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ONLY FULLY VACCINATED
CAN ATTEND THE SERVICES IN PERSON

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

CONFESSOR BASIL

6:00PM – CANON OF ST. ANDREW

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

MARTYR EUDOXIA

6:00PM – CANON OF ST. ANDREW

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

HIEROMARTYR THEODOTUS

6:00PM – CANON OF ST. ANDREW

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

MARTYR EUTROPIUS

6:00PM – CANON OF ST. ANDREW

FRIDAY, MARCH 4

VENERABLE GERASIMUS

5:00PM – LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 5

MARTYR CONON

8:30AM – MATINS

5:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS



SUNDAY, MARCH 6



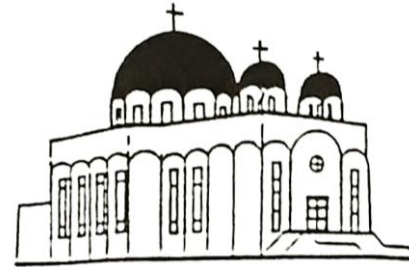
SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY НЕДІЛЯ ПРАВОСЛАВЯ

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 УКРАЇНЬСЬКА КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА 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

- ✠ CONFESSON / 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

FEBRUARY 27, 2022
FORGIVENESS SUNDAY



The Sunday before the Great Lent commemorates Adam's expulsion from Paradise, and it accentuates our need for forgiveness. There are obvious reasons why these two things are brought to our attention as we stand on the threshold of Lent. Lent is a time when we weep with Adam and Eve before the closed gate of Eden, repenting with them for the sins that have deprived us of our free communion with God.

But Lent is also a time when we are preparing to celebrate the saving event of Christ's death and rising, which has reopened Paradise to us once more. So sorrow for our exile in sin is tempered by hope of our re-entry into Paradise.

The second theme (forgiveness) is emphasized in the Gospel reading for this Sunday and in the special ceremony of mutual forgiveness at the end of the Vespers on Sunday evening. Before we enter the Lenten fast, we are reminded that there can be no true fast, no genuine repentance, no reconciliation with God, unless we are at the same time reconciled with one another. A fast without mutual love is the fast of demons. We do not travel the road of Lent as isolated individuals but as members of a family.

Troparion, T.7: By Your cross You destroyed death;* You opened Paradise to the thief;* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,* and charged the apostles to proclaim* that You are risen, O Christ our God,* offering great mercy to the world.

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

Kontakion, T.6: O Master, Guide to Wisdom*, Bestower of prudent counsel,* Instructor of the foolish and Defender of the poor ones;* make firm my heart and give it understanding.* Give me a word, O Word of the Father:* Behold, I shall not stop my lips from crying out to You:* In Your mercy, have mercy on me who am fallen.

Prokeimenon, T.8: Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.* Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

A reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans: *Brothers and Sisters,* besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Alleluia, T.6:

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.

Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (*Psalm 148:1*)

Тропар гл.7: Знищив Ти хрестом Твоїм смерть, відчинив розбійникові рай, мироносицям плач на радість перемінив і апостолам звелів проповідувати, що воскрес Ти, Христе Боже, даючи світові велику милість.

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

Кондак гл.6: Премудрости наставнику, розуму подателю,* немудрих учителю і нищих захиснику,* утверди, врозуми серце моє, Владико.* Ти дай мені слово, Отче Слово,* бо оце устами моїми не забороню, щоб звали Тобі:* Милостивий, помилуй мене, падшого.

Прокімен гл.8: Помоліться і воздайте Господеві, Богу нашому.

Стих: Відомий у Юдеї Бог, в Ізраїлі велике ім'я його.

Апостол: Римлян 13, 11 – 14, 4. *Браття і Сестри,* тепер ближче нас спасіння, ніж тоді, як ми увірували. Ніч проминула, день наблизився. Відкиньмо, отже, вчиники темряви й одягнімось у зброю світла. Як день, поведьмося чесно: не в ненажерстві та пияцтві, не в перелюбі та розпусті, не у сварні та заздросках; але вдягніться у Господа Ісуса Христа і не дбайте про тіло в похотях. Слабкого у вірі приймайте, не вступаючи з ним у суперечки. Один вірить, що можна все їсти, а слабкий їсть городину. Хто їсть, хай тим, що не їсть, не гордує; а хто не їсть, хай того, що їсть, не судить, бо Бог його прийняв. Ти хто, що чужого слугу судиш? Своему господареві стоїть він або падає; але він стоятиме, бо Господь може підтримати його

Алилуя гл.6

Стих: Благо є сповідуватися Господеві і співати імені Твоєму, Всевишній.

Стих: Сповідати зарання милість Твою і істину Твою на всяку ніч .

Євангеліє: Матея 6, 14-21.

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



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **THANK YOU TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS – ДЯКУЄМО** – Many thanks to everyone for your great support of our parish community and sharing of talents and resources for the needs of our parish community during this past week. God bless you all.

◆ **UCWLC - NEXT MEETING** will take place on Sunday **March 6th, 2022** following the Divine Liturgy.

◆ **PEROGY MAKING BEE** will take place on Saturday, **March 5th, 2022**. Please, come and help us with this fundraising event.

◆ **GREAT FAST 2022 (Великий Піст)** will start on Monday, **February 28th, 2022**. Please remember that the First Day of Lent is a STRICT FAST from all meat, eggs, and dairy products. Originally, this “Black Fast” was kept for the entire 40 day of Lent. Our Holy Mother Church has since lessened our load by applying this strict fast to just the First and Last day of Lent (Good Friday). Outside of the regular meatless Friday we should also try to keep Wednesday meatless, increase our almsgiving and works of charity, as well increase the amount of time we spend in prayer.

◆ **TODAY** please stay after the Divine Liturgy for the **COMMUNAL RIGHT OF MUTUAL FORGIVENESS**.

Before beginning our Great Fast (Lenten) Journey together, as a parish family community, it is important for us to express to each other our desire to forgive each other for anything that we may have done that may have hurt or offended someone over the past year, or indeed during our life time so that we can be free without these heavy burdens to walk together as a united family as true daughters and sons of God! This Communal Right of Mutual Forgiveness is not the Mystery/Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) and does not replace that Mystery/Sacrament, but rather is a tangible sign to each other of our forgiveness and also the experience of being forgiven. Hence there is no need to name our offenses, but rather with total sincerity in our hearts let us say to each other: “**Forgive me sister/ brother**” and answer with sincerity and love, “**May God have mercy on you, and I forgive you.**”



◆ **EASTER EGGS/PYSANKY WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN**. On Sunday, **APRIL 3rd**, we invite the children of all ages to Easter Eggs/Pysanky workshop. It will take place after the Divine Liturgy in the parish hall. Parents and grandparents are welcome to participate and help us with this parish event.

◆ **PRAYER REQUEST: PLEASE REMEMBER** the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: **BERNICE KALTWASSER, ROSEMARIE PROKOPCHUK,**

BARBARA WALLACE, DAVE SULLIVAN, MIKE LUTZ, PAUL ROZNER, WALTER MELNYK, & all who have asked us to pray for them

◆ Please, make sure you pick up your **TAX RECEIPT for 2021** at the back of the church.

◆ **DEEPEST WORDS OF GRATITUDE** to all those who continue financially supporting our parish. **Sunday donations: February 20th** – \$420.00 May Our Lord reward you richly with his heavenly and earthly blessings.

◆ **CONGRATULATION TO JOHN AND MARY DANILEC** who celebrate the Anniversary of their Marriage. May the Almighty God bless them all with good health and salvation in Many Happy & Blessed Years of Life. Mnohaya I Blahaya Lita!

◆ **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.”*

◆ **COME AND EXPERIENCE AN ANCIENT PRAYER: THE GREAT CANON OF SAINT ANDREW, BISHOP OF CRETE**. What is the Great Canon of St Andrew?

The canon is a prayer in a form of dialog between St. Andrew and his soul. The ongoing theme is an urgent exhortation to change one’s life. St. Andrew always mentions his own sinfulness placed in juxtaposition to God’s mercy. He uses literally hundreds of references to good and bad examples from the Old Testament and the New Testament to “convince himself” to repent.

The Canon is associated with Great Lent, since the only times it is appointed to be read in church are the first four nights of Great Lent (Clean Monday through Clean Thursday, when it is serialized) and at Matins for Thursday of the fifth week of Great Lent, when it is read in its entirety.

The Schedule of the Canon in our parish is the following:

- **Monday, February 28 – 6:00pm – Part 1**
- **Tuesday, March 1 – 6:00pm – Part 2**
- **Wednesday, March 2 – 6:00pm – Part 3**
- **Thursday, March 3 – 6:00pm – Part 4**

LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS** Many women, men, couples and relatives who have had an abortion experience suffer emotional and spiritual pain, afraid to reveal their deep secret. You are invited to come on a Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat to receive God's mercy, compassion and grace to replace shame, guilt, anger and grief. Registration is open, Confidentiality is assured.

Kelowna Retreat - March 11-13, Call: 250-762-2273 Email: info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com Website: rachelvineyardkelowna.co

Cache Creek Retreat - May 3-5, 2022 Call or text: 250-267-5081 Email: rvkamloops@yahoo.ca If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion experience, there is no need to suffer in silence, Rachel's Vineyard is here to help.



PRINCE GEORGE
ANTI WAR RALLY
STAND WITH UKRAINE
AGAINST RUSSIAN INVASION

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27
At 12:00 PM
by the City Hall

BRING ANTI WAR SIGNS and ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS

HELPFUL GUIDELINES FOR CONFESSION

1. Confess your sins honestly, remembering that you open them not to a man, but to God Himself. God knows your sins already and only wants your admission of them. You should not be embarrassed before the priest for he is a person just as you are. He knows human shortcomings well, and a person's tendency towards sin. Never feel embarrassed to confess before the priest. You will never lose his good opinion; on the contrary, your spiritual father will have all the more love for you when he sees your open, honest confession.
2. Be specific when you confess, listing all your sins separately. St. John Chrysostom says: "One must not only say: I have sinned, or I am sinful, but one must declare each type of sin." "The revelation of sins," says St. Basil the Great, "is subject to the same law as the declaration of physical ills..." The sinner is spiritually ill, and the spiritual father is the physician or healer. It stands to reason that one must confess or tell about one's sins in the same way as one who is physically ill describes the symptoms of his illness to a physician from whom he expects to receive healing.
3. Do not mention anyone else during confession, i.e. do not complain about anyone or confess anyone else's sins. When you fall into this trap you no longer are confessing your own sins, but are bordering on judgment of others.
4. Do not attempt to justify yourself in any way during confession: blaming weakness, custom, etc. The more one justifies himself during confession, the less one is justified by God. The more one honestly denounces, judges and accuses oneself, the more one is justified in the eyes of God.
5. When questioned by the priest, answer honestly and try your best to remember your sins. If the priest asks questions he is not trying to embarrass you, but is trying to help you come to a deeper sense of repentance and closeness to God.
6. Unless asked by your spiritual father, do not list the sins you have not committed or things you have not done. By doing this, we can become like the Pharisee of the Gospel.
7. You must confess with sorrow and a contrite heart the sins by which you have grieved our Lord God. And you must always confess with a sense of remorse and seriousness, never casually, or in laughter.
8. Confess your sins with faith in Jesus Christ, and with hope in His mercy. Only with faith in Jesus Christ and hope in Him can each of us receive forgiveness of our sins. Without faith, we cannot receive remission. An example of this is Judas—who was remorseful of what he did, but did not have faith in Jesus, nor hope in His mercy, and thus ended his own life.
9. Finally, it is important to say something about what is often called: 'the seal of confession'. The Church of Christ binds the priest to reveal nothing of what is said in the context of your sacramental confession (even in a civil court of law!) So be at peace...