#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

# NO PUBLIC SERVICES ONLY STREAMING ONLINE VIA FACEBOOK OR WEBSITE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

SELFLESS PHYSICIANS COSMAS AND DAMIAN

**DIVINE LITURGY (+HELEN OLEKSEWICH)** 

**PANAKHYDA** 

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

MARTYRS ACINDYNUS, PEGASUS AND OTH.

**DIVINE LITURGY** 

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

MARTYRS ACEPSIMAS, JOSEPH

**NO SERVICES** 

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

VENERABLE JOANNICIUS THE GREAT

**DIVINE LITURGY** 

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

**MARTYRS GALACTION AND EPISTEMIS** 

**DIVINE LITURGY** 

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

**CONFESSOR PAUL** 

5:00PM - GREAT VESPERS









 $24^{ ext{TH}}$  SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 24ТА НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ ПЯТИДЕСЯТНИЦІ

10:00AM DIVINE LITURGY (BILINGUAL)





### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION TO SAINT GEORGE

Faithful servant of God and invincible martyr, Saint George; favored by God with the gift of faith, and inflamed with an ardent love of Christ, You did fight valiantly against the dragon of pride, falsehood, and deceit. Neither pain nor torture, sword nor death could part You from the love of Christ. I fervently implore You for the sake of this love to help me by Your intercession to overcome the temptations that surround me, and to bear bravely the trials that oppress me, so that I may patiently carry the cross which is placed upon me; and let neither distress nor difficulties separate me from the love of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Valiant champion of the Faith, assist me in the combat against evil, that I may win the crown promised to them that persevere unto the end. Amen



# **SAINT GEORGE'S**

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH УКРАЇНСЬКА КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА

## вічо олоткая

# opens wide its doors

to all who mourn or need comfort; to all who are weary and need rest; to all who seek friendship; to all who desire to grow in relationship with God; to all who yearn to pray; to all who need a Saviour, and in the name our Lord, says:

### WELCOMEI

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#### **HOLY MYSTERIES**

### ∞ CONFESSION/СПОВІДЬ 🖎

every Saturday: 4:00-4:50pm or by appointment

# **№** HOLY COMMUNION / CB. ПРИЧАСТЯ **С**

for the sick, by appointment, any time

# **№** ВАРТІЅМ/ХРЕЩЕННЯ **№**

by appointment

## **20** Marriage / Вінчання ся

6 months notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made

**SO FUNERAL / ΠΟΧΟΡΟΗ ©**by appointment

# OCTOBER 31, 2021 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



"Why do you fear the Devil, O Christians? He cannot force you to do anything. The Devil should, rather, fear you, not you the Devil, for you are clad in the armor and panoply of God; you have as a sling the sign of the Precious Cross, with which, and from a distance, you can smite all of the demons; you wield, as a two-edged sword, the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, which the demons fear and at which they tremble.

As for you, if you are willing to keep the commandments of the Lord, and to be the true friends and soldiers of the Heavenly King, you will have no need of magic or any other device of the Devil, and you will trample on him with your feet as though he were a beast, a little sparrow, a scorpion, or an ant. 'Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.' [Lk 10:19]

Hence, if you will, the Devil can become so small and lowly that he resembles an infant; and again, if you will, the Devil can become so mighty against you that he roars like a fearsome lion and seeks to devour you."

St. Nicodemos the Hagiorite

**Troparion, T.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, T.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, T.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, T6:** 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 St Paul to the Ephesians (2:4-10) Brothers and Sisters, God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved – and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God – not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

## Alleluia, T.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: Luke 8:26-39** 

*Communion Hymn* Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. (*x*3).

**Тропар гл.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 гл.6:** Животворною рукою Життєдавець, Христос Бог,\* воскресив з темних безодень всіх померлих\* і подав воскресіння людському родові:\* Він бо усіх Спаситель,\* восресіння, життя і Бог усіх.

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

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**Прокімен гл.6:** Спаси, Господи, людей Твоїх\* і благослови спадкоємство Твоє.

*Стих*: До Тебе, Господи, взиватиму; Боже мій, не відвертайсь мовчки від мене.

До Ефесян послання Св. Апостол Павла читання: (2,4-10): Браття і Сестри, Бог, багатий милосердям, з-за великої своєї любови, якою полюбив нас, мертвих нашими гріхами, оживив нас разом із Христом – благодаттю ви спасені! – І разом з ним воскресив нас, і разом посадовив на небі у Христі Ісусі; щоб у наступних віках він міг показати надзвичайне багатство своєї благодаті у своїй доброті до нас у Христі Ісусі. Бо ви спасені благодаттю через віру. І це не від нас: воно дар Божий. Воно не від діл, щоб ніхто не міг хвалитися. Бо ми його створіння, створені у Христі Ісусі для добрих діл, які Бог уже наперед був приготував, щоб ми їх чинили.

# Алилуя гл.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: Лк 8,26-39

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

#### **PARISH ANNOUCEMENTS**

♦ NEW PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS FOR NORTHERN HEALTH REGION On Thursday October 14, all churches and other places that hold religious services have been told to move services online. All in person services are suspended. These measures will remain in place until November 19, 2021 at midnight and may be subject to extension if cases remain high and vaccination rates remain low.

Thank you for being good keepers of the health and the safety of your brothers and sisters.

- ◆ LIVE STREAM. Sunday Divine Liturgy will be live streamed at 10:00 AM on the Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ParishPG">https://www.facebook.com/ParishPG</a> and on the parish web-site at <a href="https://www.sgparish.ca">www.sgparish.ca</a>.
- ◆ HOLY COMMUNION and PRIVATE PRAYER. On Sunday the church will be open **from 11:30am till 12:30pm** for those who would like to RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNITON and/or to pray privately in the church.

**REMINDER**: upon entering the church sanitize your hands; while in the church, please keep social distance, always wear a mask, and avoid any conversations.

## PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

O Lord, I believe and profess that you are truly Christ, the Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners of whom I am the first. Accept me today as a partaker of your mystical supper, O Son of God, for I will not reveal your mystery to your enemies, nor will I give you a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I profess you: Remember me, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom. Remember me, O Master, when you come in your kingdom. Remember me, O Holy One, when you come in your kingdom. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord, be not for my judgment or condemnation but for the healing of soul and body. O Lord, I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious body and your lifegiving blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and for life everlasting. Amen.

O God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

O God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.

For I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord.

◆ CONGRATULATION to ROSEMARY PROKOPCHUK who celebrate her Birthday. May the Almighty God bless her with good health and salvation in Many Happy & Blessed Years of Life. Mnohaya I Blahaya Lita!

♦ WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE DRAWING? We are very grateful for all the drawings of the saints that our talented children had submitted for the contest.

Now we are asking you, dear parishioners and guests, to support these children and their drawings. There are two ways you can do this:

-1- go to the following web page: https://sgparish.ca/drawing/ and press CLAPS button which show how much you appreciate the hard work and talent of our children.

-2- if you are planning to come to church to receive the Holy Communion, then bring some candies with yourself. These candies you will be able to place into a box by your favorite drawing.



St. Teresa of Lisieux By M.O. 15 y.o.



ST. MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA BY Y.C. 9Y.O.



ST. GREAT MARTYR & WONDERWORKER GEORGE BY S.C. 10 Y.O.



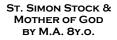
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta by M.O. 13y.o.



St. Joseph

BY E.O. 7Y.O.

ST. NICHOLAS BY S.F. 7Y.O.





- ◆ **DONATIONS**. Amid Covid-19 outbreak causing these challenging times we continue to rely on your generosity. We still have expenses and rely on your support. You can make donations by
- dropping them into Fr.Andrii's mail box *or* sending them by mail to *2413 Devonshire Crescent, Prince George, BC, V2N 1C7* or
- Online at https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/sgpg/ Please Note that St George's parish does not collect any payment data for donations made through CanadaHelps. You will receive a tax receipt directly from CanadaHelps.
- ◆ The **FIFTH WORLD DAY OF THE POOR** will be marked on **November 14**. Pope Francis message for the occasion focuses on the theme of: <u>The poor you will always have with you (Mk 14:7)</u>

At the best of times, and especially during COVID-19, many families and individuals struggle to put food on the table. As a sign of solidarity with the those in need, and to live out our Christian vocation to see the face of Christ in each other, parishes and families are encouraged to support their local food bank (or similar agency) by making a food or cash donation. The social outreach activity "Feeding the Poor of Today" also honours the memory of the millions who perished in the Holodomor Famine (1932-1933) in Ukraine – commemorated this year on Saturday, November 27 – and in other like genocides throughout the world by providing food for the hungry today.

A concrete way to help those in need this Christmas is:

- **option 1** to collaborate with **the local branch of the UCWLC** which collects jackets, mitts, socks for the homeless people of our community. The items you wish to donate you can bring to the church.
- **option 2** to collaborate with the **Knights of Columbus' annual initiative** *Coats for Kids Program*, which provides warm clothing for children during our cold prairie winters. A case of 12 winter coats costs only \$330 (including shipping). Contact your local Knights of Columbus Council to make a monetary donation towards this exceptional cause.
- ◆ ST. PHILIP'S FAST This Pre-Christmas fast, more commonly known as Advent, will start on November 15. Like during the Great Lent we prepare spiritually for Christ's Death and Resurrection, so during 40 days of the Phillip's Fast we prepare ourselves for Lord's Nativity.
- ◆ 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 St.

George's 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 St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Parish - 2414 Vanier Dr, Prince George, BC., the sum of \$\_ (or\_% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."

◆ PRAYER REQUEST: PLEASE REMEMBER the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: BERNICE KALTWASSER, ROSEMARIE PROKOPCHUK, DAVE SULLIVAN, JAMES LOVITT and all who have asked us to pray for them.

## **NEWS**

# CANADIAN BISHOPS TO WELCOME POPE FRANCIS TO CANADA ON HISTORIC PILGRIMAGE OF HEALING AND RECONCILIATION

The Catholic Bishops of Canada are grateful that Pope Francis has accepted their invitation to visit Canada on a pilgrimage of healing & reconciliation. In anticipation of this visit, the planned delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders, knowledge keepers and youth will travel to the Holy See, where they will have the opportunity to speak to Pope Francis about the timing, focus, and themes in preparation for his future pilgrimage to Canada.

"The Bishops of Canada have been engaged in meaningful discussions with Indigenous Peoples, especially those affected by Residential Schools who have shared stories about the suffering and challenges that they continue to experience," said CCCB President, the Most Rev. Raymond Poisson. "We pray that Pope Francis' visit to Canada will be a significant milestone in the journey toward reconciliation and healing."

The Canadian Bishops recently pledged to work with the Holy See and Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit to Canada by the Pope. Following this pledge and informed by three years of ongoing dialogue between the Canadian Bishops, the Holy See, and Indigenous Peoples, the President and former-President of the CCCB met in Rome with the Secretary of State of the Holy See to discuss next steps on the reconciliation journey earlier this month and in preparation for the delegation.

This delegation to the Holy See will take place from December 17-20, 2021, and is being planned in close collaboration with National Indigenous Organizations and other partners.

"We will invite the delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders, knowledge keepers, and youth who will meet with Pope Francis to open their hearts to the Holy Father and share both their suffering as well as their hopes and desires for his eventual visit to Canada," added Bishop Poisson.

Additional details about Pope Francis' pilgrimage to Canada, as well as the Rome delegation will be announced by the CCCB as details are confirmed.



#### **OUR HISTORY**

On November 1st our Church commemorates **Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky**, who died in Lviv on November 1, 1944.

Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky was born in 1865. The son of a polonized (and therefore latinized) Ukrainian Aristocrat, Jan Sheptytsky and Sophia Fredro, he was conscious of the fact that his ancestors included some notable bishops and Metropolitans of the Catholic Church of Kyiv. After many obstacles created by his father, the

young Count Sheptytsky was able to enter the Ukrainian monastery of the Order of Saint Basil the Great (OSBM) in 1891 and accepted the monastic name Andrey. In 1900 he was made Bishop and shortly afterwards, at the age of 36, became the Metropolitan, i.e. the ranking hierarch of the Ukrainian Catholic Church. He remained at this post until his death.

His life was an example of heroic virtue. An extremely active pastor, who used his personal wealth to fund thousands of philanthropic projects, he was also a man of deep prayer. A gifted preacher and prolific writer, he reached out to his people constantly, teaching uneducated peasants the basics of hygiene and agricultural techniques, and dialoguing with the intelligentsia among his own people and the cultured classes of all Europe. He traveled widely, visiting his flock in Western Europe, North and South America, and seeing to it that they would have bishops of their own to take care of them. Never of good health, his last fifteen years were a constant agony of pain and paralysis. Even so, he valiantly led his Church through extremely difficult and oppressive times.

His two great passions in life were the restoration of authentic Eastern Christian Monasticism in his Church, (which he achieved through the creation of monasteries following the Studite Typicon) and the union of Churches. He specifically laboured at Orthodox-Catholic reconciliation, decades before this became fashionable. For this he was often looked upon as dangerous and insufficiently loyal to Rome. He was, however, a firm believer in a strong papacy, which caused many Orthodox to mistrust this saintly man as well, even though he loved them dearly and stood up for them when they were persecuted. He valued education (having the equivalent of three doctorates himself) and founded the L'viv Theological Academy in 1929.

Metropolitan Andrey led his flock of some five million faithful through two world wars. He was arrested by the Czarist forces in World War I. Polish

and Nazi German authorities would keep him under house arrest in later years. He courageously saved many Jews from the Nazis during World War II. Metropolitan Andrey died as the Red Army occupied his city of L'viv once again in 1944.

Before his death, he predicted the annihilation of the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church, and its eventual resurrection. Both his predictions came true. In 1946 the Soviet Secret Police, with the assistance of the Moscow Patriarchate of the Russian Orthodox Church staged a pseudo-council of the Ukrainian Church, during which a small group of frightened clergy voted to liquidate their Church and join the Moscow Patriarchate. No Ukrainian Greco-Catholic bishop ever agreed to this. For almost half a century, the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church was the world's largest outlawed religious body. As the Soviet Union crumbled, this Church came out of the Catacombs with over five million faithful, thousands of priests and over three thousand parishes. Many believe this survival of the Church in Ukraine to be a miracle worked by Metropolitan Andrey. The cause for his beatification and canonization is underway.

Metropolitan Andrey believed in the necessity of the Union of Churches, to be achieved through mutual understanding and sacrificial love, as well as a return to the sources of the faith.

# PRAYER FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF THE SERVANT OF GOD METROPOLITAN ANDREY SHEPTYTSKY

Our Lord Jesus Christ – You always reward Your faithful servants, not only with special gifts of Your love, but also with the eternal reward of the saints in heaven, and in many cases You grant them the recognition of sanctity by Your Church here on earth. We humbly pray: grant that Your faithful servant Metropolitan Andrey be numbered among the saints. Throughout his just life, "full of suffering and trials," he was a good shepherd for his flock and a great labourer for Christian unity. And through his beatification and intercession, grant our entire people the great gift of unity and love. Amen.

Господи Ісусе Христе – Ти завжди нагороджуєш Твоїх вірних слуг не тільки особливішими дарами Своєї любови, але й вічною нагородою святих у небі, а в многих випадках і прославою на Твоїх святих престолах, тут на землі. Покірно благаємо Тебе: зволь так прославити Твого вірного слугу Митрополита Андрея. Він упродовж свого праведного життя, "повного терпінь і досвідів", був добрим пастирем свого стада і великим подвижником церковної єдности. А через його прославу і заступництво пошли і цілому народові нашому великий дар єдности і любови. Амінь.