

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

NO SERVICES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:00AM – DIVINE LITURGY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

5:00PM – LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:00AM – AKATHIST TO THE PASSION OF CHRIST

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

6:00PM – LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

5:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

09:30 AM – ROSARY

10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY followed by the Annual General Meeting

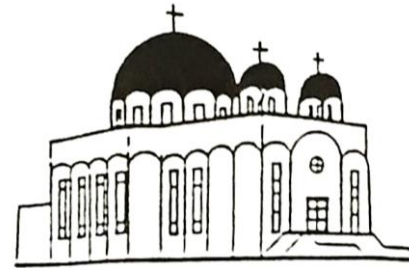
PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

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.

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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

FEBRUARY 26, 2023
1ST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT



Since 843 the dominant theme of the 1st Sunday of Lent has been that of the victory of the icons. In the 9th c., a group of individuals with their own brand of theology, viewed praying before icons and statues, the same as worshipping foreign Gods. The Holy Church condemned this heresy and restored to us the veneration of the Holy Icons.

Icons are not optional devotional extras, but an integral part of Christian faith and devotion. They are held to be a necessary consequence of Christian faith in the incarnation of the Word of God, in Jesus Christ. They have a sacramental character, making present to the believer the person or event depicted on them. So the interior of the churches of the byzantine rite is often covered with icons painted on walls and domed roofs, and there is always an icon screen, or iconostasis, separating the sanctuary from the nave, often with several rows of icons.

Icons are venerated by burning lamps and candles in front of them, by the use of incense and by kissing. But there is a clear doctrinal distinction between the veneration paid to icons and the worship due to God. The former is not only relative, it is in fact paid to the person represented by the icon. This distinction safeguards the veneration of icons from any charge of idolatry.

Troparion, T.5: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion, T.2: We bow before Your most pure image, O kind Lord,* and beg pardon for our sins, O Christ our God.* Of Your own will You consented to ascend the Cross in the flesh to free Your handiwork from enslavement to the enemy.* In thanksgiving we cry aloud to You:* by coming to save the world, our Saviour, You filled all things with joy.

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

Kontakion, T.8: The uncircumscribed Word of the Father* became circumscribed when He took flesh of you, O Mother of God,* and when He restored the divine image to its ancient glory,* He suffused it with the beauty of God.* Therefore, confessing our salvation in deed and word,* we portray it in images.

Prokeimenon, T.4: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers,* and praised and glorified is Your Name for ever.

verse: For You are righteous in everything You have done to us.

A Reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews (11:24-26,32-40; 12:1-2): Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called a son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ to be greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to the reward. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets — who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore,

Тропар гл.5: Рівнобезначальне з Отцем і Духом Слово,* що від Діви народилося на спасіння наше,* прославмо, вірні, і поклонімся,* бо Воно благозволило тілом зійти на хрест* і смерть перетерпіти, і воскресити померлих* славним воскресінням Своім.!

Тропар гл.2: Пречистому образу твоєму поклоняємося, благий,* просячи прощення прогрішень наших. Христе Боже,* бо волею благоволив еси плоттю зійти на хрест,* щоб ізбавити тих, що їх створив еси, від неволі ворожої.* Тому благодарственно кличемо тобі:* Ти радістю сповнив усе,* Спасе наш, прийшовши спасти світ.

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

Кондак гл.8: Неописанне Слово Отче* із тебе, Богородице, воплощенням описалося* і, осквернений образ у давнє зобразивши,* з божественною добротою з'єднало,* та, ісповідуючи спасення,* ділом і словом ми це являємо.

Прокімен гл.4: Благословен еси, Господи, Боже отців наших,* і хвальне, і прославлене ім'я твоє на віки.

Стих: Бо праведний еси в усьому, що сотворив ти нам.

До Євреїв послання читання (11,24-26. 32-40. 12,1-2): Браття і Сестри, вірою Мойсей, коли був виріс, відрікся зватися сином дочки фараона; волів радше страждати разом з людом Божим, ніж дознавати дочасної гріховної втіхи, бо, дивлячись на нагороду, вважав за більше багатство наругу вибраного народу від скарбів Єгипту.

І що ще скажу? Часу не вистане мені, коли заходжуся розповідати про Гедеона, про Варака, про Самсона, про Єфту, про Давида й Самуїла та пророків, що вірою підбили царства, чинили справедливість, обітниць осягнули, загородили пащі левам, силу вогню гасили, вістря меча уникали, ставали сильні, будши недолугі, на війні проявили мужність, наскоки чужинців відбивали. Жінки діставали назад своїх померлих, які воскресали. Інші загинули в муках, відкинувши визволення, щоб осягнути ліпше воскресіння. Інші наруг і бичів зазнали та ще й кайданів і в'язниці; їх каменовано, розрізувано пилою, брано на допити; вони вмирили, мечем забиті; тинялися в овечих та козячих шкурах, збідовані, гноблені, кривджені; вони, яких світ був невартий, блукали пустинями, горами, печерами та земними вертепами. І всі вони, дарма що мали добре засвідчення вірою, не одержали обіцяного, бо Бог зберіг нам щось краще, щоб вони не без нас осягли досконалість.

since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Alleluia, T.4

verse: Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among those who call upon His name.

verse: They called on the Lord, and He heard them.

Gospel: John 1:43-50

Hymn to the Mother of God: In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins' pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **BLESSING OF ICONS.** This Sunday, according to the ancient tradition of our Church, we will bless the icons. So, do not forget to bring your icons and holy pictures for blessing.

◆ **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** will take place next **SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023**, after the service in the parish hall. Please book this date and plan to attend the meeting.

If somebody would like to put his/her name to take one of the positions at the Executive (President, 1st or 2nd Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Director), please contact Fr.Andrii via phone (250-563-7240) or email (pgparish@yahoo.com)

Parish Council is very grateful to **LILLIAN MAXIMITCH, LEONA ZALUSKI AND ANNA BLIZNETSOVA** for agreeing to be on the Parish Auditing Committee.

◆ The Eparchy of Edmonton is hosting a **CANTORING WORKSHOP** on **Saturday, March 18** (10am-1pm). Online participation available on request. The topic of the workshop is the **Irmosy**: we will cover the hymns to the Mother of God that replace "It is truly right" for several feasts of the liturgical year. All cantors are welcome, regardless of experience: we will divide into groups based on experience and language

Тому і ми, маючи навколо себе таку велику хмару свідків, відкиньмо всякий тягар і гріх, що так легко обмотує, і біжимо витривало до змагання, що призначене нам, вдивляючися пильно в Ісуса, засновника й завершителя віри, який, замість радості, що перед ним була, витерпів хрест, на сором не звертаючи уваги, і який возсів праворуч Божого престолу.

Алилуя гл. 4:

Стих: Мойсей і Арон між єреями його і Самуїл між тими, що призивають ім'я його.

Стих: Призивали Господа і він вислухав їх.

Євангеліє: Ів 1,43-51

Замість Достойно: Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, ангельський собор і чоловічеський рід, освящений храм і раю словесний, дівственна похвало, що із неї Бог воплотився і младенцем став – перед віками суцїй Бог наш. Лоно бо твоє престолом сотворив і утробу твою просторішою небес учинив. Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, слава тобі.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах.* Радуйтеся, праведні, у Господі,* правим належить похвала. Алилуя (x3).

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

preference (Ukr. and Eng.) Cost \$25/person. To register contact Deacon Cyril Kennedy at liturgy@eeparchy.com or register online at tinyurl.com/eparchycantor.

◆ **CONGRATULATION TO THE NEW EXECUTIVE OF UCWLC:**

President: Zofia Kudryk

Past President Carol Sullivan

Vice President Darlene Tanasychuk

Secretary: Ulyana Yordan

Treasurer: Patricia Scott

Kitchen stuff: Svitlana Rozner

Membership: Rosemary Prokopchuk and Guillerma Yarocki

Event organizer: Leona Zaluski

May the Almighty God bless all the members of the EXECUTIVE in good health and salvation in Many Happy and Blessed Years of Life.

◆ **EPARCHIAL GREAT LENT COLLECTION - HUMANITARIAN AID FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE.** The people of Ukraine need your help. As we mark the one-year anniversary of the war in Ukraine, millions of the country's inhabitants are in dire straits. Constant bombardment, frigid temperatures, fluctuating power, lack of food, shelter and other basic necessities. As part of your Lenten sacrifice, kindly consider making a donation towards providing emergency services and humanitarian and

pastoral support to Ukrainians by offering care, medical supplies, food, clothing and shelter to displaced persons, the elderly and the sick, as well as educational programs and support to local priests. For example, for only \$25, an emergency food package can provide much needed relief. \$100 can buy four packages. Each package will feed 2 persons for 1 week. Donations may be made through your local parish or directly to Catholic Near East Welfare Association - Canada (cnewa.ca). For information on how your donation is making a difference, see Catholic Near East Welfare Association's [2022 Campaign Report: Ukraine Emergency Relief](#). May God bless you and your family for your generosity. We pray for peace in Ukraine. **God bless! Bishop David**

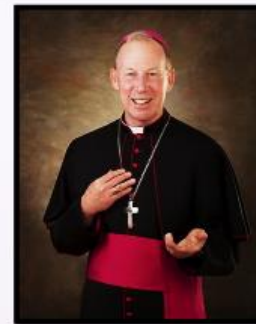
◆ **DEEPEST WORDS OF GRATITUDE** to all those who continue financially supporting our parish. **Sunday donations: February 19th** – \$802.10. Donation for Ukraine – \$3000 May Our Lord reward you richly with his heavenly and earthly blessings.

◆ **EASTER BIRDS BAKING WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN.** On **SUNDAY, MARCH 12th**, we invite the children of all ages to our baking workshop. It will take place after the Liturgy in the parish hall. Parents & 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, MIKE LUTZ, BARBARA & IAN WALLACE, BETH PAWLUK, RACHELLE BACHAND, LARRY ZALUSKI, PAUL ROZNER, STEFANIA PAVICIC** & all who have asked us to pray for them.

◆ **CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR: Sun., August 20 – Sat., August 26, 2023.** We invite you to save the date and join us this August to celebrate our 40th anniversary of Camp St. Volodymyr! The camp is for children in our Eparchy aged 7 to 15 as of December 2023. Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build self-confidence and self-esteem, and develop outdoor skills. While reconnecting with nature, the children will grow spiritually and build life-long friendships. Registration will open in mid-spring, so start planning your summer holidays now! The camp is run on a volunteer basis. If you are interested in volunteering as a counselor, chef, nurse/doctor, or lifeguard please forward your name. Camp St. Volodymyr is also seeking input to design our 40th anniversary T-shirt. Please share your logo and design ideas! The chosen design will receive a complimentary t-shirt. For more info, contact Jennifer Caldwell at jennsawka@hotmail.com 604.220.0584

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH - BIBLE STUDIES	
GROUP A	GROUP B
SESSION 4	SESSION 8
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27



You are invited to a Lenten Mission with Bishop Gary Gordon

at Immaculate Conception Parish
3285 Cathedral Ave.
Prince George, BC

Monday, March 6, to Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Mission—6:30PM—7:30PM
Social —7:30PM to 8:30 PM

Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus

Admission by donation



To register and for more information:

Call the parish office at 250-964-4898 or email icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca or go to [Eventbrite](#)