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HOLY MYSTERIES

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30 minutes before the Divine Liturgy or by appointment
HOLY COMMUNION:
for the sick, by appointment, any time
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Today's Gospel is one of the most tragic of any and all of Scripture because it really, in a nutshell, shows how people's lives are lost. They're lost by just living their life, not thinking of God, doing what they want to do, and then they die. And most of them will not know what they have missed until the Judgment. What a tragedy. This tragedy is happening in our lives too. Every time that we choose the wrong way, we are like the people or the Geresenes because we are losing an opportunity for sanctity, for blessedness. Saint Peter seized upon these opportunities for blessedness. The Lord said, "*Who does everybody think I am?*" So the Apostles say, some say you are John the Baptist, some say Elias, one of the prophets. Simon Peter with courage seized on the moment and said, You are the Christ. Now, it doesn't matter that later on he obviously wavered in his faith. He's human. But when he could, he did what was right and that is what made Peter great. We must, when we can, do what is right. Because there are so many times we do what is wrong, we must seize upon the moment. The Lord came so that we would no longer be sinners. But we must answer the question every day: What are we to do with Him? Those who do not love God answer it in such a way as to say, Go away. Not in so many words. But in the way they live their lives and their priorities what they think is important and what they do, they say, Go away. Those who love God, they beg Him to stay. So let us be like the Apostles and answer this question as they did. What are we to do with Thee, Jesus?

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.”

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

Kontakion, Tone 4: My Saviour and Deliverer from the grave* as God raised out of bondage the children of the earth* and shattered the gates of Hades;* and as Master, He rose on the third day.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion, Tone 4: By your birth, O immaculate one,* Joachim and Anna were freed from the reproach of childlessness,* and Adam and Eve* from the corruption of death.* And your people, redeemed from the guilt of their sins,* celebrate as they cry out to you:* “The barren one gives birth to the Mother of God* and nourisher of our life.”

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

A READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF SAINT PAUL TO THE ROMANS (10:1-10): *Brothers and Sisters,* my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

Alleluia, Tone 4

verse: Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

verse: You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:1

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! (3x)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☒ **VACATION.** Fr. Andrii will be away **from July 2nd to August 2nd.** Please, check the Sunday’s schedule at the back of the bulletin.

In case of emergency, please contact **Rev. Mykhaylo Ozorovych** at **604-704-5889.**

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.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

Кондак (глас 4): Спас і мій визволитель,* як Бог, із гробу воскресив землян від узів* і розбив брами адові* та воскрес на третій день, як Владика.

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

Богородичний (глас 4): Йоаким і Анна народженням Твоїм, Пречиста, з неслави бездітности,* Адам же і Єва від тління смерти, визволилися.* Звільнений від вини за гріхи, Твій народ святкує, взиваючи: Неплідна народжує Богородицю і кормительку Життя нашого.

Прокімен (глас 4): Які величні діла Твої, Господи! Все премудрістю сотворив Ти. *Стих:* Благослови, душе моя, Господа! Господи, Боже мій, Ти вельми великий.

ДО РИМЛЯН ПОСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО АПОСТОЛА ПАВЛА ЧИТАННЯ (10,1-10): *Браття і Сестри,* бажання мого серця й молитва до Бога за Ізраїля на спасіння. Бо я свідчу їм, що вони мають ревність про Бога, але не за розумом. Вони бо, не розуміючи праведности Божої, і силкуючись поставити власну праведність, не покорились праведності Божій. Бо кінець Закону Христос на праведність кожному, хто вірує. Мойсей бо пише про праведність, що від Закону, що людина, яка його виконує, буде ним жити. А про праведність, що від віри, говорить так: Не кажи в своїм серці: Хто вийде на небо? цебто звести додолу Христа, або: Хто зійде в безодню? цебто вивести з мертвих Христа. Але що каже ще? Близько тебе слово, в устах твоїх і в серці твоїм, цебто слово віри, що його проповідуємо. Бо коли ти устами своїми визнаватимеш Ісуса за Господа, і будеш вірувати в своїм серці, що Бог воскресив Його з мертвих, то спасешся, бо серцем віруємо для праведности, а устами ісповідуємо для спасіння.

Алилуя (глас 4): Стих: Натягни лук і наступай, і пануй істини ради, лагідности і справедливости.

Стих: Ти полюбив правду і зненавидів беззаконня.

Євангеліє: Мт 8,29-9:1

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах. Алилуя (х3).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☒ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to all those who celebrated their birthdays this past week. May the Lord Our God continue to bless you abundantly and the Holy Mother of God protects you at all times. Многая Літа!

✠ **SUNDAY COLLECTION:** JUNE 30th - \$ 905 (including 2 direct deposits), DONATIONS towards property taxes - \$ 150. JULY 7th - \$ 345 (including 3 direct deposits). May Our Lord shower you & your family richly now and for ever.

✠ **DIRECT DEPOSIT IS NOW AVAILABLE.** To set-up automatic withdrawals from your bank account for your Sunday donations, please, complete the PAP authorization forms (you can find one at the back of the church). You can choose to have it done monthly, semi-monthly, bi-monthly or weekly. Our treasurer, Kathryn Hitchen is collecting the completed forms. You can either give them to her directly, place them in the Sunday collection plate, or email the completed form to her at hitchen@telus.net. There are envelopes at the back of the church with Kathryn's name on them that you can use to put in the collection plate.

✠ **BIG THANK YOU** to **BRUCE HITCHEN, VOLODYMYR TYMCHUK, SERHIY SYNYSIA, VOLODYMYR ZASTAVETSKYY, SERHIY TAYANOV** and **VITALIY NYKYTIUK** for cleaning and painting the church hall. May Our Lord shower you & your family richly now and for ever.

✠ **BIG THANK YOU** to **MICHELLE OUCHAREK-DEO** who donated \$ 300 towards horizontal blinds for the church hall. (We are replacing the curtains with blinds. The total cost for 6 custom blinds is \$ 600).

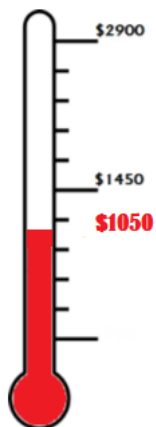
✠ **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** There are still few maintenance items we need help with and are looking for volunteers. We need someone to install the emergency exit hardware on the double doors. We also need someone to install 4 solar powered LED Security Lights on the church. Please, help us to make our parish more welcoming and safe place.

✠ **PRAZNYK / FEAST DAY 2019.** Please mark Sunday, **SEPTEMBER 15TH AT 11:00 AM** in your calendars for our Annual Praznyk of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Invite your family and your friends to celebrate with us.

✠ **INVITATION.** Singers, cantors, choir directors, and anyone interested in liturgical music, regardless of ability or experience, are invited to register for SingCon 2019, which will take place Sept. 26-29, 2019, in Stamford, Connecticut. This is the second annual SingCon, gathering more than 100 church singers from across North America for fellowship, workshops, lectures, and, most importantly, liturgical prayer. Participants will rehearse new music, engage in

discussions with fellow church musicians, participate in a variety of workshops, and sing Vespers, Matins, and the Divine Liturgy together. SingCon is organized by the Patriarchal Liturgical Commission of the UGCC, and sponsored by the Eparchy of Stamford: this year's location is St. Basil's Seminary, historically a center of musical training for Eastern Catholics in North America. For more information and to register for this year's conference, go to <https://ugccmusic.com> or email hello@ugccmusic.com

✠ **FUNDRAISING TO PAY OUR PROPERTY TAXES.** Dear parishioners, as you have been informed, according to 2019 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT the value of our property skyrocketed just in one year. Consequently, our property taxes also have increased to almost double. In 2018 the parish had paid \$3,324.85. This year we are billed for \$6,241.27. For this reason the Parish Council is



asking you for a financial support. Please consider donating generously to cover at least the difference (\$2,915.00) between 2018 and 2019 property taxes the parish has to pay. **Donations can be made in your Sunday envelop, but please, CLEARLY MARK FOR THE PROPERTY TAXES.** We thank you and pray for you

PRAYER REQUEST: pray for the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: OLIVE NOSATY, MARY SHEMLEY, STELLA ANDRUSIAK, KATRUSIA & JERRY SWERYDA, ANGELA KILLEN, LINDA CHUCHRYN, SOPHIE WATSON, PATRICIA PYLYPOW 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.

✠ **CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR** August 18-25, 2019. Start planning your summer holidays now! Come join us to celebrate our 34th year of camp for children in our Eparchy! Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build self-confidence and self-esteem, develop life-long skills while reconnecting with nature and building friendships. Our camp is also a wonderful opportunity to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Campers will learn about the Ukrainian language and culture along with games, hiking, sports @ much more! If you are between the ages of 7-14 this is a summer must do! Registration is \$380. Bus transportation is also available to and from New Westminster. Register online using Eventbrite. Search "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2019." For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com.

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CAMP Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. Please contact Jennifer if you are interested in helping.

VOLUNTEER as a Camp Chef We are seeking between 4-6 individuals to help us each day in the kitchen. It is your opportunity to get creative and be a part of the campers top 5 things at camp. Visit our website www.nweparchy.ca

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✠ **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."



FEAST OF SAINT PROPHET ELIAS

The glorious Prophet Elijah (Hebrew: אֵלִיָּהוּ), also Elias (Greek Ηλίας), is a prophet of the Old Testament. His name has been variously translated as "whose God is the Lord," "God the Lord," "the strong Lord," "God of the Lord," "my God is the Lord," "the Lord is my God." His feast day is celebrated on **July 20**.

Elias of great fame was from Thisbe or Thesbe, a town of Galaad (Gilead), beyond the Jordan. He was of priestly lineage, a man of a solitary and ascetical character, clothed in a mantle of sheep skin, and girded about his loins with a leather belt.

His zeal for the glory of God was compared to fire, and his speech for teaching and rebuke was likened unto a burning lamp. From this too he received the name Zealot. Therefore, set aflame with such zeal, he

sternly reproved the impiety and lawlessness of Ahab and his wife Jezebel. He shut up heaven by means of prayer, and it did not rain for three years and six months. Ravens brought him food for his need when, at God's command, he was hiding by the torrent of Horraath. He multiplied the little flour and oil of the poor widow of Sarephtha of Sidon, who had given him hospitality in her home, and when her son died, he raised him up. He brought down fire from Heaven upon Mount Carmel, and it burned up the sacrifice offered to God before all the people of Israel, that they might know the truth. At the torrent of Kisson, he slew 450 false prophets and priests who worshipped idols and led the people astray. He received food wondrously at the hand of an Angel, and being strengthened by this food he walked for forty days and forty nights. He beheld God on Mount Horeb, as far as this is possible for human nature. He foretold the destruction of the house of Ahab, and the death of his son Ohozias; and as for the two captains of fifty that were sent by the king, he burned them for their punishment, bringing fire down from Heaven. He divided the flow of the Jordan, and he and his disciple Elisseus passed through as it were on dry land; and finally, while speaking with him, Elias was suddenly snatched away by a fiery chariot in the year 895 B.C., and he ascended as though into heaven, whither God most certainly translated him alive, as He did Enoch (Gen. 5:24; IV Kings 2: 11).

But from thence also, after seven years, by means of an epistle he reproached Joram, the son of Josaphat, as it is written: "And there came a message in writing to him from Elias the Prophet, saying, Thus saith the Lord God of David thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the way," and so forth (II Chron. 21:12). According to the opinion of the majority of the interpreters, this came to pass either through his disciple Elisseus, or through another Prophet when Elias appeared to them, even as he appeared on Mount Tabor to the disciples of Christ

GOOD TO KNOW

As of Sunday, July 14, by the Bishop Ken (Nowakowski) blessing and his permission, we will share our church with **Saint Gregorios community of the Syriac Orthodox Church of India**. This small community (10-15 families) is trying to establish a new parish in Surrey. They will rent our church from 3pm to 7pm every Sunday on an ongoing basis. What do we know about **the Syriac Orthodox Church of India**?

The **Syriac Orthodox Church of India** also known as the **Jacobite Syrian Christian Church**, the **Malankara Jacobite Syrian Christian Church**, or the **Malankara Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church** is an autonomous Oriental Orthodox Church based in the Indian state of Kerala, and is an integral branch of the Syriac Orthodox Church of Antioch. It recognizes the Syriac Orthodox Patriarch Of Antioch and all the East, currently Moran Mor Ignatius Aphrem II seated in Damascus, Syria, as its Supreme Head. It functions as a largely autonomous unit within the church, under the authority of the Catholicos of India, currently Aboon Mor Baselios Thomas I. Currently, this is the only church in Malankara which has a direct relationship with the Syriac Christians of Antioch.

Saint Thomas, one of the twelve Disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ is a founder of the Ancient Church in India. It is believed that Saint Thomas Christians of Malabar were in communion with the Church of the East from 295 to 1599. They received episcopal support from Persian bishops, who traveled to Kerala in merchant ships along the spice route, while the local leader of the Saint Thomas Christians held the rank of Archdeacon.

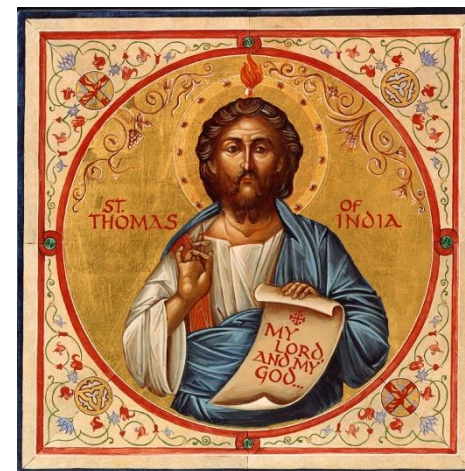
The indigenous Church of Malabar/Malankara followed the faith and traditions handed over by the Apostle St. Thomas. During the 16th century, the Portuguese Jesuits began deliberate attempts to annex the native Christians to the Catholic Church, and in 1599 they succeeded through the Synod of Diamper. Resentment against these forceful measures led the majority of the community under the Archdeacon Thomas to swear an oath never to submit to the Portuguese, known as the Coonan Cross Oath, in 1653. Since then, further splits have occurred, and the Saint Thomas Christians are now divided into several factions.

The Malankara Church consolidated under Mar Thoma I welcomed Gregorios Abdal Jaleel, who regularized the canonical ordination of Mar Thoma as a bishop.

Meanwhile, the Dutch East India Company defeated the Portuguese and gained supremacy over the spice trade in Malabar in 1663. The Malankara church used this opportunity to escape from Catholic persecution with the Dutch East India Company's help. At the request of the Malankara Church, the Dutch brought Gregorios Abdal Jaleel of Jerusalem, a bishop of the Syriac Orthodox Church, in their trading vessel in 1665. Mar Thoma I forged a relationship with the Syriac Orthodox Church and gradually adopted West Syriac liturgy and practices.

The church lost its legal status as the Malankara church and thereby the ownership of several churches, in a historic verdict of the Supreme court of India which put an end to decades of litigations and disputes that surrounded the Jacobite Syrian Church and Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church .

As part of the Syriac Orthodox communion, the church uses the West Syriac liturgy and is part of the Oriental Orthodox group of churches. It has dioceses in most parts of India as well as in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Western Europe, the Persian Gulf, Australia and New Zealand nations. In 2003 it was estimated that the church has 1,200,000 members globally.



SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR JULY, AUGUST and SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY, JULY 21: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

SUNDAY, JULY 28: **6:00pm** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

SUNDAY, AUG 4: **9:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG)
11:00am – DIVINE LITURGY (UKR)

SUNDAY, AUG 11: **9:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG)
11:00am – DIVINE LITURGY (UKR)

SUNDAY, AUG 18: **9:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG)
11:00am – DIVINE LITURGY (UKR)

SUNDAY, AUG 25: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

SUNDAY, SEPT 1: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

SUNDAY, SEPT 8: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

SUNDAY, SEPT 15: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (**PARISH FEAST DAY**)

SUNDAY, SEPT 22: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

SUNDAY, SEPT 29: **11:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG & UKR)

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