

# Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



*In Memory of John Uhryn*

John & Stephanie Bodnaryk	\$ 250.00	Marilyn Lenuik	\$ 30.00
Carla Groenewald	\$ 200.00	David & Sharon Uhryn	\$ 25.00
Lorraine Lesyk	\$ 25.00		

*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.

*Thank you very much*

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT FEB 3	5:00 pm English	Tom Abrametz	Tom Abrametz	John & Vickie Ostrowercha	
SUN FEB 4 <i>Sunday of Meat-Fare</i>	9:00 am Eng / Ukr	Toni Gromnisky	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	John & Kathy Woychesko	Iris Skehar
SAT FEB 10	7:00 pm English	Sr. Suzanne Kokuruds	Sr. Suzanne Kokuruds	Lorne Semaschuk	
SUN FEB 11 <i>Sunday of Cheese-Fare</i>	9:00 am Eng / Ukr	Sonia Popowich	Lorne Stechyshyn	Stan & Darlene Shymanski	

<b>SUNDAY COLLECTION</b>  <b>JAN 21, 2024</b> <b>JAN 28, 2024</b>  THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS	Received on Jan 21 in 50 Regular Envelopes .....	\$ 1,510.00
	Received on Jan 28 in 55 Regular Envelopes .....	\$ 1554.00
	Received in Loose Collection .....	\$ 157.25
	Received in 20 Other Envelopes .....	\$ 180.00

**Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Members 2024 membership is due.** Please pay your \$20.00 membership before March 1, 2024. You can drop your money in the collection plate in an envelope marked Brotherhood Membership and your name. You can also pass on to Brother Glen Tymiak or Brother Dave Spelay.

**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..."**

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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**

**FEBRUARY 4 & 11, 2024**

**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.

**YORKTON - ITUNA PASTORAL DISTRICT**

Fr. Basil Malowany - Administrator / Pastor

**\*\*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**

**Fr. Basil - 306-540-5102**

**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 Eng / Ukr

### HOLY DAYS

7:00 pm

### WEEKDAYS

Tuesdays 7:30 am

Wednesdays 7:30 am

Fridays 7:30 am

## ST. MARY'S PARISH PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN (PAG)

The Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Program enables you to make donations to the parish on a monthly or semi-monthly basis right from your bank account. It eliminates the need of having the correct amount of cash on Sunday and/or from having to write a cheque.



**\*\*Please support your parish by joining PAG\*\***

For more information or to enroll, please see the pamphlets at the church entrances or at the Parish Office.

### 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.**

### PLEASE REMEMBER THAT OUR CHURCH IS A SACRED SPACE...

Kindly silence your mobile devices during Divine Liturgy. Thank you.

### ATTENTION!



The ramp entrance is officially open! The bathroom in the sacristy is open as well! All the pews are back in their places. Thank you to Grand Knight Steve & Knights of Columbus members who have worked so diligently moving furniture and equipment throughout this transition! Your service is commendable!

## Blessing of Homes at Theophany



In the days following Theophany, Father Basil 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 2024

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Most Suitable time to visit: Morning \_\_\_ Afternoon \_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_

**Attention UCWLC Members:** 2024 memberships are due by March 1st at \$20.00 each.

You may submit your membership at the February meeting or put in the collection plate and mark UCWLC membership on the envelope, attention to Gwen Bilyk. You may also drop them off at the church office.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 1	Vespers for Feast of the Encounter or Our Lord	6:30 pm
February 6	Moleben, Confessions and Catechism	6:30 pm
February 13	Lenten Ninth Hour Followed by Confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
February 15	Lenten Akhatist	6:30 pm
February 20	Lenten First Hour Followed by Confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
February 22	Lenten Akhatist	6:30 pm
February 27	Lenten Third Hour Followed by Confessions and Catechesis	6:30 pm
February 28	Lenten Akhatist	6:30 pm

## YORKTON DISTRICT PARISHES

### Schedule of Services in the Yorkton Pastoral District

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

MELVILLE	Sunday, February 4	11:00 am	Divine Liturgy
ITUNA	Sunday, February 4	4:00 pm	Divine Liturgy
WADENA	Saturday, February 10	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
ITUNA	Sunday, February 11	11:30 am	Divine Liturgy
MELVILLE	Sunday, February 11	4:00 pm	Divine Liturgy
WADENA	Saturday, February 17	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy
MELVILLE	Sunday, February 18	11:00 am	Divine Liturgy
BEAVERDALE	Sunday, February 18	2:00 pm	Divine Liturgy
ITUNA	Sunday, February 18	4:00 pm	Divine Liturgy
ITUNA	Sunday, February 25	11:30 am	Divine Liturgy
MELVILLE	Sunday, February 25	4:00 pm	Divine Liturgy

## PODCASTS



Fr. Basil makes daily podcasts

talking about our faith and relationship with Jesus Christ!

Please use the links below to follow his podcasts:

<https://bmalow.podbean.com/> <https://wisdom.app/frbasil4602>

**HAS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGED ??** Please notify the Parish Office if you have a change of address or a new phone number. This will help to keep our records current and ensure that tax receipts go to the correct address. Thank you.

*THE STUDENTS OF THE UKRANIAN BILINGUAL PROGRAM AT BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INVITE YOU TO A "FUNDRAISING CONCERT" SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 4:00 PM. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO TOWARDS STREAM OF HOPES. ENTRANCE BY DONATION AT THE DOOR.*

*TRY YOUR HAND AT WALKING ON STILTS, GUITAR PLAYING, UKRANIAN DANCING, SINGING, FOOD, 50/50 TICKET SALES, AND A TRAMPOLINE PERFORMANCE.*

*BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, 110 BOWLT CRESENT, SASKATOON*

**MUSEE UKRAINA MUSEUM LOTTERY 2024 CALENDAR IS NOW AVAILABLE**

The 21<sup>st</sup> edition of Musee Ukraina Museum Lottery 2024 calendar features select pysanky and artifacts from the Museum's collection. In Ukrainian culture, the pysanky is a symbol of spring, new life and the Holy Resurrection.

Cost: \$25 per calendar with 366 chances to win a cash prize of \$20, \$50, \$100 or \$200.  
**(A total of \$12,150 in prizes)**

Available from St. Mary's Church (306-783-4594) or Elizabeth Zahayko (UCWLC 306-620-3127). There are still a few calendars left. These make excellent gifts for birthday, anniversary or as a thank you to someone.  
 Thank you for helping us with this Museum fundraiser! Lottery License #RR23 - 0329

**Musée Ukraina Museum Inc. 2023 Lottery Winners for December**

**\$20.00 Winners:** Harley Holcomb & Erin McLaughlin-Saskatoon, Natalia Cheremshyska-Saskatoon, Pauline Kotelko-Saskatoon, Lana Bahler-Battleford, Helen McLashen-Yorkton, Anna Bayda-Saskatoon, Heather Gawrelitza-Preeceville, Mako & Kirill Baraban-Saskatoon, Sr. Samuela Kulek-Saskatoon, Duane Serack-Harris, Joyce Legasse-Montmartre, Cheryl & Ivan Rostotski-Canora, Maria Romanchuk-Wakaw, Betty Lys-Moose Jaw, Shirley Ann Stadnyk-Regina, Lynn & Andy Kuffner-Saskatoon, Jewel Bubyn-Regina, Bernice Petryshen-Wynyard, Steve & Michelle Skoworodko-Wakaw, Michael Lummerding-Melfort, Corinne Simon-Wakaw, Mary Osatchuk-Saskatoon, Vincent Kyrlyuk-Saskatoon, Melissa Bolme-Melville. **\$50.00 Winners:** All Saints UCWLC-North Battleford, Jenna & Louie Holinaty-Bonnyville(AB), Pat Vereschagin-Saskatoon, Marianne Sytnyk-Alvena. **\$100.00 Winners:** Marie & Laird Wilson-Regina, Mandi Szabo-Yorkton. **\$200.00 Winner:** Kim Sopotyk-Prud'homme.

**Congratulations to all the winners! Have you purchased your 2024 Lottery Calendar?**  
 Lottery License #RR22-0403

**2023 "Share the Spirit Lottery Parish Disbursements**

<b>Yorkton - St. Mary's</b>	183 tickets sold	183 x \$5.00 =	<b>\$ 915.00</b>
<b>Eparchial Organizations:</b>			
St Michael's Camp	185 tickets sold	185 x \$5.00 =	\$ 925.00
St. Volodymyr Camp	69 tickets sold	69 x \$5.00 =	\$ 345.00
UCREC	98 tickets sold	98 x \$5.00 =	\$ 490.00
UCFSask	116 tickets sold	116 x \$5.00 =	\$ 580.00

**Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Meeting  
 Monday, February 19th at 7:00pm at the Cultural Centre**

**UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BROTHERHOOD  
 ST. VOLODYMYR BRANCH EXECUTIVE 2024**



**Spiritual Advisor:** Father Basil Malowany  
**President:** Dave Spelay                      **Vice President:** Lorne Stechyshyn  
**Treasurer:** Glen Tymiak                      **Secretary:** Terry Greene  
**Archivist Hospodar:** Glen Tymiak              **Auditors:** Carl Pacholka, Ernest Uhryn

**SUNDAY OF MEAT-FARE  
 SUNDAY OF CHEESE-FARE**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2024  
 FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

*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**

<b>SUN FEB 4</b>	<b>SUNDAY OF MEAT-FARE</b> 9:00 am.....Divine Liturgy <i>English &amp; Ukrainian</i>
<b>TUE FEB 6</b>	7:30 am.....Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.....Divine Liturgy at Theodore Health Centre 6:30 pm.....Moleben, Confessions and Catechesis
<b>WED FEB 7</b>	7:30 am.....Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm.....Moleben, Confessions and Catechism
<b>THU FEB 8</b>	10:00 am.....Divine Liturgy at Central Pine Lodge, Ituna
<b>FRI FEB 9</b>	7:30 am.....Divine Liturgy
<b>SAT FEB 10</b>	7:00 pm.....Divine Liturgy
<b>SUN FEB 11</b>	<b>SUNDAY OF CHEESE-FARE</b> 9:00 am.....Divine Liturgy <i>English &amp; Ukrainian</i>
<b>TUE FEB 13</b>	7:30 am.....Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm.....Lenten Ninth Hour Followed by Confessions and Catechesis
<b>WED FEB 14</b>	7:30 am.....Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm.....Presanctified Divine Liturgy
<b>THU FEB 15</b>	10:00 am.....Divine Liturgy at Sunshine Manor, Ituna 2:00 pm.....Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Manor, Yorkton 6:30 pm.....Lenten Akhatist
<b>FRI FEB 16</b>	7:30 am.....Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm.....Presanctified Divine Liturgy
<b>SAT FEB 17</b>	5:00 pm.....Divine Liturgy

**DEADLINE** for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon.** The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, February 4th. Please call the Parish Office in the mornings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or email your information to [st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net](mailto:st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net).

**2024 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES**

ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP AT THE EAST ENTRANCE.



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

**SICK & VISITING** - If you know of someone who is in the hospital and would like to be visited by Father Basil, please call him 306-540-5102 or the Parish Office 306-783-4594. He does not receive a list of patients at the Hospital.

**DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

**Sunday Of Meat-Fare** **Corinthians 8:8-9:2 ~ Matthew 25:31-46**  
**MON Feb 5** **Martyr Agatha - Post-feast of Encounter** **3 John 1:1-15 ~ Luke 19:29-40; 22:7-39**

**Fr. Basil - Day Off \*\*No Divine Liturgy**

**TUE Feb 6** **Venerable Bukolus - Post-feast of Encounter** **Jude 1:1-10 ~ Luke 22:39-42, 45; 23:1**  
 7:30 am +Nestor Ohochinski.....Walter Prystai  
 10:00 am (Theodore) Health & God's Blessings For Bishop Peter Stasiuk....Morning Friends

**WED Feb 7** **Venerable Partenius** **Romans 14:6-9 ~ Matthew 26:57-75**

7:30 am +Dan Bilick.....Jackie & Dennis Dubasov

**THU Feb 8** **Great Martyr Theodore of Tyre** **Jude 1:11-25 ~ Luke 23:1-34; 44-56**

10:00 am (Ituna Intention)

**FRI Feb 9** **Martyr Nicephorus** **Ephesians 5:8-19 ~ John 19:25-37**

7:30 am +William Beyko.....Ernie & Ann Cherewyk

**SAT Feb 10** **Holy Martyr Charalampas, Priest** **Romans 14:19-23 ~ Matthew 6:1-13**

5:00 pm Health for Analyn Riley.....Laurie Fedorowich

**DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

**Sunday of Cheese-Fare** **Romans 13:11-14:4 ~ Matthew 6:14-21**  
**MON Feb 12** **First Day of Great Lent** **1 Corinthians 3:18-23 ~ Luke 21:8-36**

**Fr. Basil - Day Off \*\*No Divine Liturgy**

**TUE Feb 13** **Venerable Martinian** **Romans 8:14-21 ~ Matthew 6:1-13**

7:30 am God's Blessings for Mom (Rose MacLean).....Gerry Smysnuik

**WED Feb 14** **Venerable Cyril** **Hebrews 7:26-8:2 ~ John 10:9-16**

7:30 am +John Uhryn.....Russell & Bev Lusney & Family

**THU Feb 15** **Apostle Onesimus** **Romans 15:30-33 ~ Matthew 7:7-11**

10:00 am Sunshine Manor - Ituna Intention

2:00 pm (Queen E. Court) Health & God's Blessings for Balaniuk Family.....NN

**FRI Feb 16** **Apostle Pamphilus** **1 Timothy 2:1-7 ~ Luke 15:1-10**

7:30 am +Tom and +Lena.....Brian & Sandi

**SAT Feb 17** **Great Martyr Theodore Tyre** **Hebrews 1:1-12 ~ Mark 2:23-3:5**

5:00 pm +Sylvia Ukrainetz.....Adeline Pacholka

5:00 pm +Pauline Prystai.....Walter

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,  
 TIME IS FLYING BY SO QUICKLY! THERE WAS A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME BETWEEN THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT I WOULD BECOME BISHOP OF THE SASKATOON EPARCHY AND THE ACTUAL CELEBRATIONS. GREAT LENT IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER IN ONE WEEK, AND EASTER WILL BE SO EARLY THIS YEAR. WHEN WE FEEL LIKE LIFE IS GETTING AWAY FROM US, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO STOP AND REFLECT ON ALL THAT HAS HAPPENED. THESE ARE A FEW REFLECTIONS FROM ME AS I TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO BREATHE. FOR ME, IT IS A GREAT GRACE TO BE HOME IN SASKATCHEWAN AS BISHOP. I WAS ENJOYING MY WORK IN TORONTO AS PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR FOR ALL THE REDEMPTORISTS IN CANADA, BUT GOD HAD DIFFERENT PLANS FOR ME, A PLAN WHICH INCLUDED THE GREAT PEOPLE OF SASKATCHEWAN. I AM SO GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE SUPPORT I HAVE RECEIVED THUS FAR. THE STAFF AT THE BISHOP'S CHANCERY OFFICE IN SASKATOON HAS BEEN INCREDIBLE IN THE WORK IN THE LEAD UP TO MY CONSECRATION AND NOW THEY ARE HARD BACK AT WORK TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF THE EPARCHY. SO MANY PEOPLE CAME TO OR WATCHED ONLINE THE CELEBRATIONS DURING MY CONSECRATION WEEKEND – I HEARD THERE WERE EVEN VIEWING PARTIES. I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, PARISHES, COMMUNITIES, AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR THEIR GENEROUS GIFTS TO ME AT MY CONSECRATION. I AM OVERWHELMED WITH GRATITUDE. I ONLY LEFT SASKATCHEWAN JUST OVER A YEAR AGO, BUT NOW I AM BEGINNING A NEW LIFE HERE, A LIFE FOR THE LONG HAUL AS YOUR BISHOP, AND IT TAKES A LOT TO SET UP A NEW LIFE NOW THAT I NO LONGER LIVE WITH MY REDEMPTORIST CONFRERES IN COMMUNITY. NOW, IT IS TIME TO MOVE FORWARD. LET US MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER IN A SPIRIT OF LISTENING, OPENNESS, AND LEARNING. OUR EPARCHY, FROM ONE CORNER OF THE PROVINCE TO THE OTHER, IS FILLED WITH PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL, PRAYERFUL PEOPLE, AND TALENTED PEOPLE; LET US COME TOGETHER AS ONE IN THE EPARCHY OF SASKATOON TO HELP BUILD GOD'S KINGDOM ON EARTH – A KINGDOM OF LOVE, A KINGDOM OF PEACE, AND A KINGDOM OF UNDERSTANDING.  
**BISHOP MICHAEL SMOLINSKI, C.Ss.R.**

**SOROKOUSTY DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES** will be held at 8:00am on the following Saturdays for 2024: February 3, February 24, March 2, March 9, and May 18. If you want your deceased family members prayer for at these services please ensure you put your sorokousty envelope in the collection plate before the end of January 2024.

**WEDDING PLANS ?? -** If you are planning to be married at St. Mary's or any of the Yorkton District parishes, please contact Fr. Basil (306-540-5102) at least six months before the wedding date.



**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](mailto:safeguarding@skeparchy.org) More information is available on the Eparchial Website, [www.skeparchy.org](http://www.skeparchy.org).

**RECEIVING A BLESSING AT HOLY COMMUNION TIME** - It is proper for those who are receiving a blessing at Holy Communion time, during the liturgy, to receive the blessing from the priest. **Please go to the line with the priest in order to receive a blessing instead of Holy Communion.** Eucharistic Ministers are not permitted to give blessings.

**DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS** - If you make an offering for this service by cheque, please make payable to: St. Mary's Church. The suggested stipend (offering) for a Divine Liturgy Intention is \$20.00. **Liturgy Request Forms with envelopes are at the Church Entrances.** Place the completed form in the envelope with your stipend, seal the envelope and drop into the collection

**TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL  
FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

**SUNDAY OF MEAT-FARE**



**Sunday Tropar, tone 3:** Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,\* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.\* He trampled death by death; He became the first born of the dead;\* He saved us from the abyss of Hades\* and granted great mercy to the world.

**Feast Day Tropar, tone 1:** Hail, Mother of God, Virgin full of grace.\* From you has shown forth the Sun of Justice, Christ our God,\* shining upon those who are in darkness.\* Rejoice also, you just Elder Simeon,\* for you received in your arms the Redeemer of our souls\* who has given us Resurrection.

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

**Kondak of Meatfare, tone 3:** O God, when You come to earth in all Your glory,\* when all things will tremble, when the river of fire will flow before Your judgment seat,\* when the books will be opened and when what is secret will be revealed;\* then save me from the unquenchable fire,\* and grant that I may stand at Your right hand, most just Judge.

**Prokimen, tone 3:** Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit.

**Verse:** Praise the Lord, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious; it is fitting to praise him.

**Epistle:** A reading from the First Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians. (8: 8 - 9: 2)

Brothers and Sisters! Now food does not bring us closer to God. We suffer no loss through failing to eat, and we gain no favor by eating. Take care, however, lest in exercising your right you become an occasion of sin to the weak. If someone sees you, with your "knowledge," reclining at table in the temple of an idol, may not his conscience in its weak state be influenced to the point that he eats the idol-offering? Because of your "knowledge" the weak one perishes, that brother for whom Christ died. When you sin thus against your brothers and wound their weak consciences, you are sinning against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to sin I will never eat meat again, so that I may not be an occasion of sin to him. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? And are you not my work in the Lord Although I may not be an apostle for others, I certainly am one for you. You are the very seal of my apostolate in the Lord.

**Alleluia Verses:** *Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.  
Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.*

**Gospel: Matthew 25: 31 - 46**

The Lord said: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels of heaven, he will sit upon his royal throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. Then he will separate them into two groups, as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. The sheep he will place on his right hand, the goats on his left. The king will say to those on his right: 'Come. You have my Father's blessing! Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me. I was ill and you comforted me, in prison and you came to visit me.' Then the just will ask him: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you or see you thirsty and give you drink? When did we welcome you away from home or clothe you in your nakedness? When did we visit you when you were ill or in prison?' The king will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.' Then he will say to those on his left: 'Out of my sight, you condemned, into that everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels! I was hungry and you gave me no food. I was thirsty and you gave me no drink. I was away from home and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing. I was ill and in prison and you did not come to comfort me.' Then they in turn will ask: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or away from home or naked or ill or in prison and not attend you in your needs?' He will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you neglected to do it to one on these least ones, you neglected to do it to me.' These will go off to eternal punishment and the just to eternal life." Instead of 'It is truly right . . .': O Virgin Mother of God. Hope of Christians,\* protect, watch, and save those who have placed their hope in you.\* We, the faithful, see the figure of Christ in the shadow and the letter of the law\* which says: Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord.\* Therefore, we extol the firstborn of the Eternal Father\* and the Virgin Mother.

**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!

**TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL  
FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11  
SUNDAY OF CHEESE-FARE**



**Sunday Tropar, tone 4:** When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection\* and cast off the ancestral condemnation,\* they proudly told the apostles:\* "Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen\* granting to the world great mercy."

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

**Kondak of Nheese-fare Sunday, tone 6:** Guide of wisdom, giver of understanding,\* teacher of the ignorant and protector of the poor,\* Master, strengthen my heart and make it understand.\* You give me speech, word of the Father,\* for I will not keep my lips from crying out to You.\* Merciful Lord, have mercy on me a sinner.

**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 Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans. (13:11 - 14:4)

Brothers and Sisters! Our salvation is closer than when we first accepted the faith. The night is far spent; the day draws near. Let us cast off deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us live honorably as in daylight; not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual excess and lust, not in quarreling and jealousy. Rather, put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the desires of the flesh. Extend a kind welcome to those who are weak in faith. Do not enter in disputes with them. A man of sound faith knows he can eat anything, while one who is weak in faith eats only vegetables. The man who will eat anything must not ridicule him who abstains from certain foods; the man who abstains must not sit in judgment on him who eats. After all, God himself has made him welcome. Who are you to pass judgment on another's servant? His master alone can judge whether he stands or falls. And stand he will, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

**Alleluia Verses:** It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to Your name, O Most High!  
To announce Your mercy in the morning and Your truth every night.

**Gospel: Matthew 6: 14 - 21**

The Lord said: If you forgive the faults of others, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours. If you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive you. When you fast, you are not to look glum as the hypocrites do. They change the appearance of their faces so that others may see they are fasting. I assure you, they are already repaid. When you fast, see to it that you groom your hair and wash your face. In that way no one can see you are fasting but your Father who is hidden; and your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you. Do not lay up for yourselves an earthly treasure. Moths and rust corrode; thieves break in and steal. Make it your practice instead to store up heavenly treasure, which neither moths nor rust corrode nor thieves break in and steal. Remember, where your treasure is there your heart is also.

**Communion Hymn:** Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!