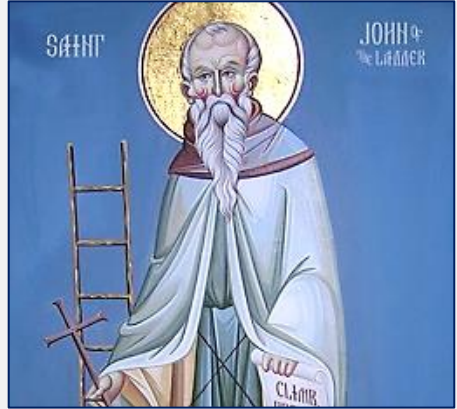




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 UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
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4TH SUNDAY OF THE LENT
ST JOHN OF THE LADDER



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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This Sunday, the Church calls our attention to St. John Climacus or St. John of the Ladder, because this Father, who lived in the seventh century, realised in his own life the ideal of penitence on which we should fix our eyes during Lent. "Let us honour John ... glory of ascetics..." we sing at the Vesper. At Matins, we address the saint thus: "As your body became thin through abstinence, so did you renew the power of your soul, enriching it with heavenly glory."

Saint John Climacus was the abbot of the Monastery of St. Katherine on Mt. Sinai. St. John wrote *The Ladder of Divine Ascent*, which is a guide to ascetic living (living a spiritually disciplined life). In this book, St. John writes about 33 rungs of the ladder we climb in our ascent to heaven. Each rung represents a different Christian virtue (obedience, repentance, love, humility, etc.).

"Repentance is the renewal of baptism. Repentance is a contract with God for a second life. A penitent is a buyer of humility. Repentance is constant distrust of bodily comfort. Repentance is self-condemning reflection, and carefree self-care. Repentance is the daughter of hope and the renunciation of despair. A penitent is an undisgraced convict. Repentance is reconciliation with the Lord by the practice of good deeds contrary to the sins. Repentance is purification of conscience. Repentance is the voluntary endurance of all afflictions. A penitent is the inflicter of his own punishments. Repentance is a mighty persecution of the stomach, and a striking of the soul into vigorous awareness."

(St. John of the Ladder. The Ladder of Divine Ascent)

Troparion, 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.”

Troparion, Tone 1: O John, our God-bearing father,* you were shown to be a citizen of the desert,* an angel in bodily form,* and a worker of miracles.* Through fasting, prayers and vigils you received heavenly gifts* to heal the sick and the souls of those who, in faith, run to you.* Glory to Him who gives you strength.* Glory to Him who crowned you.* Glory to Him who works healing for all through you.

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

Kontakion, Tone 4: On the heights of true abstinence,* the Lord established you as a reliable star,* giving light for guidance to the ends of the earth,* O father John, our teacher

Prokeimenon, Tone 4: How great are Your works, O Lord* You have made all things in wisdom.
verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Prokeimenon, Tone 8: The venerable ones will exult in glory* and they shall be joyful in their beds.

A reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews (6:13-20) Brothers and Sisters, when God made a promise to Abraham, because he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, “I will surely bless you and multiply you.” And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Human beings, of course, swear by someone greater than themselves, and an oath given as confirmation puts an end to all dispute. In the same way, when God desired to show even more clearly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it by an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God would prove false, we who have taken refuge might be strongly encouraged to seize the hope set before us. We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus, a forerunner on our behalf, has entered, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Alleluia, Tone 4

verse: It is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing to Your name, O Most High.

verse: To announce Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth every night.

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

Gospel: Mark 9:17-31

Hymn to the Mother of God: In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins’ pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

Communion Hymn Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. * The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.* Alleluia (x3).

Тропар (глас 4): Світлу про воскресіння розповідь від ангела почувши* і від прадідного засуду звільнившись,* Господні учениці, радіючи, казали апостолам:* Здолано смерть, воскрес Христос Бог,* що дає світові велику милість.

Тропар (глас 1): Пустинним жителем і в тілі ангелом,* і чудотворцем показав ти себе, богоносний отче наш Іване.* Постом, чужанням, молитвою небесні дарування прийнявши,* зціляєш недужих і душі, що з вірою прибігають до тебе.* Слава тому, що дав тобі кріпость,* слава тому, що вінчав тебе,* слава тому, що діє тобою всім зцілення.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові. І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Кондак (глас 4): На висоті правдивої повздержности* Господь тебе поставив, як звізду необманну,* що просвічує світокраї,* наставнику Іване, отче наш.

Прокімен (глас 4): Які величні діла Твої, Господи!* Все премудрістю сотворив Ти.

Стих: Благослови, душе моя, Господа! Господи, Боже мій, Ти вельми великий

Прокімен (глас 8): Возхваляться преподобні у славі і возрадуються на ложах своїх

До Євреїв послання читання (6,13-20): Браття і Сестри, коли Бог учиняв Авраамові обітницю, не маючи поклястися ніким вищим, то поклявся самим собою, кажучи: «Справді поблагословлю тебе щедро й розмножу тебе вельми.» І він, завдяки довгій терпеливості, осягнув обітницю: люди клянуться більшим від себе, і всякі їхні суперечки кінчаються клятвою на ствердження. Тому й Бог, бажаючи дати спадкоємцям обітниці якнайсильніший доказ, що його рішення непорушне, вжив клятви, щоб двома незмінними речами, в яких неможливо, щоб Бог казав неправду, ми мали сильну заохоту – ми, що прибігли прийняти надію, призначену нам. В ньому маємо, неначе якір душі, безпечний та міцний, що входить аж до середини за завісу, куди ввійшов за нас, як предтеча, Ісус, ставши архиєреєм повіки, на зразок Мелхиседека.

Алилуя (глас 4):

Стих: Добре воно - прославляти Господа, і співати Твоєму імені, Всевишній.

Стих: Звіщати вранці Твою милість, ночами - Твою вірність.

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

Євангеліс: (Мр 9,17-31)

Замість Достойно: Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, ангельський собор і чоловічеський рід, освящений храме і раю словесний, дівственна похвало, що із неї Бог воплотився і младенцем став – перед віками суцільний Бог наш. Лоно бо твоє престолом сотворив і утробу твою просторішою небес учинив. Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, слава тобі.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах.* В пам’ять вічну буде праведник,* злих слухів не убоїться. Алилуя (x3).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ **LENTEN/EASTER CONFESSION.** ON NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 7, Fr. Joe Ostopowich will be available for hearing confessions. Father will be available during two Divine Liturgies. This is an important Easter duty. If you need a bit of a reminder about what Confession and Reconciliation is all about then use the brochures (the one you can find in your pew).

✦ **DONATIONS:** March 17th. - \$532. May God reward you richly for your generosity.

✦ **TAX RECEIPT:** please make sure you pick up your TAX RECEIPT which is in an envelope slot.



✦ **СПІЛЬНОТА «МАТЕРІ В МОЛИТВІ»** Запрошує всіх жінок приєднатися до молитовної зустрічі наступної неділі, 7 квітня. Спільнота «Матері у молитві» об'єднує жінок, які присвячують свій час молитві за дітей— і не лише за своїх, а й за дітей усього світу. Самі матері ведуть молитви, пропонують намірення на молитву. Під час зустрічей жінки діляться своїми проблемами, своїм духовним досвідом, підтримують одна одну.

✦ **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.

✦ **KOFC MEETING** will take place on **TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH**, at the parish hall at **7:30pm**.

✦ **2019 ANNUAL EPARCHIAL LENTEN COLLECTION** – will take place on Sunday, March 31st.

✦ **APPEAL TO UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH (age 16-29)** - Let your Church hear your voice on these issues: how do you see your membership and participation in the life of our Church, what good do you see in it, why are you a Ukrainian Catholic and why do you want to be a Ukrainian Catholic, what do you expect from your Church? You can address these issues by going to the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/2EF3oyW2ZiVxBB362> The survey must be completed by March 31 (from April 1 it will no longer be active).

✦ **BEQUESTS AND WILLS:** Leaving a bequest 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. It can be as small or as large a donation as you wish. It is important that you talk to your lawyer about the process. In your kindness please remember the Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: *"I give, devise, and bequeath to the Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Parish - 13753 108 Ave, Surrey, BC., the sum of \$_ (or _% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."*

✦ **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, LINDA CHUCHRYN, ANNA MARKIW, RENE HITCHEN, SOPHIE WATSON and those who have asked us to pray for them.

✦ **FUNDRAISER FOR OUR PARISH.** Please help raise funds through this very simple and painless way of contributing to the parish. It's simple! Follow the instructions at the back of this bulletin and turn your recyclables into a meaningful donation to the parish. If you need more information or have questions, please visit: <https://www.return-it.ca/express/faqs/>

✦ **CONGRATULATION!** May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in Many Happy and Blessed Years of Life to **KATRUSIA TYMCHUK** who celebrates her Birthdays. Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!

✦ **2019 ANNUAL CLERGY RETREAT** will take place in Deroche from April 30 till May 3. On that week there will be no services in the church.

✦ **Next PARISH COUNCIL** – will take place on **THURSDAY, APRIL 11th** at 7:00 p.m.

✦ **GRATITUDES TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS, GUESTS, VISITORS AND ALL PEOPLE OF THE GOOD WILL** who by their kindness share time, talents and treasures, volunteer and organize coffee-socials, make donations, knowingly and unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully care and help our parish community, parishioners welcoming our guests and visitors, help with preparing and making pyrohy, actively participate at different parish projects and programs, looking after and graciously supporting our Christian, Catholic Church community! May the Almighty God bless and abundantly reward your time, care and generosity! "Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us!" (*A Prayer from the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*)

✦ **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to **ANGELA KILLEN** for the flowers she planned by the stairs to our church. May God reward you, Angela, richly for your generosity and love for our parish.

✦ **EASTER FOOD BANK COLLECTION** - Along with fasting and prayer, almsgiving is another way that we can practice our Lenten good works. We will be collecting non-parishable goods to be donated to the local food bank. Please bring your non-parishable goods and drop them off at the back of the church.



✦ **EASTER BAKE SALE.** UCWLC of the Holy Cross invites you all to ANNUAL EASTER BAKE SALE:

SUNDAY, APRIL 14th, from **10:00am to 2:00pm** and **THURSDAY, APRIL 18th** from **9:00am to 1:00pm**

Appealing to the ladies of our Parish for baking towards the EASTER BAKE SALE. Please bring your baking to the church hall on SATURDAY, APRIL 13th by 11:00am.

HELP NEEDED with baking Easter doves and krustyky. If you would like to help with this matter, please contact

HALYNA TYMCHUK at 778-389-9581.

✦ **EASTER CLEAN-UP. HELP NEEDED!** Please come and help us to clean up our back yard and parking lot on **Saturday, April 13, at 9:30 am**. We will be thankful you for bringing yours own equipment: cutting shears, rakes, etc.

If you unable to come on that day but instead you can help on other day during the week, please call Fr.Andrii (778-387-7071). We have lots of work to do for everyone on everyday.



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Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster

The Rev. Fr. Andrii Chornenkyy
Mr. Bruce Hitchen & Parishioners of
Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Parish
Surrey, BC

29 March 2019

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Friends,

I want to keep you updated with regard to the sale of the two properties we have in Surrey, the one with our parish church and the now vacant rectory. This past week I signed documents with the Mansour Group Relators (at the recommendation of Surrey parishioner Mr. Ed Babysh) to represent the Eparchy in the sale of these two properties. They brought to us a buyer and after substantial negotiations there is an agreement in principle which allows the purchasers to do due diligence. Because the agreement is not yet closed, we were advised that it would be prudent to put up signage that the properties are for sale in order to ensure that the interests of the Eparchy and the parish are best served.

Once the agreement closes, I will be in a position to provide you all with further information. I am able to share with you that should we finalize this agreement, it will include a provision that we are allowed rent-free access to the property where our church is located for a period of 18 months.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Lord,

Bishop Ken Nowakowski

SCHEDULE FOR THE HOLY WEEK

APRIL 14 (PALM SUNDAY)

09:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (Eng), BLESSING OF PUSSY WILLOWS
11:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (Ukr), BLESSING OF PUSSY WILLOWS

APRIL 15 (HOLY MONDAY)

06:30 PM - LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS (Ukr/Eng)

APRIL 16 (HOLY TUESDAY)

06:30 PM - LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS (Ukr/Eng)

APRIL 17 (HOLY WEDNESDAY)

06:30 PM - LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS (Ukr/Eng)
07:30 PM - HOLY UNCTION. COMMUNAL ANOINTING

APRIL 18 (HOLY THURSDAY)

07:00 PM - MATINS OF THE 12 PASSION GOSPELS (Ukr/Eng)

APRIL 19 (HOLY FRIDAY)

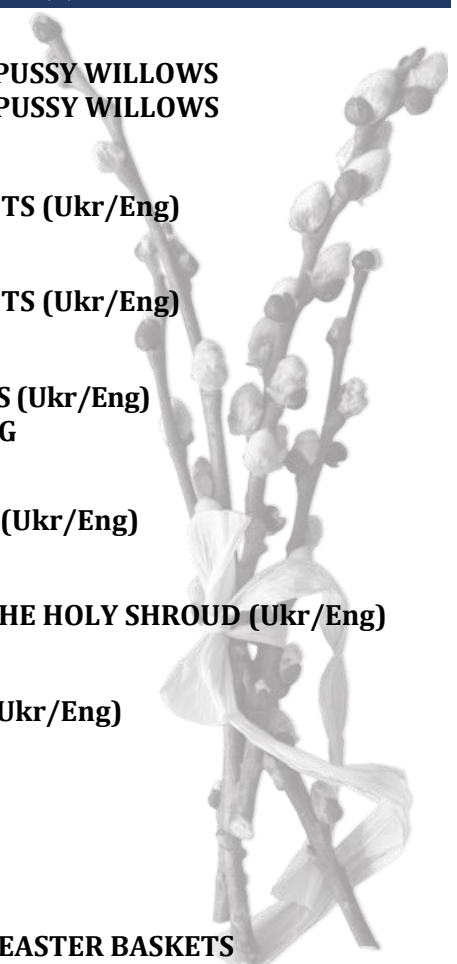
01:00 PM - VESPERS WITH THE EXPOSITION OF THE HOLY SHROUD (Ukr/Eng)

APRIL 20 (HOLY SATURDAY)

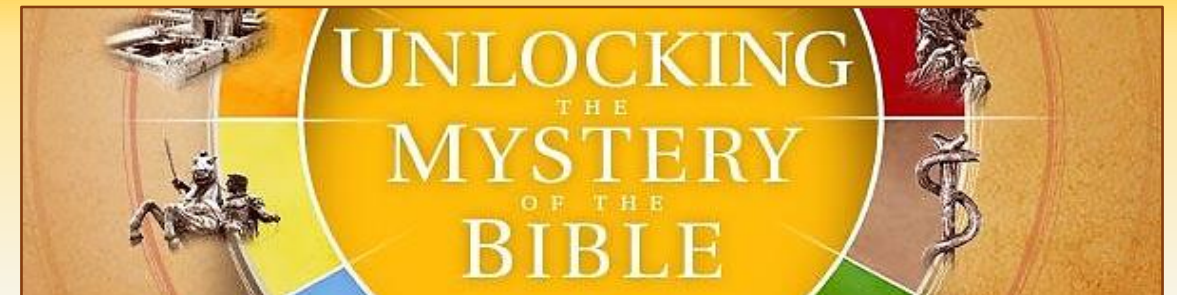
10:00 AM - VESPER WITH THE DIVINE LITURGY (Ukr/Eng)
05:00 PM - SERVICE AT THE TOMB (Ukr/Eng)
05:30 PM - BLESSING OF THE EASTER BASKETS

APRIL 21 (EASTER SUNDAY)

08:00 AM - RESURECTION MATINS (Ukr/Eng)
09:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (Ukr/Eng),
MYROVANNIA AND BLESSING OF THE EASTER BASKETS



ALL ARE INVITED TO THE BIBLE STUDY



TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND AT 7:00PM (IN THE PARISH HALL)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE, APRIL 01 - APRIL 07, 2019 A.D.

TUESDAY, APRIL 02	DIVINE LITURGY	09:30am
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 03	CANON OF ST. ANDREW OF CRETE (<i>NEW WESTMINSTER</i>)	07:00pm
THURSDAY, APRIL 04	AKATHIST OF THE SUFFERING OF CHRIST	09:30am
FRIDAY, APRIL 05	SOROKOUSTY	09:30am
	LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS	07:00pm
SUNDAY, APRIL 07	DIVINE LITURGY (ENG)	09:00 AM
	DIVINE LITURGY (UKR)	11:00 AM



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- You don't need to count or separate your containers.
- Bring your bagged containers to the nearest Express Depot.
- At the kiosk, enter the church phone number: **604-584-4421**
- Select the number of bags you are dropping off and print tags.
- Place the bag (with sticker attached) on the drop off area and you're done.
- The church will receive credits for all returns and a cheque will be issued to us at our request.