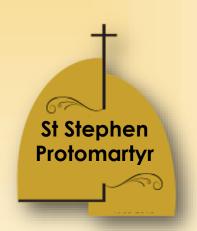
ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR **UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

DECEMBER 25TH, 2022



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www.saintstephencalgary.ca

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www.saintstephencalgary.ca/ calendar1.html

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Eparchy Website:

www.edmontoneparchy.com

DIVINE LITURGIES:

Sunday Services:

8:30 am—Bilingual 10:05—Rosary 10:30 am - English Vigil Liturgy, Saturday at 5:00 pm

Weekday Services:

Wednesday and Thursdays 9:00am



The Nativity in the Flesh of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ – Christmas

Feast of our Lord. Holy Day of obligation.

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

Antiphon 1

declare all Your wondrous deeds.

Saviour, save us.

In the council of the just and the congregation,* great are the works of the Lord, conforming to His Entrance will in every way.

Saviour, save us.

His work is filled with praise and majesty,* and His of Melchizedek. righteousness endures forever.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

Antiphon 3

The Lord said to my lord, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet."

Troparion, Tone 4: Your Nativity, O Christ our God,* made the light of knowledge dawn on the world:* through it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a star* to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness,* and to know that You, the Dawn from on the high.* Glory to You, O Lord.

The Lord will send you a sceptre of power out of Sion; reign in the midst of your enemies.

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power in the splendour of your holy ones.

Troparion, Tone 4: Your Nativity, O Christ our God,* I will confess You, Lord, with all my heart,* I will made the light of knowledge dawn on the world:* through it, those who worshipped the stars were Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O taught by a star* to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness,* and to know that You, the Dawn from on the high.* Glory to You, O Lord.

From the womb before the daystar I begot you. the Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Lord has sworn an oath and will not go back on His word: You are a priest forever according to the order

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 4: Your Nativity, O Christ our God,* made the light of knowledge dawn on the world:* through it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a star* to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness,* and to know that You, the Dawn from on the high.* Glory to You, O Lord.

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

Kontakion, Tone 3: The Virgin today gives birth to Him who is above all being;* the earth offers the cave to Him whom no one can approach;* Angel with shepherds give Him glory,* while Magi make their way with a star,* for to us is born a little Child the pre-eternal God.

Instead of Holy God:

All you who have been baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ! Alleluia! (3)

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

You have put on Christ! Alleluia!

Yours is the dominion on the day you are given All you who have been baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ! Alleluia!



HOLY MYSTERIES

CONFESSION:

Saturdays 4:00 to 4:45 pm Sundays before the 8 am and 10 am **Liturgies OR by appointment** 403-249-4818, ext. 2

MARRIAGE, BAPTISM-CHRISMATION-**EUCHARIST, FUNERALS:**

Contact the Sacramental Coordinator Kim Bombak:

Sacraments@Protomartyr.ca

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For emergencies call 403-249-4818, ext. 9

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS:

Arrangements with the office

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Prokeimenon, Tone 8

sing to Your Name, O Most High.

verse: Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing now to His name, give glory to His praise. (Psalm 65:4,2)

Epistle—Galatians 4:4-7

A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians.

Brothers and sisters, when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Alleluia, Tone 1

verse: The heavens tell the glory of God, and the firmament declares the work of His hands.

verse: Day announces its message unto day and night proclaims its knowledge unto night. (Psalm 18:2,3)

Gospel—Matthew 2:1-12

At that time, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet:

'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Let all the earth worship You and sing to You; let it Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; you shall of come Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel."

> Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found Him, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also."

> When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

> Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

Hymn to the Mother of God

O my soul, magnify Christ the King born in a

and the Irmos: A strange and glorious mystery do I behold:* the cave is heaven;* the Virgin, the throne of the cherubim;* the manger, a dwelling place* in which is laid Christ, the God Whom nothing can contain.* Singing His praises, we magnify Him.

Communion Hymn

The Lord has sent deliverance* to His people.* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (Psalm 110:9)

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

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is born of a Virgin.

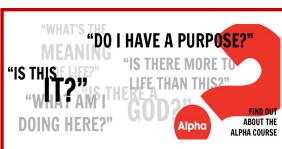
Instead of "May our mouths..." and "Blessed be the Name..." we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is born of a Virgin. (3)

- 2023 donation envelopes and calendars are ready to be picked up at the Atrium.
- The office will be closed the week of December 26th - 30th and January 2nd
- There will be ONE DIVINE LITURGY on Sunday, January 1st - at 10:30am

UPCOMING UCWLC MEETINGS

- January 11th 7:00 pm (Please note date & day change due to conflict)
- February 9th 7:00 pm
- March 2nd 7:00 pm
- April 13th 7:00 pm
- May 4th 7:00 pm



The Alpha program will be offered on Sundays starting on January 15th at 9am for the parents of the First Communicants. Alpha is an 11-week course that creates space where people are excited to bring their friends for a conversation about life, faith and Jesus. This ALPHA COURSE program is open to all parishioners, so please consider joining us!

REGISTER HERE: https://tinyurl.com/2p894639

Watch the trailer here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fViYK_Xb3Wg



ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NATIVITY AND THEOPHANY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

December 24 Saturday EVE OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD:

- * 4:30pm – Festal Divine Liturgy (children's service)
- * 10:00pm – Great Complines
- * 10:30pm - Festal Divine Liturgy
- 11:30pm Christmas Eve Reception

December 25 Sunday NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

10:30am – Divine Liturgy Bilingual Divine Liturgy

December 31 Saturday

- 4:00pm Confession
- 5:00pm Vesperal Divine Liturgy

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January 1 Sunday

10:30am - Divine Liturgy Bilingual Divine Liturgy

January 5 Thursday VIGIL OF THEOPHANY (Baptism of Our Lord)

7:00pm- Divine Liturgy Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil and Water blessing celebrated with St. Basil's Parish

January 6 Friday FEAST OF THEOPHANY

- * 9:00am - Divine Liturgy
- * 4:30pm—Blessing of the Bow We will join Assumption parish and bless the River

January 7 Saturday

4:00pm - Confession 5:00pm - Vesperal Divine Liturgy

January 8 Sunday

- 8:30am Divine Liturgy Ukrainian with English propers and homily
- 10:30am Divine Liturgy English

Christmas Caroling St. Stephen's choir will be going caroling on the feast of Stephen

December 27th 1:00-7:00 pm

Please contact Linda Dudar for more information.





DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 24: **NATIVITY VIGIL**

- 4:30pm Festal Divine Liturgy (Children's service)
- 10:00pm Great Complines
- 10:30pm Festal Divine Liturgy

Sunday, December 25: **NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**

- 8:30am NO Divine Liturgy
- 10:30am Festal Divine Liturgy in memory of the repose of the soul of +Jerry Jumaga

Wednesday, December 28:

NO DIVINE LITURGY

Thursday, December 29:

NO DIVINE LITURGY

Saturday, December 31:

- ❖ 4:00pm Confessions
- 5:00pm for the intentions and needs of all parishioners

Sunday, January 1:

- ♦ 8:30am NO Divine Liturgy
- 10:30am for the repose of the soul of +Dennis Streich

UKRAINE SUPPORT COMMITTEE (USC)

The USC is dedicated to providing support to recent newcomers from Ukraine. Our efforts and funds are directed towards providing newcomers with basic needs, English language classes and accommodation. We also provide different instructional presentations and workshops to help assist newcomers as they adjust to their new lives in Calgary. If you are helping a Ukrainian Newcomer family and would like help in supporting them, please contact us at ukrainesupport@protomartyr.ca.

Newcomers: Please register with Julia Moroz at newcomers@protomartyr.ca to get information about how we can help and newcomer events at our church.

Будь-ласка, відправте, будь-ласка, вашу контакткну інформацію за <u>адресоюпеwcomers@protomartyr.ca</u>, щоб отримувати інформацію про заходи для новоприбулих у нашій церкві від нашою ккординаторки для новоприбулих від Юлії Мороз.

HOST FAMILIES URGENTLY NEEDED:

Calgary has become a preferred city of choice for arrivals from the war in Ukraine. The flow of evacuees to Calgary is not slowing, and many Ukrainian newcomers are arriving in our city daily , without a place to stay. Please consider hosting Ukrainian arrivals in your home. There are a few settlement agencies that can assist:

- Register with Centre for Newcomers at https://refugeeshousedhere.ca/registration/register-as-a-host/ or email the Centre for Newcomers at: n.shen@centrefornewcomers.ca
- Register with PIA (a settlement agency) by calling Marie at 403-668-0299 ext 7, or
- Contact Marianna at CCIS at 403-262-2006

To become a host home, the Centre for Newcomers simply requires registration, a security check, and a tour (can be a video tour) of your home to ensure we can make an appropriate match to a person or a family. A person from the Centre for Newcomers will also be able to answer any of your questions about becoming a host home.

**** JOBS FOR UKRAINIAN NEWCOMERS *****

If you have a job for Ukrainian newcomers please post it at https://uatoabinfo.ca/

St. Stephen's will be hosting a Job Fair in conjunction with UCC on Friday, January 27, 2023.

If you are an employer interested in participating, please email Julia Moroz at newcomers@protomartyr.ca before Friday, December 23, 2022 to reserve your table. If you are a Ukrainian Newcomer to Calgary, we hope you will attend.

DONATIONS WELCOME Please consider a small donation to support our initiative. Please visit our <u>website</u> for details.

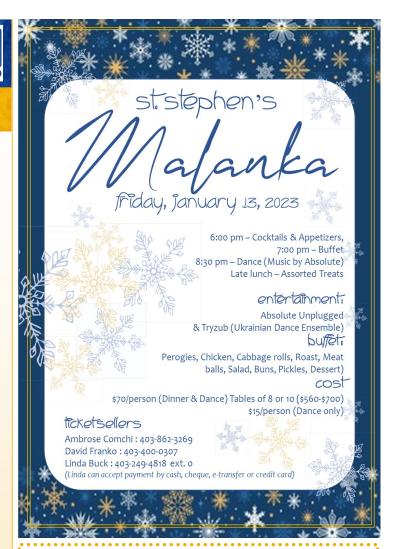
A ST STEPHEN'S TELEGRAM CHANNEL has

been created to provide information for newcomers. It can be found at https://t.me/ UAnewcomers_StStepnens

ВІД ЦЕРКВИ СВ. СТЕФАНА ДЛЯ НОВОПРИБУЛИХ УКРАЇНЦІВ

https://t.me/UAnewcomers_StStepnens Це - офіційно найкрутіший канал для новоприбулих у Калгарі! Новини залітають як свіженьки пиріжки







The Ark Gift Shop

Tree ornaments, prayer books, cookbooks, Nativity sets, icons and more can be found in our gift shop upstairs.

Grab a cup of coffee provided by the hospitality team and stop in for look at gift giving ideas or an add on to a gift as we celebrate with the angels and spread the good news of our Saviour's birth.

Please note that the Ark will be closed December 25th.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023



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 15, 2023. Lessons will take place on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am. 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