

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

DECEMBER 15TH, 2019

St Stephen
Protomartyr



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DIVINE LITURGIES

Sunday Services:
8:30am - Ukrainian / English
10:30am - English
1:00pm - Arabic / English [Melkite]
5:00pm - English

Weekday Services:

Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday
English @ 9:00 am
Friday at Westview Lodge-
English @ 10:00 am

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost; Sunday of the Holy-Forefathers

Nativity Fast

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal,* You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity.* When You raised the dead from the nether world,* all the powers of heaven cried out:* "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!"

Troparion: By faith You justified Your ancestors* and through them in advance You betrothed the Church taken from the nations.* The saints exult in glory,* from their seed comes the blessed fruit, the one who bore You without seed.* By their prayers, O Christ our God, have mercy on us.

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

Kontakion: Armed by the Being that defies description,* you defied the man-made idol, O thrice blessed youth.* In the midst of the unbearable flames you stood and cried out to God:* "In Your mercy, O gracious One, hasten and come to our aid,"* for You can do whatever You will.

Prokeimenon: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers,* and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

verse: For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us.

Epistle: A reading from the Epistle of the holy Apostle Paul to the Colossians

Brothers and Sisters, when Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and

abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! (*Colossians 3:4-11*)

Alleluia: 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.

Gospel: Luke 14:16-24

The Lord told this parable: "Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for everything is ready now.' But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.' Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.' Another said, 'I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.' So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' And the slave said, 'Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.' Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.'"

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

Second verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous.* Alleluia (x3)



HOLY MYSTERIES

CONFESSION:

Weekdays: Before or after
Liturgies or by appointment.
Sundays: Before Liturgy

MARRIAGE, BAPTISM-CHRISMATION- EUCCHARIST, FUNERALS :

Arrangements with the Pastor

ANointing OF THE SICK:

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DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS :

Arrangements with the office

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DECEMBER 15

EPISTLE READERS

8:30 am: UCWLC
10:30 am: UCWLC
5:00 pm: UCWLC

HOSTS/USHERS

8:30 am : UCWLC
10:30 am: UCWLC

ROSARY 10 am: UCWLC

ARK STORE: Longfield

DECEMBER 22

EPISTLE READERS

8:30 am: KofC
10:30 am: KofC
5:00 pm: KofC

HOSTS/USHERS

8:30 am : KofC
10:30 am: KofC

ROSARY 10 am: KofC

ARK STORE: Siroishka

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **Donation envelopes for 2020** are available for pickup in the Atrium. Please pick up yours TODAY!
- ❖ **St. Stephen's 2020 calendars** have arrived! Please pick up yours TODAY from the atrium!
- ❖ **We found a host family for student from Ukraine!** The Calgary Friends of UCU thank everyone who considered hosting the incoming exchange student in their home for the 2020 winter semester at St. Mary's University. If you have an interest in being a host family in the future, please contact the Calgary Friends of UCU at (403) 670-9145.



The Calgary Ukrainian Cultural Foundation has award two \$500 scholarships for 2019 recognizing those persons whose efforts and commitment enrich the Calgary Ukrainian community.

This year's awards are being presented to **Aidan Plesa** from St Stephens Parish and **Anna Lizack** from Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. **Congratulations to both recipients.**



St. Stephen's women's event

"All that Glitters"

an event exclusively for women is back!

Friday, May 8, 2020

Dinner, entertainment, prizes and much more!

Tickets are NOW available
and just in time for Christmas - \$125/ticket

Consider giving your wife, your mom or your daughter
a ticket to this exciting and fun filled evening.

Please contact Linda at 403-249-4818 or office@protomartyr.ca for tickets.
The office accepts e-transfer, VISA, MC, cash or cheque."



MALANKA

Friday, January 10, 2020 at St. Stephen Protomartyr

Cocktails : 6:00 pm - Buffet 7:00 pm - Dance 8:30 pm (Music by Absolute)

Entertainment: Absolute Unplugged & Tryzub (Ukrainian Dance Ensemble)

Cost: \$65 / person (Dinner and Dance) - Tables of 8 or 10 \$520/\$650) - \$15 / person (Dance Only)



Ticket sellers :

David Franko :	403-400-0307	d_franko@telus.net
Harry Kozicki:	403-808-6523	kozickis@shaw.ca
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Linda Buck :	403-249-4818	(ext 0 : Parish Office)

The office accepts MC/Visa and e-transfers





Thank you for your generosity, St. Stephens!

An organized drive to support the Veterans Food Bank was initiated by St Nicholas Byzantine council 7659.

A large amount of food was donated by the parishioners at St Stephen Protomartyr Church. Bill Lewchuk is pictured presenting a cheque for \$10,000 to the Veteran's Food Bank.

St. Stephen's UCWLC is collecting food during the month of December to support St. Stephen's and St. Basil's parishioners in need (not the Food Bank as previously indicated).

A collection box is located in the atrium.



Food Collection

MOST NEEDED ITEMS: Peanut butter, tuna, lentils, chickpeas, kidney beans, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, toilet paper, oil, sugar, flour.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Christmas CAROLING



St. Stephen's choir will be Christmas Caroling on SUNDAY, December 29th from 1—7 pm

Please call Choir Director, Linda Dudar on 587-998-8566 for more information and/or to schedule them to come to your home.



YYC LITURGY

Young adults - Youth - Children

A Special Liturgy focusing on our young parishioners This Sunday at 10:30 am (No Sunday School on this day)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020



St. Stephen's offers a First Communion program to teach children and their families about God, His Church and the Sacraments. It prepares children to celebrate their first Confession and their First Solemn Communion, teaching them what Life with Christ is about, and to encourage them to take more responsibility for their own spiritual wellbeing.

Classes are set to begin on Sunday, January 19, 2020. Lessons will take place on Sunday mornings with the 10:30 Divine Liturgy to follow. There are a total of 10 Lessons ending with First Reconciliation on May 2 and First Solemn Communion on May 3, 2020.

For more information please contact Kathy Livesey at kalivesey@shaw.ca.

For registration, please visit our website at www.saintstephencalgary.ca/first-solemn-communion.html



DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 15:

SUNDAY of the FOREFATHERS

- ❖ 8:30am – in memory of the repose of the soul of + Victoria Lotocky
- ❖ 10:30am - for the repose of the soul of + Eleanor Bergen (40 days - w/ Panakhyda)
- ❖ 5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Monday, December 16:

- ❖ NO DIVINE LITURGY

Tuesday, December 17:

- ❖ 10:00am – Bow View Manor – for the repose of the soul of + Brian Sander

Wednesday, December 18:

- ❖ 9:00am – for God's blessings and a quick return to good health for Fr. Bill Hupalo

Thursday, December 19:

- ❖ 9:00am – in memory of the repose of the soul of + Cynthia Billy (w/ Panakhyda)

Friday, December 20:

- ❖ 10:00am at Westview – for the repose of the soul of + Andy Halapatz

Saturday, December 21:

- ❖ 9:00am – in memory of the repose of the soul of + Wayne Sokoloski (w/ Panakhyda)

Sunday, December 22:

SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

- ❖ 8:30am – for the repose of the soul of +Edward Kobewka
- ❖ 10:30am - for the repose of the soul of + Edward Kobewka
- ❖ 5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
15 ♦ 8:30 Divine Liturgy ♦ 10:30am Divine Liturgy—Youth Sunday ♦ 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy SANDWICHES FOR THE DROP-IN CENTRE YOUTH SUNDAY	16	17	18 ♦ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy ♦ 6:00 pm Choir Practice	19 ♦ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	20  ♦ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy at West View Lodge	21 ♦ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
22 ♦ 8:30 Divine Liturgy ♦ 10:30am Divine Liturgy—No Sunday school ♦ 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy	23	24 NATIVITY VIGIL ♦ 4:30 pm Christmas Eve Festal ♦ 10:00 pm Christmas Vigil - Great Complines ♦ 10:30 pm Christmas Eve Festal Divine Liturgy	25 NATIVITY OF OUR LORD ♦ 10:00 Festal Divine Liturgy	26 SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS	27 FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN  ♦ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy at West View Lodge	28 ♦ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy



CHRISTMAS AND THEOPHANY SCHEDULE 2019 - 2020

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Христос Раждається!

Christ is Born!

Славім Його !

Glorify Him!

DAY	TIME	SERVICE
Tuesday (December 24 th , 2019) Christmas Eve	4:30pm 10:00pm 10:30pm	Festal Divine Liturgy – Youth oriented Great Compline – English Festal Divine Liturgy – Bilingual
Wednesday (December 25 th , 2019) Nativity of Our Lord	10:00am	Festal Divine Liturgy – English
Thursday (December 26 th , 2019) Synaxis of the Mother of God	---	None Scheduled
Friday (December 27 th , 2019) Saint Stephen, Protomartyr	10:00am	Divine Liturgy at Westview Manor (5050 50 Ave SW, Calgary, AB)

Wishing All of You a Very Happy and Blessed New 2020 Year !

Wednesday (January 1 th , 2020) New Year - Circumcision of our Lord - St. Basil	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
Sunday (January 5 th , 2020) Eve of Theophany (Day of Fasting)	8:30am 10:30am 5:00pm	Divine Liturgy w/Blessing of Water Divine Liturgy w/Blessing of Water Divine Liturgy
Monday (January 6 th , 2020) Theophany	---	None Scheduled