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SUNDAY
OF THE LAST JUDGEMENT



HOLY MYSTERIES

- CONFESSION:**
30 min before the Divine Liturgy *or* by appointment
- HOLY COMMUNION:**
for the sick, by appointment, any time
- BAPTISM:** by appointment
- MARRIAGE:** six months notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made
- FUNERAL:** by appointment

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On the past two Sundays of this pre-Lenten period, the focus was placed on God’s patience and limitless compassion, of His readiness to accept every sinner who returns to Him. On this Sunday, we are powerfully reminded of a complementary truth: no one is so patient and so merciful as God, but even He does not forgive those who do not repent. The God of love is also a God of righteousness, and when Christ comes again in glory, He will come as our Judge. Such is the message of Lent: turn back while there is still time, repent before the End comes.

This Sunday sets before us the eschatological dimension of Lent: the Great Fast is a preparation for the Second Coming of the Savior, for the eternal Passover in the Age to Come, a theme that is also the focus of the first three days of Holy Week. But the judgment is not only in the future. Here and now, each day and each hour, in hardening our hearts toward others and in failing to respond to the opportunities we are given of helping them, we are already passing judgment on ourselves.

Another theme of this Sunday is that of love. When Christ comes to judge us, what will be the criterion of His judgment? The parable of the Last Judgment answers: love—not a mere humanitarian concern for abstract justice and the anonymous “poor,” but concrete and personal love for the human person—the specific persons that we encounter each day in our lives.

Christian love is the “possible impossibility” to see Christ in another person, whoever he or she is, and whom God, in His eternal plan, has decided to introduce into my life, be it only for a few moments, not as an occasion for a “good deed” or an exercise in philanthropy, but as the beginning of an eternal companionship in God Himself.

Troparion, Tone 7: By Your cross You destroyed death;* You opened Paradise to the thief;* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,* and charged the apostles to proclaim* that You are risen, O Christ our God,* offering great mercy to the world.

Troparion, Tone 2: The head of the Forerunner has shone from the earth* sending forth rays of incorruption and healing to the faithful;* it gathers together a multitude of angels above,* and summons the human race below* to send up glory with one voice to Christ our God.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 2: O prophet of God and Forerunner of Grace,* we have found your head as a sacred rose.* Therefore, we always receive healing from it;* and as in times past now your preach repentance to the world.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 1: When You come on earth, O God, in glory,* and the universe trembles,* while the river of fire flows before the seat of judgement,* and the books are opened and all secrets disclosed,* then deliver me from the unquenchable fire,* and count me worthy to stand at Your right hand,* O Judge who are most just.

Prokeimenon, Tone 3 Great is our Lord and great is His strength;* and of His knowledge there is no end.

verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to Him.

A reading from the Epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians (8:8-9:2) Brothers and Sisters, "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Alleluia, Tone 8

verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.

verse: Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

verse: The just man shall flourish like the palm tree; and he shall grow like the cedar in Lebanon.

verse: They who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish the courts of our God.

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Communion Hymn The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.* Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia

Тропар (глас 7): Знищив Ти хрестом Твоїм смерть,* відчинив розбійникові рай,* мирносицям плач на радість перемінив* і апостолам звелів проповідувати,* що воскрес Ти, Христе Боже,* даючи світові велику милість.

Тропар (глас 2): Із землі засяяла предтечі глава,* проміння випускає нетління,* оздоровлення вірним;* з висот збирає множество ангелів,* на низах скликує людський рід,* щоб одногоснону славу возсилати Христу Богові.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

Кондак (глас 2): Пророче Божий і предтече благодаті,* як рожу священну із землі знайшовши,* оздоровлення завжди приймаємо,* бо знову, як і перше, у світі проповідуєш покаяння.

І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Кондак (глас 1): Коли прийдеш, Боже, на землю зо славою* і затрепече все,* а ріка вогненна потече перед судищем,* і книги розгортаються, і таємне з'являється,* – тоді ізбав мене від вогню негасимого* і сподоби мене праворуч тебе стати,* Судде найправедніший.

Прокімен (глас 3): Великий Господь наш і велика сила його,* і розумові його немає міри.
Стих: Хваліте Господа, бо благий псалом, Богові нашому нехай солодке буде хваління.

До Коринтян послання Апостола Павла читання: (8,8-9,2): *Браття і Сестри,* страва не зближує нас до Бога: коли не їмо, не втрачаємо нічого, ані коли їмо, не набуваємо нічого. Але глядіть, щоб оця ваша свобода не стала причиною падіння для слабких. Бо коли хтось побачить тебе, що маєш знання, як ти у капищі сів за стіл, то чи ж його сумління, будши слабке, не буде захочене їсти ідолоські жертви? Таким то чином твоє знання погубить немічного брата, за якого Христос помер. Грішивши так проти братів і ранивши їх слабовите сумління, ви грішите проти Христа. Тому, якщо страва призводить брата мого до гріха, повік не буду їсти м'яса, щоб не спокушувати мого брата. Хіба я не вільний? Хіба я не апостол? Хіба я Ісуса, Господа нашого, не бачив? Хіба ви не моє діло у Господі? Коли іншим я не апостол, то бодай вам, бо ви, у Господі, є достовірним доказом мого апостольства.

Алилуя (глас 8):

Стих: Прийдіте, возрадуємося Господеві, воскликнім Богу, Спасителеві нашому.

Стих: Ідім перед лицем його з ісповіданням і псалмами воскликніть йому.

Стих: Праведник квітнудиме немов пальма; він виженеться вгору, мов кедр ливанський.

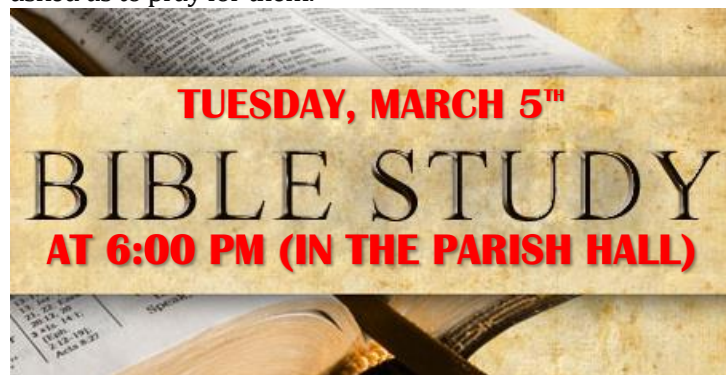
Стих: Насаджені в домі Господнім, у дворах Бога нашого процвітуть.

Євангеліє: Мт 25,31-46

Причасний: В пам'ять вічну буде праведник,* злих слухів не убоїться (Пс 111,6-7). Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте його на висотах (Пс 148,1). Алилуя (х3).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✦ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** is scheduled on **THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH AT 6:00PM.**
- ✦ **FOR SECURITY** reasons the hall will be locked between Masses. The key can be found in the envelope box near the Church entrance door. For those needing to use the hall or bathroom, Kindly Lock the Hall & return key to location.
- ✦ **UCWLC MEETING** will take place on **TODAY** at the parish hall at 10:30p.m.
- ✦ **2019 PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, PARIS, SENLIS & UKRAINE** with Sisters Angelica & Myrna Arychuk. For details see poster or call Myrna Arychuk at 604 617 7200
- ✦ **TAX RECEIPT:** please make sure you pick up your TAX RECEIPT which is in an envelope slot.
- ✦ **KOFC MEETING** will take place on **Tuesday, FEBRUARY 19th**, at the parish hall at 7:30p.m.
- ✦ **PRAYER REQUEST:** pray for the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: OLIVE NOSATY, MARY SHEMLEY, MARK QU, STELLA ANDRUSIAK, KATRUSIA & JERRY SWERYDA, ANGELA KILLEN, VICTOR NYKYTIUK, LINDA CHUCHRYN, ANNA MARKIW, TETYANA YAKOVCHUK and those who have asked us to pray for them.



✦ REMINDER FOR FAMILIES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.

If you or family member is admitted to hospital and you wish to have a priest visit, please be sure to have someone call the rectory to make this request. Your pastor may have no other way of knowing that you are in hospital, as privacy legislation restricts the information that can be given to him by the hospital.

✦ **CONGRATULATION!** May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in Many Happy and Blessed Years of Life to **LESYA ROMANCHUK** who celebrated her birthdays. Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!

✦ BEQUEATHS AND WILLS:

Leaving a bequeath is a process of giving a donation through your will. It is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. In your kindness please remember Exaltation of the Holy

Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church in your bequeath and will. If anyone wishes to make such a

bequeath in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: "I give, devise, and bequeath to Exaltation of the Holy Cross - 13753 108th Avenue, Surrey BC, V3T 2K6, the sum of \$_____ (or ____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."

✦ **SOROKOUSTY.** Lent is not only a time for fasting and penance, but also a time for praying for the departed souls. One special way you can do this during Great Lent is through the service of the Sorokousty.

The families who wish their deceased family & relatives be commemorated please arrange to have their names on the list of the names for the deseased at the back of the church. In our parish Sorokousty will be celebrated every Friday during Great Lent at 10:00 am.

✦ **"OLD" CHURCH BULLETINS BOX** – since our Sunday bulletins contain scripture readings & icons, they need to be disposed of properly/respectfully after use. Please do not throw them into the garbage but recycle them after shredding if possible. In order to assist with this request, we have provided a special box for used bulletins in the church entrance. If you bring your old bulletins they will be shredded properly/respectfully.

NEWS

NEW METROPOLITAN-ARCHBISHOP OF THE UKRAINIAN ARCHEPARCHY OF PHILADELPHIA

On Monday, February 18th, 2019, the Vatican Information Service announced that the Holy Father has appointed Most Rev. Borys Gudziak as Archbishop of Philadelphia for Ukrainians and Metropolitan for the Ukrainian Catholic Church in USA and thus concurring with the recommendation of the appointment offered by the Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops, which met in September of 2018 in Lviv, Ukraine.

The Archearchy of Philadelphia was declared by Pope Francis as "sede vacante" following the resignation of Most Rev. Stefan Soroka on April 16, 2018. Most Rev. Andriy Rabyi was named by Pope Francis as the Apostolic Administrator of the Ukrainian Catholic Archearchy of Philadelphia until the appointment of the new Metropolitan-Archbishop.

At the present time Most Rev. Borys Gudziak serves as the eparch of St. Volodymyr the Great Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy, which includes France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxemburg and Switzerland. He is the founder and president of the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv, Ukraine. In addition, Archbishop Borys is the head of Department of External Church Relations of the Ukrainian Catholic Church.

Bishop Andriy Rabyi, Apostolic Administrator, Bishop John Bura, Auxiliary Bishop, clergy, monastic orders and faithful of the Archearchy of Philadelphia wholeheartedly and joyfully welcome the news and invite everyone to the installation of Most Rev. Borys Gudziak as the seventh Metropolitan-Archbishop for the Ukrainian Catholic Archearchy of Philadelphia, which will take place on Tuesday, June 4, 2019, at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia, PA.

LENTEN FASTING

Generally speaking, fasting is an essential element of the Christian life. Christ fasted and taught humen to fast. Blessed fasting is done in secret, without ostentation or accusation of others. It has as its goal the purification of our lives, the liberation of our souls and bodies from sin, the

strengthening of our human powers of love for God and man, the enlightening of our entire being for communion with the Blessed Trinity.

The rules for lenten fasting in the Churches of the Byzantine tradition came from the monastic rules. No meat is allowed after Meatfare Sunday, and no eggs or dairy products after Cheesefare Sunday. These rules exist not as a Pharisaic “burden too hard to bear” (Lk 11.46), but as an ideal to be striven for; not as an end in themselves, but as a means to spiritual perfection crowned in love. The lenten services themselves continually remind us of this.

Let us fast with a fast pleasing to the Lord. This is the true fast: the casting off of evil, the bridling of the tongue, the cutting off of anger, the cessation of lusts, evil talking, lies and cursing. The stopping of these is the fast true and acceptable (Monday Vespers of the First Week).

The lenten services also make the undeniable point that we should not pride ourselves with external fasting since the devil also never eats!

The ascetic fast of Great Lent continues from Meatfare Sunday to Easter Sunday, and is broken only after the Paschal Divine Liturgy. Knowing the great effort to which they are called, Christians should make every effort to fast as well as they can, in secret, so that God would see and bless them openly with a holy life. Each person must do his best in the light of the given ideal.

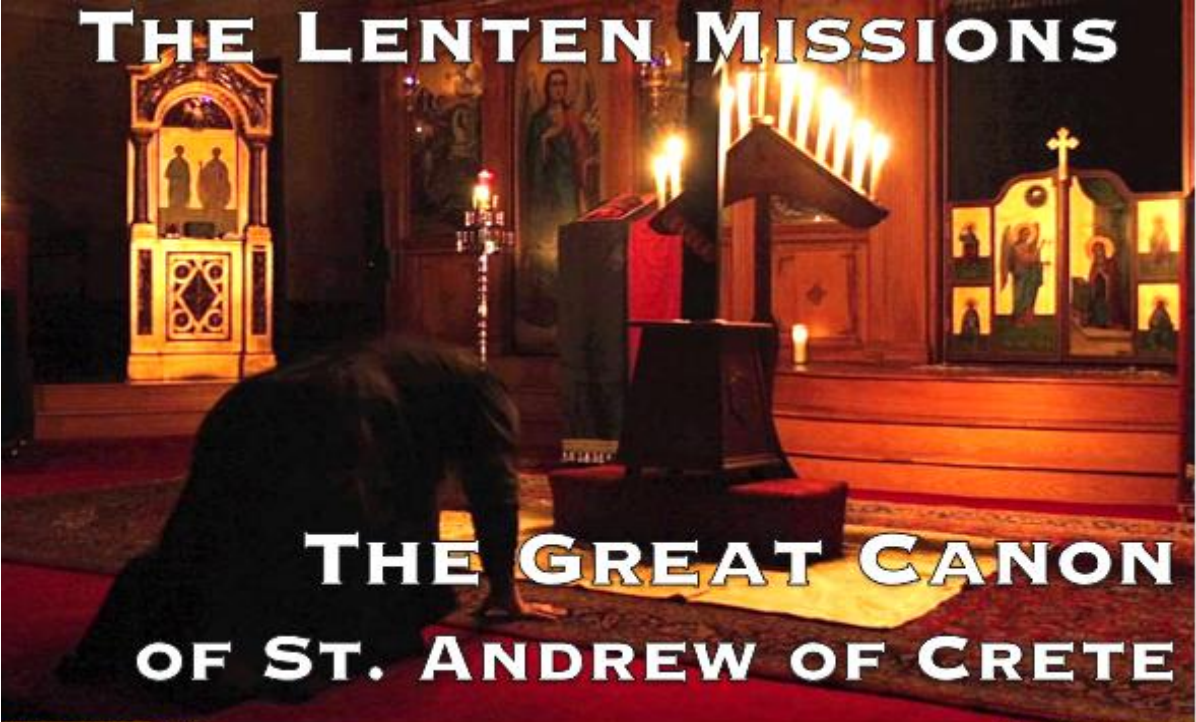
In addition to the ascetic fasting of the lenten season, the Christians of the Byzantine tradition also practice what is known as eucharistic or liturgical fasting. This fasting does not refer to the normal abstinence in preparation for receiving the holy eucharist; it means fasting from the holy eucharist itself.

During the week days of Great Lent the regular eucharistic Divine Liturgy is not celebrated since the Divine Liturgy is always a paschal celebration of communion with the Risen Lord. Because the lenten season is one of preparation for the Lord’s Resurrection through the remembrance of sin and separation from God, the liturgical order of the Church eliminates the eucharistic service on the weekdays of lent. Instead the non-eucharistic services are extended with additional scripture readings and hymnology of a lenten character. In order that the faithful would not be entirely deprived of Holy Communion on the lenten days, however, the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is celebrated on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

BASIC GUIDELINES FOR RECEPTION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

1. *You are a member of the Catholic Church* (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Communion);
2. *You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;*
3. *You attend Divine Services regularly;*
4. *Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;*
5. *You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy.* (water and medicine does not break the fast).
6. *You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.*
7. *To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.*

If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.



THE LENTEN MISSIONS


**THE GREAT CANON
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MONDAY, MARCH 4 & WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6
AT 7:00PM
AT THE HOLY EUCHARIST CATHEDRAL
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TUESDAY, MARCH 5 & THURSDAY, MARCH 7
AT 7:00PM
AT THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS PARISH
13753 – 108 AVENUE, SURREY, V3T 2K6
(* CONFESSION AVAILABLE)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE, FEB. 19 – FEB. 24, 2019 A.D.

TUESDAY, FEB. 26	DIVINE LITURGY	09:15am
WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27	DIVINE LITURGY	09:15am
THURSDAY, FEB. 28	DIVINE LITURGY	09:15am
FRIDAY, MARCH 01	DIVINE LITURGY	09:15am
SATURDAY, MARCH 02	NO SERVICE	
SUNDAY, MARCH 03	DIVINE LITURGY (ENG)	09:00 AM
	CATECHISM	
	DIVINE LITURGY (UKR)	11:00 AM



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