# 607 St Stephen Protomartyr

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## **DIVINE LITURGIES:**

#### Sunday Services:

8:30 am-Ukr/Eng 10:30 am – English 5:00 pm—English (children choir)

## Weekday Services:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays at 9:00am

Saturdays 5:00 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Vespers

# **ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

## AUGUST 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2021



## Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Beheading of the Honourable and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John

All-night Vigil Feast.

## Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 5: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,\* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,\* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.\* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death\* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion, Tone 2: The just man is remembered suffices, O Forerunner,\* for you truly became this generation and for ever. more honourable than the prophets\* and were deemed worthy to baptize the One foretold.\* Then you suffered for the truth and joyfully announced to those in Hades\* that God appeared Prokeimenon, Tone 7 in the flesh taking away the sin of the world\* and offering us great mercy.

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

Kontakion, Tone 5: You, my Saviour, descended to Hades,\* and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates.\* With Yourself You, as the Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death,\* and delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of hearts as a guarantee. Mankind.\* And so we cry out: "Save us, O Lord."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 5: The Forerunner's glorious

beheading\* came to be a form of dispensation divine\* that he might proclaim to those in Hades\* the message of the coming of the Saviour.\* Lets Herodias shed tears of lament\* for a lawless murder that was her request;\* for she loved a false and transitory age\* rather than God's law and the age of life.

## Prokeimenon, Tone 5

with praises,\* but for you the Lord's testimony You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us\* from

verse: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man. (Psalm 11:8,2)

verse: The just man shall be glad in the Lord and shall hope in Him.

## Epistle

## 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4; Acts 13:25-32

Brothers and sisters, it is He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our

Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand.



## HOLY MYSTERIES

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

MARRIAGE, BAPTISM-CHRISMATION-EUCHARIST, FUNERALS : Arrangements with the Pastor 403-249-4818, ext. 2

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**DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS** : Arrangements with the office

## **CLERGY & RELIGIOUS**

### Pastor :

Fr. Michael Bombak FatherMichael@Protomartyr.ca Office:403-249-4818, ext. 2

Pastor, St. Basil's Melkite Greek Catholic Church

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## PARISH OFFICE

#### Office Administrator:

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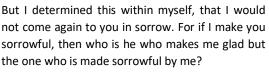
Communications Coordinator: Mirna Farahat coordinator@Protomartyr.ca

## HALL RENTAL INQUIRIES

Maria Dwulit, <mark>cell: 403-816-5610,</mark> email: Hall@Protomartyr.ca

## HALL & KITCHEN

403-249-<mark>4818, ext. 6</mark>



And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is *the joy* of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

## Alleluia, Tone 5

*verse:* Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

*verse:* For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared. (*Psalm 88:2,3*)

*verse:* The just man shall flourish like the palm tree; and he shall grow like the cedar in Lebanon. *(Psalm 91:13)* 

## Gospel — Matthew 22:1-14; Mark 6:14-30

The Lord told this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and

fatted cattle *are* killed, and all things *are* ready. Come to the wedding."' But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated *them* spitefully, and killed *them*. But when the king heard *about it*, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding *hall* was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

"For many are called, but few are chosen."

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## **Communion Hymn**

Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest. (Psalm 148:1)\* The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;\* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia. (Psalm 111:6)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Rosary will be prayed and live-streamed on Sundays at 10:05 AM
- Sunday Divine Liturgy Live-streaming link can be found on <u>https://youtu.be/TC51WvVn5IU</u> The Weekly Divine Liturgy recording will be made available to watch later on Facebook and St. Stephen's website
- Usher / Cleaning volunteers are still required for ALL Divine Liturgies. We would appreciate any assistance that you are able to offer. Please join our volunteer crew by contacting our Liturgical Director, Len Beblow by email at liturgical@protomartyr.ca or the office by phone 403-249-4818.
- VACATION: Fr. Michael is away from Aug 16 Aug 31. Fr. Greg will be celebrating all Sunday services on Aug 22 and Aug 29. Wednesday liturgies are cancelled Aug 18 and Aug 25, resuming on Sept 1. Confessions and Great Vespers are also canceled Aug 21 and Aug 28. Please call the office at 403-249-4818 ext 0 for assistance during this period.
- Thursday weekday Divine Liturgies will resume starting September 2 at 9:00am. Please note that Tuesdays are canceled moving forward, so we will be celebrating weekday Divine Liturgy on Wednesdays and Thursdays only. For a full schedule including Festal Liturgies etc, please visit our website calendar at https://www.saintstephencalgary.ca/calendar1.html
- SAVE your cans, bottles, milk containers over the summer in bags and donate for the UCWLC Fundraiser so we can continue to share our gifts with so many others in need. The collection is in the fall. We will have a container on the North parking lot. SAVE, SAVE and SHARE! Drop off dates: Saturday, September 11th and Sunday, September 12 th. in UPPER PARKING LOT
- Sunday, September 26th: Praznyk. Celebrate St. Stephen's Feast Day. Tickets on sale soon. \$10 adult , and youth ,12 and older \$10. Family \$20. More information coming soon.

Note: Deadline for including announcements in the bulletin is no later than Wednesday at 2:00 pm

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to Fr. Greg for traveling to Calgary and celebrating the Sunday Divine Liturgies with us last weekend and this weekend! We appreciate you and wish you many blessings as you officially take over at the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Seminary next week. Mnohaya Lita!

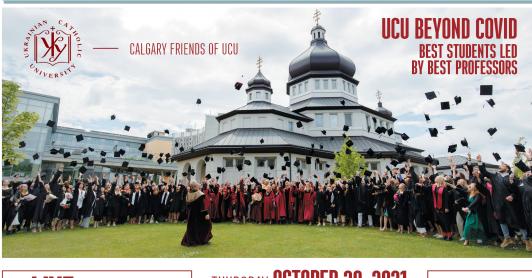


organization for young ladies (ages 7-12) who desire to grow in their faith and service to the Church. While participating in the monthly activities, they will prepare themselves to become mothers, wives, and teachers of the next generation of the faithful. These lessons will encourage authentically feminine service to the Church and give the girls the tools and skills they need to become enthusiastic and knowledgeable participants in the Catholic community. While exploring the duties and activities that holy women should assume within their parish, home and school, its goal is to form saints and assure that the Church will continue to thrive.

Come out and meet new friends and grow in your faith together with other Myrrhbearers!

Find more information here : https://www.saintstephencalgary.ca/myrrhbearing-girls.html

For more information and to register, contact Pani Kim Bombak: bombak@live.ca





THURSDAY **OCTOBER 28, 2021** 5:30<sup>PT</sup> RECEPTION; 6:30<sup>PT</sup> DINNER and PROGRAM Entertainment, student presentations,

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## News from Calgary Friends of UCU

Calgary Friends of the Ukrainian Catholic University is pleased to make the following announcements.

We are excited to announce that our annual fundraiser is back live and in person on October 28, 2021, right here at St. Stephens Cultural Centre. This event, in support of UCU and its many innovative programs features a delicious Ukrainian buffet dinner catered by our own Carolyn Sclanders.

Guests at the fundraiser will also be treated to a keynote address by noted Ukrainian writer and global affairs analyst Michael Bociurkiw. There will be a tribute to Dr. Gerry Turcotte of St. Mary's University, and entertainment from talented Calgary Ukrainian musicians. Tickets are available online: <u>https://www.facebook.com/CalgaryFriendsofUCU/</u> or <u>https://ucef.ca/</u>.

Guests of the fundraiser will also get to meet two exchange students from UCU who will be attending the fall semester at St. Mary's University starting September 3.

The 10-year-old successful exchange program between St. Mary's and UCU has given promising young students from both St. Mary's and UCU opportunities to for new educational and cultural experiences. For more information, please contact the Calgary Friends of UCU at (403) 670-9145.



# DIVINE LITURGY

## Saturday, August 28:

- 5:00pm CANCELED -Confessions
- 6:00pm CANCELED Great Vespers

### Sunday, August 29:

- 8:30am blessings to Bernadette Lukey in appreciation for God's graces and help
- 10:30am in memory of the repose of the soul (1 yr) of +Dmytro Karatnyk (w/ Panakyhda)
- 5:00pm in memory of the repose of the souls of +Joe and +Maria Girardi
- 5:00pm in memory of the repose of the souls of +Joseph and +Maria Dobish

Wednesday, September 1:

 9:00am – for health and healing for Phil & Mary Dowhaniuk

## Saturday, September 4:

- ✤ 5:00pm –Confessions
- ✤ 6:00pm –Great Vespers

## Sunday, September 5:

- 8:30am in memory of the repose of the soul (1 yr) of +Stephan Dwulit (w/ Panakhyda)
- 8:30am for health and healing for Phil & Mary Dowhaniuk
- 10:30am for the repose of the soul of +Janice Kowch
- 10:30am for health and healing for Joe Sakundiak
- 5:00pm in memory of the repose of the souls of +Joe and +Julia Cachay



### Charity

Coordinates and markets the efforts of all parish charitable activity. Contact: Mary Chudyk, Charity Director Email: Charity@Protomartyr.ca

Pass It On - Clothing charity for families. Contact: Theresa Lewchuk, Co-Convener, Operations Telephone: 403-815-6055 Email: lewchukt@hotmail.com Contact: Deborah Johnson, Co-Convener, Communications Telephone: 403-863-0941 Email: lornejn@telusplanet.net

#### Men's Dinner

Annual major church fundraiser for capital expenses plus charity endeavors. Contact: Greg Bobyn Email: greg.bobyn@mnp.ca

### The Helping Others Network Distributes used furnishings and clothing to the needy.

Contact: Des Peplinski Telephone: <u>403-238-0804</u> Email: <u>dlp238@shaw.ca</u>

#### **Religious Art Committee**

Discusses and coordinates religious artwork for the parish. Contact: Jim Ochitwa Email: jimochitwa@shaw.ca

## UCWLC: Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada

Responds to parish and community needs through volunteerism, pastoral works, Ukrainian culture & aid. Contact: Nettie Kost, UCWLC President Email: <u>nettiekost@gmail.com</u>

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. Contact: Ivan Weleschuk (3rd Degree) Email: ivanweleschuk@hotmail.com Contact: Bohdan Tyrawski (4th Degree) Email: bohdantyrawski@gmail.com

**Plus 50 Club:** Provides social interaction for seniors. Also promotes programs and activities relevant to seniors.

Contact: Ed Tysowski, President Phone: 403-547-3226 E-mail: <u>tysow@shaw.ca</u>

## ICONOGRAPHY OPEN STUDIO



Iconography open studio is starting up again! We meet every second Tuesday from 9:00am – noon in the Knights room – everyone is welcome! Please refer to the calendar on our website <u>https://</u> <u>www.saintstephencalgary.ca/calendar1.html</u> for specific dates

For more information please contact Pat Burchnall at <u>pburchnall@shaw.ca</u>.



We are planning many functions from September until the end of 2021. We will be following AHS guidelines for safety with direction from Bishop David. Please check the dates on the UCWLC workbees page for opportunities to help out.

www.saintstephencalgary.ca/ucwlc-workbees.html

**A** *Retrouvaille* 

## You can Help Your Marriage

- ✓ Do you feel alone?
- ✓ Are you *frustrated or angry* with each other?
- ✓ Do you *argue* ... or have you just *stopped talking* to each other?

Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages.

For confidential information about an upcoming weekend call 403.901.9582 or email: <u>coordinator@retrouvaillecalgary.com</u>.

To **register**, visit the web site at <u>http://www.helpourmarriage.org</u>

In Person weekend is Sept 10-12, 2021; Virtual option via Zoom is Sept 16-19, 2021



Plus 50 luncheons and meetings will resume on September 28 at 11:00 am.

The luncheon will be Potluck. Please contact Ed Tysowski at 403-547-3326 for more information. Followed by October 26 and November 30th.



The Seeds of the Word Sisters will be holding a Shortbread cookie sale fundraiser at St. Stephens. Cookie box is for C\$10.

## THIS SUNDAY, August 29<sup>th</sup>



## WE NEED YOUR HELP! Sandwich / Snack Sunday

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month—September 12<sup>th</sup>

UCWLC requests parish members and families to participate in supporting the "Street Sisters" who are in need of 40 lunches. Volunteers are required to pack the lunch supplies after 10:30 liturgies. For further information contact Theresa Lewchuk 403-208-0850.



## Invitation to the Medding Feast



Imagine that you live in a great kingdom with a king and queen and many other great people. You hear that the king's son is going to get married and there will be a great wedding feast. All the lords and ladies and rich land owners are invited. On the day of the wedding

the servants go out to call the guests to the wedding, but all those important people refuse to go! They say they are too busy with other things, and can't be bothered to go!

Now imagine that you are one of the children in a poor family that lives down a back street. Suddenly you hear people calling out that the king has invited your family to the feast! What excitement! Everybody puts on their best clothes and goes to



the castle. In a little while the king comes in and you see him pointing to a man who isn't dressed neatly, and hasn't washed his face or brushed his hair. He sends the man out of the hall.

This is the story that Jesus told about the kingdom of Heaven.



Many important people have been invited, but they have decided that they were too busy with other things. But the King has invited us too! We should rejoice and "dress" our souls by being the best we can be! Don't be a half-hearted Christian!

www.thekidsbulletin.wordpress.com



The king sent his servants to call all the people in the street to his son's wedding. Follow the road on the map from the castle's courtyard all the way to the farmland. The people in the houses next to the road you pass are invited to the wedding.

> You can colour in the houses if you like. Who was invited to the feast?

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

Contact: Marilyn Comchi Telephone: 403-220-9624 Email: marilyncomchi@shaw.ca

Support Network: Provides support, encouragement & help for parishioners facing various difficulties/situations with referrals to services or help they need. Contact: Bernadette Lukey, Pastoral Care Director Email: PastoralCare@Protomartyr.ca

International Trust Fund: Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to international charities in 2nd and 3rd world countries. Contact: Steve Groch Email: <u>swgctc@aol.com</u>

Family Support Trust Fund: Solicits & invests donations and disburses earned income to parishioners in need. Contact: Mary Chudyk, Charity Director Email: Charity@Protomartyr.ca

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 Email: <u>PlannedGiving@Protomartyr.ca</u>

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 Email: <u>dchelack@shaw.ca</u> or

Office@Protomartyr.ca
Sunday School: A program run on most

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

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. Contact: Kathy Livesey Email: Education@Protomartyr.ca

Calgary Pro-Life Association: Raises funds for educational awareness programs. Contact: John Siroishka Telephone: <u>403-271-2128</u> Email: johnsiroishka@shaw.ca

## UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES FALL 2021 FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH:

## Are you planning a trip to Ukraine in 2022 or 2023? Start to prepare now!

St. Stephen's Protomartyr Ukrainian Catholic Church is offering Ukrainian language classes this fall for adults and youth (at least 12 years of age, preferably together with a parent) in-class and via Zoom.

For further details and to register: <u>https://bit.ly/3iTnuq5</u> or contact Deborah Johnson at <u>lornejn@telusplanet.net</u> or phone 403-201-6225.



Rosary Ministry

If you would like to become part of the Rosary Ministry rotation and lead the rosary on Sunday at 10:00 am, please contact Bill Lewchuk at <u>kc4life@telus.net</u> or at 403-850-5859 by August 20th.



The parishes of the Diocese of Calgary are once again invited to participate in the 40 Days for Life prayer campaign this fall, which will run from September 22 to October 31.

Over 5,000 babies are killed at the Calgary Kensington abortion facility every year. 40 Days for Life is a prayerful, respectful campaign that seeks to bring awareness to the inconvenient truth that abortion kills human beings.

Our prayerful presence during 40 Days at abortion centres around the world draws attention to the plight of preborn children and seeks God's help through intercessory prayer.

We are a sign to the world that babies' lives in the womb matter, that preborn children are not disposable objects, but human beings with human rights. Will you join us? Be a loving, prayerful voice for the preborn babies who have no voice but ours.

We know from the testimonies of many that these campaigns save lives. We are looking for pro-life leaders and participants in your parish. Please consider being a part of this campaign by participating in this ministry. Training is available from our Calgary team. Please email <u>40daysforlife.calgary@gmail.com</u> for information.



We're seeking feedback regarding St. Stephen's bulletin, website and Facebook site. Please send us an email with: What you would like to see, and any ideas or suggestions on how we can do things better.

Email : Linda @ office@protomartyr.ca or Mirna @ coordinator@protomartyr.ca

## OPERATION ST. NICHOLAS 2021

Charity, the highest form of love, signifying the reciprocal love between God and man that is made manifest in unselfish love of one's fellow men.



St Stephen's Christmas charity event, Operation St Nicholas 2021, is underway

and we only have 8 children waiting for a sponsor. If you wish to take a child's name and join in this event by purchasing a \$20-\$30 gift please see us in the Atrium after Liturgy or reach out to Jo-Anne Heuser at Jheuser@shaw.ca or Mary Chudyk at mlchudyk@shaw.ca

Your unwrapped gifts should be returned to St Stephen Parish by Sunday September 12, 2021. If you need assistance please contact Jo-Anne or Mary.

Alternatively if you would like to support this charity event with a cash donation, the funds will be used to purchase food for the families and to offset the cost of shipping by sea container to Ukraine. Cheques are to be made payable to St. Stephen's Parish and tax receipts will be issued.

Another way to join this charity event is to check your drawers for extra-large binder clips or bulldog clips that you are not using. We require approximately 120 clips to secure the packages for each child and your donation would be most welcome.

Thank you for supporting Operation St Nicholas 2021!



Please support your St. Nicholas K of C Ukrainian Council by purchasing 50/50 tickets online at : https://rafflebox.ca/raffle/kocab/77

Proceeds from the previous Charity Appeals Raffle allow our Council to make a donation in September of over \$500 to support youth programs in our Parish (First Solemn Communion classes, alter servers programs, youth camps, etc.)

The raffle closes at noon on September 17, 2021 with the jackpot up to \$100,000, depending on tickets sold (minimum of \$20,000).

Thank you for your continued support.

### PLEASE BEWARE OF SCAM EMAILS OR MESSAGES USING FR. MIKE



Hackers are constantly targeting people asking for money or information using other people's information. Fr. Mike would never send an email or text message asking for money or a favor. Always call the office directly if you are in any way uncertain.