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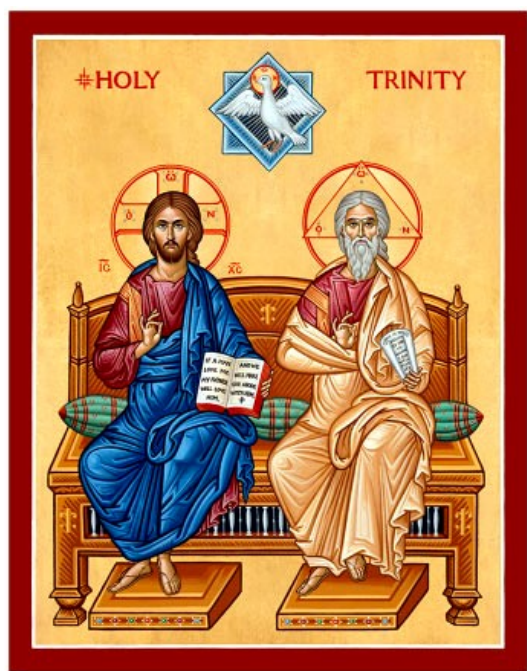
Exaltation of the Holy Cross *Ukrainian Catholic Parish*

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Prayer, Family, and Community since 1967



Sunday, June 9, 2019 ~ Holy and Glorious Pentecost



**Your good Spirit will lead me
to the land of the righteous. Alleluia!**

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. (English & Ukrainian)

Daily/Feastdays: as scheduled

HOLY SACRAMENTS

***Holy Baptism**

Contact Parish Office at least two months in advance

***Marriage/Weddings**

*Contact Parish Office six months to a year
in advance of planned event*

**Regular attendance at Saturday or Sunday Divine Liturgy
is **mandatory** prior to receiving these particular sacraments*

Sick and Shut-ins/Anointing of the Sick

Contact Parish Office/Rectory to request a visit

Confessions/Reconciliation

Before Divine Liturgy or upon request

Our Affiliated Organizations

St. George's Society
Holy Cross Golden Agers
Holy Cross Youth Group



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Вітаємо до Парафії Воздвиження Чесного Хреста! Welcome to Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish!

A place of prayer, family, and community since 1967 which follows the Eastern (Byzantine) Christian traditions of the Catholic Faith that first emerged in the lands of Rus-Ukraine through the preaching of Saint Andrew, the First-Called, and echoed onwards through the mission of the holy apostles to the Slavs, Cyril and Methodius. At Holy Cross, we are called to enter into communion with God within the community of the faithful, the Church — the Body of Christ. Here, we offer services in English and Ukrainian languages where we are united to God and one another, and, “with one heart and one voice”, form the family of God.

The Divine Liturgy is the centre of our life, and it is here where we come to know Christ in each other, in the Sacred Scriptures and through participation in the Holy Sacraments. May your participation in today's Divine Liturgy be thoroughly enriching and truly meaningful as well.

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Today's Readings: *Epistle: Acts 2: 1-11*

Gospel: John 7: 37-53; 8: 12

Antiphons, troparia and special texts are included in the bulletin insert



Epistle Readers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Gloria Sherban
Sunday (10 a.m.): Walter Warywoda



Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Christopher Tennant
Sunday (10 a.m.): Mary Ann Lysak

This Week's Liturgical Services

Parish News and Activities

MONDAY, JUNE 10

10:00 a.m. ~ **Monday of the Holy Spirit**



Friday, June 14

11:00 a.m. ~ Funeral liturgy for †Mary Bilyk

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

5:00 p.m. ~ **Sunday of All Saints**

Epistle Reader: Christopher Tennant
Eucharistic Minister: Zenya Puchalski

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

10:00 a.m. ~ **Sunday of All Saints**

Epistle Reader: Andrika Warywoda
Eucharistic Minister: Murray Salomon



In today's Gospel, Jesus shouted out, “If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink. He that believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of His belly shall flow rivers of living water.”

If there was one thing that the Jews understood, it was being thirsty — their land was hot and dry. But Jesus wasn't referring to a natural thirst — He was talking about a spiritual thirst. With those words, Jesus was proclaiming to the Jews that it was not the ceremony, not the bullock upon the altar, and not the water poured out that they should be looking to fill their thirst — THEY SHOULD BE LISTENING TO AND LOOKING TO HIM TO FILL THEIR HEART AND LIFE!

Jesus is the Giver of Life and the Source of Life. Just as no life on earth can survive without water, neither can the soul survive without Jesus. Jesus in you becomes a river of “living water”. The Holy Spirit fills your thirsty soul and fills you with all of the goodness and mercy of God. He overflows your soul with blessings and springs up from within your soul as a river that will wash you, cleanse you and make you whole. Jesus wants you to come to Him in repentance, and let Him pour out the Holy Spirit upon your soul. If you will give your heart and life to Jesus, He will fill that emptiness with His power, His presence, His mercy and His grace, and He will give you eternal life and a joy and peace that this world knows nothing about. He won't leave you searching for something to fill the void. He will fill your life and your soul with His love.

~ from a sermon by James May

The **Holy Cross Golden Agers** would like to say ‘thanks’ to all parishioners, family and friends who came out to help at their Pyrohy Making this past Tuesday. If you wish to place a standing order for their next session on **Tuesday, October 1**, please call Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann (G) Opaski (577-2805) to do so. Your support is greatly appreciated!



We extend our sincerest condolences to the Bilyk family on the passing of their beloved †Mary on Wednesday, June 5. Funeral liturgy will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 14.

Memorial services at the gravesites will take place on **Saturday, June 15 @ 10:00 a.m.** at St. Andrew's R.C. Cemetery, Oliver Road; **Sunday, June 16** first at the Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery (W. Arthur St.) @ 2:00 p.m. and proceeding to St. Patrick's/Mountainview Cemetery @ 3:00 p.m. You may also call Father Stepan to arrange a private service.



Sunday, June 23 is the date for our annual “**Parish Picnic & Volunteer Appreciation Day**” right here on our parish grounds There'll be activities and games, lots of food and drink, and a short ceremony recognizing all our wonderful volunteers. Everyone is invited!

We will have one more “**Cabbage Roll Making Session & Sale**” on **Tuesday, June 25**, and are now taking orders for **frozen ones only**. Please sign the list on the table in the narthex to do so. Preparations will take place in the next little while; the exact schedule will be published in future bulletins. We thank you all in advance for your support and assistance!

Readings for Sunday of All Saints

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

Epistle: Hebrews 11: 33 - 12: 2

Faith in God our Father

Gospel: Matthew 10: 32-33, 37-38; 19: 27-30

The Cost of Being a Disciple of Christ

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.

Your Return Gift to God

Let us strive to live as Christian stewards, receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them generously and lovingly with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

JUNE 1/2

Envelopes: \$1,394.⁹⁵ Mission Collection: \$45.⁰⁵
Special Projects: \$30.⁰⁰ Papal Charities: \$30.⁰⁰

Thank you for your generosity! Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!

The Mission Collection for June is designated for **The Underground Gym and Youth Centre**, a unique gathering place for community youth in transition.



A Prayer for Your Aging Parent

by Dawn Wilson

Father God...

I pray for Your continuing PROVIDENCE in my parent's life.

I am grateful my parent trusted in You long ago, but I know there are many parents and elderly loved ones who still do not know You, Lord, and I ask You to woo them to Yourself and bring about their salvation and transformation.

I pray for PROTECTION.

I pray my parent will keep on leaning on You, the Rock of strength and righteousness. Spread Your protection over my parent, because You are the ultimate Refuge.

I pray for PROVISION — that You will meet my loved one's needs.

Show me how to meet my parent's needs in ways that will please You, Lord. Equip me to be a good steward in my loved one's care.

I pray for POWER, Your strength in my parent's weakness.

As strength declines, I pray for a greater sense of Your presence and power. You are mighty, Father, and our strength is in You alone. In times of need, help my parent lean on Your sufficiency and everlasting arms; and when life feels so impossible, remind my loved one that nothing is impossible with You.

I pray for PEACE in my parent's aging years.

I ask You to give my parent a trusting and thankful heart, especially as days grow more difficult. Help my aging parent take every disappointment to You. Preserve from any bitterness or spirit of discontent.

I pray for continuing PURPOSE.

I ask You to help my parent flourish — "like the palm tree... bearing fruit in his/her old age" — with an eternal perspective. Work in my loved one's life for Your glory. Open appropriate opportunities for ministry and influence.

Father, I thank You for Jesus, Who makes possible our God-honoring transition from this world to everlasting glory. As I pray these things for my parent, I pray them for myself as well. I pray we all will someday hear Your "well done." *Amen!*



ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Many thanks to those members who came out to help at the Holy Cross Golden Agers pyrohy making this past Tuesday. It was truly a cooperative effort by everyone!

Tickets for our annual dinner meeting (\$20/member) on **Thursday, June 20** at the Columbus Centre are now available, but only until **Sunday, June 16** (Father's Day) as a final count must be submitted no later than June 17. Call or text Michael Watral (626-2182) to get/reserve yours.

The next bingo training date and time is **Saturday, June 22 @ 10:00 a.m. sharp** at Superior Shores Gaming Centre, 435 Memorial Avenue. All members (and parishioners 18 years and over) are invited to take the one-hour training and assist at future bingos. Please inform Gerry Bullock so that he can confirm your attendance with the staff at Superior Shores. Our next scheduled bingo session is a matinée (12 noon to 4:00 p.m.) on **Friday, June 28**. Family members are invited to come out and play on that afternoon as well.



If any member would like to assist with the planning and running of this year's Parish Picnic on **Sunday, June 23**, please speak with Picnic Chairman, Murray Salomon in the next little while. Extra helping hands are always welcome.



HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS

Our annual end-of-the-year wind-up takes place this **Thursday, June 13** starting at 12 noon with games (beanbag toss, darts, and shuffleboard) followed by bingo, and the usual picnic foods, and prize presentation. All members are invited!



Want to get away for the evening? Well, the next bus to Grand Portage leaves the church parking lot on **Wednesday, June 19 @ 3:45 p.m.** and returns **@ 10:00 p.m.** Please call Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann Opaski (577-2805) to book your seat, or sign the sheet at the meeting. Non-members (18 years and older) **with valid passports** are invited also.



Due to a few unforeseen circumstances at this time, plans for another bus trip sometime in September to Winnipeg are on hold. More info will be given at this week's gathering.

*Do not regret growing older.
It's a privilege denied to many.*

COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Paint Night - St. Agnes R.C. Church is hosting this fundraiser (in support of its Alpha program) on **Wednesday, June 12** at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Learn how to paint a beautiful painting with step-by-step instructions and guidance. Tickets are \$45 per person and include all materials and appetizers. Please call Kim Coursolle for more information at 628-2724. All ages and abilities welcome!

Slovak Legion Multi-Family Yard Sale - **Sunday, June 16** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Slovak Legion parking lot (inside if it rains). A great opportunity to clear out the old and maybe buy some slightly used great stuff from others. To book your table or for more information, contact Maureen at mrybar@hotmail.com. See the poster in the narthex.





Happy Birthday to The Church!

It's Pentecost Sunday! Did you know that Pentecost is the biggest day of the Church next to Easter?! And that means it's even more important than Christmas! Why? Because it's the birthday of The Church! Pentecost is when the Apostles went out among the people after receiving the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, and began spreading Jesus' message — even to those who spoke other languages — thus establishing the beginning of the Church.

The symbols of Pentecost are wind, fire and a dove. The first symbol — wind — is taken from the noise the Apostles heard as the Spirit descended upon them (Acts 2:2). After the wind, flames appeared and rested upon the heads of each of the Apostles (Acts 2:3). A dove serves as a symbol of the Holy Spirit. There is no mention of a dove in the Acts of the Apostles, but we associate a dove with the Holy Spirit because of the story about Jesus' baptism: "After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened [for Him], and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon Him" (Matthew 3:16).



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