



Blessing of Homes at Theophany

In the days following Theophany, the Fathers will be visiting and blessing the homes of parishioners with the newly blessed "Jordan Water". If you wish to have your home blessed please fill out the bottom portion of this page and drop it in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory office.

HOME BLESSING 2017

Name _____ Address _____ Phone _____

Most Suitable time to visit: Morning ___ Afternoon ___ Evening ___

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST	GREETERS
SAT DEC 10	5:00 pm English	Julian Abrametz		Dennis Benko Carl Pacholka		
SUN DEC 11 <i>Sunday of the Holy Forefathers</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Bernie Stephaniuk	Ed Pindus	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Sandra German	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Ed Lischynski Mike Smud	Iris Skehar	
SAT DEC 17	5:00 pm English	Delores Oucharek		Andy Mathuik Paul Shewchuk		
SUN DEC 18 <i>Sunday of the Holy Fathers</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Harry Kardynal	Lorne Stechyshyn	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood		
	11:00 am English	Gloria Rhinas	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Richard Zulyniak Myron Kulasa	Iris Skehar	

SUNDAY COLLECTION DEC 4 2016	Received in 182 Regular Envelopes	\$ 3,797.00
	Loose Collection	\$ 163.20
	Received in 13 Other Envelopes	\$ 270.00
	Received in 112 Orphans in Ukraine Envelopes	\$ 3,767.05

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ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Церква Матері Божої Неустанної Помочі

Our Mother of Perpetual Help

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PARISH BULLETIN

DECEMBER 11, 2016

Христос Посеред нас!
Є і буде!

Christ is Among Us!
He is and will be!



The parish community of St. Mary's extends a warm
Welcome - Вітаємо
 to everyone who is with us today, especially all visitors.
 We are pleased that you have come to pray with us this Sunday. May the Lord bless You.

Pastoral Care of the Ukrainian Redemptorists

Fr. Bohdan Lukie, CSsR - Pastor
 Fr. Raymond Lukie, CSsR - Assistant Pastor
 Fr. Methodius Kushko, CSsR - Assistant Pastor

OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday
 9:15 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Office 306-783-4594
Info Line 306-782-0654

SICK CALLS - Anytime

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES* by Appointment
 *Please contact the pastor at least six
 months before the wedding date.

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Saturday 5:00 pm English
 Sunday 9:00 am Ukrainian
 11:00 am English

HOLY DAYS

9:00 am Ukrainian 7:00 pm English

WEEKDAYS

8:00 am Monday - Friday
 9:00 am Saturday

Slava Isusu Khrystu! Glory be to Jesus Christ!

I am pleased with the warm and happy response to having Vigil Candles back in our beloved St. Mary's - after many years of absence! Do light a candle in memory of a +loved one or for a very special prayer request. Also re-read last Sunday's bulletin, explaining the spiritual meaning of this centuries-old Ukrainian Catholic tradition...

And now on another topic of interest... yes, we have many wonderful Ukrainian religious customs, one of which is commencing carols only on Christmas Eve and then, singing them for 40 days after, that is, until February 2nd the Feast of the Presentation. This was a "do-able tradition"

in rural Ukraine where the Advent practice was strictly honoured and the Christmas tree decorations were only mounted a day or two before the Nativity and then the singing of our beautiful carols continued faithfully for 40 days.

Sadly in Canada this practice is not the current case. Christmas carols have truly been commercialized! We hear them continually played in the stores and in the malls right after Halloween – of course, as an effective means of encouraging more and more shopping! In reality, they have become '**secular songs**' that have lost their true meaning.

Carols are played and sung everywhere – **except in our churches** where they should express their spiritual purpose of preparing all parishioners for the joyous celebration of Christ's birth. **It is time** that we, as Christians, **reclaimed our religious carols** and celebrated them in church – yes, 3 weeks before and 3 weeks after Christmas Day and thus we create a much more meaningful Canadian Ukrainian tradition. We then have the joy of caroling and spreading the "good news" - the message that our Lord and Saviour is borne unto each of us and for this we give great thanks and praise!

It seemed so strange and wrong that our parish organizations would host a Christmas gathering early in December and yet not invite the most important guest- **Jesus!** That is why last year and this year we all gathered together and caroled - everyone was verily merry! That is why we are now happily caroling in our church before and after... and ecstatically, as Christians, are proclaiming our **Christ-mas joy and peace!**

This became our religious practice in my former parishes and is being adopted in many other churches here in Canada. We love Ukraine and its wonderful traditions but we must create meaningful Canadian traditions here!

On this note, may we already extend warm heartfelt, joyful and peaceful Christmas greetings to all of you! Let us keep the **Reason** for the **Season** as the wonderful Birth of the Son of God, Our Lord Jesus!



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 18	First Solemn Holy Communion Class	9:45 am
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December 18	Adult Faith Presentation (Golden Agers Centre)	10:00 am
December 18	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Regular Meeting & AGM	2:00 pm
December 20	Parish Council Meeting (<i>preceded by Divine Liturgy</i>)	7:00 pm
December 21	Christmas Reconciliation(Confessions)	6:30 pm
December 24	Christmas Divine Liturgy at Gladstone Seniors' Residence	10:30 am
December 25	<i>Nativity of Our Lord</i>	
December 26	<i>Sobor of the Mother of God</i>	
December 27	<i>Feast of St. Stephen</i>	
December 28	Golden Agers Birthdays and Anniversaries	1:00 pm
January 1	<i>Circumcision of Our Lord - St. Basil's - New Year's</i>	
January 2	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm
January 2	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm
January 5	<i>Vigil of Theophany</i> Solemn Water Blessing & Divine Liturgy	
January 5	Parish Potluck Supper	
January 6	<i>Feast of Theophany</i>	
January 5	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:30 am
January 9	Cultural Centre Board Meeting	7:30 pm
January 13	Holy Rosary Hour	



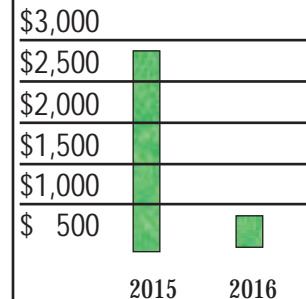
MOBILE DEVICES

You are kindly reminded to silence your mobile devices upon entering the church.

CO-MISSIONARY FUND

2015 -16

OUR TARGET FOR THIS YEAR IS \$3000.00



Co-Missionary Fund Contributions can be made monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. Our goal is to contribute \$250/month or \$3,000/yr. Please make your cheques payable to "St. Mary's" but memo the cheque *Co-Missionary Fund*.

MUSÉE UKRAINA MUSEUM INC.

2017 CASH LOTTERY CALENDARS

COST \$20 EACH FOR 365 DRAWS

Available from : Parish Office 306-783-4594

Elizabeth Zahayko 306-783-6232 Peter Moroz - UCBC (306-783-6293)



Listen for the UKRAINIAN HOUR

Sundays 3:00 - 4:00 pm Mondays 10:00 - 11:00 pm
on 98.5 the ROCK



CHRIST THE TEACHER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

DECEMBER 12 - DECEMBER 16

	SACRED HEART	ST. ALPHONSUS	ST. MARY'S	ST. MICHAEL'S	ST. PAUL'S	ST. THEODORE'S
MON	Jr. Boys Basketball 4:00 pm	SCC Meeting 6:30 pm				
TUES	Choir Concert	Advent Celebration lead by Kindergarten 10:00 am				
WED	Band Concert 7:00 pm					Gr. 5 Bible Presentation
THURS	Jr. Girls Basketball 4:00 pm Elementary Band Concert - 7 pm	SHHS Band @St. Alphonsus 1:45 pm				
FRI		PreK Celebration 11:00 am				

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD



ANNUAL MEETING & REGULAR MEETING

WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH AT 2:00 PM

All Members are urged to attend.

SICK & VISITING

If you know of someone who is in the hospital and has not been visited by one of the Fathers, please call the Parish Office 306-783-4594 to inform them.

At times, patients may not be included in the list the Fathers receive from the Hospital.



***When asked about your faith, please say "Ukrainian Catholic" not Greek Catholic or Catholic. The Fathers are only given the list of Ukrainian Catholic patients.

YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

****Please note: this schedule is subject to change, please check regularly****

BEAVERDALE	Sunday, December 25	10:00 am	Christmas Divine Liturgy
CALDER	Saturday, December 24	9:00 pm	God is with Us & Divine Liturgy

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FORE-FATHERS

DECEMBER 11, 2016

*The theme of Sunday is always Resurrection.
We invite you to refrain from kneeling during the Divine Liturgy.*



*Today's special liturgical parts & readings are found on pages 30-32 in the Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings booklets that are found at the entrances of the church.
Next Week's Readings: Epistle - Hebrews 11:9-10;17-23;32-40 Gospel - Matthew 1:1-25*

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

SUN	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy
	11:00 am	Divine Liturgy
MON	6:00 pm	Cultural Centre Board Meeting
TUE	12:00 Noon	Holy Rosary Hour
	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
THU	10:30 am	Divine Liturgy at Gladstone Seniors' Residence
SAT	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy
	5:00 pm	Divine Liturgy

Wedding

Chad Clifford Sebulsky, son of Bernie & Faye (nee Wunder)

and

Danielle Leigh Lefebvre, daughter of Allan & Wanda (nee Carfantan)

Banns



Curtis Kenneth Julian Hyra, son of Kenneth & Rhonda (nee Jamieson)

and

Katelyn Amber Shewchuk, daughter of Willie & Phyllis (nee Fedun)

1st
Notification

WEDDING PLANS ??- If you are planning to be married at St. Mary's or any of the Yorkton District parishes, **please contact Fr. Bohdan (306-783-4594) at least six months before the wedding date.**

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin is Tuesdays at 4:30 pm.



EMAIL BULLETIN If you would like to have the Bulletin emailed to you please send your request to: cssrmonastery@sasktel.net

JUST A REMINDER...



All contributions and donations that require a tax receipt for 2016 must be in the Parish Office by
**Wednesday,
December 28th.**

THE CHRISTMAS MAILING

is available for pickup in the vestibule of the east entrance.

If you know of others who aren't able to pick up their mailing, please pick up for them.

Thank you.



DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

Sunday of the Holy Fore-Fathers

Colossians 3:4-11 ~ Luke 14:16-24

MON Dec 12 Venerable Spiridion

Hebrews 11:17-31 ~ Mark 9:42-10

8:00 am God's Blessings for Glen & Lena Tymiak (50th Anniversary).....Peter & Verna Moroz
 8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Orest Zahayko.....Larry & Sandra German
 8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Brother.....Sister

TUE Dec 13 Martyr Eustratius

2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9 ~ Luke 21:12-28

8:00 am God's Blessings for Yorkton Redemptorists & Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate.....UCWLC
 8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Emily.....Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren

WED Dec 14 Martyr Thyrcas & others

James 1:1-18 ~ Mark 10:11-16

8:00 am Health & God's Blessing for Ernest & Ann Cherewyk.....Peter & Anna Gulka
 8:00 am God's Blessings for Grace Chorney.....Ruby & family


THU Dec 15 Priest Martyr Eleutherius

James 1:19-27 ~ Mark 10:17-27

8:00 am Health for Marilyn Churcky.....Theresa & Walter Denischuk
 8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Tony & Edna Mazur.....SSMI
 8:00 am God's Blessings for Debbie & Keith Hayward (30th Anniversary).....N.N.

FRI Dec 16 Prophet Aggeus

James 2:1-13 ~ Mark 10:23-32

8:00 am  Health & God's Blessings for Karen Kozi.....Parents - Verna & Steve
 8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Sylvia Gazdewich.....Steve & Natalie Gulka

SAT Dec 17 Prophet Daniel

Colossians 1:1-6 ~ Luke 16:10-15

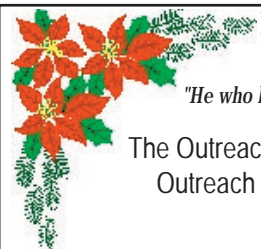
9:00 am Birthday Blessings for Adeline Pacholka.....Prayer Partner

5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Joanna.....Friends



WEEKDAY MORNINGS - Commencing tomorrow, **Monday, December 12th** the Church will now be opened at **7:30 am** for the morning Divine Liturgy instead of 7:00 am.

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS - If you are making an offering for this service by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: Ukrainian Catholic Mission



During the Christmas season, the Outreach Committee of St. Mary's Church encourages you, our Parishioners, to remember those less fortunate.

"He who has compassion on the poor lends to the LORD, and He will repay him for his good deed" Proverbs 19:17

The Outreach Committee welcomes your donations of food items as listed below. Also, there are Outreach envelopes available at the entrances, for those you would prefer a monetary donation.

Thank you for your support!

*granola/snack bars
dill pickles
ketchup
jello cups*

*canned soup
jam
Cheese Whiz
pudding cups*

*spaghetti sauce
pancake syrup
mustard
cereal*

*pork & beans
kidney beans
cookies
juice boxes*

Non-perishable food items only, please. Bins are located at each entrance.

Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



Balance of the Fund to date: \$ 318,086.74 Thank you very much

Donations may be given anytime.
 All funds collected will be used for the future renovations of our church.
 Building Fund Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church

CHURCH DONATIONS

To ensure that your donation is properly recorded and acknowledged, please mark your envelope and the memo line on your cheque **"In memory of..."** or **"On the occasion of..."**

Christmas Reconciliation (Confessions)

will be held on **Wednesday, December 21st** at 6:30 pm with Divine Liturgy at 7:00 pm.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from Tuesday, December 20th until Tuesday, February 21st. It will resume on Tuesday, February 28th.



EPARCHY OF SASKATOON VIBRANT PARISHES: COVENANT OF CARE ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT PROTOCOL

Covenant of Care is a code of conduct which is designed to create safe and respectful church communities and healthy ministerial relationships, and to protect people from abuse and the harm that results

Patriarch Sviatoslav Shevchuk in his Pastoral Letter (Dec. 2, 2011) states that the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church functions on the principles of "The Vibrant Parish – a place to encounter the living Christ" -- working to build communities that are rooted in love. We hereby affirm that in order to maintain these vibrant communities that proclaim and follow Christ, it is imperative to build on a foundation of trust. This *Covenant of Care* is a code of conduct which is designed to create safe and respectful church communities and healthy ministerial relationships, and to protect people from abuse and the harm that results. This protocol strives to provide proactive protection for:

- children, youth and vulnerable adults, and
- those who minister, including clergy, employees and church volunteers.

The *Abuse and Misconduct Protocol* is designed to ensure that allegations of physical and sexual abuse and other misconduct are handled responsibly, transparently and with all due care and attention.

To speak to someone about a concern related to the Covenant of Care, please contact Deb Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at 306-653-0138 ext. 228.

The Eparchial Covenant of Care information is available on our Eparchial website: www.skeparchy.org on the Home Page "Covenant of Care" icon.

As well as under Policies and Procedures under the Eparchy tab: <http://www.skeparchy.org/wordpress/about-us/policies-and-procedures/>





Церква Матері Божої Неустанної Помочі St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

Порядок Богослужень 2016-2017 Schedule of Service



SATURDAY DECEMBER 24 ГРУДНЯ СУБОТА

Christmas Eve (Fast Day) - Навечер'я Різдва (Піст)

God is With Us Service (Eng)	8:00 pm	Велике Повечеря (Анг)
Divine Liturgy	8:30 pm	Служба Божа (Анг)
God is With Us Service (Ukr)	10:30 pm	Велике Повечеря (Укр)
Divine Liturgy (Ukr)	11:00 pm	Служба Божа (Укр)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 25 ГРУДНЯ НЕДІЛЯ

Christmas Day - Різдво

Divine Liturgy (Ukr)	9:00 am	Служба Божа (Укр)
Divine Liturgy (Eng)	11:00 am	Служба Божа (Анг)

MONDAY DECEMBER 26 ГРУДНЯ ПОНЕДІЛОК

Sobor of the Blessed Mother - Собор Прес. Богородиці

Divine Liturgy	9:00 am	Служба Божа
Divine Liturgy	7:00 pm	Служба Божа

TUESDAY DECEMBER 27 ГРУДНЯ ВІТРОК

Feast of St. Stephen - св. Стефана

Divine Liturgy	9:00 pm	Служба Божа
Divine Liturgy	7:00 pm	Служба Божа



SATURDAY DECEMBER 31 ГРУДНЯ СУБОТА

Divine Liturgy 9:00 pm Служба Божа

(Anticipated for Circumcision/St. Basil the Great)

Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm Служба Божа (Анг)

SUNDAY JANUARY 1 СІЧНЯ НЕДІЛЯ

Circumcision of Our Lord - Обрізання Г.Н.І.Х.

St. Basil the Great - Св. Василя Великого

Divine Liturgy (Ukr)	9:00 pm	Служба Божа (Укр)
Divine Liturgy (Eng)	11:00 am	Служба Божа (Анг)

THURSDAY JANUARY 5 СІЧНЯ ЧЕТВЕР

Theophany Eve (Fast Day) Навечеря Богоявлення (Піст)

Solemn Water Blessing	Врочисте Водосвяття
Divine Liturgy (Eng)	6:00 pm Служба Божа (Анг)
<i>Parish Potluck Supper to Follow</i>	

FRIDAY JANUARY 6 СІЧНЯ П'ЯТНИЦЯ

Theophany (Jordan) - Богоявлення (Йордан)

Solemn Water Blessing	Врочисте Водосвяття
Divine Liturgy (Ukr)	9:00 am Служба Божа (Укр)

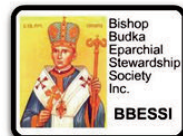
Христос Раждається !

Christ Is Born !



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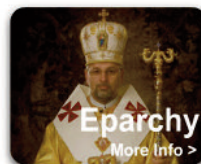
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Check out the Latest News and Upcoming Events and send in your parish and organization news and events . . . Stay in touch, give us your feedback and suggestions. Communications building is a two-way street and we need you to be part of the link, connecting us all together as our Eparchial family!



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God's Blessings, Chris Pidwerbeski - Communications Coordinator
Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon
306-653-0138 ext.226 communications@skeparchy.org



UCWLC

2016 Christmas Raffle Winners

- 1st Prize \$500.00 Staci Wyatt
- 2nd Prize \$250.00 Candace Koochia
- 3rd Prize \$100.00 Cory Stupak
- 4th Prize \$ 50.00 Melvin Hnidey
- 5th Prize \$ 50.00 Diane Pillowpow

Thank you to everyone who supported our raffle by selling and / or purchasing tickets.



A Traditional Ukrainian Christmas Liturgy Broadcast

From St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church
GX94: 940 AM

Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25th 10:00 am

The two hour program will include: The Christmas Compline (Povecheriye), the Divine Liturgy, Ukrainian Carols and Christmas greetings on behalf of the parish.

If you are not in the listening area, tune in to: www.gx94radio.com (<http://cjgx.streamon.fm>)

We hope you will tune in to our program.

CHRISTMAS RADIO BROADCAST - CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED!

We are always very appreciative of our organizations - K of C, UCBC and UCWLC who continue to support this endeavour every year. If families or individuals are interested in contributing to this wonderful annual tradition, please come by the Parish Office with your contribution or place an envelope in the collection plate clearly marked for the Radio Broadcast. *The choir will acknowledge all donors on the broadcast.*

SURVEY RE: SENIORS' RESIDENCES WITHIN THE EPARCHY

Out of concern for the needs of retired Ukrainian Catholics within the Eparchy and in light of the extensive waiting list for admittance to St. Volodymyr Villa in Saskatoon, and, at a time when issues of health care and end-of-life care are foremost in the minds of legislators, health care providers, and citizens, the Eparchy is interested in finding out whether there is interest among the faithful for an Eparchial initiative that would see the development of a project similar to Saskatoon's St. Volodymyr Villa in Yorkton to serve the Ukrainian Catholic faithful in the South-East quadrant of the Eparchy.

We would appreciate receiving responses from all Ukrainian Catholic adults 50 years of age and older. Please respond to this survey by **December 31, 2016.**

Name: _____

Age: _____ Contact information: _____

- A. I would be prepared to retire to a Ukrainian Catholic facility in Yorkton
 I would not be prepared to retire to a Ukrainian Catholic facility in Yorkton
- B. If I retired to Yorkton, I would be looking for:
- a life/lease condo to purchase
 - an apartment to rent with recreational facilities and optional provision for meals W
 - an assisted living facility
- C. I am already on the waiting list for St. Volodymyr Villa in Saskatoon
 I am not on the waiting list for St. Volodymyr Villa in Saskatoon

Comments: _____