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DIVINE LITURGIES**Sundays:**

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

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat:

9:00am – English

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Post-feast of the Dormition; Holy Apostle Thaddeus; Holy Martyr Bassa

Troparia and Kontakia

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.

Troparion: In giving birth you retained your virginity,* in falling asleep you did not abandon the world, O Mother of God.* You passed into life, for you are the Mother of Life,* and by your prayers* you deliver our souls from death.

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.

Kontakion: The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of God,* unceasing in her intercession and unfailing hope of patronage,* for, as the Mother of Life, she was transferred to life* by Him Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

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.

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us*

putting his seal on us and giving us his Spirit in our hearts as a first installment. But I call on God as witness against me: it was to spare you that I did not come again to Corinth. I do not mean to imply that we lord it over your faith; rather, we are workers with you for your joy, because you stand firm in the faith. So I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came, I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice; for I am confident about all of you, that my joy would be the joy of all of you. For I wrote you out of much distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain, but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:2-14

THE Lord told this parable : "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who made a

before Divine Liturgies, and by appointment.

Marriage: Arrangements with Fr. Bo.

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

Anointing of the Sick: For emergencies
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Funeral: Arrangements with Fr. Bo.

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armies, destroyed those murderers, and
burned their city. Then he said to his servants,
'The marriage feast indeed is ready, but those
who were invited were not worthy; go
therefore to the crossroads, and invite to the
marriage feast whomever you shall find.' And
his servants went out into the roads and
gathered all those they found, both good and
bad; and the marriage feast was filled with
guests. Now the king went in to see the
guests, and he saw there a man who had not
on a wedding garment. And he said to him,
'Friend, how did you come in here without a
wedding garment?' But he was speechless.
Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind his
hands and feet, take hold of him, and throw

marvelled in wonder how the Virgin could
ascend from earth to heaven.

Irmos

O pure Virgin, in you are conquered the
bounds of nature,* for childbirth remains vir-
ginal and death is betrothed to life.* Virgin
after childbearing and alive and death, O
Mother of God,* never cease to save your
inheritance.

Communion Hymn

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

Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU!



We would like to extend our most sincere thanks and
appreciation to Linda Dudar who has been St. Stephen's Choir
Director for 33 years TODAY! She was officially welcomed as
Choir Director by Fr. Muzyka on Sunday, August 21, 1983 and
today, 33 years later, we as a parish continue to be blessed with
her musical, spiritual, and leadership talents that have been such
an integral part of so many of our lives and celebrations over all
these years. May God continue to shine through you always!

Mnohaya Lita!



**RETROVAILLE (A lifeline for marriages) FALL
SESSION takes place September 9-11 with**
followup in September, October and
November. For more information please visit:
helpourmarriagecalgary.com



**125th ANNIVERSARY OF UKRAINIAN
PIONEERS IN CANADA GALA BANQUET &**

**UCU FUNDRAISING BANQUET: on
Thursday, October 12. Special guest, the**

PRAYERS & CATECHESIS

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be forever!
Слава Ісусу Христу! Слава назавжди!



GREAT VESPERS: will begin again on Saturday, Sept. 3 at 5:00pm. Come join us in this hour of beautiful prayers.

PASTORAL WORKSHOP - "MAY I SIT WITH YOU AWHILE?" Training Program for Pastoral Care Volunteers. Open to all St Stephen's Parishioners. Usually this program is held over 3 Saturdays but presenters have collapsed it into one weekend especially for us. Please join us Friday, Nov 4, 6:30 – 10:30 pm and Saturday, Nov 5, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

PARISH NOTICES

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED: from Aug. 23 - Sept. 6. Please call the main office line at 403-249-4818 and dial 202 to reach Fr. Bo with any office related items.

PARISH MEETINGS & EVENTS

SANDWICHES FOR THE DROP IN CENTRE: collected TODAY! Thank you for your generosity!

DISTRICT GRAND KNIGHT MEETING: on Monday, Aug. 22 at 5:00pm in the Knights room.

CABBAGE BLANCHING WORKBEE: on Tuesday, August 23 at 9:00am in the kitchen. This is in preparation for cabbage rolls for ALL our upcoming parish events so we need many hands. Please join us - both men and women welcome!

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 3rd DEGREE Meeting: on Thursday, Sept. 1 at 7:00pm in the Knights room.

PASS IT ON: Clothing collection and sort days on Sunday, Sept. 18 & Monday, Sept. 19; Set up and giveaway on Friday, Sept. 23 & Saturday, Sept. 24. Volunteers needed! ! Please contact Theresa Lewchuk at 403-815-6055 or lewchuk@hotmail.com

BACK TO SCHOOL AND BACK TO CHURCH!



September 1 marks not only the start of the new academic calendar year, but also the start of the new church year. This annual cycle of feasts and fasts helps us grow in spirit and community.

This new year, as you plan your schedules and sign up for extra-curricular activities, DON'T FORGET

SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

8:30am – for birthday blessings for health and happiness to Theresa Kirk

10:30am – for blessings and congratulations on the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Wilfred & Gloria Petryk

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

Monday, August 22:

9:00am – for blessings for a speedy recovery and full healing from surgery for Alma Lech

Tuesday, August 23:

9:00am – for blessings of encouragement and success in the career of Kelsey Sclanders

Wednesday, August 24:

9:00am – No Divine Liturgy

Thursday, August 25:

9:00am – for birthday blessings and continued spiritual guidance for Sr. Yvonne Kabey

Friday, August 26:

10:00am (Westview) – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Saturday, August 27:

9:00am – for blessings in celebration of the 89th birthday of John Shykula

Sunday, August 28 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

8:30am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

10:30am – for blessings and congratulations on the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dianne & Nestor



Prayer is communicating with God. We build this relationship with God by being aware of His presence, by talking with Him, and by listening to Him. This can occur in many forms. Liturgical Prayer is the prayer of the Body of Christ gathered together. Private prayer happens when we communicate with God personally. Domestic Prayer occurs in the home with the family (prayers in the morning, at meals, before bed...). Prayers can be formal (Our Father, Hail Mary, Jesus Prayer,...) or informal (Hi God, where are you?... God, I feel happy...). We pray by our good actions, and we pray by our repentance. We should try to pray always, while at work, rest or play.



Service is the giving of oneself for others. This service begins in our homes and with our families. We are to serve one another out of our love for God. We are called to help one another grow in holiness and the knowledge of God's love for us. We are also called to serve those beyond our own homes. We are called to feed the hungry, to cloth the naked (those that are dressed in rags and cold too), visit the sick and elderly (and shut-ins, and lonely, and injured, and even those with little kids.) We are called to educate the ignorant and misinformed, give to the poor, speak out for the ones with no voices, defend the abused and misused. We are called to serve others by our examples and by our actions.



The word 'community' comes from Latin words meaning "common fellowship." Christ is the source of our common life together; the Church. As a faith community, we need to support each other in our endeavours to pray, to serve, and learn our faith. We need to support each other socially, intellectually, emotionally, spiritually and physically. We need to recognise the different needs of the different age groups, we need to support the young families, the children, the youth, the young adults, the middle aged adults, the seniors, and the elderly. As community, we also need to welcome strangers in our midst and also reach out and invite others (not just Ukrainians) to know Jesus and to be part of our community.



Faith is how we understand and live out our life in Christ. We need to learn about who we are, who God is, and how we are to relate to each other. We need to know that God is three distinct persons yet one undivided Divinity. We need to understand our past, our present, and our future. We need to understand how much God loves us. We need to understand who we are as a community. We need to understand the scriptures, we need to understand how the Holy Spirit can dwell within us. We need to know our faith, keep it, and spread it.

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,