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**St. Mary's Church
155 Catherine Street
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The month of May is dedicated to

*Mary
the Mother of God*



Please remember to pray the Rosary

Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You are already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



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**Christ is Risen !
Indeed He is Risen !**

**Христос Воскрес !
Воїстину Воскрес !**



Please Note:

Due to the Covid-19 Quarantine

There are **NO** public services being held at the Church at this time

The Parish Office is Closed

However, if there is an **emergency**, please call Fr. Leonid 306-783-4594

READINGS FOR THE SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

GOSPEL: John 9: 1 - 38

At that time as Jesus walked along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, was it his sin or that of his parents that caused him to be born blind?" "Neither," answered Jesus. "It was no sin, either of this man or of his parents. Rather, it was to let God's works show forth in him. We must do the deeds of him who sent me while it is day. The night comes on when no one can work. While I am in the world I am the light of the world." With that Jesus spat on the ground, made mud with his saliva, and smeared the man's eyes with the mud. Then he told him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam." (The name means "One who has been sent.") So the man went off and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and the people who had been accustomed to see him begging began to ask, "Isn't this the fellow who used to sit and beg?" Some were claiming it was he; others maintained it was not but someone who looked like him. The man himself said, "I am the one." They said to him then, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered: "That man they call Jesus made mud and smeared it on my eyes, telling me to go to Siloam and wash. When I did go and wash, I was able to see." "Where is he?" they asked. He replied, "I have no idea." Next, they took the man who had been born blind to the Pharisees. (Note that it was on a sabbath that Jesus had made the mud paste and opened his eyes.) The Pharisees, in turn, began to inquire how he had recovered his sight. He told them, "He put mud on my eyes. I washed it off, and now I can see." This prompted some of the Pharisees to assert, "This man cannot be from God because he does not keep the sabbath." Others objected, "If a man is a sinner, how can he perform signs like these?" They were sharply divided over him. Then they addressed the blind man again: "Since it was your eyes he opened, what do you have to say about him?" "He is a prophet," he replied. The Jews refused to believe that he had really been born blind and had begun to see, until they summoned the parents of this man who now could see. "Is this your son?" they asked, "and if so, do you attest that he was blind at birth? How do you account for the fact that now he can see?" The parents answered: "We know this is our son, and we know he was blind at birth. But how he can see now, or who opened his eyes, we have no idea. Ask him. He is old enough to speak for himself." (His parents answered in this fashion because they were afraid of the Jews, who had already agreed among themselves that anyone who acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. That was why his parents said, "He is of age -- ask him.") A second time they summoned the man who had been born blind and said to him, "Give glory to God! First of all we know this man is a sinner." "I do not know whether he is a sinner or not," he answered. "I know this much; I was blind before; now I can see." They persisted: "Just what did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" "I have told you once, but you would not listen to me," he answered them. "Why do you want to hear it all over again? Do not tell me you want to become his disciples too?" They retorted scornfully: "You are the one who is that man's disciple. We are disciples of Moses. We know that God spoke to Moses but we have no idea where this man comes from." He came back at them: "Well, this is news! You do not know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not hear sinners, but that if someone is devout and obeys his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever gave sight to a person blind from birth. If this man were not from God, he could never have done such a thing." "What!" they exclaimed, "You are steeped in sin from your birth, and you are giving us lectures?" With that they threw him out bodily. When Jesus heard of his expulsion, he sought him out and asked him, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" "You have seen him," Jesus replied. "He is speaking to you now." "I do believe, Lord," he said.

READINGS FOR THE SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

EPISTLE: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (16: 16 - 34)

In those days as we were on our way out to the place of prayer that we met a slave girl who had a clairvoyant spirit. She used to bring substantial profit to her masters by fortune telling. The girl began to follow Paul and the rest of us shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God; they will make known to you a way of salvation." She did this for several days until finally Paul became annoyed, turned around, and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you, come out of her!" Then and there the spirit left her. When her masters saw that their source of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the main square before the local authorities. They turned them over to the magistrate with this complaint: "These men are agitators disturbing the peace of our city! Furthermore, they are Jews, which means they advocate customs which are not lawful for us Romans to adopt or practice. The crowd joined in the attack on them and the magistrates stripped them and ordered them to be flogged. After receiving many lashes they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was given instructions to guard them well. Upon receipt of these instructions he put them in maximum security, going so far as to chain their feet to a stake. About midnight, while Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God as their fellow prisoners listened, a severe earthquake suddenly shook the place, rocking the prison to its foundations. Immediately all the doors flew open and everyone's chains were pulled loose. The jailer woke up to see the prison gates wide open. Thinking that the prisoners had escaped, he drew his sword to kill himself; but Paul shouted to him, "Do not harm yourself! We are all still here." The jailer called for a light, then rushed in and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas. After a brief interval he led them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" Their answer was, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, and all your household." They proceeded to announce the word of God to him and to everyone in his house. At that late hour of the night he took them in and bathed their wounds; then he and his whole household were baptized. He led them up into his house, spread a table before them, and joyfully celebrated with his whole family his new-found faith in God.



COVENANT OF CARE ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT PROTOCOL

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Covenant of Care Abuse and Misconduct Protocol is designed to ensure that all 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 please contact your Pastor, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) *Geraldine Koban* at 306-782-0270 or *Deb Larmour*, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at (306)653-0138 ext. 228 or email: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org

More information is available on the Eparchial Website, www.skeparchy.org

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 17


Sunday of the Man Born Blind *Acts 16:16-34 ~ John 9:1-38*
MON May 18 Martyr Theodotus *Acts 17:1-15 ~ John 11:47-54*

8:00 am +Lena Tymiak.....Albin & Elsie Zayshley
TUE May 19 Priest Martyr Patritius *Acts 17:19-28 ~ John 12:19-36*

8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Riley Rozdeba.....Grandpa & Grandma
WED May 20 Martyr Thalaleus *Acts 18:23-28 ~ John 12:36-47*

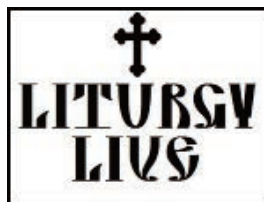
8:00 am +Joseph & +Anne Sebulski.....Emil Sebulski
THU May 21 *Acts 1:1-12 ~ Luke 24:36-53*

8:00 am  **Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord**
FRI May 22 Martyr Basilicus *Acts 19:1-8 ~ John 14:1-11*

8:00 am  +Colette Medvid.....Mom & Dad
SAT May 23 Confessor Michael *Acts 20:7-12 ~ John 14:10-21*

8:00 am +Jason Bilokreli and +Dorothy and +Alex Sebulsky....Rosanna & Harold Bilokreli

*Fr. Leonid and Fr. Yevhen will continue having Divine Liturgy with Intentions.
 Please remember that at this time, no one is allowed in the Church.
 Thank you for your understanding.*



Livestream/Online Services Through Our Parishes in Eparchy of Saskatoon

**Especially now during this time of the COVID-19 Pandemic,
 please join us for Divine Liturgies and Holy Week Services as we
 pray together from our homes.**

Two of our parishes Livestream their Divine Liturgies & other services And one parish
 is recording services through their YouTube Channel! Livestreaming:

Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George – Saskatoon

Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Dormition of the Blessed Mother of God – Saskatoon

YouTube Channel:

Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church – YouTube Channel

“TUNE IN” directly from our Eparchial Website on the Home Page by clicking on the
 “LITURGY LIVE ICON”!

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2020

Catholic Schools in Saskatchewan
 A People of Hope



Catholic Education Week
 May 17-24, 2020

#CEWSK2020 #IGNITINGHOPE #CATHOLICEDSK

The Catholic School Divisions within the Province of Saskatchewan will celebrate Catholic Education Week 2020 like never before. The remote learning environment we are living in during Covid-19 times will be filled with our theme, **Igniting Hope**, during the week of **May 17-24, 2020**. Materials have been developed for sharing via the various platforms that schools are using to engage students, families, and communities.

The materials, attached to the CEW email, include daily prayer and reflection, activity and movie suggestions, as well as scripture and quotes to ponder – all to ignite the hope that is within us. Keep an eye out for social media posts which will be shared on various platforms during CEW. On **Thursday, May 21, 2020, World Catholic Education Day**, a Liturgy of the Word led by Archbishop Donald Bolen will be livestreamed at 11:00 am from Resurrection Parish in Regina. The link will be shared via the social media posts and is also given in the WCED Prayer Service Poster attachment. The event will be recorded and available for viewing at another time if so required or desired.

Sub-themes for the week include:

- Our Hope in Christ
- The Hope Within Us
- The Hope Among Us
- Hope for the World
- A Future Full of Hope

Let's continue the rich tradition of joining with our neighbours and friends across the province to celebrate **Catholic Education in Saskatchewan**.

UPDATE ON PHOTOS AND PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Photos will be delayed because of covid. Our representative has been in touch and pictures will be sent out as soon as the office in Ontario gets the okay to reopen.

If anyone has any questions please call Rose at 306-621-4987



CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF SASKATCHEWAN

Catholic Education Week May 17-24, 2020

Greetings sisters and brothers in Christ,

As the Catholic Bishops of Saskatchewan, we invite you to join us in joy and thanksgiving as we recognize the gift and the impact of Catholic education, marking World Catholic Education Day May 21, 2020 and celebrating Catholic Education Week in our province from May 17 to May 24.

This year's celebration of World Catholic Education Day will happen in most unusual circumstances, as educators and students around the globe are affected by the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic has obliged our school systems to take steps in closing schools and in giving online formation to our students. This is certainly not the normal environment for our children, their families, and our educators. Our schools and families have had to be creative in finding new ways in educating children and youth, often utilizing an online approach. Even during this new way of teaching, it is important that the focus of teaching the Catholic faith is not neglected, but continues along with other subjects of the curriculum.

In conjunction with this, our homes have become the Catholic school environment. Since the home is also the first place where Catholic education is found, our families are challenged to permeate the teaching of the faith in all they do, in life and in lessons, both during this time while schools are closed, and beyond.

We know how disappointed many high school students must have been to have learned that no official graduation will be happening this year to celebrate their time and accomplishments of secondary education. Our congratulations and prayers go out to these students. Our prayer and our hope is that their education has sown in their hearts the spark and gift of the Good News.

We give thanks for the recent unanimous decision of the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal in the "Theodore case." The decision accepts the role and place of the Catholic education system in our province, and affirms the right of parents to choose Catholic education no matter what the reason. Although it is still possible the Supreme Court of Canada will consider an appeal of the decision, the recent provincial court ruling is a great sign of hope for all families who choose the Catholic education system, which we believe is the best faith environment for children, for our province, and for our world. Hope is on the horizon.

It is both fitting and profound that the theme of Catholic Education Week this year is "**Igniting Hope!**" In every time and season, the hope perennially ignited by Catholic education is grounded in the "**reason for the hope in us**" (1 Peter 3:15) – the Good News of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is a hope needed more than ever in our lives and in our world during these times of COVID-19 challenge, suffering and difficulty.

Catholic education has always focused on the needs of students as they face our world of today. We are to be for them a beacon of this Light of Christ that they need as they journey through their life, accompanying and transcending lectures and bookwork. When negative forces and attitudes are found in our schools and students, they must be dealt with in a way that will offer tools and new avenues to overcome them, promoting the dignity of all. We must help our students understand that violence is never the answer, that our faith wants us to change our weapons into instruments of peace, bringing a Christian outlook to our world. We must respect the dignity and creed of all.

As we celebrate Catholic Education Week, we are reminded that our faith opens horizons that are beyond us. Because we carry a beacon of hope in our hearts, we share that hope with the world around us, striving to ignite hope in the hearts of all. Our youth have much to offer and we must give them the supportive and loving forum on which they may present their gifts for the world.

Please join us in giving thanks to God for the gift of Catholic education and its unique contribution in our province and our communities. We pray as well for the continuing existence and protection of publicly-funded Catholic education in Saskatchewan, and for hope and perseverance for educators, students and families who are navigating the challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

May Catholic education continue to model Christ as the center of the way of life, and may it continue so we can reach out to all those in need.

Yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Donald Bolen ~ Archbishop of Regina
Most Rev. Bryan Bayda ~ Ukrainian Eparchial Bishop of Saskatoon
Most Rev. Murray Chatlain ~ Archbishop of Keewatin-Le Pas
Most Rev. Mark Hagemoen ~ Bishop of Saskatoon
Most Rev. Albert Thevenot ~ Bishop of Prince Albert

Heavenly Father, during this special week dedicated to Catholic Education,



we thank you for the gift of Catholic Schools. May your Holy Spirit open our hearts to hope as we proclaim your love and goodness to our families, our school communities, and to the entire world. We ask this in the name of our Saviour and Teacher, Jesus Christ. Amen.