



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD
2021 UCBC EPARCHIAL RAFFLE



10 Prizes - \$100.00 each 1 Prize of \$500.00 1 Prize of \$1,000.00
 Draw Date: Sunday, December 5, 2021 at St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Regina, SK
 Tickets: 3 for \$5.00 or \$25.00 for the book Maximum tickets sold 3,750
 For tickets please contact:
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 License # SR20-123

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT MAY 8	5:00 pm English	Sr. Terry Ann Słota	Sr. Terry Ann Słota	John Ostrowercha Vicky Ostrowercha	
SUN MAY 9 <i>Sunday of the Man Born Blind</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Ivan Bachynskyy	Lorne Stechyshyn	Victor Puchala Vickie Puchala	
	11:00 am English	Bill Prybylski	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	John Woychesko Kathy Woychesko	Iris Skehar
SAT MAY 15	5:00 pm English	Sonia Starling	Sonia Starling	Lorne Semaschuk Gwen Bilyk	
SUN MAY 16 <i>Sunday of the Holy Nicean Fathers</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Sr. Terry Ann Słota	Lorne Stechyshyn	Elsie Stechyshyn Mary Malin	
	11:00 am English	Gloria Rhinias	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	John Uhryn Heather Uhryn	Iris Skehar

SUNDAY	Received on 54 Regular Envelopes (Apr 25).....	\$ 1,490.00
COLLECTION	Received on 52 Regular Envelopes (May 2)	\$ 2,035.00
APR 25, 2021	Received in Loose Collection	\$ 21.00
MAY 2, 2021	Received in 14 Other Envelopes	\$ 330.00

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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

MAY 9 & 16, 2021

Christ is Among Us !
 He is and will be !

Христос Посеред нас !
 Є і буде !



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. Leonid Malkov, CSsR - Pastor
 Fr. Yevhen Zadorozhnyi, CSsR - Assistant Pastor

****NEW OFFICE HOURS****

Tuesday - Thursday
 9:00 am - 12:00 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

WEEKDAYS

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

* Please check in the bulletin for
 the Co-Vid Safety Procedures

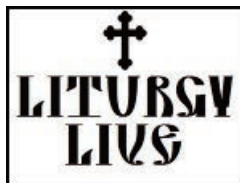
Musée Ukraina Museum Inc. 2021 Lottery Winners for February

\$20.00 Winners: Helen Chartrand-Calgary(AB), Joanna Kyba-Yorkton, Brian Lucyshyn-Saskatoon, Margaret Novasad-Saskatoon, Samson Cahill-Sherwood Park(AB), Robert Jardine-White Fox, Jacky Korney-Preeceville, Jay & Chantel Longman-Lampman, Cindy Dusyk-Montmartre, Robert & Adeline Wuschenny-Regina, Roman & Jinnie Hyshka-Saskatoon, Joe Coffey-Roblin(MB), Bryer Horn-North Battleford, Lydia & Marvin Derenisky-Hudson Bay, Terry & Paulette Pryma-Aberdeen, Joline Empringham-Regina, Cliff Rakochy-Regina, Carol Gutiw-Saskatoon, Maurice & Sandi Draude-Wakaw, Angie Wilson-Saskatoon, Elaine Smycniuk-Saskatoon, Mary Petrowski-Preeceville, Doris Stus-Saskatoon. **\$50.00 Winners:** Lori Kardynal-Saskatoon, Jake Kindrachuk-Saskatoon. **\$100.00 Winners:** Katya Chomitzky-Edmonton(AB), Marlon Haluska-Saskatoon. **\$200.00 Winner:** Craig & Larissa Jacklin-Saskatoon.

Congratulations to all the winners!

There are still 306 chances to win cash prizes in the 2021 Calendar Lottery!

Lottery License #RR20-0127



Liturgy Live – Welcome to the current Livestream/Recorded Liturgical Services from our parishes in our Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon. If you are unable to attend Divine Liturgies and other Services due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, or if you are away, join us for services directly from our Eparchial Website Home Page by clicking on the “Liturgy Live” icon. The following parishes are now providing livestreaming & recorded services:

- Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George, Saskatoon, SK | Website»
 - Ukrainian Catholic Church of Dormition of the Mother of God, Saskatoon, SK | Website» | YouTube Channel»» | Facebook»»
 - St. Basil’s Ukrainian Catholic Church, Regina | Facebook»»
 - Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Saskatoon, SK | YouTube Channel»»
 - St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Regina, SK | Website»» | Facebook»»
 - Sacred Heart Ukrainian Catholic Church, Ituna, SK | Facebook»» | YouTube Channel»»
- Check out their Parish Bulletins for dates and times of Livestream Services (found on the Eparchial Website Home Page by clicking the “Parishes” icon or under the Eparchy tab.
Live Streaming Services of Ukrainian Catholic Churches in Canada and the World | Royal Doors»»



Happy Mother’s Day

*May the blessing and love of Our Divine Lord
and His Blessed Mother*

be yours in abundance on this Mother’s Day and always.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 23	<i>Pentecost</i>	
May 23	Grave Blessing at Yorkton City Cemetery	1:00 pm
May 30	Grave Blessing at Yorkton Memorial Gardens	1:00 pm
June 15	Parish Council Meeting <i>via ZOOM</i>	7:00 pm
June 24	<i>Feast of the Nativity of John the Baptist</i>	
June 29	<i>Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul</i>	

Memorial Services Blessing of Graves

May 23 - Yorkton City Cemetery 1:00 pm

May 30 - Memorial Gardens 1:00 pm

On the above mentioned dates a *Common Parastas - Спільний Парастас* will be celebrated. At the conclusion of the service those who are in attendance may then stand by the graves of their loved ones and it is at this time when one of the priests will then commemorate the deceased by name and bless the grave.

*****Please remember to social distance*****



St. Michael’s Camp at Madge Lake is very excited this year to announce our Summer Day Camps. This year is going to look a little different from other years at camp, but one thing we know for sure is that they will have an experience they will remember forever! Our registration will open up on May 1st. We have limited spots available due to COVID-19 restrictions, so please be sure to register early to guarantee a spot.

Day Camps - Ages 7-15 - 9:00 am – 3:00 pm: July 5-8; July 12-15; July 20-22.

Family Day Camps Friday, July 9–Sunday, July 11; Friday, July 16 – Sunday, July 18.

This year we have different themes for each day of Camp. Due to demand, we have also brought back our Family Camp. This is a time where the whole family can spend the day together at Camp. It does not matter how old or young you are, as we will have activities for the whole family to enjoy. **To register, please go to www.stmichaelscamp.com.** We can’t wait to share a fantastic summer experience with you!!!



The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Eparchial Safeguarding Policy: Covenant of Care, Electronic Communication and Technology & Abuse and Misconduct Policy 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.

To speak to someone about a concern please contact your Pastor, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) **Deborah Larmour**, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at (306)-653-0138 ext. 228; Cell: 306-222-1475 or email: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org More information is available on the Eparchial Website, www.skeparchy.org.



2021 ANNUAL EPARCHIAL APPEAL WEEK 5

The support of the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal by the Faithful of the Eparchy has been exceptionally good and very uplifting. Thank you so very much for your continued generosity.

Today the Parish Bulletin Insert features programs and initiatives offered through the Eparchial Youth & Young Adults Today, as never before, our Church is called to be a missionary to accompany, inspire and be present to our young people. Our youth truly have a missionary spirit; however, it needs to be revealed, nourished, and sustained. Initiatives supported by your donations to the Annual Eparchial Appeal help to do just that.

More information about the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal is available on the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan website at . Particularly, please take the opportunity to watch the Eparchial Appeal Video at home to see how these Eparchial ministries and programs have benefited the lives of some of the people in our Eparchy. The video link is provide on our website.

Did you know that there is more than one way to give to the Annual Eparchial Appeal? You can:

- * *Make a one-time gift.*
- * **Make a pledge and spread out your pledge over 12 (or less) monthly payments.**
- * **Have your donation matched by your company with a Corporate Matching Gift.**
- * **Online donations using the QR code which links directly to the UCFSask website.**



We humbly and respectfully ask you to please consider making a gift to the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal if you have not already done so. This will make a significant difference and will serve as a powerful witness of our God's love and mercy.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the Eparchial Appeal or the Foundation itself, please contact the **Foundation Office at 306-653-0138, ext 223.**

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND SUNDAY OF THE HOLY NICEAN FATHERS

**MAY 9, 2021
MAY 16, 2021**

*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 the
Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings handout available at the entrances.*

*Please remember: the **Divine Liturgy Book** you use is yours to use for the duration of the Covid Procedures. Please remember to **take it home and bring it back to use next time.***

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARY'S

SUN	MAY 9	Sunday of the Man Born Blind 9:00 am Divine Liturgy <i>(Ukrainian)</i> 11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy <i>(English)</i>
WED	MAY 12	7:00 pm..... Moleben to the Mother of God
THU	MAY 13	Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
SAT	MAY 15	9:00 am Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy
SUN	MAY 16	Sunday of the Holy Nicean Fathers 9:00 am..... Divine Liturgy <i>(Ukrainian)</i> 11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy <i>(English)</i>
TUE	MAY 18	7:00 pm..... Parish Council Meeting <i>via ZOOM</i>
WED	MAY 19	7:00 pm..... Moleben to the Mother of God
SAT	MAY 22	All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Sorokousty and Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy

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

 **EMAIL BULLETIN -** If you would like to have the Bulletin emailed to you please send your request to: **st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net**

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon.** The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, May 23rd. Please call the Parish Office in the mornings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or email your information to st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy & prayers to the family & friends of
+Donald Blischak who passed away recently.

Вічная Память God Grant Him Eternal Rest Вічная Память

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 9

Sunday of the Man Born Blind *Acts 16:16-34 ~ John 9:1-38*

MON MAY 10 *Apostle Simon the Zealot* *1 Corinthians 4:9-16 ~ Matthew 13:54-58*

8:00 am For Rain.....Tom & Julie Abrametz
TUE MAY 11 *Cyril & Methodius, Apostles to the Slavs* *2 Timothy 2:1-10 ~ John 15:9-16*

8:00 am Members and Families.....UCWLC
WED MAY 12 *St. Epiphanius* *Acts 18:23-28 ~ John 12:36-47*

8:00 am +Eunice and +Gerald.....Andy Mathuik & family
THU MAY 13 *Acts 1:1-12 ~ Luke 24:36-53*

9:00 am *Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord*
FRI MAY 14 *Martyr Isadore* *Acts 19:1-8 ~ John 14:1-11*

8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Brian.....Family
SAT MAY 15 *Venerable Pachomius* *Acts 20:7-12 ~ John 14:10-21*

9:00 am +Katie Blahut (40 Days).....Children

5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Ed & Lorna Greene.....Walter & Pauline Prystai

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 16

Sunday of the Holy Nicean Fathers *Acts 20:16-18,28-36 ~ John 17:1-13*

MON MAY 17 *Apostle Andronicus* *Acts 21:8-14 ~ John 14:27-15:7*

8:00 am +Max, +Cassie and +Walter.....Eleanor
TUE MAY 18 *Martyr Theodotus* *Acts 21:26-32 ~ John 16:2-13*

8:00 am Successful Surgery for Tim Chorney.....Mom & family
WED MAY 19 *Priest Martyr Patritius* *Acts 23:1-11 ~ John 16:15-23*

8:00 am +Parents, +Pauline and +John.....Adeline & family
THU MAY 20 *Martyr Thalaleus* *Acts 25:13-19 ~ John 16:23-33*

8:00 am +Mike Chopty.....Karen Chopty
FRI MAY 21 *Constantine & Helen, Equals to the Apostles* *Galatians 1:11-19 ~ John 10:1-9*

8:00 am +Colette Medvid (6 Years).....Michael & Violet Medvid
SAT MAY 22 *All Souls Saturday* *Acts 28:1-31 ~ John 21:14-25*

9:00 am Divine Liturgy and Sorokousty

5:00 pm Health for Jan Rusnak.....Laurie Fedorowich & family

Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



In Memory of Geraldine Koban

Roger & Doreen Rathgeber	\$200.00	Sylvia Gazdewich	\$25.00
Tom & Julie Abrametz	\$100.00	Robert & Kathy Rusnak	\$25.00
Lawrence & Rose Mydnynski	\$ 50.00	Paul Shumay	\$20.00
Gerry Smysnuik	\$ 50.00	William & Elizabeth Shumay	\$20.00
Steve & Sonia Popowich	\$ 50.00	Ed & Lorna Greene	\$20.00
Orest & Elizabeth Zahayko	\$ 50.00	Sonja Pawliw	\$20.00
Dave & Sonia Starling	\$ 40.00	Peter & Verna Moroz	\$20.00
Lorne & Teresa Brischuk	\$ 40.00	Glen Tymiak	\$20.00
John & Vicky Ostrowercha	\$ 40.00	Margaret Koshman	\$20.00
Lorne & Elsie Stechyshyn	\$ 30.00	Larry & Sandra German	\$20.00
Gwen Bilyk	\$ 30.00		

Balance of the Fund to date: \$352,621.12 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

ST. MARY'S CHURCH DONATIONS

In Memory of the Diduck & Aichele Families and Kiera Angel Diduck
Shirley Diduck \$100.00

In Memory of Katie Blahut
Dennis & Linda Benko \$50.00

Thank you for your donations!

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...*"

Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

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

INSINGER (St. Nicholas) Sunday, June 13 11:00 am Divine Liturgy

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

****In accordance with the Eparchial Stipend Schedule** (effective November 1, 2017), the suggested **stipend (offering)** for a Divine Liturgy Intention is **\$20.00**.

****NEW** You can find Liturgy Request Forms with envelopes at the Church Entrances.**

Once you have completed the form, place it in the envelope with your stipend, seal the envelope and drop into the collection plate or through the mail slot in the Rectory.



CHRIST THE TEACHER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Catholic Education Week

May 9 – May 16, 2021

World Catholic Education Day

ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021

Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools celebrate the outstanding contributions to Catholic education provided by our students, staff, families, parishes, and the CTCS Board of Education.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2021 PRAYER

Gracious and Generous God,
Creator of the earth, our common home,
with each new day,
we prepare the earth of our lives
by sowing seeds of gratitude
for all you have given.
Inspire us to cultivate relationships
with all living beings.
May we harvest new fruit
and marvel in the wonder
of the beauty around us.
Nurture us in hope.
Amen



On Thursday, May 13, you are invited to a special livestream World Catholic Education Day Liturgy with His Excellency the Most Rev. Bishop Mark Hagemoen at 10:00 am at <https://saskatoonmass.com/> #CEWSK2021 #NurturingHope #CatholicEdSk

LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SERVING GOD'S CHILDREN

Dreambuilders High School

École Saint Henry Junior School

École Saint Henry Senior School

École Saint Michael School

Sacred Heart High School

Saint Alphonsus School

Saint Mary School

Saint Paul School

Saint Theodore School

DEVOTIONS TO BLESSED VASYL VELYCHKOVSKY, CSsR

Live-streamed from the Shrine in Winnipeg, MB

Every Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm (Saskatchewan time)

Please join us in prayer. Here is the link to the broadcasts:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFDrZoGsYeJG1lqgdZyfYMA>



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, FR. DELAERE COUNCIL HARVEST MEATS 2021 SPRING FUNDRAISER



*We understand that Case Lots may be too much for you,
please plan to share with family and friends*

Seller: _____ Phone: _____

Qty:	Item #	Description and pkg size	#PKGS/CASE	Price
___	80012	Sliced Back Bacon 2x125g	10	\$67.00
___	80035	Thick Sliced Bacon 500g	12	\$135.00
___	120280	Beef Burgers 5kg case	44 burgers	\$85.00
___	70064	Smoked Farm Sausage 500g	12	\$95.00
___	70181	Smokies 375g	12	\$70.00
___	60006	Wieners 675g	10	\$85.00
___	60071	Wieners Bulk 1.0kg	6	\$76.00

****All items are sold in case lot quantities****

No returns due to food safety concerns.

Pre-paid orders, along with cheque made payable to "Knights of Columbus", are to be dropped off in mailbox at 373 Myrtle Avenue **before May 21, 2021.**

Order pick-up day is June 3 - times and location to be determined at a later date.

For more info or to submit your order:

Jason Popowich - 306 621 1923 or email: jasonpopowich@icloud.com

The Knights of Columbus thank you for your support!



MOLEBEN TO

MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD
*will be celebrated every Wednesday evening
at 7:00 pm during the month of May.*

TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, MAY 9

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND



Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

Tropar, 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.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Kondak, tone 4: With eyes that are spiritually blind* I come to You, O Christ;* and, like the man who was blind since birth,* I cry out to You with repentance:* You are a shining Light* to those who are in darkness.

now and for ever and ever. Amen!

Kondak, tone 8: Though You went down to the grave, immortal Lord,* You destroyed the power of Hades* and rose victorious, Christ our God.* You who said "Rejoice" to the myrrh-bearing women,* give peace to Your apostles* and offer resurrection to the fallen.

Prokimen, tone 1: Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

Verse: God is renowned in Judah, in Israel great is his name.

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 newfound faith in God.

Alleluia Verses: *Turn to me and have pity on me.
Steady my footsteps according to your promise.*

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.

Instead of 'It is truly right...': The angel cried out to the One full of grace:* "O chaste Virgin, rejoice!* And again I say, rejoice!* Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day* and raised the dead.** Let all people rejoice!* Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem,* for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!* Exalt now and be glad, O Zion!* And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight* in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn: Receive the Body of Christ; partake of the source of immortality.
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR
SUNDAY, MAY 16
SUNDAY OF THE HOLY NICEAN FATHERS**



Ascension post-festive period

First Antiphon: All you peoples, clap your hands; shout to God with cries of gladness!

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

For the Lord, the Most High, the awesome, is the great king over all the earth.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

He brings people under us; nations under our feet.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

The Lord mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the Lord amid trumpet blasts.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Glory be . . . now and forever . . . : Only Begotten Son . . .

Third Antiphon: *Regular 3rd Antiphon but with the following response:*

Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Tropar, tone 6: Angelic powers were upon Your tomb* and the guards became like dead men;* Mary stood before Your tomb seeking Your most pure body.* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.* You met the Virgin and granted life.* O Lord, risen from the dead, glory be to You.

Tropar of the Ascension, tone 4: You ascended in glory, O Christ our God;* You delighted the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit.* Through this blessing they were assured that You are the Son of God,* the Redeemer of the world.

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

Kondak of the Holy Fathers, tone 8: The preaching of the apostles and the decisions of the Fathers* have established the true faith of the Church* which she wears as the garment of truth* fashioned from the theology on high.* She justly governs and glorifies the great mystery of worship.

Prokimen, tone 4: Blessed are you, and praiseworthy, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and glorious forever is your name.

Verse: *For you are just in all you have done.*

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (20: 16 - 18, 28 - 36)

In those days Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus so as not to lose time in Asia, for he was eager to get to Jerusalem by the feast of Pentecost if at all possible. Paul sent word from Miletus to Ephesus, summoning the presbyters of that church. When they came to him, he delivered this address: "Keep watch over yourselves, and over the whole flock the Holy Spirit has given you to guard. Shepherd the church of God, which

he has acquired at the price of his own blood. I know that when I am gone, savage wolves will come among you who will not spare the flock. From your own number, men will present themselves distorting the truth and leading astray any who follow them. Be on guard, therefore. Do not forget that for three years, night and day, I never ceased warning you individually even to the point of tears. I commend you now to the Lord, and to that gracious word of his which can enlarge you, and give you a share among all who are consecrated to him. Never did I set my heart on anyone's silver or gold or envy the way he dressed. You yourselves know that these hands of mine have served both my needs and those of my companions. I have always pointed out to you that is by such hard work that you must help the weak. You need to recall the words of the Lord Jesus himself, who said: 'There is more happiness in giving than receiving.' "

Alleluia Verses: *The Lord, God of gods, speaks, he summons the earth from east to west.*

Assemble my faithful before me who sealed my covenant by sacrifice.

Gospel: John 17: 1 - 13:

At that time Jesus looked up to heaven and said: "Father, the hour has come! Give glory to your Son that your Son may give glory to you, inasmuch as you have given him authority over all mankind, that he may bestow eternal life on those you gave him. Eternal life is this, to know you, the only true God, and him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ. I have given you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. Do you now, Father, give me glory at your side, a glory I had with you before the world began. I have made your name known to those you gave me out of the world. These men you gave me were yours; they have kept your word. Now they realize that all that you gave me comes from you. I entrusted to them the message you entrusted to me. They have known that in truth I came from you, they have believed it was you who sent me. For these I pray -- not for the world but for these you have given me, for they are really yours. Just as all that belongs to me is yours, so all that belongs to you is mine. It is in them that I have been glorified. I am in the world no more, but these are in the world as I come to you. O Father most holy, protect them with your name which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. As long as I was with them, I guarded them with your name which you gave me. I kept careful watch, and not one of them was lost, none but him who was destined to be lost -- in fulfillment of Scripture. Now, however, I come to you; I say all this while I am still in the world that they may share my joy completely."

Instead of 'It is truly right': : O my soul, extol the Lord* who in glory ascended bodily into heaven.* O Mother of God,* who in a manner beyond understanding and beyond words* gave birth in time to Him* whom time cannot contain,* we the faithful magnify you* with one accord..

Communion Hymn:

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.

Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Instead of: 'We have seen the true light...' and 'May our mouths be filled...': Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; above all the earth be your glory.