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#### **DIVINE LITURGIES**

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

**WEEKDAY SERVICES:** See Lenten Schedule inside

## ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**MARCH 5TH- 2017** 

## **Sunday of Orthodoxy**

Changeable Parts for Today's Divine Liturgy:

The Divine Lituray of St. Basil the Great is celebrated today.

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

Troparion: We bow before Your most pure image, O kind Lord,\* and

beg pardon for our sins, O Christ our God.\* Of Your own will You consented to ascend the Cross in the flesh to free Your handiwork from enslavement to the enemy.\* In thanksgiving we cry aloud to You:\* by coming to save the world, our Saviour, You filled all things with joy.

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

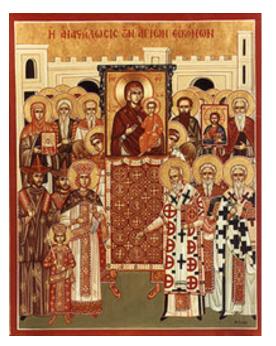
Kontakion: The uncircumscribed Word of the Father\* became circumscribed when He took flesh of you, O Mother of God,\* and when He restored the divine image to its ancient glory,\* He suffused it with the beauty of God.\* Therefore, confessing our salvation in deed and word,\* we portray it in images.

#### Prokeimenon

Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers,\* and praised and glorified is Your Name for

verse: For You are righteous in everything You have done to us. (Daniel 3:26,27)

Hebrews 11:24-26,32-40; 12:1-2



Brothers and Sisters, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called a son of Pharaoh's daughter. choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ to be greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to the reward. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered

justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats. destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

#### **Confessions:**

Saturdays at 4pm, occasionally on Sundays from 10-11 and/or by appt.

#### Marriage:

Arrangements with Fr. Bo.

Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism-Chrismation-Eucharist):

Arrangements with Fr. Bo.

#### **Anointing of the Sick:**

For emergencies call 403 249-4818, press 9

#### Funerals:

Arrangements with Fr. Bo.

Assistant Pastor and Administrator: Fr. Bo (Bohdan) Nahachewsky 403-249-4818, ext. 202 FatherBo@Protomartyr.ca

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Fr. Mark Bayrock
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#### Linda Buck

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Brett Bernakevitch 403-615-9561 blebernak@gmail.com

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Please gather your children at the altar to hold candles and meet with their Sunday School teacher.

#### Alleluia

*verse:* Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among those who call upon His name.

verse: They called on the Lord, and He heard them. (Psalm 98:6)

#### Gospel

John 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under

the fig tree before Philip called you."
Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

#### Hymn to the Mother of God

In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins' pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider that all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

#### 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. (Psalm 32:1)



Lectures and
Seminars: These
events are available
at cpcassoc.ca
(Christian Pastoral
Caregivers Association)

"Christian perspective on Medical Assistance in

**Dying**" (MAID) 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)

•"May I Sit With You Awhile?" \$65.00 Friday, April 21st evening and Saturday, April 22nd all day, location: TBA

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

**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 <a href="https://godsquad.ca/">https://godsquad.ca/</a>





You Can Help Your Marriage.

- \* Do vou Feel Alone?
- \* Are you frustrated or angry with each other?
- \* Do you argue... or have you stopped talking to each other?

\* Does talking about it only make it worse?

Retrouvaille haps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriages. For confidential information about or to register for an upcoming weekend call 403.879.7893 or email

## **EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE - for Adult Confession -Second Commandment** 3. Remember to keep Holy the Lord's Day.

Have I deliberately missed Divine Liturgy on a Sunday or a holy day of obligation? Have I engaged in unnecessary work on the Lord's day? Have I asked others to do the same? Did I fail to get a dispensation from the priest? Have I failed to fast one hour before Divine Liturgy? Did I fail to keep the strict fast on the first day of Lent and Holy Friday? Did I eat or serve meat to my family on Friday?

### GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST!

LITURGICAL HELP

	TODAY, March 5th	NEXT WEEK, March 12th
EPISTLE READERS	8:30 am - Knights of Columbus 10:30 am - Knights of Columbus 5:00 pm - Knights of Columbus	8:30 am - Knights of Columbus 10:30 am - Knights of Columbus 5:00 pm - Knights of Columbus
HOSTS/USHERS	8:30 am - Knights of Columbus 10:30 am - Knights of Columbus	8:30 am - Knights of Columbus 10:30 am -Knights of Columbus
ROSARY	10:00 am - Knights of Columbus	10:00 am - Knights of Columbus
ARK STORE	Popel Family	Lewchuk Family



#### Happy Ordination Anniversary Fr. Bo!

## Mnohaya Lita!



## Prayer & Catechesis

\*\*Sunday School Today\*\*
There will be Sunday
School next week too!

For the duration of lent weekday Divine Liturgies will be replaced by the Presanctified Gifts Service on Wednesdays and Fridays.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

at 4:00 pm every Saturday. However, there will be no confessions on March 11th and 18th.

### 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.

#### **ALL SOUL'S SATURDAY**

We have two coming up, March 11th and March 18th. We will celebrate Divine Liturgy on these dates followed by a sorokousty.

#### NEXT BAPTISMAL PREP COURSE will take place on Saturday, March 25th. If you know of anyone who would like to present their child for the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and Eucharist, please have them call the office.

#### **CHOIR PRACTICE**

We love to sing! Next practice is at 7:00pm, March 8.

#### **LENTEN MISSION**

The next Lenten Mission begins at Assumption March 24th with Father Gregory Hrynkiw. More on this pg. 6.

## Parish Meetings & Events

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

March 2nd, 3rd Degree Meeting 7:00pm March 9th, 4th Degree Meeting 7:00pm

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Participate in your parish! Sunday March 19th. Knight's of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast after 8:30am and 10:30am Divine liturgies.

#### **PASS IT ON**

(St. Stephen's Clothing Giveaway) is happening this year on October 14th. Please start saving your winter clothing and footwear! Clothing Collection Day is Sunday, 0ct. 1, Sort Day is Monday October 2nd.

## ST. BASIL'S SANDWICHES

Can you turn down a hot lunch? I'd be hard pressed! March 12th, after all Divine liturgies, dine in at the hall, courtesy of our Melkite women's league. Prepared with love, Falafel Sandwich \$5.00 and soft drink \$1.00.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For your parish as of December 31, 2016 are available in the atrium. Prepare for the AGM!

#### **Divine Liturgy Intentions**

## Sunday, March 5: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30am – for health and wellbeing for Walter Mucz

10:30am - for blessings for full and speedy recovery from surgery for Ted Josephs

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

#### Monday, March 6:

No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, March 7:

No Divine Liturgy

#### Wednesday, March 8:

7:00pm - Pre-sanctified Liturgy – for peace and comfort for Dave Ewanchyna and family

#### Thursday, March 9:

7:00pm – 40-day Memorial service for +Joe Ewanchyna

#### Friday, March 10:

10:00am (Westview) – blessings and keeping you in our prayers for Dennis Yurkiw

7:00pm – Pre-sanctified Liturgy

## Saturday, March 11: ALL SOULS SATURDAY

9:00am – for the repose of the soul of +Mike Markewich

#### Sunday, March 12: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30am – for health and wellbeing for Walter Mucz

10:30am - for blessings for comfort and peace for Victoria Burlack

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

# CHARITABLE COMMITTEES, ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZATIONS

#### **Charity Subcommittee:**

Coordinate & market the efforts of all parish charitable activity.

Contact: Eugene Woychyshyn 587-891-9898

eugene.woychyshyn@gmail.c om

Pass It On: Donates clothing to needy families in Calgary. Contact: Theresa Lewchuk 403-815-6055;

#### 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

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

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

· 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy English

Contact: Ed Tysowski 403-547-3226 tysow@shaw.ca

# St. Stephen Protomartyr Ukrainian Catholic Church March & April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
5 First Sunday 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  • 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy: English	6 No Meat • Eparchial Presbyteral Council Meeting • 10:00 am Open Iconography Studio • 4:00 pm Newman College Course • 7:00 pm Great Complines in Arabic • 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
12 Second Sunday of Lent: Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas  • 8:30 am Divine Liturgy  • 9:00 am First Solemn Communion Class  • 10:30 am Divine Liturgy with Sunday School  • Summer Camp Meeting after 10:30 am Liturgy in Classroom #1  • 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy  • 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy English	No Meat NO Open Iconography Studio 4:00 pm Newman College Course 7:00 pm Great Complines in Arabic 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 Sunday of Lent: Sunday of the Holy Cross KofC Pancake Breakfast after 8:30am + 10:30am DLs 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 SANDWICHES FOR DROP-IN CENTRE	20 No Meat  • 10:00 am Open Iconography Studio  • 4:00 pm Newman College Course  • 7:00 pm Great Complines in Arabic  • 7:00 pm Bible Study	21  • 6:30 pm Ukrainian Language Class  • Regnum Christi 1-3pm
26 Fourth Sunday of Lent: St. John Climacus (of the Ladder)  • 8:30 am Divine Liturgy  • 10:30 am Divine Liturgy with no Sunday School  • 1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy  • 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy English  • Eparchial Youth Retreat  • Lenten Mission at Assumption Parish	27 No Meat  • Eparchial Youth Retreat  • Spring Break for CCSD  • 10:00 am open iconography studio  • 4:00 pm Newman College Course  • 7:00 pm Great Complines in Arabic  • No Bible Study	28 • Spring Break for CCSD • 11 am Plus 50 Meeting
<ul> <li>2 Fifth Sunday of Lent:</li> <li>8:30 am Divine Liturgy</li> <li>10:30 am Divine Liturgy with no Sunday School</li> <li>1:00 pm Melkite Divine Liturgy</li> </ul>	No Meat  • 10:00 am open iconography studio	1:00 Newman College     Course     6:30 pm Ukrainian Language Class

4:00 pm Newman College Course

• 7:00 pm Great Complines in

Arabic

No Bible Study

7:00 pm PPC Meeting

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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
8  • 7:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy in English • 7:00 Choir Practice • 7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class	9  • 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus 4rd Degree Meeting  • 7:00 pm 40-day Memorial Service for +Joe Ewanchyna, all welcome. (No complines)	10:00 am Divine Liturgy: Westview Community     7:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy in English     8:00 pm Akathist to the Mother of God in Arabic	11 All Soul's Saturday • 9:00 am Divine Liturgy With Sorokousty * 1:00 pm PLAST NO CONFESSIONS • 5:00 pm Vespers	
<ul> <li>7:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy in English</li> <li>7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class</li> <li>7:00 pm Property Management Meeting</li> </ul>	10:00 am South RC     Pastoral Zone Meeting     at Holy Spirit Church     7:00 pm "Evening with     Bishop" Fundraiser     Meeting     7:00 pm Great     Complines in Arabic	10:00 am Divine Liturgy:     Westview Community     Wedding Rehearsal in     Banff     7:00 pm Presanctified     Liturgy in English     8:00 pm Akathist to the     Mother of God in Arabic	All Soul's Saturday  • 9:00 am Divine Liturgy With Sorokousty 9:00 am Eparchial Youth Meeting  • 1:00 pm PLAST  • Wedding in Banff  • NO CONFESSIONS  • 5:00 pm Vespers	
<ul> <li>7:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy in English</li> <li>7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class</li> <li>7:00 pm Choir Practice</li> </ul>	• 7:00 pm Great Complines in Arabic	10:00 am Divine Liturgy:     Westview Community     7:00 pm Presanctified     Liturgy in English     8:00 pm Akathist to the     Mother of God in Arabic     Eparchial Youth Retreat     Lenten Mission at     Assumption Parish	25 Annunciation  9:00 am Festal Divine Liturgy  10:00 am Baptismal Prep Course  1:00 pm PLAST  Babka Boot Camp #1  No confessions or Vespers  Eparchial Youth Retreat  Lenten Mission at Assumption Parish	
Spring Break for CCSD     7:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy in English     7:00 pm Ukrainian Language Class	30 Spring Break for CCSD Babka Boot Camp #2 7:00 pm Great Complines in Arabic	<ul> <li>Spring Break for CCSD</li> <li>10:00 am Divine Liturgy: Westview Community</li> <li>7:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy in English</li> <li>8:00 pm Akathist to the Mother of God in Arabic</li> </ul>	April 1  • 9:00 am Divine Liturgy  • 1:00 pm PLAST  • 4:00 pm Confessions  • 5:00 pm Vespers	
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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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries.
Contact: Gene Woychyshyn 587-891-9898

#### **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

#### **Knights of Columbus:**

403-831-5503

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

Contact: Earle Kowalewich

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. Join us.

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



LUZNEY,
Joseph "Joe"
October 4,
1928 –
February 27,
2017
It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Joseph Luzney,

age 88 years. He was a founding member of our church and much beloved by our St. Stephen Protomartyr Community. Vichnaya Pamyat, Everlasting Memory.





Thank you Fr. Stephen
Wojcichowsky for preaching our
Lenten Mission. What a beautiful
and appropriate way to begin Lent
2017.

God Bless.

## LENTEN MISSION 2.0!

Parish Great Fast Mission -**Assumption Parish Calgary** March 24 to 26, 2017 By Father Gregory Hrynkiw ALL WELCOME! Hieromonk Gregory Hrynkiw, **ASTH**, has been a Byzantine-Catholic monk since 1989. While serving as Protohegumenos of the Basilian Order in Ukraine from February 2004 to July 2007, he fought on the front lines against systemic corruption. After suffering threats to his life, he was ordered to return to Rome, and in 2010 professed his solemn monastic vows into the Hermitage of the Three Holy Hierarchs. In 2014, Hieromonk Gregory obtained a doctorate from the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aguinas in Rome. He now lives in Saskatoon, preaching and

teaching, and publishes *The Asketerion*, the journal of the Hermitage of the Three Holy Hierarchs.



2017 LENTEN GREAT FAST MISSION SCHEDULE

Assumption Ukrainian Catholic Church
704 6<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Calgary

## <u>Friday, March 24, Fore-feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God</u>

6 pm Confessions

6 pm Liturgy of the Prescanctified Gifts and Sorokoysty (Ukr/Eng), homily to follow, "Jesus Christ - The Apostle of the Eternal Father"

## Saturday, March 25, Feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God

9:30 am Confessions

10 am Divine Liturgy (Ukr/Eng), homily, "Mary - Full of Grace"

5 pm Confessions

5 pm Vespers (Ukr/Eng), homily to follow, "Family - An Icon of the Trinity"

## <u>Sunday March 25, Fourth Sunday of Lent St John Climacus</u>

8:30 Confessions

9 am Divine Liturgy (Ukr)

10:30 Confessions

11 am Divine Liturgy (Eng), homily "The Life of Christ - Our Life"

## COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS ... THE MARY GARDEN

We love and venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary because she is the Theotokos which means the Mother of God. The Mary Garden is another way of honouring her through reflecting on flowers named after her, and in legends that tell us of her attributes and significant moments in her life and that of her child. Jesus.

The garden design of St. Stephen's Mary Garden represents the four sets of the mysteries of the rosary: Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious. The garden has a stepping stone to the bronze statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In addition, a pebbled stone rosary is implanted on the sidewalk as you approach the statue.

"Garden for Mary" project was initiated and coordinated by Margaret and Larry Mandryk. We are very thankful to Margaret for her many years of tending the garden. The bronze statue of Blessed Virgin Mary, crafted by local artists Don and Shirley Beg

Marigold Mary's Gold

Parsley Our Lady's Lace

Strawberry Fruitful Virgin

of Cochrane, was donated by Steve and Irene Groch Family, "in memory of our pioneer parents". The Mary Garden was blessed on Mother's Day, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

For the past 3 years I have taken over the weeding and maintenance of the Mary Garden. I have added some large rocks, this effort showing the love and dedication to The Blessed Virgin Mary. The sun beats on the rocks giving warmth to keep the plants growing.

For me, this is a place to pray and meditate on the creation of God's finest things in life. The peace and tranquility I get from doing the landscape work on the garden grows on me from week to week. I recommend that you spend a few minutes at The Mary Garden and say, "please pick a rose from the heavenly gardens and send it to me as a message of love".

#### Submitted by Adeline Simpson

Laurie Kindrachuk, editor

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Our Lady's Tears

Lily of the Valley

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

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

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.

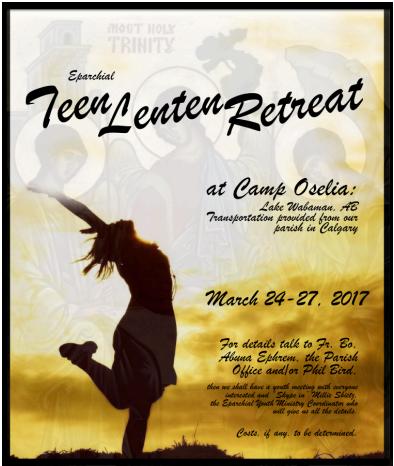
for the glory of God.



This is your invitation to camp out with other interesting young catholics from the exotic north.

Let's all go to Lake Wabamun! Lets unwind, recharge and share some prayer time.

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Ukraine, Lviv July 2 - 24, 2017

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For more information, contact: Deborah Johnson - lornejn@telusplanet.net - 403-201-6225.

#### KID'S SUMMER CAMP 2017 MAKER FUN FACTORY

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Join us July 10th-14th, (with a wrap up Sunday July 16th) this summer for our kids day camp!

We are looking for parent volunteers as well. Join us after the 10:30am Divine Liturgy March 12th in Classroom #1 to investigate our starter kit and brainstorm ideas.

Please contact Lynsey Lowey: lklowey@hotmail.com





A lovely couple at Tables for Two. Cheese!

A very special thank-you to our tables for two organizers Deacon Andriy and Mariya. What a beautiful evening you hosted for 16 attractive couples! We also need to thank our volunteers that served and prepared food, thank you Sera, Joseph, Fr. Bo, Donna and Sarah. Thank you for a delicious meal Chef Tony, we can't wait until next year!

