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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 <u>participating</u> in the Sunday Divine Liturgy and by fulfilling your baptismal responsibility in <u>contributing</u> 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. All are invited to the auditorium for coffee, juice, cookies and socializing.

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

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FORE-FATHERS

- Post feast of the Immaculate Conception

TROPAR (Tone 4): When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: "Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen granting to the world great mercy."

TROPAR OF THE FORE-FATHERS (Tone 2): O Christ, You have justified the forefathers by faith, thus forming through them the Church of the gentiles. These saints are glorified because the Virgin who bore You descends from them. O Christ God, through their prayers have mercy on us.

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

KONDAK OF THE FORE-FATHERS (Tone 6): Armed with invisible power, you did not adore the idols made by human hands, O thrice-holy youths; strengthened by a power beyond words, you stood in the midst of a devouring fire and called upon God, saying, "Hasten, O merciful One, and speed to our help, for You are good and have power to do whatever you desire."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen!

FEAST DAY KONDAK (Tone 4): Today the universe rejoices, for Anne conceived in a manner caused by God; and because the one born to her will give birth to the Word.

PROKIMEN (Tone 4): Blessed are you, and praiseworthy, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and glorious forever is your name.

VERSE: For you are just in all you have done.

EPISTLE: A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians (3:4-11)

Brothers and Sisters: When Christ our life appears, then you shall appear with him in glory. Put to death whatever in your nature is rooted in earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desires, and that lust which is idolatry. These are the sins which provoke God's wrath. Your own conduct was once of this sort, when these sins were your very life. You must put that aside now: all the anger and quick temper, the malice, the insults, the foul language. Stop lying to one another. What you have done is put aside your old self with its past deeds and put on a new man, one who grows in knowledge as he is formed anew in the image of his Creator. There is no Greek or Jew here, circumcised or uncircumcised, foreigner Scythian, slave, or freeman. Rather, Christ is everything in all of you.

ALLELUIA VERSE: Moses and Aaron were among his priests, and Samuel, among those who called upon his name.

They called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

GOSPEL: Luke (17:12-19)

At that time as the Lord entered a village, ten leprous men who stood at a distance met Him; and they raised their voices, saying. "Jesus, Master have mercy on us!" When He saw them, He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they were going, they were cleansed. Now one of them, when he saw that he had been healed, turned back, glorifying God

with a loud voice, and he fell on his face at His feet, giving thanks to Him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But the nine-where are they: "was no one found who returned to give glory to God, except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has made you well."

INSTEAD OF 'It is truly right...': O my soul, extol the glorious conception of the Mother of God. You are an inexhaustible source of life, O Mother of God. You are a radiant lamp of grace, a temple of the Holy Spirit, an all-pure tent more spacious than the heavens and the earth. Therefore, we the faithful, praise you.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE December 13 - December 19, 2021

Monday, December 13 - The Holy Martyrs Eustratios, Auxentius, Eugenius, Mardarius and Orestes (284-305); the Holy Martyr Lucia, the Virgin (284-305); Polyeleos Feast. Nativity Fast. Ephesians 6:10-17; Luke 21:12-19

No service scheduled

Tuesday, December 14 - The Holy Martyrs Thyrsus, Leucius (249-51), Philemon, Apollonius and Callinicus (284-305); Nativity Fast. Hebrews 9:8-10,15-23; Mark 8:22-26

10:00 a m. Divino Liturary Placeing for Eva Doylerschup and family requested by Evalue Korain

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy - blessing for Eva Dmytryshyn and family, requested by Evelyn Korain - *livestreaming*

Wednesday, December 15 - The Holy Priest-Martyr Eleutherius; Our Venerable Father Paul of Latra (956); Our Holy Father Stephen the Confessor, Archbishop of Surozh (8th century); Nativity Fast. Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. <u>Hebrews 10:1-18</u>; <u>Mark 8:30-34</u>

Pre-Christmas Confessions at St. Augustine School

Thursday, December 16 -The Holy Prophet Haggai (6th c. BC); Nativity Fast. <u>Hebrews 10:35-11:7</u>; Mark 9:10-16

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for the repose of the soul of Sylvester Michaluk, requested by Ted & Ella Dusyk – *livestreaming*

Friday, December 17 - The Holy Prophet Daniel, the Three Holy Youths Ananiah (Ananias), Azariah (Azarias) and Mishael (Misael) (6th century BC); Nativity Fast. Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. Hebrews 11:8,11-16; Mark 9:33-41

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for repose of the souls of Maria Hladky and Jessie Diakow, requested by Joe and Christine Hladky

Saturday, **December 18** - Saturday before the Nativity of Christ; The Holy Martyr Sebastian and His Companions; Nativity Fast. <u>Galatians 3:8-12</u>; <u>Luke 13:18-29</u> **No service scheduled**

Sunday, December 19 - Sunday before the Nativity of Christ – Sunday of the Holy Fathers, Tone 5; The Holy Martyr Boniface (230); Nativity Fast. <u>Hebrews 11:9-10,17-23,32-40</u>; <u>Matthew 1:1-25</u> **9:10** a.m. Rosary *livestreaming*

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

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

2:00 p.m. Choir Practice

PRE-CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS - will be held at St. Athanasius Parish on Wednesday, December 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Moleben at St. Athanasius with Confessions by Fr. Warren Dungen from St.Basil.

For the moment the confessions are not held in the usual confessionals, but in the sacristy or the board room.

Fr. Vasyl is also available before or after Sunday services as well as during the week.

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



SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES are extended to Ernie Paluck and family on the death of his wife, Jayne Paluck, who passed away on Friday, December 3rd, 2021. Prayers were held on Friday, December 10th, 7:00 P.M. and funeral service on Saturday, December 11th, 2021, 11:00 A.M. at St. Athanasius Parish, Regina SK. Вічная Пам'ять — Vichnaya Pamyat! Eternal Memory!



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 mem-

ber/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 Musèe Ukraina Museum Lottery calendars \$20.00. Contact Lena Bihun <u>Ibihun@sasktel.net</u>, 306-543-3283 or Marie Brigidear <u>mariebrigidear@accesscomm.ca</u>, 306-949-7493 to pick up your lucky calendars.

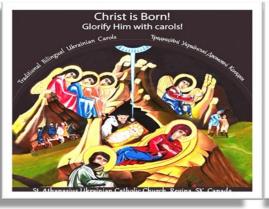
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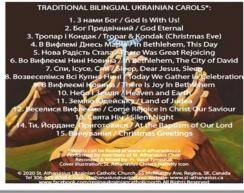
	NOVEMBER/DECEMBER GREETERS	
December 12		Mark & Karen Woitas
December 19		Carl & Linda Korchynski
December 24		Terry & Rosaane Miller
December 26		Maggie Stephen & Bernice Bzdell

Christ is Born! Glorify Him with carols!

CD recorded in 2020 by the St. Athanasius Choir is available to you. Enjoy traditional beautiful Ukrainian Christmas Carols sung in both Ukrainian and English!

If you would like a copy of the CD, please contact Father Vasyl, at 306-519-9030 or the parish office at 306-543-8008.







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.



J WCBC <u>Saint Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada</u> 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

December 5: 30 Sunday donation envelopes - \$1945; 3 Christmas Flowers envelopes - \$90; 2 Building Fund donations - \$1020; 2 Visitor envelopes - \$80; Loose Change - \$20. E-Transfers - 7 Sunday donations - \$980; 3 Christmas Flower donations - \$80; 1 Memorial Tree Donation - \$100.

10 Pre-authorized Giving donations - \$1675.

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. 89 (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: covenan-tofcare@skeparchy.org





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 im-

Today is your day to make a

migrants, 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

ST. PETER'S CHURCH

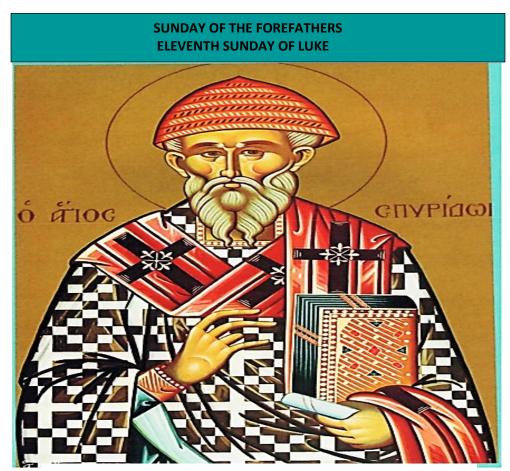
Christmas Carol Sing Along is having an afternoon Sing Along, Sunday, Dec.19 @ 2 pm. Everyone is welcome to get in the Spirit of Christmas. Sing along with us or sit back, relax and be entertained. Freewill offering.

Wheelchair accessible.
Masks are mandatory.

Call 306-530-3075 for more information.

For more information regarding this event please, refer to poster at St. Athanasius Parish bulletin board.





ICON OF SAINT SPYRIDON – DECEMBER 12TH

From Sheep to Souls

Saint Spryidon of Tremithus was born towards the end of the third century on the island of Cyprus. He was a shepherd, and had a wife and children. He used all his substance for the needs of his neighbors and the homeless, for which the Lord rewarded him with a gift of wonderworking. He healed those who were incurably sick, and cast out demons.

After the death of his wife, during the reign of Constantine the Great (306-337), he was made Bishop of Tremithus, Cyprus. As a bishop, the saint did not alter his manner of life, but cared for his flock with great love. Through his prayer, drought was replaced by abundant rains, and incessant rains were replaced by fair weather. Through his prayers the sick were healed and demons cast out.

St Simeon Metaphrastes, the author of his life, likened St Spyridon to the Patriarch Abraham in his hospitality. All the lives of the saint speak of the amazing simplicity and the gift of wonderworking granted him by God. Through a word of the saint the dead were awakened, the elements of nature tamed, the idols smashed. According to the witness of Church historians, St Spyridon participated in the sessions of the First Ecumenical Council in the year 325.

St Spyridon lived his earthly life in righteousness and sanctity, and prayerfully surrendered his soul to the Lord. His relics repose on the island of Corfu (Kerkyra), in a church named after him.