

**34<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**- Sunday of the Prodigal Son**

**TROPAR (Tone 2):** When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You!"

**FEASTDAY TROPAR (Tone 1):** Hail, Mother of God, Virgin full of grace. From you has shown forth the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, shining upon those who are in darkness. Rejoice also, you just Elder Simeon, for you received in your arms the Redeemer of our souls who has given us Resurrection.

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

**KONDAK (Tone 3):** Foolishly I left the splendour of Your Fatherly home and with wicked men wasted the wealth You gave me. I cry out to You with the voice of the Prodigal: "I have sinned before You, merciful Father. Accept my repentance and make me as one of Your servants."

**PROKIMEN (Tone 2):** The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation.

**Verse:** *The Lord has indeed chastised me, by He has not delivered me to death.*

**EPISTLE:** A reading from the first letter of Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (6:12-20)

**ALLELUIA VERSES:** *The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you.*

*Lord, grant victory to the king, and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You.*

**GOSPEL:** (Luke 15:11-32)

**INSTEAD OF "It is truly right...":** O Virgin Mother of God. Hope of Christians, protect, watch, and save those who have placed their hope in you. We, the faithful, see the figure of Christ in the shadow and the letter of the law which says: Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord. Therefore, we extol the firstborn of the Eternal Father and the Virgin Mother.

**COMMUNION HYMN:** I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**READERS:** Today – Eleanor Hadubiak

February 16 – Christine Hladky

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** Today – Mark Woitas, Tyler Woloshyn

February 16 – Joe Hladky, Basil Kuzyk

**USHERS:** Today – Art Wytrykush, Walter Brigidear

February 16 – Ted Dusyk, Pat Romanow

**GREETERS:** Today – Maggie Stephen, Bernice Bzdell

February 16 – Joe & Christine Hladky

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Every Sunday, all volunteers are welcome

**DIVIINE LITURGIES:**

**Monday, February 10** – The Holy Martyr Charalampius (193-211) [1John 2:18-3:10; Mark 11:1-11]

**6:00 p.m. – Children's Divine Liturgy and Catechism** (intention for Sisters of St. Joseph's from Saskatoon)

**Tuesday, February 11** – The Holy Priest-Martyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebastia (313-24) [1 John 3:10-20; Mark 14:10-42]

**No Services scheduled**

**Wednesday, February 12** – Our Holy Father Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch (379-95); [1 John 3:21-4:6; Mark 14:43-15:1]

**No Services scheduled**

**Thursday, February 13** – Our Venerable Father Martinian [1 John 4:20-5:21; Mark 15:1- 15]

**6:30 p.m. - Divine Liturgy followed by Seniors' meeting**

**Friday, February 14** – The Repose of Our Venerable Father Constantine the Philosopher, in the Monastic Life, Cyril, Teacher of the Slavs (869); and our Venerable Father Auxentius (457-74); and the Venerable Maron the Wonderworker and Hermit; [Galatians 5:22-6:2; Matthew 11:27-29]

**No Service scheduled**

**Saturday, February 15 – All Souls Saturday;** The Holy Apostle Onesimus [1 Corinthians 10:23-28; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Luke 21:8-9; 25-27, 33-36; John 5:24-30]

**10:00 a.m. – Sorokousty service - Divine Liturgy and Panakhyda for the deceased of our parish, relatives and friends**

**Sunday, February 16** – Meatfare Sunday (of the Fearful Judgement) (Tone 3); The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest (c.309) and Porphyrius and Their Companions [1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2; Matthew 25:31-46]

**9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy at St. Athanasius (for the faithful)**

**1:30 p.m. – Divine Liturgy in Moose Jaw**

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

- ❖ Monday, February 10 – 6:00pm ~Children's Liturgy followed by catechism
- ❖ Tuesday, February 11 – 7:00pm~Liturgical Committee Meeting
- ❖ Thursday, February 13 – 6:30pm~Divine Liturgy followed by Seniors' meeting

### SOROKOUSTY SERVICES – ALL SOULS SATURDAYS

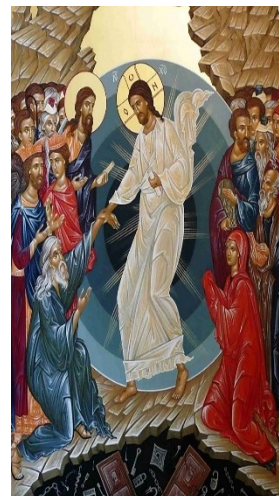
Sorokousty Services (All Souls Saturday) will be celebrated this year **on February 15th, March 7th, March 14th, March 21st, and May 30th.**

The word "Sorokousty" literally means "forty mouths" (*sorok = forty; ust = mouth*). Originally, this was a prayer service offered by forty mouths or by forty priests especially in Lenten time.

Sorokousty or All Souls Saturday's services have been celebrated for the deceased by holding Liturgies, panakydas or parastas for them in five Saturdays.

Each family in our parish has a book or a list where the names of deceased family members are written. Father reads out every book or list during each Sorokousty.

If you would like to have the names of your deceased relatives mentioned during the Sorokousty services this year, or if you wish to renew or add to last year's list, please call the office @ 306-543-8008, or visit the parish office Tuesday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00p.m.



Once a year the Marian Centre requests volunteers from our parish for help to cut vegetables, make sandwiches, etc. The dates this year are February 17, 18, 19, and 21<sup>st</sup>. They start at 9:30 A.M. and finish at 11:00 A.M. We need 2 volunteers for each of the four days. Please call Chris Hladky at 306-789-6610 if you are available to help.

**Please note the phone number appeared incorrectly in last weeks bulletin.**



### CHRISTMAS CAROLLING:

The Ukrainian Community Choir, conducted by Alla Tymishak, will be having a Christmas Closing Caroling at Ukrainian Orthodox Church Descent of the Holy Spirit **on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30p.m. with Spiritual talks by the four priests of Regina.** Free admission  
Address: 1305 -12 Ave, Regina, SK.

**INTERCHURCH EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH** from the Archdiocese of Regina, are posted on the bulletin board in the auditorium.

**RETROUVAILLE helps hurting marriages!** When couples experience difficulties in their marriages, they often feel alone; like there is no one who can help them. Retrouvaille cares about your marriage. Please consider registering for the Retrouvaille (pronounce retro-vie) program before you consider divorce. For confidential information about or to register for the April 3-5, 2020 weekend in Saskatoon, call (306) 652-7155 or email: [retrouvaille@sasktel.net](mailto:retrouvaille@sasktel.net)

**Listen to The Ukrainian Hour  
Sundays (3 PM) and again on Mondays (10 PM)**



Listen to **The Ukrainian Hour, Sundays 3:00pm** and again on **Mondays at 10:00 pm**  
– with host Colette Karapita (nee Ukrainetz).

Listen at: <https://www.therock985.ca>

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February Programming: February 9/10: John Pihach: "Ukrainian Genealogy"  
February 16/17: Meat-fare Sunday; February 23/24: Cheese-fare Sunday



**WINTER CAMP 2020 – ST. MICHAEL'S AT MADGE LAKE FEBRUARY 17-22  
– AGES 9 – 15!!!**

Come join us at camp February 17-22, 2020 for a fabulous week! Tobogganing, Downhill skiing, Cross-Country Skiing, Skating, Snow Shoeing and Ice Fishing

all in one week! St. Michael's Winter Camp is the place for you. Ages 9-15; Cost: \$250. **If you are still looking at coming to our winter camp then please**

**register today! We only have 10 spots left. It's an awesome way to get outside to re-connect with nature and enjoy the company of great people.** Please go to <http://www.stmichaelscamp.com/camps/register> to print the form and email it to: [register@stmichaelscamp.com](mailto:register@stmichaelscamp.com) or mail the completed form to: St. Michael's Camp, Box 128, Kamsack, Saskatchewan, S0A 1S0. **We can't wait to see you**

**THE BLESSING OF CANDLES: ON THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE -  
Tradition of Ukrainian Catholic Church**



The blessing of candles on the Feast of the Presentation is closely related to the Gospel narrative, introducing Jesus as the "Light of the people" (Luke 2:32) The burning candle symbolizes the abiding presence of Jesus Christ in the midst of the Christian community. At the Presentation of Our Lord in the temple, St. Simeon held Jesus in his arms and proclaimed that "Jesus is the light that enlightens every person who comes into this world." He said, "Now, O Lord, you may dismiss your servant in peace for my eyes have seen Your salvation – A revealing light to the Gentiles."

**Note: Please help yourself to a candle on the Tetrapod for those Parishioners who didn't receive a blest candle last Sunday.**

**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:** 57 regular Sunday envelopes - \$1780; 3 Building Fund envelopes - \$150; 14 Eparchial Charities envelopes - \$190; 3 Initial Offering envelopes - \$25; Loose Change - \$55; 11PAG's - \$1775; 2 Visitor envelopes - \$30.



**Bishop Velychkovsky Pilgrimage to Ukraine**  
**– A Spiritual Journey following a Martyr's Life – July 5-26, 2020**



We will, in the footsteps of Blessed Vasyl, be visiting the sites where he lived, worked and suffered. Some of the places will include: Lviv, Ternopil, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kamianetz Podilsk, Kyiv, Zarvanytsia (participating in the weekend vidpust), and other points of interest such as the Carpathian Mountains, Kolomeya, villages and orphanage. **Cost: \$4,800 CDN** (include airfare from Winnipeg, meals, accommodations, and travel throughout Ukraine). Travel and medical insurance is not included. **Deadline for registration: February 29, 2020 (limited to 20 pilgrims).** For more information & to register contact Mary Jane Kalenchuk or Fr. John Sianchuk, C.Ss.R. by e-mail: [info@bvmartyrshrine.com](mailto:info@bvmartyrshrine.com) or phone 204-338-7321.

**Eparchial Youth & Young Adult Ministry Presents: New Escape Room!**



What? How? You guys are crazy... and incredibly creative!!! That's what people say when we tell them we came up with a new, first ever Christian Escape Room in Saskatoon!

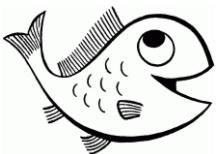
Just as Mary found her vocation by saying her "yes" to God, we want you to go through our escape room called "Servants of the Lord" and become one step closer to figuring out your own vocation! Will you be able to overcome all the challenges using logic, observation, creative thinking and teamwork in just one hour? We promise, you will not regret spending your time in a room full of mystery and fun!

Pilgrims of the World Youth Day 2019: Olena Simko, Veronica Lucas and Anna Marko, under the leadership of Viktoriia Marko, came up with this idea for people 14+! Bring your family and friends, this room is intended for 4 to 6 participants 😊

Huge thank you to many other young people and the Eparchial Appeal for making

this happen! Show us some support, we did it for you! Note: all the donations will go to the Eparchy of Saskatoon Youth Ministry. Register at [uwitness2youth@gmail.com](mailto:uwitness2youth@gmail.com).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** (Bishop Budka Council #5914) and Ultimate A & B Youth, have joined together for a Family Night featuring a Fish Fry Supper and Carnival Games. This will be held at St. Athanasius Parish, Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. Proceeds will be supporting the Ultimate A & B Youth and the Lubov Home of Hope of Ukraine. For more information regarding this event, please refer to the poster on the bulletin board.



## February 9, 2020 Sunday of the Prodigal Son *Lk 15: 11-32*

The Gospel presents to us this very parable of the merciful Father, featuring a father with his two sons. The story highlights some features of this father who is a man always ready to forgive and to hope against hope. Especially striking is the father's tolerance before the youngest son's decision to leave home: he could have opposed it, knowing that he was still immature, a youth, or sought a lawyer not to give him his inheritance, as the father was still living. Instead, he allows the son to leave, although foreseeing the possible risks. God works with us like this: He allows us to be free, even to make mistakes, because in creating us, He has given us the great gift of freedom. It is for us to put it to good use. This gift of freedom that God gives us always amazes me!



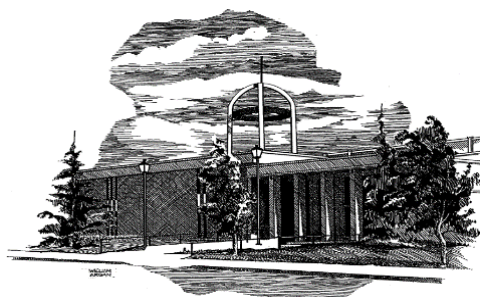
But the separation from his son is only physical; for the father always carries him in his heart; trustingly, he awaits his return; the father watches the road in the hope of seeing him. And one day he sees him appear in the distance (cf. v. 20). But this means that this father, every day, would climb up to the terrace to see if his son was coming back! Thus the father is moved to see him, he runs toward him, embraces him, kisses him. So much tenderness! And this son got into trouble! But the father still welcomes

him so.

The father treated the eldest son the same way, but as he had always stayed at home, he is now indignant and complains because he does not understand and does not share all that kindness toward his brother that had done wrong. The father also goes to meet this son and reminds him that they were always together, they share everything (v. 31), one must welcome with joy the brother who has finally returned home. And this makes me think of something: When one feels one is a sinner, one feels worthless, or as I've heard some — many — say: 'Father, I am like dirt', so then, this is the moment to go to the Father. Instead, when one feels righteous — 'I always did the right thing ...' —, equally, the Father comes to seek us, because this attitude of feeling 'right', is the wrong attitude: it is pride! It comes from the devil. The Father waits for those who recognize they are sinners and goes in search of the ones who feel 'righteous'. This is our Father!

In this parable, you can also glimpse a third son. A third son? Where? He's hidden! And it is the one, 'who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant' (Phil 2:6-7). This Servant-Son is Jesus!

He is 'the extension of the arms and heart of the Father: he welcomed the prodigal Son and washed his dirty feet; he prepared the banquet for the feast of forgiveness. He, Jesus, teaches us to be "merciful as the Father is merciful"'.  
Cfr. Pope Francis, *Angelus* - March 6, 2016



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**DIVINE LITURGY: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Service in English; Confessions before every Divine Liturgy & Week Day Liturgies  
- As per the Schedule**

**MEMBERSHIP AT ST. ATHANASIUS PARISH** is recognized by participating in the Sunday Divine Liturgy and by fulfilling your baptismal responsibility in contributing to our Church Community activities by using your time, talents and treasures. Regular financial donations by use of Sunday envelopes is necessary for our parish to grow and prosper.

**Please contact Fr. Vasyl if you know of any parishioner who is sick and wants to be visited.**

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