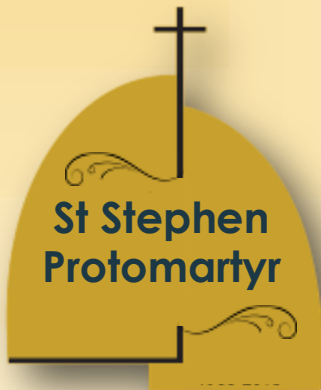


# ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY 28, 2023



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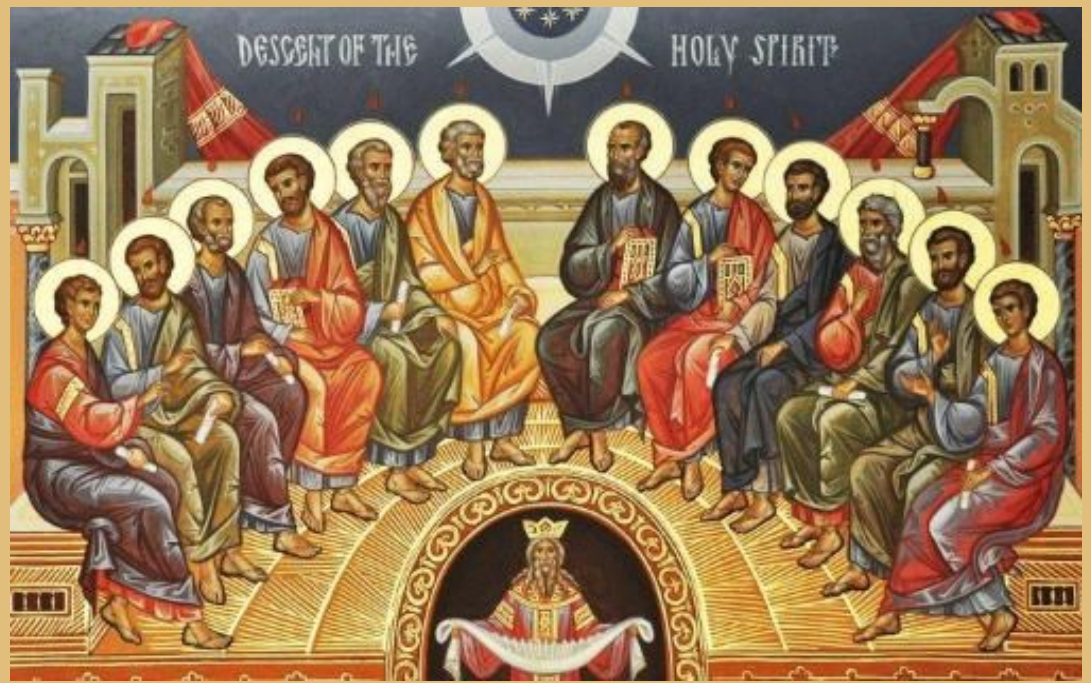
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## **DIVINE LITURGIES:**

**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



## Descent of the Holy Spirit. Holy and Glorious Pentecost

*A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy*

### **Antiphon 1**

The heavens tell the glory of God, and the firmament declares the work of his hand.

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

Day to day pours forth the message and night proclaims this knowledge to night.

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

Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

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

Glory... Now... Only-begotten Son...

### **Antiphon 3**

O Lord, by Your power the king shall rejoice and greatly exult in Your salvation.

*Troparion, Tone 8:* Blessed are You, O Christ our God who revealed the fishermen as most wise\* by sending them the Holy Spirit;\* through them You caught the entire world.\* Loving Master, glory to You.

You gave him his heart's desire and did not deny the request of his lips.

*Troparion, Tone 8:* Blessed are You, O Christ our God who revealed the fishermen as most wise\* by sending them the Holy Spirit;\* through them You caught the entire world.\* Loving Master, glory to You.

For You have gone before him with gracious blessings, you have placed upon his head a crown of precious stones.

*Troparion, Tone 8:* Blessed are You, O Christ our God who revealed the fishermen as most wise\* by sending them the Holy Spirit;\* through them You caught the entire world.\* Loving Master, glory to You.

### **Entrance**

Be exalted, O Lord, in Your strength; we will sing and make music to Your might.

### **Troparia and Kontakia**

*Troparion, Tone 8:* Blessed are You, O Christ our God who revealed the fishermen as most wise\* by sending them the Holy Spirit;\* through them You caught the entire world.\* Loving Master, glory to You.



## **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- EUCCHARIST, FUNERALS :**

Contact the Sacramental Coordinator  
Kim Bombak:  
Sacraments@Protomartyr.ca

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Arrangements with the office

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

*Kontakion, Tone 8:* When the Most High came down and confused the tongues,\* He parted the nations.\* When He divided the tongues of fire,\* He called all to unity;\* thus with one voice\* we glorify the all-Holy Spirit.

### ***Instead of Holy God***

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

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

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

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!

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

### ***Prokeimenon, Tone 8***

Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth,\* and their words unto the ends of the world.

*verse:* The heavens tell the glory of God, and the firmament declares the work of His hand. (Psalm 19:5,2)

### ***Epistle—Acts 2:1-11***

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

In those days, when the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God."

### ***Alleluia, Tone 1***

*verse:* By the Lord's words the heavens were

established, and by the Breath of His mouth all their host.

*verse:* The Lord has looked down from heaven and beheld the whole human race.

### ***Gospel—John 7:37-52; 8:12***

On the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, "Truly this is the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ."

But some said, "Will the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David was?" So there was a division among the people because of Him. Now some of them wanted to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him.

Then the officers came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why have you not brought Him?"

The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this Man!"

Then the Pharisees answered them, "Are you also deceived? Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed."

Nicodemus (he who came to Jesus by night, being one of them) said to them, "Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing?"

They answered and said to him, "Are you also from Galilee? Search and look, for no prophet has arisen out of Galilee."

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

### ***Hymn to the Mother of God***

O my soul, magnify the one Divinity in three Persons.

*And the Irmos:* Rejoice, O Queen, boast of the virgins and mothers, for every tongue, though capable and eloquent, cannot hymn you as is your due, and every mind is confounded in seeking to comprehend the way in which you gave birth. Wherefore with one accord we glorify you.

### ***Communion Hymn***

Your good Spirit will lead me\* to the land of righteousness.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia. (Psalm 142:10)



# Announcements and Upcoming Events

- ❖ **Moleben for the Sanctity of Human Life** at Assumption Parish 7 PM on May 31st
- ❖ **Upcoming UCWLC Meetings :** June 8 , 2023 @ 6:30 pm
- ❖ **UCWLC TAG DAY** – Sunday May 28th, 2023
- ❖ **Children’s Summer Bible Camp July 24-28— We only have 5 adult volunteers. We need 8 plus backups to be able to run the camp. Please consider volunteering.**  
We are working hard to reignite our Children’s Summer Bible Camp! For this program to run smoothly we require 8 adult volunteers to help in a fulltime capacity from Mon July 24-Fri July 28. Please contact Kathryn Livesey" <kalivesey@shaw.ca>, "Lynsey Lowey, childrensprogram@protomartyr.ca to offer your support or raise any questions you have.
- ❖ **50+ meeting on Tuesday, May 30**  
Cards at 11 AM with sandwich potluck to follow. Please bring your favorite sandwiches or pickles/condiments or dessert to share for lunch.
- ❖ **BLESSING OF THE GRAVES**  
Please join us for the Blessing of the Graves on Saturday, June 3, 2023 as follows:  
9am: St. Mary’s Cemetery - 3157 Erlton St SW  
11am: Eden Brook Memorial Gardens - 24223 Township Rd 242  
1pm: Queen’s Park Cemetery - 3219 – 4th St NW  
Please register your attendance with the office at 403-249-4818, ext 0.



## DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

- Saturday, May 27:
- ❖ 5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners
- Sunday, May 28: PENTECOST
- ❖ 8:30am – in memory of the repose of the souls of +Ben and +Adrian Sakundiak
  - ❖ 10:30am – for blessings to the Lukowich family as they gather for their family reunion
- Wednesday, May 31:
- ❖ 9:00am – in memory of the repose of the souls of +David and +Jerry Jumaga
- Thursday, June 1:
- ❖ 9:00am – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners
- Saturday, June 3:
- ❖ 5:00pm – for the intentions and needs of all parishioners
- Sunday, June 4:
- ❖ 8:30am – for blessings and good health for Don Jumaga
  - ❖ 10:30am – for blessings and congratulations to Don & Marcy Bobyn as they celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mnohaya Lita!

**EVENT DETAILS**  
Saturday June 3rd  
Sunday June 4th, 2023

**Hours:**  
Saturday 10am – 12am  
Sunday 10am – 6pm

**Location:**  
Acadia Recreation Complex  
240 90 Ave SW, Calgary, AB

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**JUNE 3 & 4 2023**

**CALGARY UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL**

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**ST STEPHEN’S**

**KIDS BIBLE SUMMER CAMP**

**JULY 24-28**

**Bible and Byzantine Learning Fun**

Every morning follow Jesus through bible adventures, making new friends, incredible music, wild games, amazing crafts and snacks. Every afternoon explore our Byzantine Catholic faith through dance, music, church exploration crafts and games.

- ❖ Children Ages: 4 - 12 years
- ❖ Youth entering grade 7 or older & adults are encouraged to volunteer
- ❖ The Fun lasts from: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm.
- ❖ Doors Open: 8:45 am—Half Day: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
- ❖ Fees: \$100 / child or \$50 / child for half-day program Family rate (3 or more children) \$250
- ❖ Camp Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/2wwhjcu>
- ❖ Volunteers Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/52brc32a>
- ❖ Payments accepted by the church office.
- ❖ Contact: Lynsey Lowey [ChildrensPrograms@protomartyr.ca](mailto:ChildrensPrograms@protomartyr.ca)



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ST. STEPHEN'S



UKRAINE  
SUPPORT  
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Our parish provides support to recent newcomers from Ukraine. If you have any questions, please contact us at [ukrainesupport@protomartyr.ca](mailto:ukrainesupport@protomartyr.ca).

**Newcomers:** Please register with Anastasia Gyrshanovych at [newcomers@protomartyr.ca](mailto:newcomers@protomartyr.ca) to get information about how we can help and newcomer events at our church.

**Будь-ласка, відправте, будь-ласка, вашу контактну інформацію за адресою [newcomers@protomartyr.ca](mailto:newcomers@protomartyr.ca), щоб отримувати інформацію про заходи для новоприбулих у нашій церкві від нашої координаторки для новоприбулих від Юлії Мороз.**

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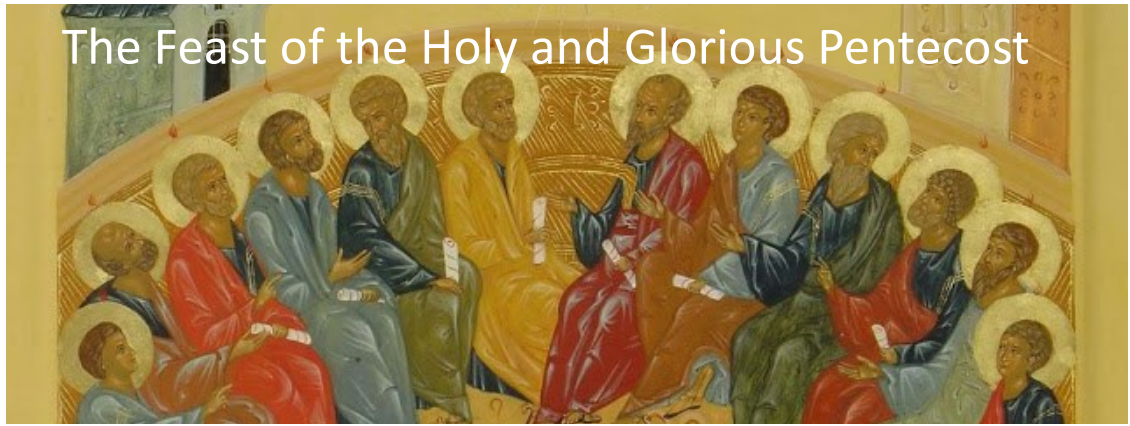


#### \*\*NEW ALL NEWCOMERS IN NEED OF HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ARE INVITED TO OUR DONATION CENTRE.

Contact Doris Watson at [watson.dw@hotmail.com](mailto:watson.dw@hotmail.com). And to our Calgary community - we welcome your donations of household items. Please contact Doris to make arrangements.

Запрошуємо усіх новоприбулих, які потребують побутові речі для дому, до нашого Донорського Центру. Щоб організувати зустріч у Центр, зв'яжіться з Доріс Ватсон за електронною адресою: [watson.dw@hotmail.com](mailto:watson.dw@hotmail.com) Для спільноти у Калгарі: Ми приймаємо ваші пожертви побутових речей. Щоб домовитись з організацією, також зв'яжіться, будь ласка, з Доріс Ватсон за тією ж адресою.

## The Feast of the Holy and Glorious Pentecost



Fifty Days after Passover Jews observe the Feast of Shavuot, the Festival of Weeks, which originated as the conclusion of the Spring harvest season in Israel. Between Passover and Shavuot barley, grapes, figs, pomegranates, olives, dates and lastly wheat would be harvested. According to the Biblical command ([Deuteronomy 8:8](#)) growers would bind the first fruits of each together and bring it as an offering to the temple. At the time of Christ it was one of the three "pilgrimage festivals" when Jews would come in great numbers to observe the temple rites for the feast. Greek-speaking Jews called this festival Pentecost, the "fiftieth day."

In the Acts of the Apostles we read how, in the midst of this festive atmosphere, "When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" ([Acts 2:1-4](#)).

Our Christian festival, also called Pentecost, remembers this event as the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy and of Christ's promise before His death and resurrection. The Acts of the Apostles records that, immediately after this manifestation, Peter addressed the curious passers-by by citing [Joel 2:28-32](#) ("And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh..."). After recalling the death and resurrection of Christ, Peter went on to say that this prophecy is now fulfilled: "Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear" ([Acts 2:33](#)).

It was this outpouring of the Spirit which Christ had promised: "On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, 'If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.' But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified" ([John 7:37](#)).

More especially in the Byzantine Churches the Feast of Pentecost celebrates the ultimate manifestation of the Holy Trinity. At the Theophany at Christ's baptism the Father's voice bore witness to Christ, confirmed by the presence of the Spirit in the form of a dove. At

Pentecost the Father's gift of the Spirit is manifested within those who received Him. No longer observers of the Spirit's presence, they became temples of the Holy Spirit "who is in you, whom you have from God" ([1 Corinthians 6:19](#)).

#### They Speak with Other Tongues

A much-discussed element in the story of the Spirit's descent is the so-called gift of tongues: that the apostles "began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" ([Acts 2:4](#)). A number of today's Pentecostals and Charismatics see speaking in tongues as a sign (if not the sign) of a truly living faith.

#### The Holy Spirit Guides Us

When the Lord Jesus promised the coming of the Holy Spirit He indicated that this Spirit "...will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you" ([John 14:26](#)) and that "He will guide you into all truth" ([John 16:13](#)). In our day these simple words have been interpreted to mean something very different from what was intended.

Since the Renaissance we have been living in a very individual-centered world. This has enabled us to develop the values of personal freedom and justice we cherish. It has also meant that we see our faith in individualistic rather than in communal terms. While the Scriptures and the historic tradition sees the believer relating to God in the community of the Church, modern man has dismissed the community as being superfluous to an individual believer's life with God.

In terms of the Pentecost event, many Christians tend to see the promise of the Holy Spirit as an assurance that God is guiding me. This leads some people to believe that God is calling them personally to serve Him, without that feeling being confirmed. They start their own churches or "ministries" and develop their own following. In their personal life they see themselves as "guided by God" when it is their own inclinations and desires that they are pursuing.

The Scriptures teach that the Holy Spirit guides us, but it means that He is preserving and leading the Church rather than leading me. We may well pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit but should expect to see that guidance manifested through the Church. This is why it is so important for committed believers to have a spiritual guide who is well-grounded in the Tradition. With such a guide we can experience the Spirit in the Church in a more personal way.

Source: [Eparchy of Newton](#)