

DIRECTIONS TO THE NEW PARISH OFFICE

We hear that Parishioners are having a hard time locating our new Parish Office...

We are located in the former Golden Agers Centre. Please go past the end of the ramp on the north side of the church. Continue until you see the north wall of the church, if you walk toward the north wall, you will see an entrance to your right (the door faces west), please proceed down the stairs, turn left and you will find us. *Office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon.*

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT MAY 13	5:00 pm English	Delores Oucharek	Delores Oucharek	Terry Greene Ed Greene	
SUN MAY 14 <i>Sunday of Man Born Blind</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Ivan Bachynskyy	Lorne Stechyshyn	Dave Spelay Steve Popowich	
	11:00 am English	Bill Prybylski	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	John Woychesko Kathy Woychesko	Iris Skehar
SAT MAY 20	5:00 pm English	Bernadette Gabora	Bernadette Gabora	Valerie Edwards Lorne Semaschuk	
SUN MAY 7 <i>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Sr. Terry Ann Slota	Lorne Stechyshyn	Vickie Puchala Mary Malin	
	11:00 am English	Laurie Fedorowich	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	John Uhryn Heather Uhryn	Iris Skehar

SUNDAY COLLECTION	Received on	Amount
APR 30, 2023	Received on Apr 30 in 77 Regular Envelopes	\$ 1,617.00
	Received on May 7 in 73 Regular Envelopes	\$ 2,732.00
	Received in Loose Collection	\$ 165.00
	Received in 11 Other Envelopes	\$ 330.00
	Received in 27 Mission Envelopes	\$ 1,045.00
	Received in 15 Outreach Envelopes	\$ 240.00
MAY 7 2023		

Received in Pre-Authorized Giving for Month of April \$ 3,560.00

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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 14 & 21, 2023

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

**Христос Воскрес !
Воістину Воскрес !**



Sunday of the Man Born Blind



Ascension of our Lord & God Jesus Christ



Sunday of the Holy Nicean Fathers

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
 Most Rev. Peter Stasiuk, CSsR

****OFFICE HOURS****

Tuesday - Thursday **9:00 am - 12:00 pm**
Office is in the Church Basement- use Golden Agers Entrance on North side

Office 306-783-4594

Sick Calls - 306-229-1755

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

CONFESSIONS are available 30 minutes prior to each Divine Liturgy



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.



LIVING ROSARY, MOLEBEN & STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

Sunday, May 28th

6:30 pm ~ Living Rosary & Moleben (church)

Social to follow (hall) \$5.00 per person

**All parishioners of St. Mary's are invited
to take part in the Living Rosary.**



Eparchial Youth attending World Youth Day



It is with excitement and anticipation that six young people from our Eparchy are planning to attend the 2023 World Youth Day in Portugal this summer. We are asking three things:

- Pray that the participants will deepen their faith and for safe travels. If a rosary or prayer be said for the participants at Church, it would be greatly appreciated.
- The cost for each participant will be over \$7000 each. We would greatly appreciate any donations. To donate, please contact Eparchial youth minister Viktoriia Marko at uwitness2youth@skeparchy.org. The cheques should be written out to the Eparchy of Saskatoon with the indication "WYD".
- Consider some of the following fundraising activities that will start after April 15th. The first is a bottle drive, if you have bottles to donate, we would gladly accept them. Soon we will also be selling hotky. Stay tuned for other fundraising activities we are planning to have soon!

To donate bottles, help to make or buy hotky, please contact:

Prince Albert: Deacon Harrold (306-930-9709)

Regina: Dima (639-999-5003 after 6.00 pm) Maggie (306-539-4057)

Saskatoon: Bohdanna (306-280-6175) Viktoriia (306-914-0355)

Thank you in advance for your prayers and generosity.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 27	<i>All Souls Saturday</i>	
May 28	<i>Pentecost</i>	
May 28	Grave Blessing at Yorkton City Cemetery	1:00 pm
May 28	Moleben, Living Rosary & Strawberry Social	6:30 pm
May 28	Knights of Columbus Bingo	7:00 pm
June 1	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:00 am
June 4	Grave Blessing at Yorkton Memorial Gardens	1:00 pm
June 5	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm
June 5	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm
June 7	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton Crossing	10:30 am
June 15	Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court	2:00 pm
June 16	Divine Liturgy at the Bentley	10:30 am
June 19	Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting	7:00 pm
June 20	Parish Council Meeting	6:30 pm
June 24	<i>Feast of the Nativity of John the Baptist</i>	
June 29	<i>Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul</i>	

2023 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

OPTIONS PREGNANCY CENTRE



Registered Canadian Charity #12977 7298 RR001 Donations over \$10 will receive a Charitable Tax Receipt

There will be a "Baby Bottle" program as a fund raiser starting on Mother's Day and running until Father's Day.

Ways to donate:

- * Cash/Cheque: pick up a baby bottle from your church liaison
- * E-transfer: send to office@reginapregnancy.com
(Please include your name, address, phone number and church name, if applicable, in Notes Section of your bank's e-form.)
- * Credit Card/PayPal: visit our website at reginapregnancy.com/donate
(Please include your church name, if applicable, in Notes section of online donation form.)

For more information please contact Options Pregnancy Centre 306-757-1371

Thank you for your financial and prayerful support for our ministry.



Safeguarding Policy

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 or email: safeguarding@skeparchy.org More information is available on the Eparchial Website, www.skeparchy.org.

2023 ANNUAL EPARCHIAL APPEAL
“Let Us Share the Gifts that We have been Given.”



The support of the 2023 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 we feature the **Bishop Roborecki Foundation**, which is supported by the 2023 Annual Eparchial Appeal. The Bishop Roborecki Foundation was established in 1982 to offer financial support for the education of seminarians and clergy within our Eparchy. By supporting the Bishop Roborecki Foundation through the Annual Eparchial Appeal, you are investing in the future of our Eparchy by educating new priests to take over from those who have served us faithfully for many decades and now approach a well-deserved retirement.

For more detailed information, please refer to the Eparchial website, www.skeparchy.org under the “Organizations” tab and the “Bishop Roborecki Foundation” tab.

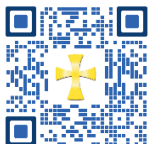
If you want more information concerning the Annual Eparchial Appeal, or if you would like to listen to some of the testimonials from individuals who have participated in the various Eparchial Ministry programs, please go to the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan’s website at www.ucfsask.org.

Please give prayerful consideration to supporting the Annual Eparchial Appeal. Your gift to the 2023 Appeal will make a significant difference and will serve as a powerful witness of our God’s love and mercy. Now more than ever, it is so important to feed the spiritual needs of all the people in the Eparchy. The Annual

Eparchial Appeal is an opportunity to come together as an Eparchy to serve each other, and your participation is crucial. Let us follow Christ’s example to serve each other and our community.

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.



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 14, 2023
MAY 21, 2023

*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.*

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARY’S

SUN	MAY 14	Sunday of the Man Born Blind 9:00 am Divine Liturgy <i>Ukrainian</i> 11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy <i>English</i> 10:00 am First Solemn Holy Communion
MON	MAY 15	7:00 pm.....Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting
TUE	MAY 16	6:30 pm.....Parish Council Meeting
WED	MAY 17	7:00 pm.....Moleben to the Mother of God <i>Ukrainian</i>
THU	MAY 18	Ascension of our Lord and God Jesus Christ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 2:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court
FRI	MAY 19	10:30 am Divine Liturgy at the Bentley 7:00 pm..... Moleben to the Mother of God <i>English</i>
SAT	MAY 20	9:00 am Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm..... Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Bingo
SUN	MAY 21	Sunday of the Holy Nicean Fathers 9:00 am Divine Liturgy <i>Ukrainian</i> 11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy <i>English</i> 1:00 pm..... Knights of Columbus Bingo
WED	MAY 24	7:00 pm..... Moleben to the Mother of God <i>Ukrainian</i>
FRI	MAY 26	7:00 pm.....Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Bingo 7:00 pm..... Moleben to the Mother of God <i>English</i>
SAT	MAY 27	All Souls Saturday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy

DEADLINE for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon**. The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, May 14th. 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
+Nettie Kowall, +Peter Kobylka and +Sylvia Tomchyshen who passed away recently.

Вічна Память God Grant Them Eternal Rest Вічна Память

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, MAY 14

Sunday of the Man Born Blind Acts 16:16-34 ~ John 9:1-38
MON MAY 15 Venerable Pachomius Acts 17:1-15 ~ John 11:47-57

8:00 am Health for Lil Ahrens.....Lena Popowich
TUE MAY 16 Venerable Theodore Acts 17:19-28 ~ John 12:19-36

8:00 am +Athen Gazdewich.....Terry & Vicki Chaikowsky
WED MAY 17 Apostle Andronicus Acts 18:23-28 ~ John 12:36-47

8:00 am +Noella B.....Edna P
THU MAY 18 Acts 1:1-12 ~ Luke 24:36-53



9:00 am **Ascension of our Lord and God Jesus Christ**
FRI MAY 19 Priest Martyr Patritius Acts 19:1-8 ~ John 14:1-11

8:00 am Spiritual & Physical Healing for Elmer Zador & Tammy Serelo....Virginia Serelo
SAT MAY 20 Martyr Thalaleus Acts 20:7-12 ~ John 14:10-21
 9:00 am +Michael Medvid (2 yrs) and +Colette Medvid (8 yrs).....Violet

5:00 pm Health for Grace Chorney, David Brezinski & Peggy Graham.....Alice Chopty

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, MAY 21

Sunday of the Holy Nicean Fathers Acts 20:16-18,28-36 ~ John 17:1-13
MON MAY 22 Martyr Basilicus Acts 21:8-14 ~ John 14:27-15:7

8:00 am Birthday & God's Blessings for Virginia Serelo.....Morning Friends
TUE MAY 23 Confessor Michael Acts 21:26-32 ~ John 16:2-13

8:00 am +Sylvia Tomchyshen.....Jeann, Elaine & Gloria
WED MAY 24 Venerable Simeon Acts 23:1-11 ~ John 16:15-23

8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Members & Families...Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood
THU MAY 25 3rd finding of John the Baptist's head 2 Corinthians 4: 6-15 ~ Matthew 11:2-15

8:00 am +Mike Chopty.....Karen Chopty
FRI MAY 26 Apostle Carpus Acts 27:1-28:1 ~ John 17:18-26

8:00 am +Victor Puchala (1 year).....Vickie & family
SAT MAY 27 All Souls Saturday Acts 28:1-31 ~ John 21:14-25
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty

5:00 pm God's Blessings for Bill & Sylvia Krywulak (65th Ann)
David & Valerie, Laverne, Mina & families

Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



In Memory Nettie Kowall
 Julian & Vienna Mandziak \$ 50.00

Balance in Bldg Fund \$ 495,124.53 Thank you very much

St. Mary's Building Fund Renovation Project

In Memory of Peter Kobylka

Brent & Cindy Stechyshyn	\$100.00	Tom & Julie Abrametz	\$ 100.00
Frank & Bernadette Kormos	\$100.00	Delmar & Kim Zwirsky	\$ 60.00
Pat Bodnar Slowski	\$ 50.00	Grace Chorney & Family	\$ 50.00
Delores Moritz	\$ 50.00	Al & Diane Greschuk	\$ 50.00
Jack & Jeanette Dawes	\$ 50.00	Stan & Annette Popowich	\$ 50.00
Denise Maddaford	\$ 50.00	John & Vicki Ostrowercha	\$ 50.00
Michael Spelay & Family	\$ 50.00	Bill & Syliva Krywulak	\$ 50.00
Orville & Angie Drobot	\$ 50.00	Larry & Sandra German	\$ 50.00
Lorne & Elsie Stechyshyn	\$ 50.00	Orest & Elizabeth Zahayko	\$ 40.00
Dave & Faye Spelay	\$ 40.00	Murray & Jan Bialobzyski	\$ 25.00
Bob & Kathy Rusnak	\$ 25.00	Steve & Sonia Popowich	\$ 25.00
Tony & Edna Mazur	\$ 25.00	Barry Merrimen	\$ 20.00
Virginia Werner	\$ 20.00	Ed & Donna Lischynski	\$ 20.00
Florence Halldorson	\$ 20.00	Matt Novak	\$ 20.00
George & Lorraine Flunder	\$ 20.00	Glen Tymiak	\$ 20.00
Peter & Verna Moroz	\$ 20.00	Ed & Lorna Greene	\$ 20.00
Richard & Livia Dahlin	\$ 30.00	John Wasylynka	\$ 25.00
Andy & Audrey Balaberda	\$ 20.00	Martin & Lillian Franko	\$ 10.00

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..."**



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

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE- There will be a priest available in the confessional 30 minutes prior to every 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. The suggested **stipend (offering)** for a Divine Liturgy Intention is **\$20.00. 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.



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF SASKATOON
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Ref. # 0031

April 21, 2023

Very Rev. Ivan Nahachewsky
 214 Avenue M South
 SASKATOON, SK S7M 2K4

Christ is Risen !

Dear Fr. Ivan:


Re: New Appointment – Vicar General

In light of the fact that Very Rev. Janko Kolosnjaji has been placed on administrative leave, it is necessary to appoint an individual to assume the duties of Vicar General for the Eparchy of Saskatoon to facilitate the continuing administration of the Eparchy. I therefore appoint you as Vicar General of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon, effective immediately. You will assume all duties and responsibilities of that office in addition to your current appointment as Chancellor of the Eparchy.

I have complete confidence that you will carry out your responsibilities in a manner that will benefit the Eparchy as an institution and the faithful of our church.

In Christ,


Most Rev. Lawrence Huculak OSBM
 Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of Saskatoon



May is dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God

Moleben will be celebrated on:
Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in Ukrainian
Fridays at 7:00 pm in English

Please remember to pray the Rosary





Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools
 Catholic Education Week May 14 – May 21
 World Catholic Education Day Ascension Thursday, May 18

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

On Thursday, May 18, students and staff will participate in special prayers and celebrations in recognition of World Catholic Education Day. #CEWSK2023 #CatholicEdSk

CATHOLIC EDUCATION:
**WE ARE MANY,
 WE ARE ONE**




Local Catholic Schools Serving God's Children

Dreambuilders High School	Saint Alphonsus School
Saint Mary School	Saint Paul School
Saint Theodore School	Sacred Heart High School
École Saint Henry Junior School	École Saint Henry Senior School
École Saint Michael School	

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2023 PRAYER

We are many, we are one; we all form one body in Christ.
 Lord, when we see the one before us, let us reverence your presence within;
 when we listen to one another, let us hear with our hearts;
 when we reflect on each encounter, may we discern to understand;
 when we learn from those around us, let us respect our differences with joy;
 and when we act, may we be kind and generous to all,
 for each person is a member of your body, with all that they are.
 We are many, we are one.
 Amen





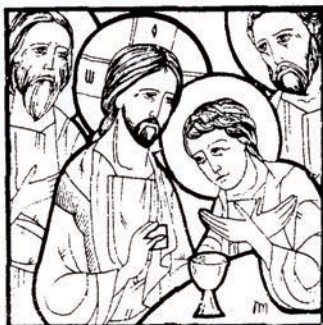
SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada offers two scholarships : The Vera Buczynsky Scholarship and The Mary Dyma scholarship : to post secondary students enrolled in Ukrainian Language Studies and in Religious Studies . Criteria and applications are available on line at: www.ucwlc.ca **The deadline date is October 1st.**

Sharon Tkachuk: Chair :National UCWLC Scholarship Committee

Celebrating their First Solemn Holy Communion Of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

This 14th day of May in the year of our Lord 2023



Martin Clare L. Agulia	Parker Evan Holinaty
Ethan Robert Kenneth Hiduk	Evelyne - Rose Hewitt
Emmit Robert John Hull	Declan Gregory Joseph Kindiak
Krew Bradley Lazar	Vienna Evelyn Rose Lockhart
Easton Hunter Prysliak	

St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church ~ Yorkton, Saskatchewan



Teachers

The Families of our Solemn Communicants

Jasmine Nagy.....	Parish Catechist
Grade Two Teachers.....	Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools
Deanna Pellatt.....	Coordinator of Religious Education- C.T.T.C.S.

Fr. Leonid Malkov, CSsR, Fr. Yevhen Zadorozhnyi, CSsR, Most Rev. Peter Stasiuk, CSsR

The Solemn Communicants received the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
for the first time on May 7, 2023.

Summer Volunteer Opportunity - Staff Wanted



St. Michael's Camp, where fun is had, faith is built and long-lasting friendships are created!! Come join us on the beautiful shore of Madge Lake to volunteer at St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Camp. Come join us for crafting, canoeing/kayaking, swimming, campfire singing, field games and more!!

When: July 4-23, 2023 (orientation included)

Where: Madge Lake, SK in Duck Mountain Provincial Park

Apply by May 31st by sending a resume to camp@stmichaelscamp.com and visit our website to learn more.

Currently seeking a **Camp Director** (21+), **Ukrainian bilingual camp counselors** (16+) and a **cook/cooking assistants**. A great opportunity for gaining volunteer experience and experience working with children and youth. There is no requirement to be Ukrainian or Catholic to attend - all are welcome. An honorarium and room & board are provided. Letter of reference is available upon request. Apply today!

Only have availability to volunteer at one of the camps? Let us know and we can see what we can do!



St. Gerard's CWL invites you to their
STRAWBERRY TEA & BAKE SALE



Saturday, June 10, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
St. Gerard's Parish Complex (125 3rd Avenue North)

\$5.00 Admission

Enjoy Coffee or Tea, Angel Food Cake and Strawberries & Ice Cream
and a wonderful selection of baking and kitchen treasures for sale!

Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend!

ATTENTION!



The Ramp Door will be closed starting Monday, May 15th for construction. There will be no handicapped access during the project. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Memorial Services Blessing of Graves

May 28 - Yorkton City Cemetery 1:00 pm

June 4 - 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.

**TROPARS, KODIAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR
SUNDAY, MAY 14 ~ 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 8: 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 Sion!* 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 and the heavens, praise Him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, MAY 21

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY NICEAN FATHERS



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 . . .

Post-festive Third Antiphon: *Regular 3rd Antiphon but with the following refrain:*

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

Sunday 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 of 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.