

*Слава Ісусу Христу ~ Слава на віки! Glory be to Jesus Christ ~ Glory forever!*



We extend a warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors, and pray that your participation in the Divine Liturgy will be enriching and meaningful.

**November 5, 2017 ~ 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Epistle:** Galatians 6: 11-18

**Gospel:** Luke 16: 19-31

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## Focus on the GOSPEL

If we are really going to be Christ-followers, we cannot just step over the person sitting at our gate as if he or she does not even exist! We have to pay attention to all that Christ has taught us, and we have to take notice of all the people around us. There are people in this world who need help; some are rich, some are poor, but they are everywhere; people who feel like “losers” and just need someone to tell them that they are great; people who are lonely and simply need someone to invite them to lunch; people who are hungry and only need someone to help them get to the community kitchen. All around us are people who are grieving and simply need a hug. To us, Christ says, “Pay attention!”

*~ from a sermon by Clair Sauer*

## LITURGICAL SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

10:00 a.m. ~ **Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & the Other Bodiless Powers of Heaven**

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

10:00 a.m. ~ **†Josephine Rapita ~ 40<sup>th</sup> day**  
*Offered by Marion Zastawny*

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

5:00 p.m. ~ **23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost and the Holy Priest-Martyr Josaphat**  
Epistle Reader: Joseph Myslicki

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

10:00 a.m. ~ **23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost and the Holy Priest-Martyr Josaphat**  
Epistle Reader: Michael Watral

## Your Return Gift to God

**OCTOBER 28/29**

Envelopes: \$1,997.<sup>00</sup> Mission Fund: \$60.<sup>50</sup>  
Vigil Lights: \$42.<sup>45</sup> Church in Ukraine: \$20.<sup>00</sup>  
Special Projects: \$50.<sup>00</sup> Seminary Fund: \$70.<sup>00</sup>

*Thank you for your generosity ~ Щиро Вам дякуємо!*

October's Mission Collection totalled \$254.<sup>30</sup> which will be donated to **The Salvation Army**.

The Mission Collection for November has been designated for **Thunder Bay Christmas Cheer**, a volunteer organization whose mandate is the provision of toys for children living in poverty and hampers for their families at Christmastime. Visit [www.thunderbaychristmascheer.com](http://www.thunderbaychristmascheer.com) for more information.

## Holy Cross Parish News & Activities



Thank you to Dr. Larry Watral for his generous donation of dental supplies for our Christmas Cheer project. We are still looking for donations of items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, facecloths, combs and brushes, anti-perspirant/deodorant, disposable razors, shampoo, body wash, etc. to make up personal hygiene packages. We will also gladly accept any unused Halloween candy to fill Christmas mugs, and, of course, any Christmas mugs (in good condition). There is a box in the narthex that you can place your donated items in during November or you can give them directly to Sherry Opaski. If there are any questions please call Sherry at 767-0253.

Next **Sunday, November 12**, following the Divine Liturgy, we invite everyone to come down to the parish hall for this year's final mini-luncheon/coffee hour. You are most welcome to bring an item for the buffet or dessert table or both. Saturday worshippers can also to join us ~ there'll be plenty to eat and drink and chat about.

**Pyrohy orders are now closed** for the November 20 making (the demand was greater than expected — *sorry*). The usual schedule for peeling, ball making, pinching, boiling, etc. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday (Nov 18-20) will be followed. Your assistance is appreciated. ☺



### Remembrance Day

• NOVEMBER 11 •

Lest we forget



Any children who have made their First Holy Communion and are willing and interested in becoming altar servers are asked to please speak with Father Stepan anytime soon. Serving at the altar not only assists the priest in his holy orders, but helps children to understand and respect our beautiful Divine Liturgy a bit more also.

## The Patron Saint for NOVEMBER

The Feast of St. Josaphat (*November 12, Byzantine Rite; November 14, Roman Rite*) Priest-martyr, is especially dear, glorious and joyful for the faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Church because it is a feast of our own Ukrainian Saint, our brother who is of our own flesh and bone; it is the feast of a great Apostle and Martyr for the holy faith and the unity of the Churches.



Not only our own Ukrainian Catholic Church, but the entire Catholic Church venerates, praises, and prays to St. Josaphat and erects churches in his honour (currently 9 exist in Canada and the U.S. alone). His relics are enshrined in the centre of the Catholic world — the Basilica of St. Peter in Rome. St. Josaphat is the first Ukrainian Saint ever to be canonized by the Catholic Church. It is due to him and to his martyrdom that today we profess the true Christian faith and are members of the true Church of Christ. ■



## St. Michael the Archangel: One of the Great Princes

**M**ichael the archangel is described in the Bible (in the books of Daniel, Jude, and Revelation), as a warrior angel who engages in spiritual combat. The word archangel means “angel of the highest rank.” Most angels in the Bible are portrayed as messengers, but Michael is described in all three books as contending, fighting, or standing against evil spirits and principalities. We do not have a full picture of any angel, and only two are named in the Bible (Gabriel is the other). Scripture only gives us hints of their movements during human events, but it is safe to say that Michael the archangel is a powerful being.

Despite his great power, Michael is still in total submission to the Lord. His dependence on the Lord’s power is seen in Jude 1:9: “*But when the archangel Michael contended with the devil and disputed against the body of Moses, he did not dare to bring a condemnation of slander against him, but said, ‘The Lord rebuke you!’*”

There is a spiritual war being fought over the hearts and souls of mankind. Michael the archangel is a strong angelic prince who protects Israel and submissively serves God by doing battle against Satan. The Devil can do his worst, but “he [is] not strong enough” to conquer heaven’s forces (Revelation 12:8).

## Words of Inspiration

*“Good works means giving to the poor and the helpless, but divine works means showing them their worth to the One Who matters.”*



## ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Our next bingo session at Superior Shores is a matinee on **Thursday, November 16**. Those who have agreed to work at that event should be there no later than 12 noon.

The next bingo training session will take place at Superior Shores on **Sunday, November 19** from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. We could use a few more members to do so in order to expand our pool of volunteers. All parishioners are also welcome to take the training and help at bingos. *Thank you for your cooperation and support.*

Pyrohy Making will take place on **November 18, 19 & 20**. Members are needed to help peel and prepare potatoes, make potato balls, process dough, pinch, boil, help package and clean-up. Your assistance will be appreciated. The usual schedule will be followed. If you have any questions, please contact Gord Ibey at 768-0942.

Our annual ‘Grey Cup’ meeting and social will take place on **Sunday, November 26** beginning at 4:30 p.m. Please plan to attend and share in the food and festivities!

## Sunday Smile

Why didn’t they play cards on the Ark?  
Because Noah was standing on the deck.

What do they call pastors in Berlin?  
German shepherds.

Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?  
Samson — he brought the house down.

At what time of day was Adam created?  
A little before Eve.

Did you know it’s a sin for a woman to make coffee?  
That’s right — it’s in the Bible. It says ‘He-brews.’



## HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS



Regular activities happen on Thursday afternoons in the parish hall starting at 1:30 p.m. (Doors open at 12:30 p.m.) New members (aged 55 and up) are welcome to join anytime. It’s just \$10 per year and well worth the membership. Come check us out!

This **Thursday, November 9**, eligible members are reminded of the ‘**Free Bingo**’ featuring special prizes and tasty treats. You don’t want to miss it!

The next bus to Grand Portage will leave the church parking lot @ 3:45 p.m. on **Wednesday, November 15** and return @ 10 p.m. To book a seat, please contact either Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann (G) Opaski (577-2805) before that date. This is a **free** service. Everyone (18 years and up) is welcome aboard for the ride and the fun!

## Readings for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

(November 12)

(to help prepare for the nourishment of the Word of God at Liturgy)

**Epistle: Ephesians 2: 4-10**

**Gospel: Luke 8: 26-39**



As you read each passage, ask yourself these questions,  
“What thoughts, ideas, words or images come to mind?”  
and “What are the connections between them?”

This will help make them easier to follow and understand.

## COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

**Thunder Bay Gem and Mineral Show - November 9-12** at Moose Lodge Hall, 434 Fort William Road, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hosted by Silver Cove Ltd. of Alberta, this four-day event features gemstones, home décor, gemstone jewelry, loose facets, mineral specimens, fossils, crystals, beads, cabochons, and as much gem and mineral related pieces that they can fit into one fantastic hall. Admission is free to all!

**K of C Shrimp Feast - Saturday, November 11** at the Columbus Centre. Two sittings: 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. \$25 per person, includes one pound of golden shrimp, home fries, coleslaw, hot vegetable, bread, cheesecake and coffee/tea. Refreshment bar is available. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance. Call Rosie at 623-3252 during regular business hours to obtain yours.



# The Rich Man and Lazarus

**D**o you use an alarm clock to wake you up in the morning? A lot of alarm clocks have a button on them called a 'snooze' alarm. When your alarm goes off, you can hit that button and go back to sleep. In about ten minutes, the alarm will go off again. But there are two problems with snooze alarms. The first is that if you keep on hitting it, you may be late or miss out on something completely. The second is that if you keep hitting the snooze alarm, you may get so used to the sound of the alarm that you don't even hear it at all and you will sleep right through the alarm.

Did you know that God sometimes sounds a "wake up" alarm in our lives? He speaks to our heart and says, "It is time to wake up and follow Me." Some people hit the snooze button and say, "Not now Lord, call me again -- a little bit later." Some people hit that "snooze button" so many times that they get to where they don't even hear God's voice. When they finally wake up, they find out that it is too late. That is what happened in our Bible story today.

Jesus told a story about a rich man who wore the finest clothes and lived in luxury. A beggar named Lazarus lay outside the rich

man's gate. Lazarus was hungry and his body was covered with sores. He was hoping that the rich man might have pity on him and that he might be able to satisfy his hunger with the leftovers from the rich man's table. But every day the Rich man passed by Lazarus without even giving him a thought.

The Bible says that Lazarus died and went to heaven. The rich man also died, but he went to hell. In hell, he looked up and saw Lazarus in heaven with Abraham. He asked Abraham to let Lazarus dip his finger in water and come and touch it to his burning tongue, but Abraham said, "No." Then he reminded the rich man how he had enjoyed such good things on earth while Lazarus had nothing. The rich man then asked Abraham to allow Lazarus to go back to earth and warn his five brothers so that they would not end up in hell with him, but again, Abraham said, "No." The rich man finally woke up, but it was too late.

God is still sending "wake up" calls to people today. Let us pray that they will listen to His voice and follow Him before it is too late.

Source: [www.sermons4kids.com](http://www.sermons4kids.com)

There is an old story that the Bible does tell  
About a certain man who died and went to hell.

He lifted up his eyes in torment and pain  
And knew he was doomed forever in that tortuous flame.

On earth, he was rich and fared sumptuously every day,  
But he didn't know Jesus, so, for eternity, his sins he had to pay.

In this story also a poor beggar named Lazarus died, too,  
But he knew Jesus, so away on angel wings to Abraham's bosom he flew.

The rich man begged for a drop of water for his tongue to get some relief,  
But there was a great gulf between them because of his unbelief.

For the rich man, it was too late to be rescued from his fate.  
He said "Send someone to warn my brothers, lest they also get in this state."

But God said "They have the Bible to tell them about Jesus to believe,  
By hearing God's word and accepting Him, salvation they can receive."

If you do not know Jesus, please accept Him right now while you can,  
Before you take your last breath and end up like that rich man.

Jesus paid your sin debt so you would not have to go to that awful place  
Just trust Him with your heart to forgive your sin and He will save you by His grace.

[Luke 16: 24] And he cried and said, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the top of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame."

[John 3: 36] "He that believes in the Son has everlasting life: and he that believes not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him.

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- a poem by Cindy Wyatt

