

ACCORDING TO THE NORTHERN HEALTH AUTHORITIES
ONLY FULLY VACCINATED
CAN ATTEND THE SERVICES IN PERSON

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

OUR VENERABLE FATHER ANTHONY THE GREAT
NO SERVICE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18

STS ATHANASIUS AND CYRIL

9:00AM - DIVINE LITURGY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19

ST. MACARIUS OF EGYPT

9:00AM - DIVINE LITURGY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20

OUR VENERABLE FATHER EUTHEMIUS THE GREAT

9:00AM - DIVINE LITURGY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21

MAXIMUS THE CONFESSOR

9:00AM - DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

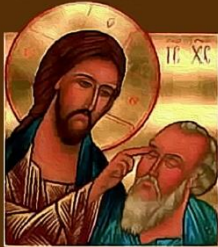
APOSTLE TIMOTHY

9:00AM - DIVINE LITURGY

5:00PM - GREAT VESPERS



SUNDAY, JANUARY 23



31ST SUNDAY AFTER PENECEST

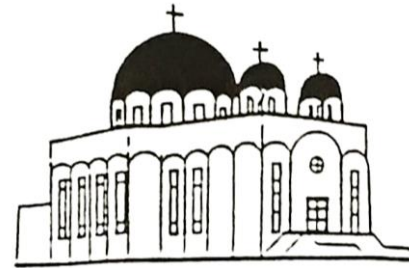
31 НЕДІЛЯ ПО ПЯТИДЕСЯТНИЦІ

10:00AM DIVINE LITURGY



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
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СВЯТОГО ЮРІЯ

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:

WELCOME!

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HOLY MYSTERIES

✠ CONFESSION / СПОВІДЬ ✠

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

✠ HOLY COMMUNION / СВ. ПРИЧАСТЯ ✠

for the sick, by appointment,
any time

✠ BAPTISM / ХРЕЩЕННЯ ✠

by appointment

✠ MARRIAGE / ВІНЧАННЯ ✠

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

✠ FUNERAL / ПОХОРОН ✠

by appointment

JANUARY 16, 2022
30TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



It is unfortunately easy for people who are familiar with the requirements and practices of any religion to fool themselves into thinking that they have mastered it.

We avoid the truth about ourselves by thinking that we have done all that we could possibly do and, therefore, have earned God's favor and blessing in ways that others have not.

Saint Paul opposed Judaizers who wanted to require Gentile converts to be circumcised and obey the Old Testament law because he was afraid that doing so would lead Christians to trust in their own ability to justify themselves, to earn salvation by doing enough good works.

In contrast, he knew that the Son of God died and rose again in order to conquer sin and death, in order save us in a way that we could not possibly earn or achieve by ourselves. "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast."

We need to hear this message from St. Paul because we have probably become comfortable and content with our present level of spiritual devotion and religious activity.

Troparion, T.1: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!* Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

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

Kontakion, T.1: You arose in glory from the tomb* and with Yourself You raised the world.* All humanity acclaim You as God,* and death has vanished.* Adam exults, O Master,* and Eve, redeemed now from bondage, cries out for joy:* “You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all.”

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion, T.1: When Gabriel uttered to you, O Virgin, his ‘Rejoice!’* at that sound the Master of all became flesh in you, the Holy Ark.* As the just David said,* you have become wider than the heavens carrying your Creator.* Glory to Him Who dwelt in you!* Glory to Him Who came forth from you!* Glory to Him Who freed us through birth from you!

Prokeimenon, T.1: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

A Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians 3:12-16:

Brothers and Sisters, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

Alleluia, T.1

verse: God gives me vindication, and has subdued people under me.
verse: Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

Gospel: Luke 18:18-27

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Тропар гл.1: Хоч запечатали камінь юдеї* і воїни стерегли пречисте тіло Твоє,* воскрес Ти, Спасе, на третій день,* даруючи життя світові.* Тому сили небесні взивали до Тебе, Життєдавче:* Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе,* слава царству Твоєму,* слава провидінню Твоєму,* єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

Кондак гл.1: Воскрес Ти у славі як Бог із гробу* і світ із Собою воскресив;* людське єство Тебе, як Бога, оспівує* і смерть щезла.* Адам же ликує, Владико,* і Єва нині, з узів визволившись, радіє, взиваючи:* Ти, Христе, Той, Хто всім подає воскресіння.

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

Богородичний гл.1: Коли Гавриїл звістив Тобі, Діво: Радуйся!* то з цим голосом прийняв тіло Владика в Тобі, святім кивоті,* як мовив праведний Давид,* і Ти зявилася просторішою небес, носивши Творця Свого.* Слава Тому, що поселився в Тобі!* Слава Тому, що вийшов із Тебе!* Слава Тому, що визволив нас народженням Твоїм.

Прокімен гл.1: Милість Твоя, Господи, хай буде над нами,* бо ми надіялись на Тебе.

Стих: Радуйтеся, праведні, в Господі, правим належить похвала.

До Колосян послання Святого Апостола Павла 3,12-16:

Браття і Сестри, вдягніться, отже, як вибрані Божі, святі й любі, у серце спочутливе, доброту, смиренність, лагідність, довготерпеливість, терплячи один одного й прощаючи одне одному взаємно, коли б хтось мав на кого скаргу. Так, як Господь простив вам, чиніть і ви так само. А над усе будьте в любові, що є зв’язок досконалости, і нехай панує в серцях ваших мир Христовий, до якого ви були покликані, в одному тілі, та й будьте вдячні. Слово Христове нехай у вас перебуває щедро: навчайтесь у всякій мудрості й напоумлюйте одні одних, співаючи Богові з подякою від свого серця псалми, гимни та духовні пісні.

Алилуя гл.1:

Стих: Бог, що дає відплату мені, і покорив народи мені.

Стих: Ти, що звеличуєш спасіння царя, і даєш милість помазаннику Своему Давидові і родові його повіки.

Євангеліє: Лк 18,18-27

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **JORDAN HOME BLESSING:** Our Church has a beautiful tradition of visiting people's homes in the new year with blessed Jordan waters. Spiritually, it is meant to cleanse the home of any evil or strife that has built up over the past year, so that we can start the new year on a positive note.

If you would like Fr. Andrii to visit your family & bless your home with Jordan water, please fill out the Jordan Home Blessing sign-up sheet (at the back of the church) or contact him at pparish@yahoo.com or at 1-778-387-7071

◆ **CHURCH CALENDAR:** please find our new church calendars for 2022 at the back of the church. They are free to take, but any donations are welcomed.

◆ **PRAYER REQUEST: PLEASE REMEMBER** the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: **BERNICE KALTWASSER, ROSEMARIE PROKOPCHUK, BARBARA WALLACE, DAVE SULLIVAN, MIKE LUTZ & all** who have asked us to pray for them

◆ **CONGRATULATION TO LUBA ROBINSON** and **TO ALL** who celebrate his/her Birthdays or Anniversary. May the Almighty God bless you with good health and salvation in Many Happy & Blessed Years of Life. Mnohaya I Blahaya Lita!

◆ **DEEPEST WORDS OF GRATITUDE** to all those who continue financially supporting our parish. **Sunday donations: January 9th** – \$566.00. May Our Lord reward you richly with his heavenly and earthly blessings.

◆ **A GIFT OF TIME:** Everyone has been affected by the COVID pandemic. For some the effects have been physical however many people have been affected psychologically experiencing stress, anxiety and depression. While there may be people who have more money and possessions, we all have the same amount of time: exactly 24 hours in every day. The greatest gift you can give someone is your time. Over these holidays we encourage you to reach over the phone to connect with your fellow parishioners and share with them your gift of time. Let it be your gift to them and a gift to yourself as well as we all connect as a spiritual family.

◆ **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."*

◆ **NEW COURSES FROM "GOD WITH US ON-LINE"**

- **Theology 101- Fundamentals of Catholic Doctrine** - Thursdays, January 20 - June 23, 2022 from 8:00 - 9:15 PM ET - Jared Staudt, Ph.D.

Registration: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/theology-101>

- **Encountering Christ - Mystagogy and the Life of the Church** - Tuesday, January 18 @ 8:00 PM ET Reverend Hezekias Carnazzo
<https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/encountering-christmystagogy>

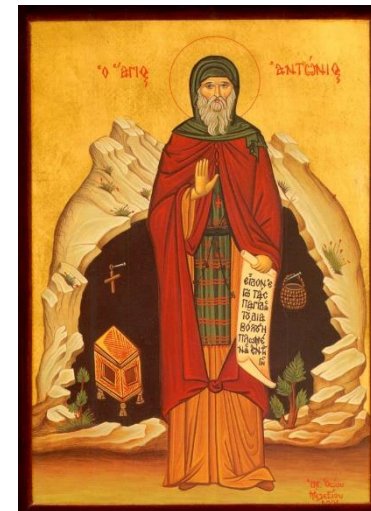
- **Women of faith - Heroines of the New Testament**, Tuesdays, Jan. 25 & Feb. 1 @ 8:00 PM ET Rev. Sebastian Carnazzo, Ph.D.

OUR SAINTS: VENERABLE FATHER ANTHONY THE GREAT

Saint Anthony the Great was born in Egypt in the village of Coma in the year 251. His parents were pious Christians of illustrious lineage. Anthony was a serious child and was respectful and obedient to his parents. He loved to attend church services, and he listened to the Holy Scripture so attentively, that he remembered what he heard all his life.

When Saint Anthony was about twenty years old, he lost his parents, but he was responsible for the care of his younger sister. Going to church about six months later, the youth heard the Gospel passage where Christ speaks to the rich young man: "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come follow Me" (Mt.19:21). Anthony felt that these words applied to him. Therefore, he sold the property that he received after the death of his parents, then distributed the money to the poor, and left his sister in the care of pious virgins in a convent.

Leaving his parental home, Saint Anthony began his ascetical life in a hut not far from his village. In this period of his life Saint Anthony endured terrible temptations from the devil. The Enemy of the race of man troubled the young ascetic with thoughts of his former life, doubts about his chosen path, concern for his sister, and he tempted Anthony with lewd thoughts



and carnal feelings. Anthony prayed that the Lord would show him the path of salvation. And he was granted a vision. The ascetic beheld a man, who by turns alternately finished a prayer, and then began to work. This was an angel, which the Lord had sent to instruct His chosen one.

Saint Anthony tried to accustom himself to a stricter way of life. He partook of food only after sunset, he spent all night praying until dawn. Soon he slept only every third day. For even greater solitude, Saint Anthony moved farther away from the village, into a graveyard.

Having gained spiritual experience in his struggle with the devil, Saint Anthony considered going into the Thebaid desert to serve the Lord. He found an abandoned fort and settled there, barricading the entrance with stones. His faithful friend brought him bread twice a year, and there was water inside the fort.

Saint Anthony spent twenty years in complete isolation and constant struggle with the demons, and he finally achieved perfect calm. The saint's friends removed the stones from the entrance, and they went to Saint Anthony and besought him to take them under his guidance. Soon Saint Anthony's cell was surrounded by several monasteries, and the saint acted as a father and guide to their inhabitants, giving spiritual instruction to all who came into the desert seeking salvation. He increased the zeal of those who were already monks, and inspired others with a love for the ascetical life.

In the year 311 there was a fierce persecution against Christians. Wishing to suffer with the holy martyrs, Saint Anthony left the desert and went to Alexandria. He openly ministered to those in prison, he was present at the trial and interrogations of the confessors, and accompanying the martyrs to the place of execution. It pleased the Lord to preserve him, however, for the benefit of Christians.

At the close of the persecution, the saint returned to the desert and continued his exploits. He spent eighty-five years in the solitary desert. Shortly before his death, he told the brethren that soon he would be taken from them. He instructed them to preserve the Orthodox Faith in its purity, to avoid any association with heretics, and not to be negligent in their monastic struggles. "Strive to be united first with the Lord, and then with the saints, so that after death they may receive you as familiar friends into the everlasting dwellings."

The saint instructed two of his disciples, who had attended him in the final fifteen years of his life, to bury him in the desert. Saint Anthony died peacefully in the year 356, at age 105, and he was buried in the desert by his disciples.

"These things are insignificant compared with Anthony's virtues," writes Saint Athanasius, "but judge from them what the man of God Anthony was

like. From his youth until his old age, he kept his zeal for asceticism, he did not give in to the desire for costly foods because of his age, nor did he alter his clothing because of the infirmity of his body. He did not even wash his feet with water. He remained very healthy, and he could see well because his eyes were sound and undimmed. Not one of his teeth fell out, but near the gums they had become worn due to his advanced age. He remained strong in his hands and feet... He was spoken of everywhere, and was admired by everyone, and was sought even by those who had not seen him, which is evidence of his virtue and of a soul dear to God."

In the year 544 the relics of Saint Anthony the Great were transferred to Alexandria, and after the conquest of Egypt by the Saracens in the seventh century, they were transferred to Constantinople. The holy relics were transferred from Constantinople in the tenth-eleventh centuries to a diocese outside Vienna. In the fifteenth century they were brought to Arles (in France), to the church of Saint Julian.

BASIC GUIDELINES FOR RECEPTION OF 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.

BOTTLE DRIVE FUNDRAISING (RETURN-IT EXPRESS)

How it works:

1. Put your containers in clear plastic bags, no sorting needed!
2. Go to an Express depot, at the kiosk use parish's phone number (250-563-2015) to log in and print your labels, one per bag.
3. Place a label on each of your bags & leave them in the bag drop area.
4. Your containers will be sorted and within 5 business days refund will be added to our Express account.