

7th Sunday of Pascha. Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council of Nicea

Post-feast of Ascension 7-а Неділя Пасхи. Неділя

Святих Отців 1-го вселенського собору в Нікеї.

"Mother's Day"

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian and Our Venerable Father Arsenius the Great (408-50)

Sunday, May 8st, 2016



Daily Divine Liturgies

Monday, May 9 *** 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.:

God's blessings for Mary Lazurko

Wednesday, May 11 *** *** 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.: Special Intention

Thursday, May 12 *** 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit.: Special Intention*

Friday, May 13 *** 9:00 a.m. Moleben to the Mother of God

First Antiphon

Clap your hands, all you nations; * shout to God with the voice of joy. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

For the Lord most high is awesome, * a great king of all the earth.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

He has subdued peoples to us, * and nations under our feet. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

God ascended amid shouts of joy; * the Lord at the sound of the trumpet.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

+Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

Third Antiphon

We sing the usual Third Antiphon, but with the festal refrain: Son of God, who ascended in glory, * save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Troparion, Tone 6: Angelic powers were upon Your tomb * and the guards became like dead men; * Mary stood before Your tomb * seeking Your most pure body. * You captured Hades without being overcome by it.* You met the Virgin and granted life.* O Lord, risen from the dead,* glory be to You!

Troparion, Tone 4: You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,* giving joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit,* and assuring them through your blessing* that You are the Son of God,* the Redeemer of the world.

Troparion, Tone 8: Christ our God, You are glorified above all,* You established our fathers as beacons on earth* and through them guided all of us to the true faith.* Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

Troparion, Tone 2: O beloved apostle of Christ our God,* hasten, deliver a people without defense.* He who received you when you leaned upon His breast accepts you as you bow in prayer.* Implore Him, O Theologian, to scatter the cloud of nations that besets us,* asking peace and great mercy.

Kontakion, Tone 8: The apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrine* confirmed the Church's one faith,* and wearing the garment of truth* woven from theology that descends from on high,* she rightly imparts* the mystery of godliness* and sings its glory.

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

Kontakion, Tone 2: O virgin apostle, who can recount your mighty works?* For you pour out wonders and healings* and you pray for our souls as Theologian and friend of Christ.

Now and forever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 6: When you had fulfilled Your plan for us* and united things on earth with those in heaven,* You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,* in no way distant, but remaining inseparable,* You cried to those who love You:* I am with You and there is none against you.

Prokeimenon, Tone 4: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

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

Prokeimenon, Tone 8: Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. (Psalm 18:5)

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 20:16-18, 28-36)



In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; he was eager to be in Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. From Miletus he sent a message to Ephesus, asking the elders of the church to meet him. When they came to him, he said to them: "Keep watch over yourselves and over all the

flock, of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God that He obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after I have gone, savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Some even from your own group will come distorting the truth in order to entice the disciples to follow them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to warn everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the message of His grace, a message that is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or clothing. You know for yourselves that I worked with my own hands to support myself and my companions. In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" When he had finished speaking, he knelt down with them all and prayed.

Alleluia, Tone 1: The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

verse: Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him. (Psalm 49:1,5)

Gospel: John 17:1-13

At that time Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify You, since You have given Him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on earth by finishing the work that You gave Me to do. So now, Father, glorify Me in your own presence with the glory that I had in Your presence before the world existed. "I have made Your name known to those whom You gave me from the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to me, and they have kept Your word. Now they know that everything You have given Me is from you; for the words that You gave to Me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from You; and they have believed that You sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom You gave me, because they are Yours. All Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I have been glorified in them." And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, protect them in Your name that You have given Me, so that they may be one, as We are one. While I was with them, I protected them in Your name that You have given Me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to You, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have My joy made complete in themselves.

Hymn to the Mother of God: O my soul, magnify the Lord who in glory ascended bodily into the heavens.

Irmos Tone 5: O Mother of God,* you transcended both mind and word,* and in time, ineffably bore the Timeless One:* it is you who, with one accord,* we, the faithful, magnify.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. **Verse:** Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous. Alleluia (x3).

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." & "Let our mouths be filled..." we sing: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, above all the earth be Your glory.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

"I believe we must look for holiness, joy, and love in our own homes. We must make our home like a second "Nazareth" where Jesus can come and live with us." **Blessed Teresa of Calcutta**



Please Pray for health of ... Roman D., Bonny H., Ric B., Shirley C., Andriy H., Sandra Sh., Sofia B., Verna H., Mike W., Patricia U., Sophie S., Rose O., Yvette U., Lily-Ann S., Myron G., Peter D., Peter S., Ann M., and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the

present time.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!

Happy Mother's Day!!! — We wish all mothers, god-mothers and spiritual mothers many God's blessings, good health, joy and peace on this special day. May you be greatly rewarded for your love, care and commitment in this privileged and demanding call of being a mother.

Holy Resurrection Parish in Penticton – welcomes Rev. Father Volodymyr Dmyterko.



You are invited! After the Divine Liturgy today, the Knights of Columbus will treat us to a Mother's Day brunch in our parish hall.

Congratulations to Br. Neil Lalach — who last week become our new Brother Knight.

Children's Catechism — will take place today, Sunday, May 8th after the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. Today, those preparing to receive 1st Solemn Communion will have their first Sacrament of Repentance (Confession).

One bilingual Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. – will be celebrated on Sundays May 8th, & 22nd due to Fr. Andrzej substituting Fr. Myts in Kamloops during his annual vacation. **Services in Kamloops**: Saturday, May 14th at 11:00 a.m. & Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, May 15th One Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

Annual celebration at St. Nicholas Church in Coldstream - will take place today, Sunday, May 8th, 2016. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Joseph Ostopowich.

Panakhyda service and blessing of the cemetery graves at St. Nicholas church cemetery will follow the Divine Liturgy.

Conflict in Light of our Faith – 2nd session of the workshop by Dr. Christina Hantel-Fraser will take place tomorrow, Monday, May 9th, 2016 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Mass for the Unborn – will be celebrated this coming Thursday May 12th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate



Conception Church. The main celebrant will be Bishop John Corriveau. Coffee, refreshments & Guest Speaker (Fr. Cerlouie Jimenez) to follow in the church hall. Chaplet of Mercy to be celebrated at 6:30 p.m.

Dolyna Ukrainian Dancers 2016 Spring Concert – "Maidan Quest for Freedom" – will take place this coming Saturday, May 14th at Rotary Theatre for Arts at 7:00 p.m.

First Solemn Communion – at the Dormition parish will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 15th.** We will have six children to be part of this very special event. Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

Bible study program – will continue on Monday, May 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Cementery grave blessings — Panakhyda service and grave blessings will take place in **Kelowna**, **Saturday**, **May 21**st . Our 5th All Souls Service (Prayers for our beloved deceased ones) will be celebrated on Saturday, May 21st.



Merciful Like the Father – Dormition Parish Social Project – following suggestions from parishioners, our Parish Council voted to designate the 2016 "Coffee" proceeds for the support of St. Joseph's new school building fundraising campaign. On Sunday, May 1st we collected \$ \$71.80. Thank you for your support.

Camp Saint Volodymyr 2016 – Sunday, August 21- Sunday, August 28

The purpose of camp is to provide an opportunity for youth to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Children will experience Ukrainian language and culture during camp along with games, religious activities, hikes, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and other summer camp activities.

This marks the 33rd year of our Ukrainian Catholic Summer Camp. Camp will take place in Kelowna at the OAC facility. Camp offers a wide range of activities for campers aged 7-15 (as of December 31, 2016). Registration is available online via Eventbrite "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2016." Early bird registration ends July 7, 2016.

WAYS TO HELP:

VOLUNTEER

Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. If you are interested in helping at this year's camp as a counsellor, chef, arts & crafts or cultural coordinator please contact Jennifer. Applications forms for counsellors are due June 15, 2016. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal records check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ <u>604.220.0584</u> or jennsawka@hotmail.com. Visit our website via www.nweparchy.ca

DONATE

We are always happy to accept food donations of vegetables, fruits, cereals, and treats for children such as cakes, cookies, as well as monetary donations. Tax receipts can be issued with donations of \$25 or more.

Pilgrimage to Ukraine - August 22 - September 7, 2016 led by Sr. Angelica. WE ARE GOING TO LVIV - TERNOPIL - CARPATHIAN MOUNTAINS - HOSHIV - ZARVANYTSIA AND KYIV WITH TIME TO VISIT RELATIVES. If interested contact Sr. Angelica at 604 - 526 - 9198 or 604 - 375 - 6626 or Myrna at 604 - 716 - 7200 for information, itinerary and prices or refer to the poster on the parish bulletin board or visit this link: http://nweparchy.ca/project/pilgrimage-to-ukraine/

Special Petition – "We also pray to be blessed with generous hearts to contribute to our Bishop's initiatives and programs, such as: the support of parishes, the education of parishioners, and the formation of seminarians, Lord hear us and have mercy."



The Fast of the Holy Apostles – begins on the Monday after all Saints Sunday (Monday, May 23rd, 2016) and last until June 29, the Feast of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul.

"The Fast of the Holy Apostles" from A Byzantine Rite – Liturgical Year by Julian J. Katrij, OSBM

"Who ever prays and fasts has two wings lighter than the wind itself." (St. John Chrysostom)

The holy Apostles prepared themselves for the coming of the Holy Spirit with prayer and fasting. They prayed and fasted much before they went out to preach the Gospel. After prayer and fasting they ordained new presbyters for apostolic work, as we read in the Acts of the Apostles: "And when they ordained to them priests in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, in whom they believed" (Acts 14:22). St. John Chrysostom said: "the Apostles almost always fasted" (Sermon 57 on St. Matthew).

So also the holy Church from the earliest times has prepared her faithful with prayer and fasting for the great feast of the Major Apostles, Sts. Peter and Paul, whose memory we

celebrate on June 29, along with the Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles the following day. Because this fast occurs after the holy season of Pentecost, in ancient times it was sometimes called the fast of Pentecost. Other titles are also given to this fast; it is known as the fast of the holy Apostles, the Apostolic Fast, the Fast of Peter (Peter's Fast), and the Summer Fast. Our people call it Petriwka (the Fast of Peter or Peter's Fast).

Dormition Parish Stewardship: Sunday, May 1 - \$1,037.00.



The Rev. Clergy and Lay-Faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster 4 May 2016

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Rev. Clergy and Friends,

We have no doubt all been watching with great sadness the horrific fire damage and situation in Fort McMurray, Alberta. So many families have seen their homes burned and business and office, schools and medical facilities also burned down or severely damaged. The latest statistics have reported that more than 1,600 homes have been lost and most all of the cities 84,000 residents have been forced to flee the fire.

I would like to encourage you all of pray for those who have become victims of this fire, who have lost their homes and possessions and in many cases are now not only homeless but also facing unemployment. This coming Sunday, I would encourage you to pray a special litany at the Divine Liturgy for those who are suffering as a result of this devastation asking God to comfort those who have lost so much.

I have made some inquiries as to how we can financially support those victims of the fire in Fort McMurray and it seems that the best way to support them is through an on-line donation to the Canadian Red Cross:

https://donate.redcross.ca/ea-ction/action?ea.client.id=1951&ea.campaign.id=50610

You can go directly to the on-line donation section for the victims of the fire in Fort

McMurray by clicking on the link above.

I have sent a note to Bishop David Motiuk of the Eparchy of Edmonton offering him our prayers and solidarity and assuring him that we are ready to assist in whatever way we can. He has expressed his gratitude to us.

With prayerful best wishes,

+Ken



Mission Days - A Ten Day Journey



Third Day: Sunday of the Holy Fathers, May 8***
Leadership in the Faith *** Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.
Fourth Day: Monday, May 9 *** "The Gift of the Consecrated Life" *** Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.



Fifth Day: Tuesday, May 10 *** "To be a Disciple of Christ" ***
Sixth Day: Wednesday, May 11 *** "Responsibility for the Gift of Faith" **
Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.

Seventh Day: Thursday, May 12 *** "Readiness to Witness – Serve *** Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.

Eighth Day: Friday, May 13 *** "Carrying Our Cross" *** Moleben to the Mother of God at 9:00 a.m.

Ninth Day: Saturday, May 14 *** "Being Filled with a Missionary Spirit" **Tenth Day: Sunday of Pentecost, May 15** *** "The Gift of the Holy Spirit" *** Div. Liturgy at 10:00 a.m. **(Penticton – Sat. at 4 p.m.)**



Laudato Si' by Pope Francis (continuation) –

180. There are no uniform recipes, because each country or region has its own problems and limitations. It is also true that political realism may call for transitional measures and technologies, so long as these are accompanied by the gradual framing and acceptance of binding commitments. At the same time, on the national and local levels, much still needs to be done, such as promoting ways of conserving energy. These would include favouring forms of industrial production with maximum energy efficiency and diminished use of raw materials, removing from the market products which are less energy efficient or more polluting, improving transport systems, and

encouraging the construction and repair of buildings aimed at reducing their energy consumption and levels of pollution. Political activity on the local level could also be directed to modifying consumption, developing an economy of waste disposal and recycling, protecting certain species and planning a diversified agriculture and the rotation of crops. Agriculture in poorer regions can be improved through investment in rural infrastructures, a better organization of local or national markets, systems of irrigation, and the development of techniques of sustainable agriculture. New forms of cooperation and community organization can be encouraged in order to defend the interests of small producers and preserve local ecosystems from destruction. Truly, much can be done!

Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

- 1. You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Communion);
- 2. You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;
- *3.* You attend Divine Services regularly;
- 4. Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;
- 5. You have kept the Liturgical fast no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water & medicine does not break the fast).
- 6. You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.
- 7. To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.

 If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.

****A Reminder about appropriate reception of Holy Communion - when approaching to receive the Holy Eucharist, the faithful are reminded to open their mouth wide and tilt their head back. Also, please avoid licking the spoon. *****