

Sunday, December 5, 2021

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ROSARY: Sunday – 9:10 a.m. (livestreaming)

DIVINE LITURGY: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. for the faithful. (livestreaming)

Weekday Liturgies – as scheduled

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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Effective Friday, September 17, The Government of Saskatchewan announced Mandatory Masking for all indoor Public Spaces.

- ❖ Mask is mandatory in church
- ❖ Self-Screen using the COVID-19 Health Screening Questionnaire prior to entering facilities.
- ❖ Practice good hand hygiene.
- ❖ Stay home when sick and return when you are healthy.

OCTOBER 1ST, Saskatchewan government has implemented a proof of vaccination requirement in public places. Places of worship **DO NOT** require proof of vaccination.

СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ! СЛАВА НАВІКИ!

GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY BE FOREVER!

Welcome to all visitors and parishioners who are celebrating the Liturgy with us today. Please join the Monday night St. Athanasius Catechism Program, for coffee, sweets and a small presentation.



TO ALL PARISHIONERS: During our Livestream and Videotaping, the video may capture the likeness of those parishioners sitting in the pews during our services. This video will be kept for a maximum of 45 days. Other than those who choose to view the livestream as it happens, the video will not be released to third parties. As our video will stream on Facebook, we will comply with that website's regulations. If you are uncomfortable being on video, please advise the Greeters when you enter the church and they will place you in a pew where you will not be captured.

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

<https://facebook.com/reginaukrainiancatholicnorth/live>

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TROPAR (Tone 3): Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm. He trampled death by death; He became the first born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted great mercy to the world.

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

KONDAK (Tone 3): You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord, and led us out from the gates of death. Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices, and the prophets together with the patriarchs unceasingly acclaim the divine might of Your power.

PROKIMEN (Tone 3): Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

VERSE: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

EPISTLE: A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians (1:12-18)

Brothers and Sisters: Give thanks to the Father for having made you worthy to share the lot of the saints in light. He rescued us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son. Through him we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creatures. In him everything in heaven and on earth was created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominations, principalities or powers; all were created through him, and for him. He is before all else that is. In him everything continues in being. It is he who is head of the body, the church; he who is the beginning, the first-born of the dead, so that primacy may be his in everything.

ALLELUIA VERSE: In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever. Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me.

GOSPEL: Luke (14:16-24)

At that time the Lord said this parable: "A man was giving a large dinner and he invited many. At dinner time he sent his servant to say to those invited, 'Come along, everything is ready now.' But they began to excuse themselves, one and all. The first one said to the servant, 'I have bought some land and must go out and inspect it. Please excuse me.' Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen and I am going out to test them. Please excuse me.' A third said, 'I am newly married and so I cannot come.' The servant returning reported all this to his master. The master of the house grew angry at the account. He said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor and the crippled, the blind and the lame.' The servant reported, after some time, 'Your orders have been carried out, my lord, and there is still room.' The master then said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and along the hedgerows and force them to come in. I want my house to be full, but I tell you that not one of those invited shall taste a morsel of my dinner. For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE December 6 – December 12, 2021

Monday, December 6 - Our Holy Father Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia; [Hebrews 13:17-21](#); [Luke 6:17-23](#)

10:00 am Divine Liturgy for all parishioners – *livestreaming*

Tuesday, December 7 - Our Holy Father Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (397); Nativity Fast. [Hebrews 4:1-13](#); [Luke 21:12-19](#)

7 p.m. Divine Liturgy and Panakhyda – memorial service for +Sage Butler, requested by Gerald Mydan, her Father & Janet Bzdel - *livestreaming*

Wednesday, December 8 - Our Venerable Father Patapius; Nativity Fast. Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. [Hebrews 5:11-6:8](#); [Luke 21:5-7](#), [10-11](#), [20-24](#)

10:00 a.m. Divine liturgy for the health of Jayne Paluck, requested by St.A's UCWLC – *livestreaming*

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

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for health of Bertha Koszman, requested by nieces Cathy & Rosanne - *livestreaming*

Friday, December 10 -The Holy Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes and Euegraphus; Nativity Fast. Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. [Hebrews 7:18-25](#); [Luke 21:37-22:8](#)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for health of Cynthia Misko, requested by Tony and Joanna Mazyn – *livestreaming*

3:00 p.m. Private Cemetery Service

7p.m. – 9p.m. Youth and Young Adults gathering at St.Athanasius

Saturday, December 11 - Our Venerable Father Daniel the Stylite (493); [Ephesians 2:11-13](#); [Luke 13:18-29](#)

No service scheduled

Sunday, December 12 - Sunday of the Holy Forefathers, Tone 4; [Colossians 3:4-11](#); [Luke 14:16-24](#)

9:10 a.m. Rosary - livestreaming

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy for faithful - *livestreaming*

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

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER: Intention for Evangelization – Catechists. Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in power of the Holy Spirit.

DECEMBER FOOD BANK ITEM – Baby Food



After Divine Liturgy today, please join the Monday night St. Athanasius catechism program, for coffee, sweets and a small presentation on the day before the Feast of Saint Nicholas.



2022 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.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL TREE: Once again the memorial tree is set up in the front foyer. Christmas is a time to spend with loved ones, family and friends, and to remember those who are no longer with us in person but are with us in spirit. If you wish to donate, you may do so by placing your money and family names in the marked envelopes at the back of the church and then placed in the Sunday collection basket. E-Transfers are accepted, please indicate in the message field the names of the deceased member/members for whom you are donating. Fr. Vasyl will have the Panakhyda for all those departed family and friends on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. All funds received will be deposited into the St. Athanasius Building Fund.



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 26th*, in order to be included on the 2021 tax receipt. Any donations received after that date will be included on the 2022 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.



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, etransfers, or include with your regular donations and indicate "Christmas flower donation". **Thank You!**



For Sale: 2022 Musée Ukraina Museum Lottery calendars \$20.00. Contact Lena Bihun lbihun@sasktel.net, 306-543-3283 or Marie Brigidear mariebrigidear@accesscomm.ca, 306-949-7493 to pick up your lucky calendars.
Support MSM

<div>  <div> NOVEMBER/DECEMBER GREETERS </div>  </div>	
December 5	Terry & Rosanne Miller
December 12	Mark & Karen Woitas
December 19	Carl & Linda Korchynski
December 24	Terry & Rosaane Miller
December 26	Maggie Stephen & Bernice Bzdell



ATTENTION YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS!

Our last gathering for 2021 will be on **Friday, December 10th** from 7:15pm to 9:15pm at **St. Athanasius Parish**.

The evening will be filled with various TV show games, Christmas Charades, treats and so much more!

Invite your friends to join in the fun!

RSVP by December 9 to Lesia at

ultimateaandb@hotmail.com.



St. Athanasius UCWLC is holding a Bakeless Bake Sale for a fundraiser. In lieu of donated baked goods we are accepting monetary donations. Any donation is very much appreciated. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please contact: Josie Vantour

jmvantour@sasktel.net, 306-347-0631, or Marie Brigidear
mariebrigidear@accesscomm.ca, 306-949-7493.





Saint Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada

We are having our annual Christmas sausage fundraiser

**We are offering two types of sausage, ham or garlic blend.
The price is \$7.00 / pound (1 link)**



**We ask that you pre-order no later than Sunday, December 12, 2021.
Pick up will be Saturday, December 18, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
at 55 McMurchy Avenue. Please use the west doors off the parking lot.
Some delivery options available (request at time of ordering).
You may place your orders by contacting Basil Kuzyk at:
Cell: 306-570-6618 Email: basilkuzyk@gmail.com**

To follow Covid-19 protocol we ask that you wear a mask when entering the facility and sanitize your hands upon entry. We will be limiting people to maintain a safe social distance. All orders will be wrapped and pre-packaged.

Payment is cash (exact change appreciated) or cheque (payable to St. A's U.C.B.C.).

Thank you in advance for your support

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE: Saturday, December 11, 2021, from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at St. Basil's Parish Centre, 1717 Toronto St., Regina Sk.

Perogies, Cabbage Rolls, Borscht, Kolachi, Scuffles, Pies and Home Baking.

Sponsored by: St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada

***MASKS AND PROOF OF VACCINATION WILL BE REQUIRED*.**

November 28: 26 Sunday donation envelopes - \$1110; 4 Christmas Flowers envelope - \$95; 2 Patriarchal Collection envelope - \$75; 1 Aid to Ukraine envelope - \$50; 2 Visitor envelopes - \$60; Loose Change - \$20.

E-Transfers – 5 Sunday donations - \$660; 1 Patriarchal donation - \$20; 1 Christmas Flower donation - \$20; 1 Aid to Ukraine donation - \$20.

NOTICE: Although though there are no restrictions on numbers who can attend church services, some people are not comfortable in group settings, therefore we continue our livestreaming of services. Our parish expenses continue and it would be very much appreciated if you could continue to support 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. PLEASE COMPLETE THE MESSAGE FIELD and DO NOT USE ALIAS NAMES WHEN SENDING AN E-TRANSFER DONATION.



Scam Alert – Please be aware that fraudulent messages continue to circulate via e-mail, as well as via text and message apps, allegedly coming from our priests, bishop, or others in the Catholic community, asking for money, gift cards, or other gifts. Please DISREGARD all such messages! Do NOT reply or engage with the individuals sending these messages. The e-mail addresses typically look like they could be real (using names, titles, etc.). These messages may ask if you are busy, ask for a favour, and/or then directly ask for iTunes gift cards or funds. Do NOT send gift cards, money, or cash transfers if requested to do so over e-mail or via text message. If you receive messages asking for help like this from our bishops or priests or other leaders, either contact their offices directly to check whether the messages are authentic, or just ignore. If you are the victim of fraud, contact your local police or RCMP office



ANNOUNCING:

Covenant of Care/Safeguarding 2020 Training Update

Who needs to complete safeguarding training?

All persons including clergy, religious, staff or volunteers who work in Eparchial ministries organizations, or affiliated organizations or parishes/parish organizations, who are in positions of trust. The Safeguarding policy p. 8-9 (<https://www.skeparchy.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Eparchial-Safeguarding-Policy-Final-Version-06-October-01-2020.pdf>) defines positions of trust as follows:

A 'trust' position will include those:

- *working in an unsupervised setting where ministry, food, transportation or other necessities could be provided to minors and/or vulnerable adults,*
- *having access to confidential information, and/or*
- *being entrusted with control of keys, church property and money.*

Trust positions also include, but are not limited to, Children's or Youth Ministry (including all camps, volunteer driving, Altar Server or Children of Mary Programs, Children's/Youth Choirs, Catechism and Sacramental Prep), and Eucharistic/Pastoral Care Ministry to the sick and shutins.

Registration Forms & FAQ (if you are unsure about whether you need to be trained, what type of training it is and how it can be accomplished) can be found on our Eparchial website at:

<https://www.skeparchy.org/wordpress/about-us/policies-and-procedures/eparchial-safeguarding-policy-covenant-of-care-electronic-communication-and-technology-abuse-and-misconduct-policy/>

Send your completed training Registration Form to Deborah Larmour at: covenantofcare@skeparchy.org



Catholic men are invited to join the Knights of Columbus, with a free 12-month membership available for those who join online at <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

Service and charity are at the heart of the Knights of Columbus. Founded to meet the needs of immigrants, refugees and families suffering from the death

of a breadwinner, the Knights began as a small service organization and has grown into a worldwide financial and charitable organization. The Knights of Columbus is a "Catholic, Family, Fraternal Service Organization" that includes charitable service and financial aid to communities, parishes, families and members. Contact the Knights of Columbus council in your local parish for more information or see: <https://kofcsask.com>

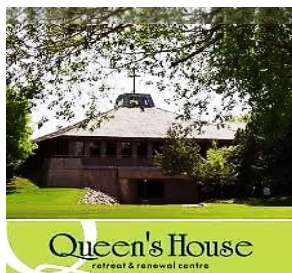


In order to assist communities, businesses and organizations with managing the pandemic, the Saskatchewan Health Authority has designed a "Community Champions Toolkit". The toolkit contains self-service tools for addressing common communications needs related to COVID-19 vaccines and immunization. These resources will help provide valuable information and

guidance necessary for managing COVID-19 at the local level. It is our hope that by providing a centralized set of resources we can help mitigate misinformation and assist communities to implement consistent practices and communication. The Community Champions Toolkit has been updated with additional resources related to Proof of Vaccination. Resources include: Sample Vaccination Policy Templates • FAQ on access to Proof of Vaccination • One pager on how to create a my eHealth Record View the toolkit and find additional resources at: <https://www.saskhealthauthority.ca/covid-19-community-champions-toolkit>. Thanks for your ongoing support.

Graham Fast, Executive Director

Community and Foundation Relations, Saskatchewan Health Authority
c (306) 280-4145



Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre, Saskatoon – Upcoming Programs & COVID-19 Update:

Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre welcomes you! Our programming combines in-person and online events using Zoom.

Please visit our webpage for a list of our programs:

http://www.queenshouse.org/?page_id=4399

Nourish Your Mind and Nurture Your Spirit at Queen's House!

For inquiries/ information contact Sarah Donnelly, Programming Director: 306-242-1916 x226.
We are requesting that all those participating in our in-person programs wear a mask and be fully vaccinated.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone as healthy as possible.

Queen's House Retreat Upcoming Programs & COVID-19 Updates are posted on the bulletin board at St. Athanasius Parish Auditorium.

THE EXPECTATION OF THE SAVIOUR

Saint Philip's Fast (Pylypivka) Nov 15 – Dec 24



The Expectation of the Saviour (Advent) is a special season in our liturgical calendar where we wait in hopeful and joyful anticipation of the birth of our God and Saviour - Jesus Christ. Liturgically the Church recreates the expectation of the Saviour in the history of salvation by means of the Nativity Fast that begins on November 15 (Nov 28 by Julian Calendar), the day after the feast of the apostle Philip. This Fast lasts until the Nativity of Christ, and is appropriately called the Nativity Fast, or popularly, Saint Philip's Fast (in Ukrainian, Pylypivka).

During the course of this Fast, the Church prepares us for the luminous feast of the Nativity of Christ, reminding us of the consequences of Adam's sinful lack of self-control: "*Re-*

fusing to fast, the first Adam tastes of the death-bearing tree."

The reading of the holy Gospel on the feast of the apostle Philip is full of hope for salvation (see Jn 1:43-51). Philip invites Nathaniel to become better acquainted with Jesus of Nazareth. However, Nathaniel has one reservation: "*Can anything good come from Nazareth?*" To this Philip replies: "*Come and see*" (Jn 1:45-46). Having met Christ, Nathaniel's reservation dissipates. Herein is the task for every Christian: to "*come and see,*" in other words, to draw near to Christ in order to know him.

This expectation of the Messiah and the drawing near to him are fulfilled in the person of the Virgin Mary from Nazareth. Mary, who in accordance with Tradition was introduced into the temple as a young child, spiritually grew into the "*handmaid of the Lord.*" God progressively prepared her to become the womb, the ark, the temple, and the dwelling place for the uncontainable God. "By the good will of God the Father, the Most Holy Spirit prepared a dwelling-place in her for God the Word."

Mary became the tabernacle in which the Word of God came to dwell in the fullness of time: "*The Word became flesh and lived among us*" (Jn 1:14). In celebrating the Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple in Jerusalem (November 21) and the Conception of Saint Anna when she conceived the Most Holy Mother of God (December 9) Christians are called to follow Mary's example, allowing the Lord to prepare them so that they may worthily receive God incarnate into the tabernacles of their hearts.

Cfr. #175-177: Ukrainian Catholic Catechism: "Christ – Our Pascha"