

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 19TH - 2017

Meatfare Sunday, Last Judgement

Holy Apostle Archippus



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Mon-Thurs: 8:30am - 4:00pm
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DIVINE LITURGIES
Sundays:
8:30am – Ukrainian
[chanted]
10:30am – English [choir]
1:00pm -Arabic/English
[Melkite]
5:00pm – English [recited]
Mon/Tues/Thurs/Sat:
9:00am – English
Friday: 10:00am Westview,
English

Troparion

By Your cross You destroyed death;* You opened Paradise to the thief;* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,* and charged the apostles to proclaim* that You are risen, O Christ our God,* offering great mercy to the world.

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

Kontakion

When You come on earth, O God, in glory,* and the universe trembles,* while the river of fire flows before the seat of judgement,* and the books are opened and all secrets disclosed,* then deliver me from the unquenchable fire,* and count me worthy to stand at Your right hand,* O Judge who are most just.

Prokeimenon

Great is our Lord and great is His strength;* and of His knowledge there is no end.

verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to Him. (Psalm 146:5,1)

Epistle 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2

Brothers and Sisters, "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Alleluia: No Sunday School today. verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.

verse: Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms. (Psalm 94:1,2)

HOLY MYSTERIES

Confession:
Saturdays at 4pm,
occasionally on Sundays from
10-11 and by appt.
Marriage:
Arrangements with Fr. Bo.
Baptism-ChrismationEucharist:
Arrangements with Fr. Bo.
Anointing of the Sick:
For emergencies call
403 249-4818, press 9
Funerals: Arrangements with

CLERGY and RELIGIOUS

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HALL RENTAL INQUIRIES

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Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

The Lord said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in

prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. (Psalm 148:1)* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Pastoral Care: Lectures and Seminars

These events are available at cpcassoc.ca (Christian Pastoral Caregivers Association)

 Monday, March 13, at 5:30 at Colonel Belcher, dinner included, \$35.00 Dr Falk will be speaking from a Christian perspective on

Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID)

 Friday, April 21 evening and Saturday, April 22 all day, location: tba

"May I Sit With You Awhile?" \$65.00

• Friday, May 26 evening and Saturday, May 27 all day, location: tba "Love At Last Breath" \$65.00

GOD SQUAD CANADA – 2017 Annual

Men's Conference, March 17 – 18, 2017 The 20th Annual God Squad Men's Conference will be held this year at St. Mary's Cathedral.

Any man who is grandfather, father, son should attend this event. There is also a youth stream for teenagers, young adults. For more information and online registration please visit

https://godsquad.ca/



EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE - for Adult Confession - First Commandment

1. I am the Lord your God; you shall not have strange Gods before me. Have I denied I am Catholic? Have I omitted any act of faith to avoid ridicule? Have I actively participated in non-Catholic services (ex. "re-baptism")? Did I go to fortune tellers, psychics, card readers, witches, seances, read horoscopes? Have I neglected to pray over a long period of time or grown remiss with regard to the sacraments? Have I forgotten to pray before (and after) meals? Have I made money my god? My work my god? sports? food? vanity?

GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST!

	TODAY, Feb. 19th	NEXT WEEK, Feb. 26th
EPISTLE READERS	8:30 am - Gerald Strashok 10:30 am- Harry & Annette Kozicki 5:00 pm - Walter Machny	8:30 am - Myron + Larysa Gelleta 10:30 am- MAFIA 5:00 pm - Jay Lalach
HOSTS/USHERS	8:30 am - Gerald Strashok	8:30 am - Myron + Larysa Gelleta
	10:30 am- Harry & Annette Kozicki	10:30 am- MAFIA
ROSARY	10:00 am - Craig Pichach	10:00 am - Kulak Glen
ARK STORE	Dwulit Family	Chelack Family

Prayer & Catechesis

No Sunday School Today
There will be Sunday School Feb. 26th

Starting Feb. 27th, Weekday Divine Liturgies will be replaced by the Presanctified Gifts Service on Wednesdays and Fridays.

CONFESSIONS

at 4:00 pm every Saturday.

GREAT VESPERS

at 5:00 pm every Saturday

CARDS & DIVINE LITURGY

If you know someone in our Parish Family who the Love & Care Committee should be attending to, please contact Anne Lozinski at 403-241-8905.

LENTEN MISSION

Begins Sunday, Feb.26th and run to March 1st! Prepare yourself for a holy and prayerful lent season with Fr. Stephen Wojcichowsky. Sessions begin at 7:00pm and are free!

ICON WORKSHOP

Join Fr. Bo and learn how to write an Icon! March 3-5th, sign up at the office, there are spaces still available.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

Please email <u>coordinator@protomartyr.ca</u> or call the Parish Office to schedule.

REGNUM CHRISTI

Prayers Tuesday, February 21st at 1:00pm

CHOIR PRACTICE

We love to sing! Next practices are at 7:00pm, Feb 22 and March 8.

Parish Meetings & Events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Padre night, February 23rd.

Pancake Breakfast
February 26th after
8:30 and 10:30
Divine Liturgies.
Welcome!
March 2nd, 3rd
Degree Meeting
7:00pm
March 9th, 4th
Degree Meeting



TABLES FOR TWO

7:00pm

Join us for a romantic 5-course dinner. Each course will be served with conversation starters to help married or engaged couples reflect on and deepen their relationship. Arrive at 5:30 pm, February 25th, \$70/ couple. Tickets available only until February 19th, at the parish office.

FAITH FRIDAY

February 24th. Catechesis for all ages! Programming for our small, medium, and large children, adults too! This is Potluck dinner at 6:15, with time to socialize and time to learn.

PARISH SURVEY

Have you completed yours yet? Check it out; these are available in the atrium after church for your consideration.

PLUS 50

Attention! Meeting at 11 am Tuesday, February 28th. See you there.

Divine Liturgy Intentions schedule

Sunday, February 19:

8:30am – in memory of the repose of the souls of +Adele Hilkewich and +Elsie Boyko 10:30am - for the repose of the soul of +Roman Skrypka 5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Monday, February 20:

9:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Hryhoriy w/ Panakhyda

Tuesday, February 21:

9:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Joe Ewanchyna

Wednesday, February

No Divine Liturgy

Thursday, February 23:

9:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Walter Pishak

Friday, February 24:

10:00am (Westview) – for peace, comfort and wellbeing for Victoria Burlack

Saturday, February 25:

9:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Ivan Rizun

Sunday, February 26:

8:30am – for health and wellbeing for Walter Mucz 10:30am - for the repose of the soul of +Joe Ewanchyna 5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

ST. STEPHEN CHARITABLE COMMITTEES, ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZATIONS

Charity Subcommittee:

Coordinate & 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 403-271-0804 dlp238@shaw.ca

Religious Art Committee:

discusses & plans new religious artwork for our church.
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 & their families, and help the sick, needy & disabled in our parish, city & abroad. Contact: Earle Kowalewich 403-831-5503

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

St. Stephen Protomartyr Ukrainian Catholic Church

February & March 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
23/4	20 Family Day	21
* 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukrainian No FSC or Sunday School Classes * 10:30 am Diving Liturgy: English * 1:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Melkite * 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: English SANDWICHES FOR THE DROP-IN CENTRE	* 9:00 am Divine Liturgy * 4:00 pm Newman College Course No Bible Study	* 9:00 am Divine Liturgy * 1:00 pm Regnum Christi * 6:30 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm Finance Committee
26 Cheesefare Sunday	27	28
* PARISH LENTEN MISSION KoC Pancake Breakfast after 8:30am + 10:30am DL * 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukrainian * 9:00 am First Solemn Communion Class * 10:30 am Divine Liturgy: English with Sunday School * 12:00 F/S Review Committee Meeting * 1:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Melkite * 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: English	BEGINNING OF GREAT FAST PARISH LENTEN MISSION 7 pm * 10:00 am Open Iconography Studio * 4:00 pm Newman College Course Installation of Bishop McGratton	* 11:00 Plus 50 Meeting * 7:00 pm Lenten Mission
5 First Week of Lent: Sunday of Orthodoxy Beginner Icon Workshops with Fr. Bo * 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: Ukrainian * 9:00 am First Solemn Communion Class * 10:30 am Divine Liturgy: English with Sunday School * 1:00 pm Divine Liturgy: Melkite	6 * 10:00 am Open Iconography Studio * 4:00 pm Newman College Course * 7:00 pm Bible Study * 7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	7 * 6:30 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:45 Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm PPC Meeting * 7:00 pm SAGA Meeting
* 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: English	Fr. Bo and Dcn Andriy aw	ay, Clergy Conference
12 Second Week of Lent * 8:30 am Divine Liturgy * 9:00 am First Solemn Communion Class * 10:30 am Divine Liturgy with Sunday School * 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy * 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy English	* 10:00 am open iconography studio * 4:00 pm Newman College Course * 7:00 pm 50th Parish Anniversary Meeting * 7:00 pm Bible Study	14 * 6:30 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm Art Committee Meeting * 7:45 Ukrainian Language Class
19 Third Week of Lent KoC Pancake Breakfast after 8:30am+10:30am DL PARISH AGM * 8:30 am Divine Liturgy * 9:00 am First Solemn Communion Class * 10:30 am Divine Liturgy with Sunday School * 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy * 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy English	20 * 10:00 am open iconography studio * 4:00 pm Newman College Course * 7:00 pm Bible Study	21 * 6:30 pm Ukrainian Language Class * Regnum Christi 1-3pm
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Parish Calendar

For the most current calendar please go our website; www.protomartyr.ca

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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
22 No Divine Liturgy * 7:00 pm Property Management Meeting * 7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm Choir Practice	23 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Knight's Of Columbus Padre Night	* 10:00 am Divine Liturgy: West View Lodge with Fr. Michael FAITH AT 6:15	* 9:00 am Divine Liturgy * 1:00 pm PLAST * YOUTH ZOO Trip * Tables for Two 5:30pm		
1 PARISH LENTEN MISSION 7pm * 7:00 Presanctified Service	7:00 pm Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Meeting 7:00 pm F/S Review Committee Meeting	* Calgary Beginner Icon Workshop with Fr. Bo * 10:00 am Divine Liturgy: West View Lodge * 7:00 pm Presanctified Service	Calgary Beginner Icon Workshop with Fr. Bo 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm PLAST 4:00 pm Confessions 5:00 pm Vespers		
8 No Divine Liturgy * 7:00 Choir Practice * 7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm Presanctified	9 * 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus 4rd Degree Meeting * 7:00 pm 40-day Memorial Service for +Joe Ewanchyna, all welcome.	* 10:00 am Divine Liturgy: West View Lodge with Fr. Michael * 7:00 pm Presanctified Service AT 6:15	11 * 9:00 am Divine Liturgy * 4:00 pm Confessions * 5:00 pm Vespers		
* 7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm Presanctified * 7:00 pm Property Management Meeting	* Pastoral Zone Meeting at Holy Spirit Church * "Evening with Bishop" Fundraiser Meeting	* 10:00 am Divine Liturgy: West View Lodge * 5-6pm Wedding Rehearsal in Banff * 7:00 pm Presanctified Service	* Wedding in Banff * 9:00 am Divine Liturgy * 1:00 pm PLAST * 4:00 pm Confessions * 5:00 pm Vespers		
22 * 7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class * 7:00 pm Presanctified * 7:00 pm Choir Practice	23	* 10:00 am Divine Liturgy: West View Lodge * 7:00 pm Presanctified Service * Eparchial Youth Retreat	25 Annunciation * 9:00 am Divine Liturgy * 10-4 Baptismal Prep Course * PLAST 1-4 * Babka Boot Camp #1 * 5:00 pm Confessions and Vespers * Eparchial Youth Retreat		

Support Network: Provides support, encouragement & help for parishioners facing various difficulties/situations with referrals to services or help they need. Contact: Marilyn Comchi 403-220-9624 marilyncomchi@shaw.ca

International Trust Fund: Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to international charities in 2nd & 3rd world countries.

Contact: Eugene Woychyshyn 587-891-9898
eugene.woychyshyn@gmail.com

Family Support Trust Fund:

Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to parishioners in need.
Contact: Eugene Woychyshyn 587-891-9898
eugene.woychyshyn@gmail.com

Calgary Pro-Life Association:

Raises funds for educational awareness programs. Contact: John Siroishka 403-271-2128; johnsiroishka@shaw.ca

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 ststephens.library@gmail.com

Did you know...

During the lenten season, to honour the solemnity of the season, instead of celebrating weekday Divine Liturgies, we celebrate two evening **Presanctified** services? These are traditionally held Wednesday and Friday evenings. Join us at for the first **Presanctified** of the season Wednesday, March 1st at 7:00pm. These will be every Wednesday and Friday of the lent season.

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 zenonberg@gmail.com

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

Contact: Lynsey Lowey lklowey@hotmail.com

First Solemn Communion (FSC): Sacramental Classes for children in and around grade 2 who are ready to approach for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist on their own. Contact: Karen McMillan s.david.mcmillan@gmail.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: 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 philipdbird@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 philipdbird@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 fr.bo.nahachewsky@gmail.com

Bible Study: On many Mondays we study our faith through Sacred Scripture.

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

<u>Upcoming</u> <u>Iconography</u> Workshops

There are four workshops up and coming!

EDMONTON Icons with Fr. Bo

Date(s): May 4– 6:00 – 9:00

pm., May 5 – 6:00 -

9:00 pm., May 6 - 9:00 am. – 7:00 pm. May 11 - 6:00 - 9:00 pm, May 12 - 6:00 - 9:00 pm., May 13 - 9:00 am. - 7:00 pm Location: Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God Parish hall 15608 - 104 Ave. Edmonton

God Parish hall,15608 - 104 Ave, Edmonton Contact: education@edmontoneparchy.com or call Fr. Bo: 403-999-9560

CALGARY

Icon Writing Workshop with Fr. Bo

Date(s): March 3rd-5th

Location: St. Stephen Protomartyr Church Contact: office@protomartyr.ca or

403-249-4818 ex. 0

Advanced Icon Painting Workshop with Philip Davydov

Date(s): June 12th-16th

Location: "The Meeting Space" 200a Haddon

Rd. SW

Contact: Pavel Kireyev canada.icons@gmail.com

403-401-2819

Duccio to Fra Angelico: Painting and Gilding Techniques of the Early Italian Masters with Peter Murphy

Date(s): August 7-11th

Location: St. Stephen Protomartyr Church Contact: sacredartsincalgary@gmail.com

Please take a moment to read our bulletin board in the atrium for more details regarding the upcoming workshops!

FAITH FRIDAY THIS WEEK



Join us Friday Feb 24. 6:15 for potluck, 7 PM video/ lecture & open discussion with 8:30 wrap up. The topic is the Great Fast.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? LET US KNOW!

It is our church's survey season. We request your participation. Do see you an opportunity we are missing? Are you excited or concerned with the future of our parish? Speak up! Surveys are available to you in the atrium after divine liturgy today. "The pen is mightier than the sword."

TEEN SPRING RETREAT

Hello to our youth! Friday, March 24-Monday, March 27th the Edmonton Eparchy is hosting a Teen Spring Retreat at Camp Oselia. This is your invitation to be with other interesting young catholics from the exotic north. Let's all go to Edmonton! Unwind, recharge and share some prayers. \$75.00

Contact Millie before March 17th at: youth@eeparchy.com

780-424-5496 or 780-446-1061

A Cable for Two

Romantic 5-course dinner served with conversation starters to help couples reflect on and deepen their relationships.

February 25, 2017 @ 5:30pm

St. Stephen the Protomartyr Parish Hall \$70/couple

Tickets for sale only until February 19 at parish office.



GET READY FOR IT

Summer Camp 2017, for our preschool and elementary aged parishioners. It may be cold and wintry here in Calgary, but we can dream of fun in the sun. Get ready, get excited. Contact: Lyndsey Lowey at

Iklowey@hotmail.com

YOUTH! WANT TO VOLUNTEER? You have been invited to help at the *Tables for Two Evening*. We plan to kick off the Saturday with a trip to the zoo and pizza. Contact philipdbird@gmail.com for details.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS ...

Honouring the Past by Celebrating the Future

St. Stephen's Parish will celebrate our 50th birthday in 2018. Huge plans are in the making to celebrate this milestone. The very energetic committee (headed up by Greg Bobyn) has developed a theme that not only honours St. Stephen's past but also looks to our future sustainability.

Our founding families gave us our start and our history. I prefer not to call them our past, as they truly will be part of St. Stephen's for our life time and they are present in every corner of our parish. These families breathed life into our parish. They gave their hearts and souls to build not only the building that we celebrate Divine Liturgy in but they are also the foundation of who we are today. No task was too daunting, no task too time consuming ... they focused on the goal. Today we all share the fruits of their labor.

In our parish we have wonderful, extraordinary people who quietly, without fanfare, go about the "business" of St. Stephen's. Ask yourself: Where does the bread for Holy Communion come from? Who makes sure we have candles, holy water, and clean linens for the alter? Who looks after our library, counts the donation money, who pays the bills? We take for granted that these tasks just get done. These dedicated, selfless men and women are our parishioners. They are our "angels", the human kind, not sent directly from God but truly heaven sent. These "angels" contribute greatly to the running and well being of St. Stephen's and inspire our pride in our parish.

The theme for our 50th Anniversary is summarized as "Building a Vibrant Modern Parish for the next 50 yrs", (in alignment with the overall strategic plan of the Eparchy and global Ukrainian Catholic Church). St. Stephen's was initiated in the late 1960's as an English speaking Parish when there was none in Calgary with a modern approach to our faith. That work needs to continue to define a modern Ukrainian Catholic Parish of the future attracting future generations.

We will kick off our year of celebrations with an *Evening with the Bishop on June 9th 2017* and will create a year of focus on the future, not just one weekend. We will have monthly (if not more often), events to focus on the growth of our Parish for next 50 Years.

SAVE THE DATE: weekend of June 1st, 2018 we will host a HOMECOMING.

Our founding families gave us our legacy and now let us embrace our responsibility to continue the legacy and growth of St. Stephen's for the next 50 years and beyond.

Laurie Kindrachuk, editor Contact me: <u>laurie.kindrachuk@shaw.ca</u> Cell: 403-614-5581 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.



You are cordially invited to an Evening of Reflection for Men Why Men Hate Going to Church

> with Fr. Timothy Walsh, LC Thursday, February 23, 2017 6:00pm-9:00pm Auditorium, Athlone Hall Clear Water Academy

For additional information, please contact Bill Tomiak at (403) 240-7911 or Clark Zentner at (403) 804-2184.

This is a free event although free will offerings are accepted. We hope that you will be able to join us and if so, we ask that you RVSP so that we can ensure that there is enough food for everyone.



Icons are images of Christ and His saints that teach us about, and challenge us into, deeper union with Him.

This intensive, prayerful weekend workshop will allow all participants to complete a traditional Byzantine egg tempera" Icon of Christ the Good Shepherd (see image to the left). It will take place at St. Stephen Protomartyr Ukrainian Catholic Church.

This is a course for beginner and intermediate level students. No previous experience is required. All materials are covered in the tuition including real 23.5K Gold Cost: \$300 per person. Save \$30 off the tuition if you are a member of the Sacred Arts Guild of Alberta (SAGC). Limit 18 students. To register please contact the parish office at (403) 249-4818 or by email office@protomartyr.ca

Fr. Bo Nahachewsky, in addition to being a Ukrainian Catholic priest since 2003, has been writing (painting) Icons since 1995. In 2002 he was consecrated an iconographer by Metropolitan (then Bishop) Lawrence Huculak. He has taught icon workshops in several locations across Canada

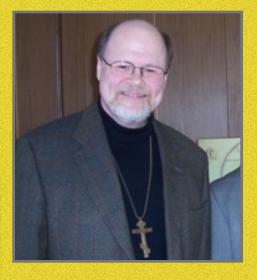


Icon Writing Workshop

Friday Evening & All Day Saturday & Sunday, March 3-5, 2017

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We are very pleased to announce our speaker, Fr. Stephen Wojcichowsky, recent Director of the Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute at Saint Paul University in Ottawa and current chancellor and vicar general of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton. It is a rare and exciting opportunity to snag this talented, dynamic speaker. Be sure to attend! All sessions begin at 7:00 pm, and are free to attend. Bring your friends!

WELCOME TO ALL! Lent season is coming up quickly, a perfect time to grow spiritually. Let us feed you!

SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 26

Homily at each Divine Liturgy Holy - Who, Me? Experiencing the Divine Mystery

Monday, February 27

Ambassadors for Christ - The Primacy of Forgiveness

Tuesday, February 28

The Kiss of Christ - The Healing Power of the Holy Mystery of Confession

Wednesday, March 1st

The Medicine of Immortality - The Connection between Holy Confession and Holy Communion

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