

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

NO SERVICE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:00AM – DIVINE LITURGY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00AM – DIVINE LITURGY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

9:00AM – DIVINE LITURGY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:00AM – DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

5:00PM – GREAT VESPERS

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, OCTOBER 9



09:30am – ROSARY
10:00am – DIVINE LITURGY

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we entreat You to hear the earnest prayer of Your beloved Church of Kyivan Rus' for her deeply afflicted children abiding in the land of Ukraine. Behold their grave sorrow and grievous plight, and speedily come to their aid. Deliver Your vulnerable people from unjust aggressors, foreign invasion and the terror of war. Strengthen courageous defenders of the nation to fight virtuously, inspired more by love of those they protect than hatred of the enemy.

O compassionate Lord, shelter the displaced, heal the wounded, console the orphan, protect the widow, comfort those who mourn, and mercifully receive into Your Kingdom those who have nobly died guarding their homeland against every aggression. Quickly make cease the spilling of blood of friend and foe alike, yet stir many to bravely struggle for that true justice which alone can bring lasting peace.

O kind-hearted Lord, as You are our peace, soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that Your beloved children of the land of Ukraine, may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom, where You reign with Your eternal Father, and Your most holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now, and forever and ever. Amen.



SAINT GEORGE'S
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
УКРАЇНСЬКА 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

✠ **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

OCTOBER 2, 2022
17 SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



There are days that we pray and get no answer. We come before God and offer all that we are and all that we have. We speak our words, express our feelings, make known our needs and nothing happens. God is silent.

If you've ever felt that way then you know this Canaanite woman. "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. Instead he talked about her to the disciples. She heard every word. "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel," Jesus tells them.

For her, however, there are no words, no gestures, no acknowledgement, no explanation. Nothing at all. What do we do when that happens? Where do we go? Do give up? Get mad? Quit the church? Jesus was silent. She could have gone home, argued, or asked, "Why?" But she didn't. Instead she came closer to Jesus, fell before him, and worshiped him saying, "Lord, help me." That doesn't make sense but that's what she does. This woman who was ignored and seemingly rejected by Jesus moves even closer, entering deeper into his silence, and begs like a dog. She continues to show up trusting that somehow it is enough to just be there before him.

Let us learn from this Woman to patiently persevere in prayer!

Troparion, T.8: You came down from oh high, O Merciful One,* and accepted three days of burial* to free us from our sufferings.* O Lord, our life and our resurrection,* glory be to You.

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

Kontakion, T.8: When You rose from the tomb,* You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam.* Eve exults in Your resurrection,* and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead,* O most merciful One.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion, T.8: To you, O Mother of God,* the invincible leader,* we, your servants, ascribe these victory hymns* in thanksgiving for our deliverance from evil.* With your invincible power free us from all dangers* that we may cry out to you:* “Hail, O bride, and pure Virgin!”

Prokeimenon, T.8: Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God.
verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

A Reading of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (6:16-7:1): Brothers and Sisters, we are the temple of the living God; as God said, “I will live in them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be your father, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.” Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and of spirit, making holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Alleluia, T.8

verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.

verse: Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth,* and their word unto the ends of the world.* Alleluia (3x)

QUOTES OF THE DAY

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you. Amen. - St. Thomas Aquinas.

Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring. – St. Catherine of Siena

Тропар гл.8: З висоти зійшов Ти, Милосердний, і триденне погребення прийняв Ти, щоб нас звільнити від страждань. Життя і воскресіння наше, Господи, слава Тобі!

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

Кондак гл.8: Коли Ти воскрес із гробу,* то й померлих підняв,* і Адама воскресив;* радіє Єва воскресінням Твоїм* і кінці світу прославляють* Твоє з мертвих воскресіння,* Багатомилостивий.

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

Богородичний гл.4 Тобі, вибраній Владарці,* подячні пісні перемоги співаємо* ми, вратовані від лиха,* слуги Твої, Богородице.* Ти, що маєш силу нездоланну,* захорони нас від усяких бід, щоб звати нам:* Радуйся, Невісто, Діво чистая!.

Прокімен гл.8: Помоліться і хвалу віддайте Господеві, Богу нашому.
Стих: Відомий Бог у Юдеї, в Ізраїлі велике ім'я Його.

До Коринтян послання Св. Апостола Павла читання: (6,16-7,1) Браття, ми бо храм Бога живого, як сам Бог сказав був: «Я поселюся в них, і (посеред них) буду ходити. Буду їхнім Богом, вони ж будуть моїм народом. Тож вийдіть з-поміж них і відлучіться, – каже Господь. Нечистого не дотикайтесь, і я вас прийму. Я буду вам Отцем, ви ж будете мені синами та дочками – каже Господь Вседержитель.» Маючи ж такі обітниці, о любі, очистьмо себе від усякої скверни тіла і духа, довершуючи наше освячення в Божому острасі.

Алилуя гл.8

Стих: Прийдіте, радісно заспіваймо Господеві, воскликнім Богу, Спасителеві нашому.

Стих: Прийдімо з похвалами перед обличчя Його, і псалмами воскликнім Йому.

Євангеліє: Мт 15, 21-28.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес, хваліте Його на висотах. На всю землю вийшло вістування їх і до кінців вселенної глаголи їх. Алилуя (х3).

QUOTES OF THE DAY

To serve God is nothing else than to do good and suffer evil, and the rule of the true servant of Christ is never to receive consolation except in time of great necessity. This is the secure way; for whoever wants to go to God through sweetness and consolation is deceived. - St. Catherine of Bologna

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **HUGE THANK YOU TO** all our volunteers who came and helped us with our Food sale on Saturday. May Our Lord reward them richly with His heavenly and earthly blessings.

◆ **CLERGY CONFERENCE** – Fr. Andrii will be in New Westminster, BC, for clergy conference on the following days: October 11-14. There will be no services on these days.

◆ **A WARM WELCOME** - to all parishioners & guests who join us today in our church for the Divine Liturgy. We wish you a healthy & blessed week!

◆ **CONGRATULATION** to PAVLO ROZNER, JESSICA PAWLUK, REBECCA AND NOAH SMAASLET who celebrate their Birthdays; to STEFANIA & ZBIGNIEW STARZYK who celebrate the Anniversary of their Wedding. May the Almighty God bless her all with good health and salvation in Many Happy & Blessed Years of Life. Mnohaya I Blahaya Lita!

◆ **PRAYER REQUEST: PLEASE REMEMBER** the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: BERNICE KALTWASSER, ROSEMARIE PROKOPCHUK, BARBARA and IAN WALLACE, BETH PAWLUK, DAVE SULLIVAN, LARRY ZALUSKI, MIKE LUTZ, PAUL ROZNER, WALTER MELNYK, TAMMY ATTIA, DON ILOTT & all who have asked us to pray for them.

◆ **BEQUESTS AND WILLS:** In your kindness please remember St. George's parish 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 Ukrainian Catholic Parish – 2414 Vanier Dr, Prince George, BC V2N 1T7 the sum of \$ (or % of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."*

LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **SHARE HOPE PRINCE GEORGE** Share Hope has helped over 70 people from Ukraine who have arrived in Prince George to find peace and support since the invasion began. We are currently in dialogue with another 68 people who are expected to arrive over the next 6 weeks plus a family of 4 which will be settling in Vanderhoof. We are actively helping everyone to find housing, jobs and especially day care since many families are coming as moms and kids. This number far exceeds what the committee was originally expecting to support, thus we are now looking for more support from the community. We are looking for more host families, more donations of furniture and household goods and more finances to help our brothers and sisters. If you can help out in any way, please email pg.sharehope@gmail.com Donations made payable to RCEC-Share Hope will receive a charitable tax receipt and can be dropped off at

any office of a Catholic Parish in Prince George or mailed to the Diocesan Pastoral Centre. Donate online via CanadaHelps: www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/70838 E-transfer to: sharehope@pgdio.ca and in the memo field add your name and address.

◆ **RACHEL'S VINEYARD FALL RETREATS** Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. Registering now. Confidentiality assured.

Kelowna Retreat: October 21-23 Call 250-762-2273 or email info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com

Lac Des Roches Resort Retreat: October 25-27 Call 250-267-5081 or 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.

◆ **FOR ALL MEN!** You are invited to attend the 7th annual "Called to be Holy" Men's Conference & Retreat: ***"The Holy Spirit: Giver of Peace"*** We all long for peace, especially in the current times. This longing is a longing for the Holy Spirit. We will focus our weekend on the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and throughout history.

Location: Holy Spirit Seminary, 12909 – 113 Avenue NW., Edmonton
\$90.00 – commute, \$140.00 – live in. The price includes Saturday breakfast, lunch, and all snacks. Optional Friday supper – \$20.00.

Date: October 28 to October 29

Call: 780-424-5496 or email: education@edmontoneparchy.com.

The deadline for registrations is Oct 25, 2019. No late registrations will be accepted.

PG PRO-LIFE SOCIETY LIFE CHAIN : This year's Life Chain in Prince George will be taking place on Sunday, **October 2nd** at the intersection of **Highway 16 and Ferry Ave from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM**. For more details, please visit: www.campaignlifecoalition.com/lifechain.

NEWS

CNEWA Canada disbursements to Ukraine reach \$5.5 million CAD.

More than \$5.5 million CAD in emergency aid has been disbursed to Ukraine by the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA), reaching people in large cities as well as remote villages.

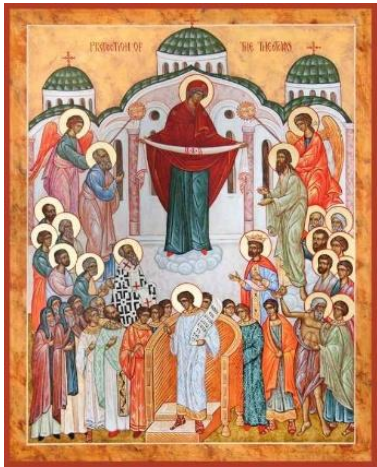
The significant generosity of Canadians has contributed to the funding of aid convoys, shelters for the displaced, hospitals, care for people with special needs, and has provided families with basic supplies.

As winter approaches and the war continues with a looming energy crisis in sight, the CNEWA remains focused on helping people affected by the war survive and reiterates its call for Canadians to continue supporting the people of Ukraine through these difficult times.

Donations can be made online at <https://cnewa.org/ca/> or by phone at 1-866-322-4441. Cheques can be mailed to CNEWA Canada at 223 Main St. Ottawa, ON K1S 1C4 and marked "Ukraine" in the memo. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$10 or more.

Read the full article here: <https://cnewa.org/ca/cnewa-canada-disbursements-to-ukraine-reach-5-5-million-cad/>

LITURGICAL YEAR



OCTOBER 1st: FEAST OF THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS.

Among the Marian feasts listed in our Liturgical Year, the feast of the Patronage of the Most Holy Mother of God deserves special consideration. The cult of the Mother of God as the Protectress of our nation reaches like a golden thread from the times of the Kievan princes to the present day. The secret of honoring the Mother of God as a Protectress lies, perhaps, in the fact that we are dealing here not with human but with heavenly and more powerful intercession. Every

person, family and nation would like to enjoy such an intercession and protection. From the very beginning of our Kievan State, we have had great and powerful enemies. It is small wonder then that our people sought the assistance and protection of the Most Holy Mother of God whose intercession is all-powerful. For our people, then, the feast of the Patronage has always been, and still remains, a day of great manifestation of love and gratitude to the Most Holy Mother of God, a day of joyous praise and glorification of her protection and intercession.

The Institution of the Feast of Patronage

The chief motive that led to the institution of this feast was a vision granted to St. Andrew, the Fool for Christ, when the Saracens besieged the capital of Constantinople. The people, terror-stricken, gathered in the church of the Most Holy Mother of God at Blachernae where her mantle was preserved, and there they held an all-night prayer vigil. The greatly distressed people filled the church to overflowing. Among the gathering were St. Andrew and his disciple, Epiphany, both of whom also prayed

for the protection of the city. After the service, St. Andrew saw the Most Holy Mother of God in radiant light as she was approaching from the royal doors in the company of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Theologian and amid the singing of a great choir of Saints. The Mother of God proceeded toward the altar where she knelt down and prayed long, shedding tears. Afterwards she arose, removed from her head a luminous veil, and stretched it out wide over the people in church. Then she disappeared. St. Andrew and his disciple, Epiphany, saw the vision and understood that the Mother of God came to rescue the city. News of the miracle spread throughout the whole city like a flash of lightning. The enemy retreated and the city was saved.

The veil became the symbol of the protection and intercession of the Blessed Virgin.

Who was St. Andrew the Fool? Historians generally agree that he was a Slav from the southern part of Rus-Ukraine. He, together with other slaves, was brought to Constantinople where he became the slave of a wealthy lord. Here he learned and loved the Christian faith. Meditating on the words of St. Paul: "We are fools for Christ, but you are wise in Christ" (I Cor. 4, 10), he began to act like a fool, hence, his name. Having gained his freedom from his master, he spent much time in prayer and the reading of Holy Scriptures.

At what period of time did St. Andrew live and when did the miracle of protection take place? It is difficult to give a clear and adequate answer to this question. The opinions of the historians in regard to this question are divided. Some say that St. Andrew lived during the reign of Leo I, the Great (457-474), that is, in the fifth century, while others, who represent the majority, place the time of his existence during the reign of Emperor Leo VI, the Wise, (886-911), that is, at the beginning of the tenth century. The feast of the Patronage was a local feast among the Greeks, which they ceased to celebrate after the fall of Constantinople in 1453. No one knows precisely why October first became the day of the feast. Probably because St. Andrew had the vision on that day, or perhaps because, as some think, on that day the Eastern Church celebrates the memory of St. Roman the Melodist, who composed many hymns in honor of the Most Pure Virgin Mary. On the day following the feast, the Church commemorates St. Andrew the Fool.

The feast of the Patronage enjoys a service similar to that of the great feasts with an all-night vigil, but is not one of the twelve great feasts, and has neither a pre-feast nor a post feast. The Synod of Lviv. 1891, in reducing the number of the feasts, ordered this feast to be transferred to Sunday.