

MASK IS MANDATORY UPON ENTERING THE CHURCH AND DURING DIVINE LITURGY
BULLETINS CANNOT BE LEFT ANYWHERE IN THE CHURCH. PLEASE TAKE HOME AND RECYCLE.



The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom Book is now available to parishioners attending Divine Liturgy service. The book is yours to take home. When you attend service, you are to bring the book with you. Please **DO NOT** leave the book in the church.

RETURN TO IN-PERSON SERVICES

As it was announced that effective June 8, 2020, places of worship may resume services provided social distancing of two metres can be maintained between each individual household. The allowable occupancy is one-third of the defined occupancy rate of the facility to a maximum of 30 individuals for the initial stage of re-opening. Following these guidelines, Bishop Bryan has written a pastoral letter with instructions for all churches in the Eparchy of Saskatoon. Please take a moment to read this **IMPORTANT** letter: [Updated COVID Instructions](#).

SUNDAY LITURGIES: If you wish to attend Liturgy on Sundays, please contact Rosanne Miller, 306-543-5773, to confirm your attendance (**preferably by Noon on Saturday**). This is a reminder that this process must be followed for **EACH** Sunday. You can leave a message for Rosanne if she is not home, and she will confirm whether or not there is space for you. Thank you for your cooperation.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES: **If you wish to attend weekday Liturgies, please register by calling Fr. Vasyl at 306-519-9030.**

Please join our services by visiting our website and clicking on the Livestream icon: <https://st-athanasius.ca/nl/> or on Facebook: <https://facebook.com/reginaukrainiancatholicnorth/>

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!
Христу! Слава на віки!

Слава Ісусу

Please join us at 9:15 a.m. for the praying of the rosary followed by Divine Liturgy at 9:30 a.m.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- St. Nicholas, Wonderworker

TROPAR & KONDAK: Tone 2, Page 91 of the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom Book.

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!"

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

KONDAK (Tone 2): You rose from the tomb, O almighty Savior; and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose. Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults. And the world, my Savior, sings Your praises for ever.

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, but He has not delivered me to death.

EPISTLE: A reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-17)

Brothers and Sisters! Draw your strength from the Lord and his mighty power. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil. Our battle is not against human forces but against the principalities and powers, the rulers of this world of darkness, the evil spirits in regions above. You must put on the armor of God if you are to resist on the evil day; do all that your duty requires, and hold your ground. Stand fast, with the truth as the belt around your waist, justice as your breastplate, and zeal to propagate the gospel of peace as your footgear. In all circumstances hold faith up before you as your shield, it will help you extinguish the fiery darts of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit, the word of God.

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 13:10-17)

At that time, on a sabbath day, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues. There was a woman there who for eighteen years had been possessed by a spirit which drained her strength. She was badly stooped, quite incapable of standing erect. When Jesus saw her, he called her to him and said, "Woman, you are free of your infirmity." He laid his hand on her, and immediately she stood up straight and began thanking God. The chief of the synagogue, indignant that Jesus should have healed on the sabbath, said to the congregation, "There are six days for working. Come on those days to be cured, not on the sabbath." The Lord said in reply, "O you hypocrites! Which one of you does not let his ox or ass out of the stall on the sabbath to water it? Should not this daughter of Abraham here who has been in the bondage of Satan for eighteen years have been released from her

shackles on the sabbath?" At these words, his opponents were covered with confusion; meanwhile, everyone else rejoiced at the marvels Jesus was accomplishing.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SPECIAL NOTE: For those who are in church today, we will be reciting the regular prayer before communion.

For those who are watching via livestreaming, please recite the prayer below:

**BYZANTINE ACT OF
SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

O Lord, I believe and profess that you are truly Christ,
The Son of the living God, who came into the world
To save sinners of whom I am the first.

Although I cannot now be a partaker of your mystical supper,
O Son of God,
Come at least spiritually into my heart by your Divine Grace
for the healing of my soul and body.

For I will not reveal your mystery to your enemies,
Nor will I give you a kiss as did Judas,
But like the thief I profess to you:

- + Remember me, O Lord, when you come in your kingdom.
- + Remember me, O Master, when you come in your kingdom.
- + Remember me, O Holy One, when you come in your kingdom.

O Lord, I also believe and profess, that this,
Which I would receive, and which is now
here present with us in Mystery,
Is truly your most precious Body, and your life-giving Blood.
*May I one day partake of your mystical supper again For the remission of all
my sins and for life everlasting. Amen*

- + O God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- + O God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.
- + O Lord, forgive me for I have sinned without number.

With Ecclesiastical Approbation. Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix

LITURGICAL SERVICES – LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE AND READINGS

LITURGIAL SCHEDULE December 7 – December 13, 2020

Monday, December 7 - Our Holy Father Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (397); [2 Timothy 2:20-26](#); [Luke 19:37-44](#).

6:30pm Children's Catechism – St. Nicholas Presentation (No Rosary)

No service scheduled

Tuesday, December 8 - Our Venerable Father Patapius; [2 Timothy 3:16-4:4](#); [Luke 19:45-48](#).

No service scheduled

Wednesday, December 9 - The Conception of Saint Anna when she conceived the Most Holy Mother of God; [Galatians 4:22-31](#); [Luke 8:16-21](#).

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy for the good health and God's blessing for Rick, requested by a friend (**preregistration**) – **Livestreaming**

Thursday, December 10 -The Holy Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes and Euphrasius; [Titus 1:5-2:1](#); [Luke 20:9-18](#).

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy for repose of the soul of +Jesse Diakow, requested by Joe and Christine Hladky (**preregistration**) – **Livestreaming**

Friday, December 11 - Our Venerable Father Daniel the Stylite (493); [Titus 1:15-2:10](#); [Luke 20:19-26](#).

No service scheduled

Saturday, December 12 - Our Venerable Father Spiridon the Wonderworker, Bishop of Tremithus (337-61); [Ephesians 1:16-23](#); [Luke 12:32-40](#).

9.00 a.m. - The Eparchial Youth and Young Adult online Christmas retreat with Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR, together with Youth Ministry Instructors from all over Ukraine conducted in English.

Sunday, December 13 - Sunday of the Holy Forefathers, Tone 3; The Holy Martyrs Eustratios, Auxentius, Eugenius, Mardarius and Orestes (284-305); the Holy Martyr Lucia, the Virgin (284-305); [Colossians 3:4-11](#); [Ephesians 6:10-17](#); [Luke 14:16-24](#); [Luke 21:12-19](#).

9:15 a.m. – Rosary (preregistration) – livestreaming

9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy for faithful (preregistration) – livestreaming

1:30 p.m. – Divine Liturgy in Moose Jaw (preregistration)

Schedule of singers for upcoming Sundays - subject to change as needed. We will continue to adhere to having only two households at one time, each sharing a microphone, until the spread of Covid-19 is no longer a risk.

Dec. 6 (Today): Phyllis Lukey; Len & Anna Markewich

Dec. 13: Peter & Marion Federko; Len & Anna Markewich

Dec. 20: Phyllis Lukey; Alla Gof

Dec. 24: Peter & Marion Federko; Phyllis Lukey

Dec. 25: TBA



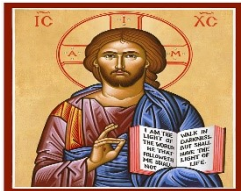
DONATIONS FOR PONSEITTAS to decorate our church for Christmas are now being accepted. Please use either the specifically marked envelopes provided at the back of the church, e-transfers, or include with your regular donations and indicate **“Christmas flower donation”**.
Thank You!



YEAR END IS FAST APPROACHING: If you wish to give a donation to the parish, all donations must be received in the parish office by **Sunday, December 27th**, in order to be included in the 2020 tax receipt. Any donations received after that date will be included with the 2021 receipt.

PRIEST’S CHRISTMAS GIFTS: Tax receipts cannot be issued for the *monetary gifts* given to a priest. This is a “gift of love” with no service rendered. If you are using a cheque, the cheque must be made payable to Fr. Vasyl Tymishak.

2021 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES are available for pick up during scheduled Divine Liturgy services or during office hours, Tuesday – Thursday, 10:00 a.m – 2:00 p.m. Please phone 306-543-8008 during office hours to arrange for pick up of your donation envelopes. If there is an error or if you did not receive a set of envelopes, please contact the office. Also, we would appreciate if you could include your e-mail address and any changes to your current address on your first donation envelope.



2021 Julian and Gregorian Calendars are available at the parish. We have a limited amount of calendars therefore we encourage one calendar per family. If you know of someone that is in a care home or is not comfortable to attend church but would like a calendar please do not hesitate to take a calendar for them.

DECEMBER GREETER SCHEDULE:

December 13	Maggie Stephen and Bernice Bzdell
December 20	Terry & Rosanne Miller
December 24	???
December 25	???
December 27	Mark & Karen Woitas

NOTICE: Our parish expenses continue, even though there are no large church services. Therefore, it would be very much appreciated if you could continue your support of the parish. There are a few options available to you: drop off your envelope at 54 McMurchy Avenue, mail in your cheque to 55 McMurchy Avenue, Regina, S4R 3G3, or you can also do an e-transfer to stathandeposit@sasktel.net.

November 29: 14 regular envelopes - \$980; 2 Building Fund envelopes - \$120; 2 Deacon Mykola envelopes - \$65; 1 Orphanages in Ukraine envelope - \$100; 1 Christmas Flowers envelope - \$20.

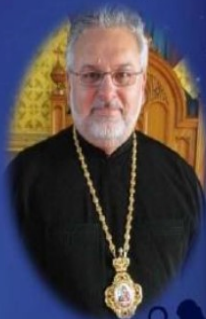
E-Sunday Collections & E-transfers: 5 Sunday donations - \$305; 2 Christmas Flowers donations - \$30.

DECEMBER FOOD BANK ITEM: Baby Food

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER: *Evangelisation – For a life of prayer.* We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.



THE CONVERSATION - A Weekly ZOOM Conversation with the Ukrainian Catholic Church. Join us **every Thursday evening from 6:00 – 8:00 pm (CST)** [7-9pm EST], with Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR, Ukrainian Catholic clergy from across Canada, and a number of the faithful, as we gather on ZOOM Meeting to discuss many topics and field questions from people. Email ucconversation@gmail.com with your questions and receive the ZOOM Link. Watch Livestream on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/stdemetrius/>



“Christ is among us!”

Online Christmas Gathering
for ESL Youth Ministry Instructors (Ukraine)
and Youth of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon
With Most Reverend Bryan J. BAYDA, CSsR
Eparch of Saskatoon

The Eparchial Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office invite young people (15-24 years of age) to join our online Christmas celebration with Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR, together with Youth Ministry Instructors from all over Ukraine conducted in English.

This will be a wonderful joint Christmas project for our young people that will take place Saturday, December 12 at 9.00 am. Deadline for registration has been extended to Tuesday, December 8th.

Please register by contacting Viktoriia Marko at uwitness2youth@gmail.com



**EPARCHY OF SASKATOON
EPARCHIAL SAFEGUARDING POLICY:
COVENANT OF CARE,
ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY &
ABUSE AND MISCONDUCT POLICY**

This *Eparchial Safeguarding Policy: Covenant of Care, Electronic Communication and Technology & Abuse and Misconduct Policy* is a code of conduct which is designed to create safe and respectful church communities and healthy ministerial relationships, and to protect people from abuse and the harm that

results.

In the Pastoral Letter of the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC on "Safeguarding from Various Incidents of Violence towards Children, Handicapped, and Vulnerable People" (Oct 14, 2019), Patriarch Sviatoslav Shevchuk writes:

"With this synodal message, we affirm the desire of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church throughout the world to progress to the next stage of understanding, healing, and preventing all forms of violence against human dignity in the church environment and in the community at large, 'working not for the sake of appearances, to please men, but as Christ's servants, who fulfil the will of God from the heart.' (Eph. 6:6) [...] Let us make our parishes, monasteries, and seminaries places of shared responsibility and brotherhood, where bishops, priests, monastics, and lay people all grow together in faith, love, mercy, and service to one another. Let us follow the model of Jesus Christ, who 'did not come to be served but to serve and give his life for the redemption for many.' (Matthew 20:28) [...] Dear brothers and sisters! Remember that any form of violence directed against human dignity disrespects the image of God and His likeness that are present in every person (Genesis 1:27; Psalm 8). But worse in the eyes of God is the sin of His servants, who violate their oaths and scandalize the hearts of those who trusted them. These evil deeds require lasting and patient healing that is not possible without God's grace, effective love, and mercy. Safeguarding from violence against children, minors and vulnerable persons, is the responsibility of every member of the Church – bishop, priest, consecrated person, layman and laywoman [...] Let our church communities be places where everyone, especially the most vulnerable, can fully feel their human dignity and feel protected."

In an effort to build and maintain church communities where every person feels safe and knows their full human dignity, we affirm the need for the people of God at every level of the Church to make it their responsibility to build these communities.

Part I: The *Covenant of Care* is a code of conduct which is designed to create safe and respectful church communities and responsible, healthy ministerial relationships, and to protect people from abuse and the trauma that results. In implementing this *Covenant of Care* the Eparchy strives to provide proactive protection for: minors and vulnerable adults, and

those who minister, including clergy, employees and church volunteers.

Part II: The *Electronic Communication and Technology Policy* is a guide to the safer utilization of technology and the communication opportunities it affords to bring the message of the gospel. Technology does not replace the need for person to person interaction but assists us in our ability to communicate. It is not without challenges. It is hoped that this Policy will help to mitigate those challenges to make our online environment safer. In this regard the Policy and Code of Conduct contained therein, must be adhered to by all who utilize this form of communication in ministry in positions of trust as defined in the Eparchial Safeguarding Policy Implementation Procedure.

Part III: The *Abuse and Misconduct Policy* is designed to ensure that allegations of physical and sexual abuse and other misconduct are handled responsibly, transparently and with all due care and attention.

Together these three parts form the *Eparchial Safeguarding Policy*, the present version of which is dated October 1, 2020, provides authoritative directives for all who minister within and on behalf of the Eparchy. This current document revokes and supersedes any previous policies and procedures regarding these matters.

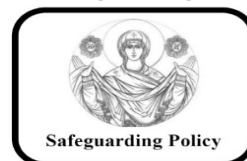
For training and re-certification or to speak to someone about a concern related to the *Eparchial Safeguarding*

Policy: Covenant of Care, Electronic Communication and Technology &

Abuse and Misconduct Policy, please contact: Deborah Larmour,
Eparchial Coordinator of Care

TeL.: 306-653-0138 ext. 228; Cell: 306-222-1475;

E-mail: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org



Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience

Bill C-7, which proposes to expand euthanasia and assisted suicide to allow more people to qualify, is now being studied by the Senate. A number of Senators and Disability Inclusion Minister Carla Qualtrough are seriously considering amending the draft legislation to allow people with mental illnesses to be euthanized

(<https://www.kamloopsthisweek.com/news/patients-not-doctors-should-initiate-conversations-on-assisted-dying-qualtrough-1.24246117>). Mental illness was specifically excluded in the draft legislation, but we fear the calls to remove this exclusion will be successful, unless Canadians speak up. The Senate has already heard many compelling arguments against expanding euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada, including representatives from the disability community, the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, the Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada and the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada.

This is a critical time to reach out to the Senate to let them know that you oppose the proposed changes to the "Medical Assistance in Dying" legislation.

If you haven't emailed your MP yet, please write them right away at canadiansforconscience.ca/federal_government. Then write the Senate at canadiansforconscience.ca/writesenate.

Once you've emailed them, we ask you to call your MP's office to let them know of your concerns. You can find their phone number and contact information at <https://www.ourcommons.ca/Members/en>. This follow up phone call will increase the impact of your voice exponentially!

Please watch this two minute video explaining why it's critical that we ask legislators to oppose the expansion of euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada, Euthanasia: Panacea or Pandora's box?: <https://youtu.be/bECmV6OEDTo>.

The French version, Euthanasie: Panacée ou Boîte de Pandore? is available at <https://youtu.be/MNhs5xcA5tQ>.

Coalition for HealthCARE And Conscience

<http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/>

Yes, There is a Santa Claus



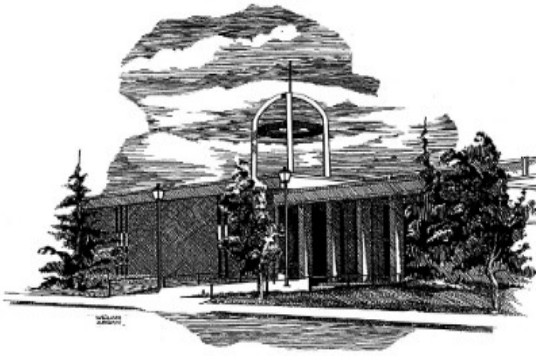
"What do you want for Christmas?" A man in a red suit and white beard asks this question of many children at the shopping malls before Christmas. The image of the jovial man in a red suit known as Santa Claus is, in reality, based upon the memory of our Holy Father among the Saints, Nicholas, the Archbishop and Wonder-worker of Myra in Lycia.

Saint Nicholas was the bishop of Myra, a city in the province of Lycia in Asia Minor. Even in his own lifetime he was known for his acts of charity for the poor, the widowed, and the orphaned. As time went on, so did the reputation of his wondrous deeds, hence meriting him the title "wonder worker."

His reputation became widespread largely through maritime commerce traders who revered Saint Nicholas as the patron saint of sailors. Consequently, the legends of the wonder-working Nicholas became renowned throughout many parts of the traveled world. It was the Dutch, however, who first brought the reverence for Saint Nicholas to America. In their native tongue, Saint Nicholas was known as *Cinter Klaus*, which sounds like "Santa Claus."

Although many of the numerous stories of Saint Nicholas may sometime be closer to the realm of legend than actual history, the fact remains that he was a beloved man of God who was known for his charity and acts of love and kindness, especially toward children. May this same spirit of generosity and love exemplified by Saint Nicholas be alive in our hearts during this time of preparation for Christmas and every day of the year.

Sunday, December 6, 2020



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Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) - Mary Lou Senko @ 306-525-6437

**DIVINE LITURGY: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Service in English; TEMPORARILY by
preregistration**

Weekday Liturgies - as scheduled; **preregistration required** by calling Fr. Vasyl
Tymishak (306-519-9030)

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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