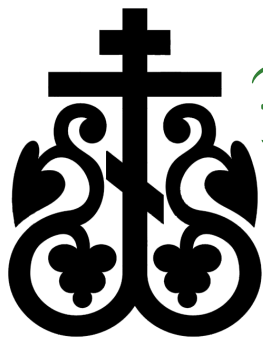


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Many thanks to
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PASTORAL MESSAGE

Submitted by Fr. Peter Haugen

Христос посеред нас! Christ is amongst us!

At the end of April we will be drawing near to the end of our Lenten journey as we celebrate Holy week. Holy week leads us to the Resurrection of Christ and teaches us a different aspect of Christ's passion as we draw nearer to His Resurrection. The very first thing we celebrate in Holy Week is Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday celebrates Christ's coming into Jerusalem, and is considered one of the twelve major feasts. The special feature on this day is that after the matins service the consecration of palm branches occurs. In



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the Ukrainian Orthodox tradition the consecration usually occurs after the Divine Liturgy and Pussy Willows are consecrated because there were no palm branches in Ukraine. Palm Sunday is not just about the entrance of Christ into Jerusalem, it also refers to us as Christians having to be prepared to receive Christ into our lives, and accept His will is supreme over us.

Holy Monday

The next thing we encounter in Holy Week is Holy Monday. This day is the announcing of the second coming of the Son of Man, that he will come again to judge us all accordingly. On Palm Sunday we saw the entrance of the Lord into Jerusalem and our acceptance to receive Him. Now on Holy Monday we receive him into our souls, which reveal humility and tenderness. The church contemplates on Holy Monday the second coming of Christ and how it will be more “like a sudden and violent catastrophe.”

Holy Tuesday

From Holy Monday we go into Holy Tuesday where we are no longer contemplating the second coming, but now we deal with the judgment that He will exercise over man. The theme to Holy Monday was the sudden and terrifying nature of the second coming, whereas the Tuesday readings and theme emphasize that for us to have judgements into the righteous, we must be ready and prepared for the second coming.

Holy Wednesday

The readings and themes of Holy Wednesday create a contrast between the two types of followers of Christ we can be and choose to be. When Christ and the Disciples were in Bethany a woman came to Christ and placed precious ointments on Jesus to cool him down and soothe him. Judas chastised the woman and Christ saying that the ointment could have brought in a great deal of money for the poor. Christ however knew that Judas was not speaking out of true care for the poor but out of jealousy. Christ emphasizes that there will always be the poor and suffering in the world, but He is here for a short time, and that while He is here we should learn as much as possible from Him, and care for Him. Holy Wednesday emphasizes that we can either be the kind of follower like Judas, or like the woman with the ointment.



Liturgical Scripture Readings

April 2019

Sunday, April 7th

4th Sunday of Great Lent

Epistle: Heb. 6:13-20;
Feast - Heb. 2:11-18 ;

Gospel: Mk. 9:17-31;
Feast - Lk. 1:24-38.

Sunday, April 14th

5th Sunday of Great Lent

Epistle: Heb. 9:11-14;
Saint - Gal. 3:23-29;

Gospel: Mk. 10:32-45;
Saint - Lk. 7:36-50 .

Sunday, April 21st

The Entry of the Lord into Jerusalem, Palm Sunday

Epistle: Phil. 4:4-9;

Gospel: Jn. 12:1-18.

Sunday, April 28th

*PASCHA
THE RESURRECTION OF
OUR LORD, GOD AND
SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST*

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8;

Gospel: Jn. 1:1-17.

Newsletter Submissions Needed!

Please keep the submissions for the newsletter coming! Announcements, reports, stories, photos... If you want to share it, we want to see it! Please feel free to submit to me anytime.

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If anyone you know is in the Hospital, or are at home ill and would like a visitation from me, please contact me and I will make immediate arrangements to meet with them.

Pastoral continued from page 2.

Holy Thursday

Throughout the week we have contemplated the reception of Christ, the second coming, our judgment, and the way we should follow Christ. Liturgically speaking, Holy Thursday takes us from the last supper, to Gethsemane, all the way to Christ's death on the Cross, by the readings of the twelve gospels. On this day we contemplate the betrayal of Judas as we look at the fact that he had been leading up to betrayal even before seeing the Pharisees. The twelve gospels emphasize the different aspects of the betrayal of Christ by Judas that led to His passion and death. The greater aspect that we face on this day is the mystery of the upper room. This is where the last supper occurred and from which Christ offered to all of us the Holy Eucharist.

Holy Friday

After following Christ to the upper room on Holy Thursday we now on Holy Friday follow Him up to Golgotha. As a humble monk of our church states "we follow Him, not as Peter followed Him, from 'afar off... to see the end, but as His mother, as John and the holy women, who did not abandon Him." This is the only day of the year where the celebration of the Eucharist is not permitted. Holy Friday hits us hard with the hard truth that Christ went through the passions willingly; he was nailed to the cross, humiliated, beaten, and died willingly. We are also confronted that he did this not for His own personal gain, but for us and our salvation.

Holy Saturday

The last day of Holy Week is Holy Saturday, and on this we remember the Myrrh-Bearing women who come to the tomb to anoint Christ's body and find an angel sitting on the rolled over stone. The angel tells them that Christ has risen, and to go and tell the apostles. Liturgically speaking this day is one of the most complex days of the year. It participates in both the sorrow of the passions which we see throughout Holy Week, and the joy and praise of the Resurrection. This is why by the end of Holy Saturday we are preparing the procession to around the church to the doors to symbolize the walk that the Myrrh-bearing women took before they discovered Christ resurrected.

*Yours in Christ,
Fr. Peter Haugen*



The Prayer Corner

Welcome to *The Prayer Corner* - over the past few months, we have been exploring and learning more about prayer in our Orthodox Faith. Last month we discussed “intercessory prayers”, which is praying on behalf of others. In this Newsletter, we will look at “prayers of supplication” which are prayers in which we **ask** God for something.

Prayers of Supplication

There are many Bible passages that encourage us to ask God for help. Here is only one example:

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.” (Philippians 4:6)

Every Sunday during the Divine Liturgy, we say prayers of supplication that include everyone’s needs. Fr. Peter chants these petitions during the service:

- * That this whole day may be perfect, holy, peaceful and sinless, let us ask of the Lord.
- * An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.
- * Forgiveness and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask of the Lord.

The congregation replies, “Grant this, O Lord” after each petition. These are prayers of supplication.

But we also can offer prayers of supplication in our private prayers that are unique to our needs and our lives. Fr. Stavros, in his blog on the Orthodox Christian Network, writes that it is helpful to offer prayers for specific needs **today**, and not so much for next month or next year. He says:

“When I ask God for things, I ask for the needs I have today. In a given day, I drive from home to work, so I ask for safety for travels. I make decisions every day, so I ask for wisdom. There are so many things I need to get done each day, so I ask for efficiency. I have always struggled with being patient, so I ask God each day for patience. If I have safety, wisdom, efficiency, and patience, I feel like I can handle just about anything else that comes my way.”

We can each make our personal requests of God....to give comfort and healing to a friend that is sick; find kind words to say in a difficult situation; help us to be more compassionate to our neighbours; give us strength to manage a crises. He is ready to listen to our prayers! (Just don’t mention winning the Lotto Max).

Prayer Team

We invite you to become a member of the Prayer Team, praying for others who are in need. This month, please keep in your prayers:

Anne
Netty
Joanne

If you have names to submit for the Prayer Team, contact Caroline at: cjuchin@telusplanet.net

PYSYNKY WORKSHOP



WHERE

**All Saints Ukrainian Orthodox
Cultural Centre**

**5601 - 51 Street
St. Paul, AB**

Come learn about the meaning behind our traditional *Pysanky* while making your very own. Here is your chance to make an egg which you can then put into your Easter Basket. No experience required.

**FRIDAY
APRIL 19, 2019
11:00 AM***

PLEASE bring a snack or a light lunch, as we will work until your egg is complete - usually approx. 3-4 hours

****Supplies Provided****

TO REGISTER

**or for more
information call
or text:**

**Dobr. Erin Haugen at
587-252-3410**

**NO COST
We need to know how
many to set up for.**

BUTTER **WORKSHOP**



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**Come learn how to carve a ram (traditionally a
lamb) out of butter for your Easter Basket.**

No experience required.

**TUESDAY
APRIL 23, 2019
7:00 PM***
after the service

***PLEASE bring 2
blocks of butter, a
small dish/ramkin
to put your ram into
and a garlic press***

TO REGISTER

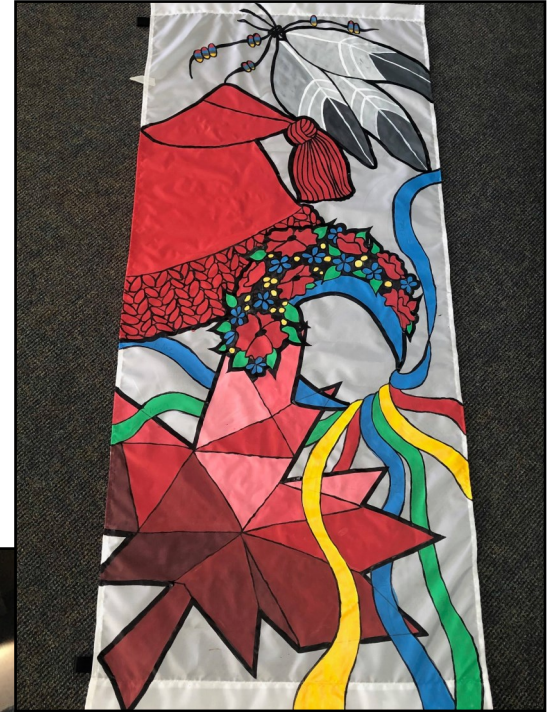
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Annual St. Paul Main Street Banner Project

Thank you to all those who came together to paint this year's banner—it's a beauty!



PALM (WILLOW) SUNDAY (SHUTKOVA NEDILIA) :

Commemorates Christ's entry into Jerusalem. The willows (used in place of palms) represent the scourging of Christ, and give rise to a practice among Ukrainians to tap each other with the willows and say:



Лоза б'є,
Я не б'ю,
від нині за тиждень,
буде Великдень

The willow is hitting,
I'm not hitting,
one week from today,
it will be Easter



GREAT VESPERS

We will be holding Great Vespers on the Saturdays preceding the Divine Liturgies in St. Paul and Bonnyville. It is my hope that in time, as our parishioners become more comfortable with this service, that individuals will volunteer to assist in the readings when they arrive at the Church. No one will be forced to read, so please don't avoid these services in fear of being asked, but it really is a wonderful way of becoming more involved in our worship services.

Schedule of Great Vespers:

Saturday - May 4th - All Saints, St. Paul- 5 pm
 Saturday - May 25th- St. Elias, Bonnyville - 5 pm

*"O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God. Have mercy on me, a sinner ."
 -Jesus Prayer*

WEBSITE

Don't forget we have a website!

It is under a bit of construction, but you can find updates, locations, and a long term schedule there. Photos will be coming soon as well. Check it out!

www.bonnyvilleanddistrictuoc.ca/

We're also on Facebook!
 Look up:

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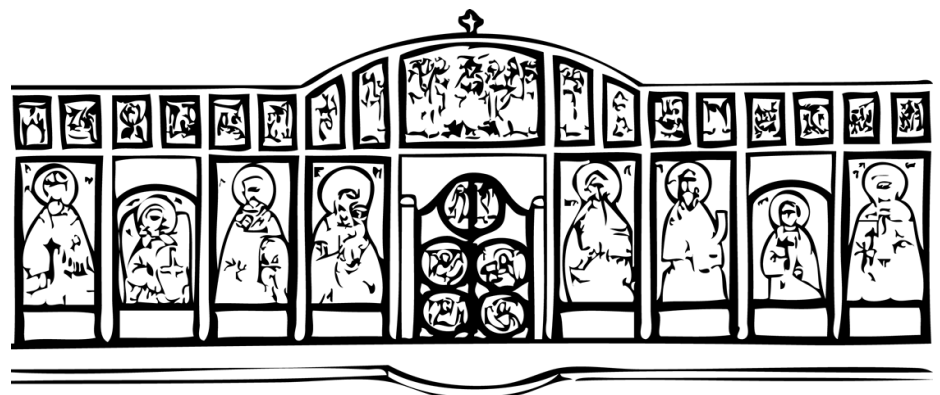
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Bonnyville & District Ukrainian Orthodox Parish Council Society - Schedule of Services - 2019

Note: Services may be cancelled due to inclement weather. If weather is a concern, please contact the President listed to learn service status.

APRIL				
Date	Day	Time	Location	Description
3	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Bonnyville	Presanctified Liturgy
6	Saturday	5:00 PM	St. Paul	Great Vespers with Litia
7	Sunday	10:00 AM	St. Paul	Annunciation Of the Holy Theotokos
10	Wednesday	6:00 PM	St. Paul	Presanctified Liturgy
14	Sunday	10:00 AM	Glendon	St. Mary of Egypt
21	Sunday	10:00 AM	Sandy Rapids	Entrance into the Temple/Palm Sunday
22	Monday	HOLY WEEK		
		6:30 PM	St. Paul	Passion Monday - Lenten Hours
23	Tuesday		St. Paul	Holy Tuesday - Akathist
24	Wednesday	6:30 PM	St. Paul	Holy Wednesday - Holy Unction
25	Thursday	6:30 PM	Bonnyville	Holy Thursday - Twelve Gospels
26	Friday	4:00 PM	Bonnyville	Holy Friday - Shroud Vespers
		5:30 PM	Nowa Bukowina	Holy Friday - Shroud Vespers
		7:00 PM	St. Paul	Holy Friday - Shroud Vespers
27	Saturday	9:00 PM	Bonnyville	Paschal Matins/Basket Blessing
28	Sunday	**PASCHA - THE RESSURECTION OF OUR LORD**		
		6:00 AM	Nowa Bukowina	Paschal Matins - Basket Blessing
		8:00 AM	St. Paul	Paschal Divine Liturgy/Basket Blessing

Please note:

All Sandy Rapids services are being hosted at St. Elias in Bonnyville.

**Bonnyville & District Ukrainian Orthodox
Parish Council Society**

Schedule of services for Great Lent 2019



Lenten Services and Activities

- Monday, March 11th - Canon of St. Andrew of Crete - All Saints, St. Paul, 6 PM
- Sunday, March 17th - Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers - Luzan, 5 PM
- Sunday, March 24th - Passia Service - Thorhild, 5 PM
- Sunday, March 31st - Passia Service - Two Hills, 5 PM
- Wednesday, April 3rd - Presanctified Divine Liturgy - St. Elias, Bonnyville, 6 PM
- Wednesday, April 10th - Presanctified Divine Liturgy - All Saints, St. Paul, 6 PM
- Sunday, April 21st - Palm Sunday Blessing of Palms - All Saints, Sandy Rapids, 10 AM

Holy Week

- Monday, April 22nd - Lenten Hours - All Saints, St. Paul, 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, April 23rd - Great Lenten Akathist - St. Paul, 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, April 24th - Holy Unction Service - All Saints, St. Paul, 6:30 PM
- Thursday, April 25th - Holy Thursday 12 Gospels - St. Elias, Bonnyville, 6:30 PM
- Friday, April 26th - Holy Friday Shroud Vespers - St. Elias Bonnyville, 4:00 PM
Holy Friday Shroud Vespers - Sts. Peter and Paul, Nowa Bukowina, 5:30 PM
Holy Friday Shroud Vespers - All Saints, St. Paul, 7:00 PM

Paschal Services

- Saturday, April 27th - Paschal Matins/Basket Blessing - St. Elias, Bonnyville, 9:00 PM
- SUNDAY, APRIL 28th - Paschal Matins/ Basket Blessing - Sts. Peter and Paul, Nowa Bukowina, 6:00 AM
PASCHAL DIVINE LITURGY- All Saints, St. Paul, 8:00 AM