

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 22ND, 2020

St Stephen
Protomartyr

Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast

St. John Climacus

Please note that all Public Services are canceled until further notice.
Consider following the Divine Liturgy online at www.saintstephencalgary.ca



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DIVINE LITURGIES

Sunday Services:
Online at
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Weekday Services:
Canceled until further notice
Friday at Westview Lodge-
Canceled until further notice

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion: You came down from on high, O Merciful One,* and accepted three days of burial* to free us from our sufferings.* O Lord, our life and our resurrection,* glory be to You.

Troparion: O John, our God-bearing father,* you were shown to be a citizen of the desert,* an angel in bodily form,* and a worker of miracles.* Through fasting, prayers and vigils you received heavenly gifts* to heal the sick and the souls of those who, in faith, run to you.* Glory to Him who gives you strength.* Glory to Him who crowned you.* Glory to Him who works healing for all through you.

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

Kontakion: On the heights of true abstinence,* the Lord established you as a reliable star,* giving light for guidance to the ends of the earth,* O father John, our teacher.

Prokeimenon: Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God.

verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Epistle: A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews.

Brothers and Sisters, when God made a promise to Abraham, because he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, "I will surely bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Human beings, of course, swear by someone greater than themselves, and an oath given as confirmation puts an end to all dispute. In the same way, when God desired to show even more clearly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it by an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that

God would prove false, we who have taken refuge might be strongly encouraged to seize the hope set before us. We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus, a forerunner on our behalf, has entered, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. (*Hebrews 6:13-20*)

Alleluia: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.

verse: Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms.

Gospel Mark 9:17-31

At that time, someone from the crowd came to Jesus, bowed before him, and said, "Teacher, I brought you my son; he has a spirit that makes him unable to speak; and whenever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, but they could not do so." He answered them, "You faithless generation, how much longer must I be among you? How much longer must I put up with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him. When the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. Jesus asked the father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. It has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you are able to do anything, have pity on us and help us." Jesus said to him, "If you are able!—All things can be done for the one who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out, "I believe; help my unbelief!" When Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You spirit that keeps this boy from speaking and hearing, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again!" After crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them



HOLY MYSTERIES

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ANointing OF THE Sick:

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DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS :

Arrangements with the office

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said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he was able to stand. When he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "This kind can come out only through prayer."

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."

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

Second verse: The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.* Alleluia (x3)



- ❖ ALL Divine Liturgies are CANCELED until further notice, which will likely include the Easter service schedule The Lenten Mission is CANCELED
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- ❖ Sorokousty services are CANCELED
- ❖ ALL regularly scheduled meetings are CANCELED, including Bible study, Icon painting, Choir practice, Plus 50, and other committee mtgs
- ❖ The AGM scheduled for today is CANCELLED and will be rescheduled for a later date
- ❖ First Solemn Communion classes etc are POSTPONED until the fall
- ❖ UCWLC Easter bakesale is CANCELED. Those that have placed their orders already will be contacted
- ❖ All That Glitters is CANCELED until further notice. Current ticket holders will be contacted ASAP
- ❖ The faithful are encouraged to follow the celebration of the Sunday Divine Liturgy through these links:
 - ⇒ Saint Stephen Parish (Calgary) <http://www.saintstephencalgary.ca>
 - ⇒ St. Josaphat Cathedral (Edmonton) (<http://www.stjosaphat.ab.ca>)
- ❖ The church will be open for private prayer weekdays (starting Monday, March 23) 9:00am to Noon and 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Please respect Social Distancing!
- ❖ Confessions will be heard weekdays 11:00am & 7:00pm until Easter
- ❖ For Pastoral Emergencies including the Sacrament of the Sick please call (403-249-4818, ext 9)
- ❖ Link to COVID 19 Prevention (<https://www.saintstephencalgary.ca>)
- ❖ Link to Bishop David's Response (<https://bit.ly/3bdQhPP>)
- ❖ Please consider continuing to donate to St. Stephen's during these unprecedented times by setting up preauthorized debit. Please contact the Office.
- ❖ May God bless you with good health, inner peace, wisdom and love!





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DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

A Divine Liturgy will be celebrated this week for the repose of the souls of the servants of God :

- + Jean Ewhania Chumak,
- + Anna Borys,
- + Orest Sachkiw (2nd Anniversary),
- + Eugene Walter Chubaty (40 days)

St Stephen's UCWLC Scholarship for \$1000 Guidelines:



1. Eligibility : A daughter or granddaughter of a St Stephen's UCWLC Member who will be attending an undergraduate Post Secondary program. (E.g.) University, College, Apprenticeship, Technical School or Specialized program (Cosmetology, Hair Dresser, Secretarial....)
2. Age of applicant will be 16 to 24.
3. Include a resume
4. Reasons for the choice and location of the Post Secondary School.
5. Include a description of your Parish, Community and School Involvement .
6. Explain your Financial Need to receive this scholarship.
7. Include a reference letter.
8. Submit to one of the UCWLC Scholarship Committee: dewald_chris@hotmail.com, josiened@shaw.ca , spice4u@shaw.ca and the three members will review and decide on the best applicant
9. Deadline is May 15, 2020

Prayer During the Coronavirus Outbreak

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with our priests and spiritual care givers. May they know that they are loved and cared for.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

