

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 2ND, 2021



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DIVINE LITURGIES:

Sunday Services:
8:30 am—Ukr/Eng
10:30 am—English
5:00 pm—English (children choir)
Pre-registration recommended :
<https://bit.ly/2N4H1CH>

Weekday Services:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
at 9:00am

Saturdays
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Vespers

Fifth Sunday of Pascha, Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Our Father Among the Saints Athanasius the Great

After the priest has exclaimed, Blessed be the Kingdom... and the people have responded, Amen, the clergy sing the Paschal Troparion once and the people repeat it. Then, the clergy sing the first half, and the people conclude it.

Paschal Troparion

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 4: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel* the glorious news of the resurrection* and cast off the ancestral condemnation,* they proudly told the apostles:* "Death has been plundered!* Christ our God is risen,* granting to the world great mercy."

Troparion, Tone 8: At the mid-point of the Feast, O Saviour,* water my thirsty soul with streams of true godliness;* for You cried out to all: Let any who thirst, come to Me and drink.* O Source of Life, Christ our God, glory to You!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 8: Drawn to the well by faith,* the Samaritan woman beheld You, the Water of Wisdom,* and drinking abundantly of You,* she inherited the heavenly Kingdom for ever,* becoming everlastingly glorious.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 4: At the mid-point of the Feast according to the Law,* Maker of all things and Master,* You said to those present, O Christ God:* Come, and draw the water of immortality.* And so we fall before You crying out with faith: Grant us Your mercies, for You are the source of our life.

Prokeimenon, Tone 3

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy. (Psalm 46:7,2)

Epistle

Acts 11:19-26, 29-30

In those days, those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.

Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and

encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.

Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.

Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

Alleluia, Tone 4

verse: Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

verse: You have loved justice and hated iniquity. (Psalm 44:5,8)

Gospel

John 4:5-42

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"

Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."



HOLY MYSTERIES

CONFESSION:

Saturdays 5:00 to 5:45 pm
or by Appointment
403-249-4818, ext. 2

MARRIAGE, BAPTISM-CHRISMATION- EUCCHARIST, FUNERALS :

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403-249-4818, ext. 2

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Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly."

The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."

Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things."

Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why are You talking with her?"

The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, "Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" Then they went out of the city and came to Him.

In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."

But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know."

Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?"

Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together. For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that

for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors."

And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His own word.

Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

Hymn to the Mother of God

Virginity is alien to mothers and child-bearing is foreign to virgins; yet in you, O Mother of God, both of them came together. Therefore, we and all the nations of the earth without ceasing magnify you.

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ;* taste the fountain of immortality.* Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 148:1)

Instead of "Blessed is He Who comes..." we sing:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." we sing:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

Instead of "May our mouths be filled..." we sing three times:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

Instead of "Blessed be the name of the Lord..." we sing three times:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

At the dismissal, instead of "Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen." we chant:

Christ is risen from the dead,* trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs* giving life.

After the final Amen, the Troparion "Christ is risen" is sung as at the beginning of the Liturgy, but with the addition:

And to us He has granted life eternal;* we bow down before His resurrection on the third day.

Announcements

All liturgies are now open to a total of 100 people. It will be on first come first serve as to where you sit, so no segregation of church and hall for the signups is necessary.

- ❖ ****NEW—The Rosary will be prayed and live-streamed on Sundays at 10:05 AM.**
- ❖ **Sunday Divine Liturgy sign-up :** <https://bit.ly/2N4HlCh>
- ❖ **Family Room sign-up :** <https://tinyurl.com/yvwouvzx>
(For infants and toddlers accompanied by their parents or guardians. Limit 1 family per Liturgy)
- ❖ **Sunday 10:30am live-streaming :** <https://youtu.be/e7LuO4ROCBU>
The recording will be made available to watch later on Facebook and St. Stephen's website
- ❖ **Moleben to the Theotokos is celebrated every Wednesday at 7:00pm for the month of May.**
- ❖ **We are offering weekday Divine Liturgies on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9:00am, open in the church to a maximum of 50 people.**

Given the amount of vaccinations that have been administered we will be opening up these services to all the faithful. Every measure will continue to be taken to keep everyone safe from the virus with social distancing, sanitizing and mandatory face masks. We look forward to you joining us!

St Stephen's UCWLC Scholarship for \$1000 Guidelines

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, Hairdresser, Secretarial, etc....)

- Age of applicant will be 16 to 24.
- Include a resume
- Reasons for the choice and location of the Post Secondary School.
- Include a description of your Parish, Community and School Involvement .
- Explain your Financial Need to receive this scholarship.
- Include a reference letter.
- Submit to scholarship committee c/o nettiekost@gmail.com
- **Deadline is May 14, 2021**



*"..Contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial."
~Pope Francis"*

MOLEBEN TO THE THEOTOKOS

is celebrated on

Wednesdays at 7:00pm during the month of May

JOIN US VIRTUALLY!



CALGARY UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL
JUNE 5TH & 6TH, 2021



One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies Campaign will take place May 7-9, 2021

Persons participating in this multinational pro-life prayer event will pray at least one Rosary for an end to the surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn human persons.

It is a drive around the entire world to say one million rosaries over the course of the weekend.

Parishes, prayer groups, families and individuals are encouraged to take part by praying the rosary either together or individually on one (or more) of these days. Go to:

SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org to register so that you may be counted among those praying during this year's campaign.



DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 1:

- ❖ 11:00am – Blessing of the Graves – Queen's Park Cemetery
- ❖ 3:00pm – Blessing of the Graves – Mountain View Memorial Gardens
- ❖ 5:00pm – Confessions
- ❖ 6:00pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, May 2:

- ❖ 8:30am – for the repose of the soul of +Lydia Krill
- ❖ 10:30am – for the repose of the soul of +Elaine Karlunas
- ❖ 5:00pm – for the repose of the soul of +Arvin Schnirer

Tuesday, May 4:

- ❖ 9:00am – for health and healing for Marianna Offidani

Wednesday, May 5:

- ❖ 9:00am – for health, forgiveness, and protection for the Perhac family
- ❖ 7:00pm – Moleben to the Theotokos

Thursday, May 6:

- ❖ 9:00am – in memory of the repose of the soul of +Joseph Offidani

Saturday, May 7:

- ❖ 11:00am – Blessing of the Graves – Eden Brook Memorial Gardens
- ❖ 3:00pm – Blessing of the Graves – St. Mary's Cemetery
- ❖ 5:00pm – Confessions
- ❖ 6:00pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, May 9: MOTHER'S DAY

- ❖ 8:30am – for special intentions for Mark & Sheryl Ewanchyna
- ❖ 10:30am – in memory of the repose of the soul of +Bernice Zatwarnitski and peace & comfort for her family
- ❖ 5:00pm – for the health and wellbeing of Lorne Nicholas Woychysyn

2021 National Week for Life and Family

FAMILY, the Domestic Church: A Sign of Hope and Life

This National week dedicated to recognizing the sanctity of all human life and the visible sign of hope that the Family brings, will happen **May 9-16, 2021**. Catholics throughout Canada are encouraged to take part in events that promote the recognition of the sanctity of life and that support the domestic Church (the family) in their all-important role of evangelizing within the family itself and in the world. This is highly encouraged, especially in this "Year of the Family" as designated by Pope Francis (March 19, 2021 – June 26, 2022).

Plan to attend the prayer and learning events that are happening throughout our Eparchy, the country, and the world:

- ❖ **May 7-9** join in the One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies. <https://bit.ly/2PwDT88>
- ❖ **May 10 @ 7:00 pm MST** join in praying the Moleben for life either in person at St. Joseph's Cathedral, online at: <https://bit.ly/2QxSLE1> or on channel 877 on Telus Optic TV.
- ❖ Check out the **March for Life** schedule for the week: <https://bit.ly/2QJZoTv>



Ukrainian Canadian
Professional & Business
Association of Calgary

The UCPBA is excited to announce that we are now accepting applications for the annual scholarship fund.

The deadline for applications is May 28, 2021.

For eligibility criteria, please visit the website: <https://bit.ly/3gP6Hnt>



REFLECTION

Spirit and Truth—WEEK OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

"Give Me a drink." So begins one of the most profound dialogues in the Gospels—that between Christ and a woman of Samaria:

So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from *His* journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." ...

The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you *Jews* say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am *He*." (John 4:5–13, 19–26)

The Samaritans were heretics who accepted only the first five books of the Old Testament. They also believed Mount Gerazim—one of the highest peaks in the West Bank in the vicinity of the city Nablus (Shechem in the Bible)—and not Jerusalem to be the one true sanctuary and holy place of God. We see in the Gospel passage a reference to an all-too-familiar religious quarrel: God is here, not there; we, not they, are the chosen people of God; the Lord is on our side, not theirs. And now our Lord overturns this religious narrow-mindedness and arrogance with one simple phrase: "In Spirit and truth." Through the Holy Spirit, all who are baptized will become the dwelling place of God:

"The kingdom of God does not come with observation; nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you." (Luke 17:20–21)

Through the Holy Spirit, we are all made temples of God. This gift of becoming vessels of the Holy Spirit is freely offered to all, rich and poor, Jew and Gentile, saint and sinner. The Church invites us to draw from the well of repentance, to wash ourselves clean in the tears of contrition, and to be made new, that we may be fit for the Holy Spirit to abide within us:

Wash me with my tears, O Savior, for I am defiled by many sins. Wherefore, I fall down before You. I have sinned; have mercy on me, O God. (Matins of the Tuesday of the Samaritan Woman, second hymn of the Praises)

When the compassionate Lord came to the well, the Samaritan woman entreated Him, saying: Grant me the water of faith, and I shall receive the waters of the font of baptism for gladness and redemption. O Giver of life, Lord, glory to You. (Vespers of the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman, second hymn of the stichera of the Samaritan woman)

The references to the water of life in the Gospel reading for the Sunday of the Samaritan woman are vividly expressed in St. John the Evangelist's description of the establishment of God's heavenly Kingdom on earth:

"I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son...." And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.... And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely. (Rev. 21:6–7; 22:1, 17)

This places Pentecost in the context of the "last days" (in Greek, the *eschata*), that is to say, in the context of the Second Coming and the fulfillment of God's Kingdom. The life of the world to come has already broken through, and in the Holy Spirit we already sense that "the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and *be* their God.... They shall see His face, and His name *shall be* on their foreheads" (Rev. 21:3; 22:4).

Through baptism we are made members of Christ's Body, heirs of His Kingdom and inheritors of His eternal blessings. Though we have all made ourselves unworthy of these, He came into the world to pour upon us His great mercy and to wash us in the baptism of His Blood and in the waters of humility. Having returned to the heavenly Father, from whom He is eternally begotten and from whom the Holy Spirit forever proceeds forth, He poured the Holy Spirit upon us that we may have God living within us, transforming and renewing us from within. The Holy Spirit never abandons us, and no matter how often we reject Him and cast Him from us, He returns to all who repent, longing to fill us with His abundant love and the joy of salvation.)

Charity

Coordinates and markets the efforts of all parish charitable activity.

Contact: Mary Chudyk, Charity Director

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Pass It On - Clothing charity for families.

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Men's Dinner

Annual major church fundraiser for capital expenses plus charity endeavors.

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The Helping Others Network

Distributes used furnishings and clothing to the needy.

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Religious Art Committee

Discusses and coordinates religious artwork for the parish.

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UCWLC: Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada

Responds to parish and community needs through volunteerism, pastoral works, Ukrainian culture & aid.

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Knights of Columbus: *Provides financial aid & support for members and their families, and helps the sick, needy and disabled in our parish, city and abroad.*

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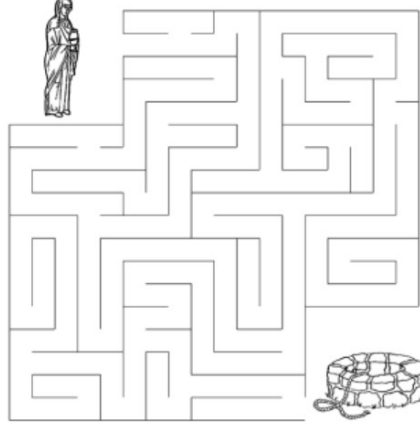
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Maze Puzzle

Help the Samaritan woman find the way to the well.



Those who drink of the water that
I give them will never be thirsty.
John 4:14

The Woman at the Well

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." John 4:10 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 4:5-26 (NIV)



1. Find the hidden words. The words have been placed horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. When you locate a word, draw a circle around it.

A F X V C K G I F T P U S S D
M Z Y M R S C V Y H R I R O Z
V N Q P J B C M E I O W T U E
R B F G Q N F U F R P O N H O
M P M A L I F E E S H M J C K
L F C H M U K Q Q T E A R H G
D S P R I N G H Z Y T N R X O
W E L L L I V I N G D R I N K
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V E R K T M Z Y U V D O T E W
J S S A M A R I T A N N E F A
E S B L E H U S B A N D R P T
S I U D Q A H Y R K T A N K E
U A Q P B O K M O T O N A S R
S H Z U M R Y P H D E Q L Y F

PROPHET
LIVING
THIRSTY

WELL
WATER
LIFE

GIFT
ETERNAL
SPRING

DRINK
JESUS
SAMARITAN

MESSIAH
WOMAN
HUSBAND

Prayer & Support Group: Accepts prayer requests for the confidential needs and intentions of parishioners and others.

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Support Network: Provides support, encouragement & help for parishioners facing various difficulties/situations with referrals to services or help they need.

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

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Family Support Trust Fund: Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to parishioners in need.

Contact: Mary Chudyk, Charity Director

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Planned Giving: A program for individuals to make legacy donations to St. Stephen's through a will or other planned giving options.
Contact: Greg Yuzwa, CPA, Co-ordinator
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ARK Store: Looking for the perfect religious item as a gift or for yourself? Check out the Ark store at the entrance to our hall.

Contact: Donna Chelack

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Office@Protomartyr.ca

Sunday School: A program run on most Sundays during the 10:30am Divine Liturgy for preschoolers age 4 through grade 2 children (pre-First Solemn Communion). Currently canceled
Email: ChildrensPrograms@Protomartyr.ca

First Solemn Communion (FSC): Sacramental Classes for children around grade 2 who are ready to approach for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist on their own.

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Calgary Pro-Life Association: Raises funds for educational awareness programs.

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BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Saturday, May 1:

- ❖ 11:00am – Queen's Park Cemetery, 3219 – 4th St NW
- ❖ 3:00pm – Mountain View Memorial Gardens, 1605 – 100th St SE

Saturday, May 8:

- ❖ 11:00am – Eden Brook Memorial Gardens, 24223 Township Rd 242
- ❖ 3:00pm – St. Mary's Cemetery, 3157 Erlton St SW

Please meet at location 10 minutes ahead of start time. Group Parastasis followed by blessing prayer and water sprinkling at each grave. No sign up necessary, just show up.

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT Opportunity

Our Property Management team is planning to hire two students for the coming summer to help out with maintenance jobs around the parish property.

This is a great opportunity for our young parishioners to help out at their church while gaining some practical work experience.

The work will include general maintenance, cleaning, painting, landscaping and occasional office administration support.

Applicant Eligibility:

- must be attending high school or post-secondary and planning to return to school in the fall
- available to work part-time (about 20 hrs per week) from June to end of August.

If interested, please email your resume to Andy Sakundiak, Director - Property Management at PropertyMgmt@protomartyr.ca

All resumes must be submitted by Wednesday May 5 for consideration

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Saturday, May 8, 2021

**10K Hike for Life
in Your Own Community**



"Львів. Квітень-2021"
"L'viv. April 2021"

Дорогі Добродії з Калгарі!
Сестри Службниці зі Львова щиро вдячні за те, що завдяки Вам ми могли передати бідним діткам продукти.
Нехай Господь Вас одарує своїми благодатями!
Ми молимося за Вас і Ваші Родини!

Dear Benefactors from Calgary!
Sisters Servants from L'viv are sincerely grateful that thanks to your generosity we were able to distribute food hampers to needy children.
May the Lord reward you with his graces!

We pray for you and your families!

Calgary Ukrainian parishes have been collaborating in donating funds to the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate in Ukraine to provide aid to needy families in the form of food hampers and medications. Our most recent tranche was delivered on April 3, and we have received thank you letters and photos of children receiving food hampers. These were delivered by the Sisters ahead of the Paschal Feast, which is observed this year on May 2 in Ukraine. Below we share a translation from two letters.

From Zhovkva:

The Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate in Ukraine express to you and all the benefactors of the parishes of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary St. Stephen Protomartyr in Calgary sincere gratitude for your donations to support the humanitarian work of the SSMI with needy children and families in Ukraine.
Thanks to your generosity, we sisters were able to acquire food hampers for very needy children and their families. Due to the global covid-19 pandemic, a strict quarantine has been in place for several months. Many families in Ukraine have become impoverished, having lost their jobs, health and means of support. This food hampers are a great help for poor families. The sisters tried to buy everything needed to prepare for the Easter holidays, so that poor families and children could joyfully meet the Resurrection of Christ.
Taking this opportunity, we greet all our benefactors on the Bright Feast of the Resurrection of Christ. May the joy of Christ's Resurrection fill your hearts and your lives, and through you spill over to others. We wish you a joyous holiday, peace, health, and God's generous blessings.

Sister Elizaveta Prots, SSMI, responsible for working with needy children in Ukraine.

From Chervonohrad:

We thank you for giving us the means to acquire food hampers for needy families. In Ukraine, the lockdown has been extended to June 30 and such food hampers are a tremendous support for these families. On behalf of us tremendous support for these families. On behalf of us sisters of the SSMI, the children, their parents, and guardians we express a sincere thank you. May the Risen Lord bestow upon your families, friends, your parishes, your country with all needed graces and abundant blessings.

Sister Natalia Hritsula, SSMI

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