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### SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



### 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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Every Gospel narrative, just as every word of the Gospel, conceals immeasurable meaning. Today's Gospel reading likewise speaks of eternal truths that are of great importance to our everyday lives. It speaks of the love of God for man and of the love of man for God; of the fact that God never leaves us without His merciful assistance. Whatever may befall us, God will never leave us in either trouble or woe – if only we remain with Him through our faith in Him, our love for Him, and our fidelity to Him in our lives.

We all resemble today's two blind men in our spiritual blindness – and not in this alone. We resemble these ailing people, who were tormented by their infirmities, in both our spiritual and bodily infirmities, which torment us as did theirs; and in that, like them, we continue to ask for things from the Lord: for the alleviation of suffering, for our healing, for the return of our health and the joy of life, which we have somehow lost. But, brethren, we do not always resemble them in their faith in the Lord and in His power. We do not resemble them in their fidelity to God, which is not as strong and undoubting as that of these two blind men. Is that not why we remain unhealed?

The Lord Jesus Christ walked the earth very long ago, healing every infirmity and disease in people, just as He healed these two blind men of the Gospel who had unwavering faith in Him. Now, too, the Lord Jesus Christ heals all who have faith in Him throughout the entire world with that same Divine power, granting them peace, true joy, and salvation. Let us believe Him, as the two blind men believed Him. Let us, brethren, be faithful like them in our faith and love for Him.

***Troparion, 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!

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

***Kontakion, Tone 6:*** With His life-giving hand\* Christ our God, the Giver of life,\* raised all the dead from the murky abyss\* and bestowed resurrection upon humanity.\* He is for all the Saviour,\* the resurrection and the life, and the God of all.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

***Theotokion, Tone 6:*** Undaunted patroness of Christians,\* O steadfast intermediary with the Creator,\* turn not away from the suppliant voices of sinners,\* but in your kindness come to help us who cry out to you in faith.\* Be quick to intercede, make haste to plead,\* for you are ever the patroness of those who honour you, O Mother of God.

***Prokeimenon, Tone 6*** Save Your people, O Lord, \* and bless Your inheritance.  
*verse:* Unto You I will cry, O Lord, my God, lest You turn from me in silence.

***A READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF SAINT PAUL TO THE ROMANS (15:1-7)*** We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. Each of us should please our neighbors for their good, to build them up. For even Christ did not please himself but, as it is written: “The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.” For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

***Alleluia, Tone 6***

*verse:* He who lives in the aid of the Most High, shall dwell under the protection of the God of heaven.

*verse:* He says to the Lord: You are my protector and my refuge, my God, in Whom I hope.

***Gospel Matthew 9:27-35***

***Communion Hymn:*** Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest.\* Alleluia. (x3).

***“Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could.”***

-St. Gregory Nazianzen

***Тропар (глас 6):*** Ангельські сили на гробі Твоїм, і сторожі омертвіли; Марія ж стояла при гробі, шукаючи пречистого тіла Твого. Полонив Ти ад і, не переможений від нього, зустрів Ти Діву, даруючи життя. Воскреслий з мертвих, Господи, слава Тобі!

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

***Кондак (глас 6):*** Животворною рукою Життедавець, Христос Бог, воскресив з темних безодень всіх померлих і подав воскресіння людському родові: Він бо всіх Спаситель, воскресіння, життя і Бог усіх.

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

***Богородичний (глас 6):*** Заступнице християн бездоганна, Посереднице до Творця незамінна, не погорди молінням грішних, але випереди, як Блага, з поміччю нам, що вірно Тобі співаємо. Поспішишь на молитву і скоро прийди на моління, заступаючи повсякчас, Богородице, тих, що Тебе почитають.

***Прокімен (глас 6):*** Спаси, Господи, людей Твоїх і благослови спадкоємство Твоє.  
*Стих:* До Тебе, Господи, взиватиму; Боже мій, не відвертайсь мовчки від мене (Пс 27,1).

***ДО РИМЛЯН ПОСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО АПОСТОЛА ПАВЛА ЧИТАННЯ (12,6-14):*** Браття і Сестри, ми, сильні, мусимо нести немочі безсильних, а не собі догоджати. Кожний із нас нехай намагається догодити ближньому: на добро, для збудування. Бо й Христос не собі догоджав, а як написано: «Зневаги тих, що тебе зневажають, упали на мене.» Все бо, що було написано давніше, написано нам на науку, щоб ми мали надію через терпеливість й утіху, про які нас Письмо навчає.

Бог же терпеливості й утіхи, за прикладом Христа Ісуса, нехай дасть вам, щоб ви між собою однаково думали за Христом Ісусом; щоб ви однодушно, одними устами славили Бога й Отця Господа нашого Ісуса Христа. Тому приймайте один одного, як і Христос прийняв вас у Божу славу.

***Алилуя (глас 6):***

*Стих:* Хто живе під охороною Всевишнього, під покровом Бога небесного оселиться.

*Стих:* Скаже він Господеві: Ти заступник мій і пристановище моє, Бог мій, на котрого я надіюся.

***Євангеліє: Мм 8,5-13***

***Причасний:*** Хваліте Господа з небес,\* хваліте Його на висотах. Алилуя (x3).

***“Our Lord loves you and loves you tenderly; and if He does not let you feel the sweetness of His love, it is to make you more humble and abject in your own eyes.”***

-St. Pio of Pietrelcino

## 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**.

✦ **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** to **PAUL & MARCY MCAULEY, VICTOR & NATALIYA SAGAYDAK** who celebrated their Anniversaries of Wedding. May God shower you with joy and love for the rest of your life. May you be together and God be with you for many more anniversaries to come!

✦ **DORMITION FAST:** August 1 - 14. **FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY, THE MOTHER OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY** – August 15

✦ **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](mailto: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.

✦ **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.

✦ **PAZNYK / 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](mailto: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: ANNA MATIOWSKI, 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** Come join us August 18-25, 2019 in celebrating our 35th year of offering camp to children in our Eparchy! Register today and use the promo code July 2019 to get \$50 off your registration. Register online using Eventbrite. Search "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2019." For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or [jennsawka@hotmail.com](mailto:jennsawka@hotmail.com)

✦ **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."

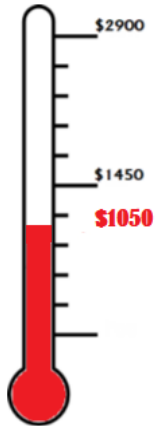
✦ **DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY** – once again Saint Nicholas Parish (Edmonton) is on the hunt for a youth minister in the parish.

### Requirements

- Experience working with youth and or young families
- Active member of a Ukrainian Catholic parish faith community
- Knowledgeable about the Ukrainian Catholic Faith
- Proficiency in the use of various social media – Facebook, twitter etc.
- Bachelor's degree in Religious Education or Theology OR National Credential in Youth Ministry OR background in theology and educational methodologies with a willingness to move toward a credential or degree.

### Responsibilities:

1. Supervise/coordinate/assist Sunday preschool (ages 3 – 7, Pre-Solemn Communion), Junior Youth (Grades 3-8), UCY (Grades 9-12), young adults (ages 18-35) programs, and programs for young families
2. Develop leadership skills in youth and young adults.
3. Coordinate recruitment, training, support, and evaluation of volunteers in the youth ministry program





- 4. Maintain communication within the parish, with other parishes throughout the Edmonton eparchy, with the eparchial youth ministry office and other Christian youth based organizations
- 5. Determine and deliver effective ways of publicizing and promoting programs and experiences; particularly in the areas of Social Media
- 6. Be a presence in the St. Nicholas community through their liturgical and social activities.

**Details:** 15-18 hours per week

This position entails weekend and evening work therefore the successful application will be willing to be flexible with their time. Begins September 1, 2019, with the option of extending upon the agreement of both parties.

**Application:** Please send resume along with the contact information for 2 references to: education@edmontoneparchy.com, Those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Call Bernie - 780-424-5496 for more information.

FEAST OF THE SEVEN HOLY MACCABEE MARTYRS



The seven holy Maccabee martyrs Abim, Antonius, Gurias, Eleazar, Eusebonus, Alimus and Marcellus, their mother Solomonia and their teacher Eleazar suffered in the year 166 before Christ under the impious Syrian king Antiochus IV Epiphanes. This foolish ruler loved pagan and Hellenistic customs, and held Jewish customs in contempt. He did everything possible to turn people from the Law of Moses and from their covenant with God. He desecrated the Temple of the Lord, placed a statue of the pagan god Zeus there, and forced the Jews to worship it. Many people abandoned the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, but there were also those who continued to believe that the Savior would come.

A ninety-year-old elder, the scribe and teacher Eleazar, was brought to trial for his faithfulness to the Mosaic Law. He suffered tortures and died at Jerusalem.

The disciples of St Eleazar, the seven Maccabee brothers and their mother Solomonia, also displayed great courage. They

were brought to trial in Antioch by King Antiochus Epiphanes. They fearlessly acknowledged themselves as followers of the True God, and refused to eat pig's flesh, which was forbidden by the Law.

The eldest brother acted as spokesmen for the rest, saying that they preferred to die rather than break the Law. He was subjected to fierce tortures in sight of his brothers and their mother. His tongue was cut out, he was scalped, and his hands and feet were cut off. Then a cauldron and a large frying pan were heated, and the first brother was thrown into the frying pan, and he died.

The next five brothers were tortured one after the other. The seventh and youngest brother was the last one left alive. Antiochus suggested to St Solomonia to persuade the boy to obey him, so that her last son at least would be spared. Instead, the brave mother told him to imitate the courage of his brothers.

The child upbraided the king and was tortured even more cruelly than his brothers had been. After all her seven children had died, St Solomonia, stood over their bodies, raised up her hands in prayer to God and died.

The martyric death of the Maccabee brothers inspired Judas Maccabeus, and he led a revolt against Antiochus Epiphanes. With God's help, he gained the victory, and then purified the Temple at Jerusalem. He also threw down the altars which the pagans had set up in the streets. All these events are related in the Second Book of Maccabees (Ch. 8-10).

NEWS

HIS BEATITUDE SVIATOSLAV (SHEVCHUK) ADVISED HOW TO REVIVE THE LITURGY

Father and Head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav at a meeting with the youth during the national pilgrimage to Zarvanytsia shared his advice on how to enliven the Liturgy.

First of all, believes His Beatitude Sviatoslav, in order to revive the Liturgy, we must be active participants in it.

According to him, after the Second Vatican Council in the Catholic Church and in other communities, in particular the Protestant, there was a lot of discussion on this topic.

"There was a whole trend that began to treat the liturgy as a show. But then it became clear that the spectacle was a one-day fly. And the priest in such a liturgy-performance was supposed to act as a showman. And then they saw that such a revival of the Liturgy did not lead to a better experience of God," said the Primate.

"There is another way - to better prepare for the Liturgy, both for the priest and for the faithful," stressed the Head of the UGCC.

As an example, he mentioned a priest who initiated a truly liturgical reform in the Church. "He began to print texts for every mass, so that those who come to the temple had texts in front of their eyes and could participate in singing. Maybe we all should go that way," said the Bishop.

His Beatitude Sviatoslav gave two pieces of advice, which he received as a seminarian from his spiritual father Lubomyr Husar. "These tips have personally helped me a lot. The first thing he said - go to the Divine Services as a meeting. Not as a performance, but as a meeting ... We go to the Liturgy, not only to learn something there, to get some information, but to meet God. Moreover, to meet God Who wants to serve me. For Divine Liturgy is a moment when He descends from Heaven to serve me. Therefore, we call it the Service of God," convinces His Beatitude Sviatoslav.

And the second piece of advice: "Go to a meeting with God with this mood: 'God wants to say something to me, and I have to hear.' Believe me, if you go to the Service of God as to something new and different each time, God will speak to you. For the Lord God speaks. There are no two identical Divine Liturgies," says the spiritual leader of Ukrainians.

"And when you go out of worship, ask yourself: 'What did God say to me today?' You will see that you will come out of such a meeting with a full heart and a special word that God says to you," says His Beatitude Sviatoslav.

The UGCC Department for Information

## SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR JULY, AUGUST and SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY, AUG 4: **9:00am** – DIVINE LITURGY (ENG) (+ JOSEPH OSTROWERCHA)  
**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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