 70 eligible voting members. The current Council Executive and Directors will be available to answer questions.

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Pancake Breakfast. Come for the pancakes, stay for the meeting!

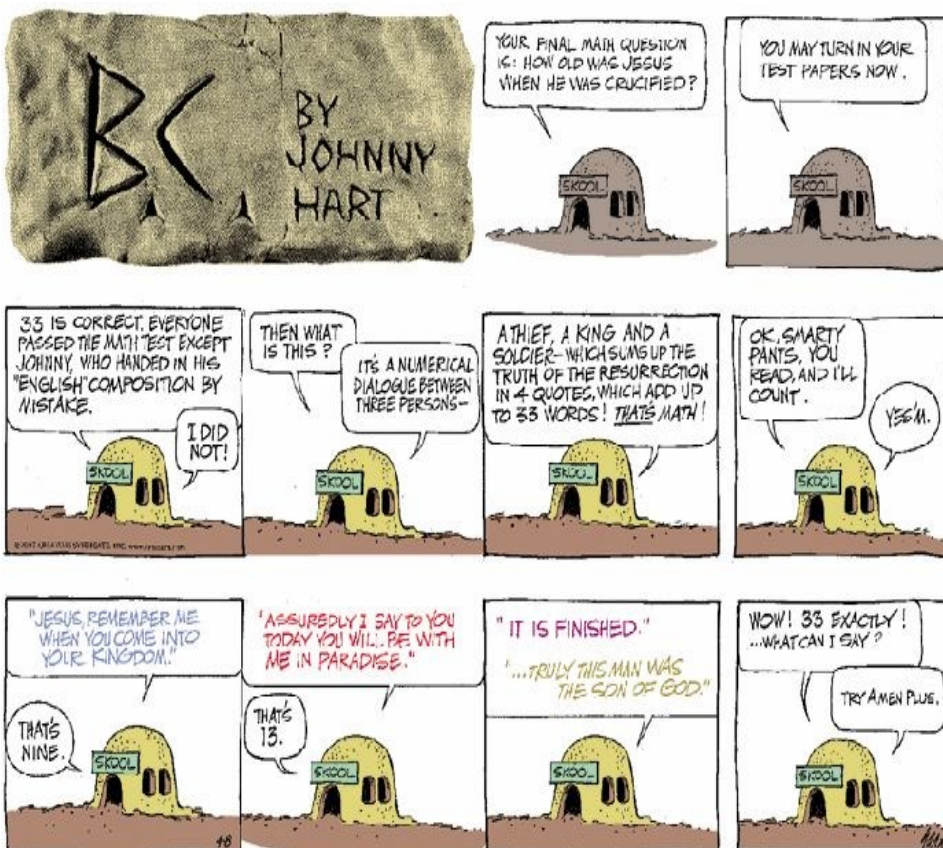
If you are interested in serving on Council and would like your name to be included in the list of nominees for election, please speak to Chair Mark Ewan-chyna, Vice-Chair Jay Lalach or Nominating Committee member Ambrose Comchi. You may also step forward at the AGM.

CHURCH ROOF REPAIRS DURING APRIL

As approved at last November's semi annual general meeting, we are moving forward with the much needed repairs to our Church's roof. Work is anticipated to start in early April and run for a period of 3 to 4 weeks depending on weather conditions. Access to both church and hall will not be impacted. We kindly ask for your patience and understanding for any inconvenience (likely some noise) during this period of repairs. Also, with construction work on site and the presence of workers and equipment, please stay clear of the marked off construction areas to help us maintain a safe work environment.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Pierre Loczy, Director - Property Management



To the parents of our young children may we suggest...

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. But do prevent them from kicking people in the pews.

Sit towards the front where it is easier to see and hear.

Quietly explain the parts of the Liturgy to your children.

Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behaviours by copying you.

If you need to leave Liturgy with your child, please feel free to do so, but please come back. You can also take advantage of the "cry room".

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to Church, to God and to Christ. Let them know that they are at home in this sacred space.

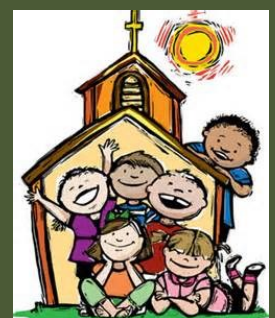
We love pew art! Please use the blank papers and colouring sheets provided in the "cry room" (not pew envelopes) for your child to draw us some beautiful art. We can hang them on our parish bulletin boards for all to enjoy.

Do your best to attend Liturgy on time.

In fact we'd love it if you would come up to the priests before service and give them a "high five". When kids know the priest they feel more comfortable.

To the members of our parish...

A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children.



At St. Stephen Protomartyr we know that we are not perfect, but we strive to grow closer to God in all that we do.

Our faith is Christ-Centered, saturated with sacred scripture, holy Tradition, authentic, profound, and ancient - yet completely relevant.

As a community we understand that we must know, love and serve God and all people in order to become balanced and complete. This call to profound personal intimacy is beautiful and real; both solemn and joyful at the same time.

What's a Byzantine - Ukrainian Catholic Church?

Byzantine Christians are those whose traditions, theology and spirituality flow from the early Church in the Middle East and Eastern Europe. Most Eastern Christians are commonly called Orthodox.

Byzantine Catholics are those who proudly maintain their rich Eastern (Orthodox) liturgical, spiritual and theological ways, and yet are in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. We recognize the leadership of the Pope of Rome, but are not ourselves Roman Catholic.

Our liturgical life is rich with meaning and actions, that speak to our whole beings. Much of our worship remains unchanged from that of our Fathers and Mothers of the early centuries of Christianity.

At St. Stephen Protomartyr, ALL PEOPLE ARE WELCOME who wish to live a Christian and Catholic way of life, regardless of their ethnic, economic, history or any other backgrounds. We are part of God's Holy Church, here to joyfully lead the life taught by the Risen Christ, reaching out with love and proclaiming His word to all people for the glory of God.

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MISSION OF THE REDEEMER MINISTRIES

Friday, April 15

6:15 pm: Doors open and Registration

7:00 pm: Welcome

EVENING SPEAKERS

- **Christopher West:** Best Selling Author, Speaker, Teacher and World-Renowned Expert in John Paul II's Theology of the Body: **"Theology of the Body and the New Evangelization"**
- **Angele Regnier:** Co-founder of Catholic Christian Outreach: **"Actually Evangelizing – Best practices in sharing Christ so that people can respond"**

9:00 pm: Dismissal

Saturday, April 16

9:00 am: Mass Available at St. James Parish, Okotoks

9:40 am: Day begins

MORNING SPEAKERS

- **Bishop Riesbeck:** Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Ottawa: **"Key Principles of Parish Renewal: A Pastor's Experience"**
- **Sherry Weddell:** Author, speaker, leading thinker on evangelization, and Co-Director of the Catherine of Siena Institute: **"Parish Renewal: The Fruit of Forming Intentional Disciples"**
- **Father Cantalamessa:** Preacher to the Papal Household (via link from Rome): **"The Holy Spirit and the New Evangelization"**

Lunch: 45 minutes

AFTERNOON SPEAKERS

- **Dr. Peter Kreeft:** Convert, philosopher, author, professor: **"The Three Big Questions"**
- **Michael Dopp:** Founder of Mission of the Redeemer Ministries and the New Evangelization Summit: **"Welcome to NES and Living Our Mission"**

4:15 pm: Dismissal