

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

>>WE WELCOME ALL WHO JOIN US TODAY IN WORSHIP!<<

APRIL 17 - 2016

FOURTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

Our Venerable Father Simeon of Persia (341); the Venerable Acacius, Bishop of Melitene (431-50)

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.

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted great mercy to the world.

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

Kontakion: Lord, as of old You raised the Paralytic, lift my soul by Your divine presence, for by many sins and foolish actions, I, too, am now afflicted and crippled. Raise me, that being saved I may cry to You: Glory to Your power, O merciful Christ.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

befits the righteous.

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we

Epistle Acts 9:32-42

n those days, as Peter went here and there L among all the believers, he came down

also to the saints living in Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years, for he was paralyzed. Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed!" And immediately he got up. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord. Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

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: Of Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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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

9:00am – English 7:00pm – English

Feast Days: (subject to change)

Kontakion: Though You descended into a

Prokeimenon

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise

have hoped in You.

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

Pastor:

Fr. Mark A. Bayrock 403-249-4818, ext. 201 <frmarkbayrock@mac.com> <www.sviaschenik.com>

Assistant Pastor: Fr. Bo (Bohdan) Nahachewsky 403-249-4818, ext. 202 <fr.bo.nahachewsky@gmail.com>

Pastor, St. Basil's Melkite Catholic Church Fr. Ephrem Kardouh 1-514-223-1664 403-249-4818, ext. 302 <emkardouh@gmail.com> <www.facebook.com/St-Basils-Melkite-Greek-Catholic-Church-Calgary-1567658193459037/>

PARISH OFFICE

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MAINTENANCE

John Kowal 403-249-4818, ext. 207 <stephens_maint@shaw.ca>

HALL RENTAL INQUIRIES

Brett Bernakevitch
Director, Parish Centre Management
403-615-9561

HALL KITCHEN

403-249-4818, ext. 204

verse: For You have said, "Mercy will be established forever."

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

John 5:1-15

t that time Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is at Jerusalem, by the pool of the sheep, a pool called in Hebrew Bethesda, having five porticoes. In these were lying a great multitude of the sick, blind, lame, and those with shriveled limbs, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel of the Lord used to come down at certain times into the pool, and the water was stirred. And the first to go down into the pool after the stirring of the water was cured of whatever infirmity he had. Now a certain man was there who had been thirty-eight years under his infirmity. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he had been in this state a long time, He asked him, "Do you want to get well?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred; for while I am coming another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet and walk." And at once the man was cured. And he took up his pallet and began to walk. Now that day was a Sabbath. The Jews therefore said to him who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath'; you are not allowed to take up the pallet." He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your pallet and walk' " They asked him then, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet and walk?' " But the man

who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had slipped away, since there was a crowd in the place. Afterwards Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "Behold, you are cured. Sin no more, lest something worse happen to you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him.

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!

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.

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і тим що в гробах життя дарував. [3x] І нам дарував життя вічне, поклоняємося Його тридневному воскресінню!

RITE OF COMMISSIONING OF THE NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

During the Divine Liturgy, the following petitions may be added:

Pastor: For the members of the Parish Pastoral Council who will be commissioned this day, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: That the members of our Parish Pastoral Council may give witness to the presence of Christ by lives manifesting faith, hope and love, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: That the Church, the People of God, may grow in Christ and in the bond of com-

mon fellowship, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: That all who are concerned with the welfare of our parish, may be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit and strive to carry out God's will, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

After the Ambon Prayer, that is, after "Blessed be the name of the Lord," the Pastor invites the members of the Parish Pastoral Council to come forward and to stand facing the parishioners.

The Pastor then reads the names of the Council members and their council positions.

The Pastor then addresses the entire parish:

Pastor: Dear friends, these members of our parish have been selected to act as a consultative body to the Pastor(s) of this parish community. In sharing their gifts and wisdom, they have the pastoral needs of this entire faith community at heart. Let us pray for their perseverance in this important service.

The Pastor addresses and questions the Parish Pastoral Council.

My brothers and sisters, you are called to a most important work in our community. Your duty is to foster the pastoral activity of this parish, to help all of us grow in faithfulness to the Gospel, to be the disciples of Christ that we are called to be.

Because of your knowledge and competence you have been chosen to share your insights with one another, with me(us) your Pastor(s) and the whole pastoral team, for the well-being of the entire parish and the building up of the kingdom of God.

Therefore, I ask you, are you willing to share your insights honestly, with courage and with mutual respect?

Each member of the Parish Pastoral Council responds:

Candidates: I am.

Pastor: Are you committed to work together with openness to the needs of every member of this parish community?

Candidates: I am.

Pastor: Will you strive to make prayer a part of your daily life, ensuring that in all deliberations we are open to the grace of the Holy Spirit?

Candidates: I am.

The Pastor addresses the entire parish:

Pastor: Will you, our parishioners, support these members of the Parish Pastoral Council in their ministry among you?

All: We will.

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Ever-living God, you have chosen us to be your beloved people, and have gathered us to live in this parish to proclaim the Gospel of Christ to all people and to love and to serve you in word, worship, and work.

Bestow your blessings upon these members of our Parish Pastoral Council and let their deliberations be pleasing to you.

May your Spirit enlighten their minds and guide their actions that they may be renewed in faith, united in love, and bring to fulfillment the work of your Church for your honour and glory and for the benefit of all your people.

For you are our God, and we are your people and we glorify your name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now, and for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Pastor may present the members of the Parish Pastoral Council a copy of the Bible, the Parish Pastoral Council Guidelines, or some other symbol of their work.

Pastor: Take to heart your responsibility for this parish community and strive to grow in faithfulness to the Gospel.

All (sing): Mnohaya lita (Many Years)!

The Pastor concludes the Divine Liturgy.

Liturgy Intentions for this week:

Sunday, April 17 – Sunday of the Paralytic:

8:30am – for the repose of the souls of +Sandra Boyda and +Ellen Lukey 10:30am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

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

Monday, April 18:

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

Tuesday, April 19:

8:00am – in memory for the repose of the soul of +Anna Machny

Wednesday, April 20:

8:00am – 40-day memorial w/ Panakhyda for the repose of the soul of +Sylvia Boczulak

Thursday, April 21:

8:00am – for a private +repose intention

Friday, April 22:

8:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Sandra Boyda

Saturday, April 23:

9:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Sandra Boyda

Sunday, April 24 – Sunday of the Samaritan Woman:

8:30am – for peace and comfort for Bernadette Lukey

10:30am – for a private +repose intention

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>

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 403-271-0011; <greg.bobyn@mnp.ca>

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

<jim.ochitwa@maryngroup.com>

UCWLC: Responds to parish and community needs through volunteerism, pastoral works, Ukrainian culture & aid.
Contact: Stacey Bobyn 403-860-2185 <sbobyn1@telusplanet.net>

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 <s.david.mcmillan@gmail.com>

Plus 50 Club: Provides social interaction for parish seniors, promotes Ukrainian cultural events, and raises funds for the parish.
Contact: Ed Tysowski
403-547-3226; <tysow@shaw.ca>

APRIL / MAY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	W
Fourth Sunday of Pascha - Sunday of the Paralytic; Our Venerable Father Simeon of Persia (341); the Venerable Acacius, Bishop of Melitene (431-50)	Our Venerable Father John, Disciple of Gregory the Decapolitan (c. 842)	Our Venerable Father John the Ancient Hermit (c. 800)	Mid erak Trick who Holy Sina
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EDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	403-238-0461; <linda.duc< th=""></linda.duc<>
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St. Stephen's Choir: Provides music ministry to the parish for liturgical services and other events. ıdar@stmu.ca>

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Mothers and Fathers in Action
(M.A.F.I.A.): A group for parents and
little ones from 'in utero' to Grade 6.
Contact: Zenon Berg
<zenonberg@gmail.com>

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 </klowey@hotmail.com>

First Solemn Communion (FSC):

<s.david.mcmillan@gmail.com>

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

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: Fr. Bo Nahachewsky <fr.bo.nahachewsky@gmail.com>

Junior Youth & Senior Youth: This is an active group of Jr. & Sr. High School students who work, play and grow together in Christ.
Contact: Philip Bird
<philipbird@gmail.com>

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

Contact: Philip Bird <philipbird@gmail.com>

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.

Contact: Fr. Bo Nahachewsky <fr.bo.nahachewsky@gmail.com>

KHRISTOS VOSKRES! CHRIST IS RISEN!

LITURGICAL HELP

EPISTLE READERS

8:30am - Myron & Larysa Gelleta 10:30am - Darrell Maleski 5:00pm - Cynthia Tremblay

HOSTS/USHERS

8:30am - Myron & Larysa Gelleta 10:30am - Darrell Maleski

ROSARY (10:00am): Glen Kulak

ARK STORE - OPEN: Dwulit Family

SANDWICHES FOR THE DROP-IN CENTRE COLLECTION TODAY.

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. 18** at 7:00pm in the hall. Everyone is welcome!

GREAT VESPERS: next on Saturday, Apr. 30 at 5:00pm. We invite all to join in these beautiful evening prayers.

PARISH MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

FACILITIES ROOFING MEETING: on Monday, Apr. 18 at 9:00am in the Knights room.

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

ADULT BEGINNER LANGUAGE CLASS: on Tuesday, Apr. 19 at 7:00pm in the boardroom.

LIGHTWEIGH PROGRAM: on Wednesday, Apr. 20 at 1:00pm in the boardroom.

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

in the boardroom.

PASS IT ON COMMITTEE MEETING: on Thursday, Apr. 21 at 7:00pm in the Knights room.

PLUS 50 GROUP LUNCH AND MEETING: on Tuesday, Apr. 26 at 11:00am in the hall.

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 TODAY

Everyone is invited to our second an-

nual Parish Easter Buffet TODAY following the 10:30am Divine Liturgy. The buffet replaces the traditional sitdown 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 NOTICES

HUMANITARIAN AID FOR UKRAINE: On May 15, Pentecost Sunday, all donations collected from our parish for the annual eparchial "aid to the missionary church in the world" will be sent to the eparchy by may 31, 2016. in turn, the chancery office will forward the entire eparchial collection to his beatitude patriarch Sviatoslav for humanitarian relief efforts in Ukraine.

"Christ died for our sins on the life-giving wood of the Cross. His message of love, mercy and forgiveness is needed ever more in our broken world. As Christians, we are called to continue Jesus' mission of spreading the Good News, each according to our ability and means. Concretely, the Church invites us to collaborate in the mission of the Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, by giving generously....

May the Risen Lord bring about peace in Ukraine and in all places of conflict and war."

God bless. Bishop David

CHURCH ROOF PROJECT: Work will start April 25th 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.

2016 - 2017 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Today, our parish family gathers to welcome and commission those people who have come forward to serve in the special parish ministry of Parish Pastoral Council. As expressed in the prayers of the Rite of Commissioning (see pages 2 and 3), they are making a solemn commitment to God and to our parish community that "in sharing their gifts and wisdom" they will strive "to foster the pastoral activity of this parish, to help all of us grow in faithfulness to the Gospel, to be the disciples of Christ that we are called to be." And we, in turn, commit to support these members in their ministry to us, the parish community. Please welcome and keep in your prayers our 2016 - 2017 Parish Pastoral Council:

Pastors:

Fr. Mark Bayrock Fr. Bo Nahachewsky

Officers:

Mark Ewanchyna, Chair
Jay Lalach, Vice-Chair
Peter Swidzinski, Treasurer
Cynthia Tremblay, Secretary
Former Officer:

Gerard Charanduk, Past-Chair

Directors:

Eugene Woychyshyn, Charity Carolyn Sclanders, Hospitality Craig Pichach, Liturgical Don Zarsky, Membership Brett Bernakevitch, Parish Centre Management

Marilyn Comchi, Pastoral Care

Directors: (cont.)

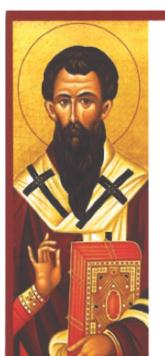
Pierre Loczy, Property Management Laurie Kindrachuk, Public Relations and Communications Karen McMillan, Religious Education Kim Mazyn, Without Portfolio

Auxiliaries & Affiliates Representatives:

Linda Dudar, Choir
David McMillan, Knights of Columbus
Zenon Berg, M.A.F.I.A.
Ambrose Comchi, Plus 50
Stacey Bobyn, U.C.W.L.C.
Advisors:

Jim Ochitwa Steve Groch Gerard Charanduk

Philip Bird, Youth



PONTIFICAL VISIT FORMAL DINNER

IN HONOUR OF HIS EXCELLENCY,

BISHOP IBRAHIM M. IBRAHIM

MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC BISHOP OF CANADA

WITH HONOURED GUEST
BISHOP FREDERICK B. HENRY
BISHOP OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY



ST. BASIL'S MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC PARISH AT ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 4903 45 STREET SW, CALGARY

THURSDAY, APRIL 28th, 2016

FOLLOWING THE PONTIFICAL DIVINE LITURGY AT 6:00PM DRESS CODE: BUSINESS FORMAL

TICKET PRICE: \$75

AVAILABLE THROUGH ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR'S PARISH OFFICE
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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.

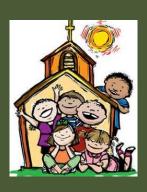
We love pew art! Please use the blank papers and colouring sheets provided in the "cry room" (not pew envelopes) for your child to draw us some beautiful art. We can hang them on our parish bulletin boards for all to enjoy.

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.

If you are spiritually hungry, and if you are looking for a vibrant community to grow with, we welcome you to check us out at protomartyr.ca> or visit us in person. We look forward to getting to know you.



N this jubilee year dedicated to the theme of God's mercy, with the motto, "Merciful Like the Father," this retreat day will serve as an invitation to follow the merciful example of the Father who asks us not to judge or condemn but to forgive and to give love and forgiveness without measure.

Pope Francis' intention for this "jubilee year" is that it be a way for the church to "make more evident its mission to be a witness of mercy."

We will have input on the theme, time for personal and communal prayer, and sharing together on this theme, concluding with the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation/of God's Mercy.

Cost: \$100, includes lunch, parking and snack

Please call 403 228-4215 to register. MasterCard and Visa are accepted. Cancellation fees apply.



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From the Eparchy:

The 7th Annual "BISHOP's PRAYER BREAKFAST" on Wednesday, June 1th, 2016 from 7:30 am – 9:00 am, at St. Josaphat Cathedral Hall Verkhovyna (9637-108 Avenue) in Edmonton. The event supports through prayer our clergy, religious, monastics and laity in their leadership roles in continuing the mission of Christ in sharing the Good News. Tickets are available at the Eparchial Chancery Office: ph: 780- 424-5496, email: <chancery@edmontoneparchy.com>. Cost: \$25.00/person (\$200.00 for a table of 8 people).

2017 HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE - a TEN DAY Cathedral pilgrimage to the Holy Land is being organized for February 12-22, 2017. The pilgrimage will focus on the ministry of Jesus in Galilee and the important events of salvation in Jerusalem and Judea. The tour includes three nights at the Rimonim Galei Kinnereth Hotel, located on the western shore of the Sea of Galilee, and six nights at the Notre Dame Centre in Jerusalem, just outside the walls of the old city (total, nine nights). Cost per person: \$1,750USD, plus airfare. The rate includes accommodation, food (breakfast, lunch and dinner), transportation, guide and entrance fees, and tips. For more information or to sign up, please contact Fr. Peter Babej at 780-422-8131, <peterbabej@telus.net>.

2016 JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE to Medjugorje and Rome, October 3-16, 2016 - 7 nights in Medjugorje with daily Divine Liturgy, rosary on Apparition Hill, Stations of the Cross on Mount Krizevac, talks by Franciscan Priests, interviews with visionaries where available; and 5 nights in Rome with a visit to the Saint Peter's Basilica and the Doors of Mercy, the Vatican, Papal Audience, tour of Christian Rome and main Basilicas, day trip to Assisi and Orvieto. \$3,749 double occupancy, including airfare from Edmonton.