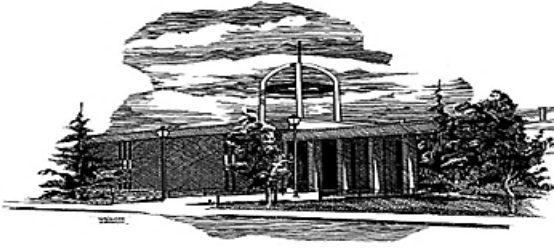


**Sunday, December 11, 2022**

**ST. ATHANASIOS UKRAINIAN  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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UCBC President - Mark Woitas

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

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

**DIVINE LITURGY in Ukrainian – the first Sunday of each month at 11:30 a.m.**

**Weekday Liturgies – as scheduled**

**Confessions before every Divine Liturgy & Week Day Liturgies – As per the schedule**

**MEMBERSHIP AT ST. ATHANASIOS 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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**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.

We have completed the installation of our security system for the parish complex and rectory. Please be advised there is 24 hour video coverage of the church facility and rectory.

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>

DECEMBER GREETERS		DECEMBER TABULATORS
<b>Dec. 11</b>	Carl & Linda Korchynski	Linda Korchynski & Art Wytrykush
<b>Dec. 18</b>	Maggie Stephen & Bernice Bzdell	Carl Korchynski & Cliff Rakochy
<b>Dec. 24</b>	Terry & Rosanne Miller	(Ushers) Walter Brigidear & Art Wytrykush
<b>Dec. 25</b>	Volunteers	(Ushers) Volunteers

DECEMBER ROSARY		DECEMBER READERS
Dec. 11	<i>Luminous:</i> John Makuch	John Makuch
Dec. 18	<i>Byzantine Joyful:</i> Karen Woitas	Karen Woitas
Dec. 24	<i>Christmas Compline</i>	Peter Federko
Dec. 25	<i>Christmas Compline</i>	Phyllis Lukey (Eng) Alla Tymishak (Ukr)

**Glory Be To Jesus Christ! Glory Be Forever! Слава Ісусу Христу! Слава на віки!**

## **SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FOREFATHERS**

**- Post-feast of Immaculate Conception**

**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!”

**TROPAR OF THE FOREFATHERS (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 FOREFATHERS (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!*

**FEASTDAY 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 the Holy Apostle 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 VERSES: 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 12: 16-21

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.' "

**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!

**POPE's PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER:** *For Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations.* We pray that volunteer no-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

**DECEMBER FOOD BANK ITEM – *Baby Food***

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE December 12 – December 18, 2022**

**Monday, December 12** - Ven. Spiridon the Wonderworker (337-61), [2 Timothy 2:20-26; Luke 19:37-44](#)

**6 :00 p.m.-7:30 pm Perogy Bee**  
**No service scheduled**

**Tuesday, December 13** - The Holy Martyrs Eustratios and others, [Ephesians 6:10-17; Luke 21:12-19](#)

**10 a.m. Divine Liturgy** for + Walter Carl (Wally) Hook, requested by Choir of St. Athanasius  
**9 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Perogy Bee**

**Wednesday, December 14** - The Holy Martyrs Thyrsus and others, [2 Timothy 4:9-22; Luke 20:1-8](#)

**10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy** for the repose of the souls Maria and Jesse, requested by Joe and Christine Hladky  
**7:00 p.m. Covenant of Care training at St. Basil**

**Thursday, December 15** - The Holy Priest-Martyr Eleutherius, [Titus 1:5-2:1; Luke 20:9-18](#)  
**No service scheduled**

**2:00 p.m. Covenant of Care training at St. Basil**

**Friday, December 16** - The Holy Prophet Haggai (6th c. BC), [Titus 1:15-2:10; Luke 20:19-26](#)  
**No service scheduled – Clergy Day off**

**Saturday, December 17** - The Holy Prophet Daniel, [Ephesians 1:16-23; Luke 12:32-40](#)  
**No service scheduled**

**Sunday, December 18** - **Sunday before the Nativity of Christ**, [Hebrews 11:9-10,17-23,32-40; Matthew 1:1-25](#)

**8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – Confessions**  
**9:10 a.m.-Rosary - livestreaming**

**9:30 a.m.-Divine Liturgy – *livestreaming***

**1:30 p.m. Divine Liturgy in Moose Jaw & Christmas Social**

**11:15 a.m. Vertep practice**

**2:00 p.m. Choir practice**

**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](mailto:stathandeposit@sasktel.net). PLEASE COMPLETE THE MESSAGE FIELD and DO NOT USE ALIAS NAMES WHEN SENDING AN E-TRANSFER DONATION.

**December 4 Donations:** 47 Regular Sunday envelopes - \$2280; 3 Building Fund envelopes - \$440; 2 Christmas Flower envelopes - \$50; 2 Visitor envelopes - \$120; 1 Aid to Ukraine envelope - \$60; 5 Memorial Tree envelopes - \$390; 1 Christmas Flower envelope - \$50; 1 Eparchy Aid to Ukraine envelope - \$100; Loose Change - \$155.

**E-Transfer Donations:** 8 donations - \$980; 1 Christmas Flower donation - \$20; 1 Memorial Tree donation - \$100.

**9 Pre-authorized Givings - \$1515.**



**SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES** are extended to Florence Hook and her extended family on the death of her husband, Walter (Wally), who passed away on, Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Private family interment held at Riverside Memorial Park. Donations may be made to assist Ukrainian refugees by donating to the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, P.O. Box 4032, Regina SK. S4P 3R9



**Вічна Пам'ять – Vichnaya Pamyat! Eternal Memory!**



**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!





**PROPOSED PEROGY BEE DATES:** It was confirmed at the last Parish Council Meeting that the parish would again undertake the making of perogies as a fund raiser for the parish. Order forms will be provided at a later date. Please come out to help if and when you can.

**Monday, December 12:** 6:00-7:30pm to peel potatoes, make some dough, and perhaps cook more onions

**Tuesday, December 13:** 9:00-1:00pm to cook potatoes, make dough, and make perogies

**Wednesday, December 14:** 11:00am to bag perogies

**Wednesday, December 21:** 6:30-9:00pm pick up of perogies

**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 Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. All funds received will be directed to purchase icons for the church.

**THEOPHANY SUPPER:** Plans are now underway to have our annual Theophany supper. It will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2023, following the blessing of holy water at 5:00pm. Tickets will be on sale starting today, following liturgy and MUST BE purchased or reserved by January 2, 2023. Ticket costs are \$20/adult, \$15/youth (6-12 years), and free for children under 6 years. To purchase or reserve your tickets, please see Rosanne after Liturgy or contact her at 306-543-5773.



A big thank you to our parish family for helping our children celebrate Saint Nicholas last Sunday. Thank you everyone who brought salad and dessert and helped in any way to make the day special for the children. Special thank you to Saint Nicholas for his visit.

Again, I would just like to also thank everyone who donated their cans, bottles, etc. or gave monetary donations towards the Monday night catechism October bottle drive to help the children at Child Jesus House orphanage in Ukraine. We collected \$1430.00 – after purchasing pajamas, socks, a gift for each of the seven children and the two Sisters at the house, we were still able to send them some cash to use as they need. This would not be possible without your support – thank you

Karen Woitas Catechism Co-ordinator

**PEROGY SALES:** The perogies being made by the parish will be available for sale on Wednesday, December 21, from 6:30-9:00pm. The cost is \$12/2 dozen bag. Considering we have not had perogies for sale for quite some time, it would be appreciated if parishioners would purchase for themselves. After parishioners have had their orders filled, then the remaining perogies can be made available for outsiders. Order forms are available at the front entrance and can be returned to Rosanne Miller.

**2023 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. Although you make your donations through e-transfers or are set up on pre authorized givings, **the designated box of envelopes belong to you and we would like them picked up at your earliest convenience.** Also, we would appreciate if you could include your e-mail address and any changes to your current address on your first donation envelope

**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 *Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>*, in order to be included on the 2022 tax receipt. Any donations received after that date will be included on the 2023 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.



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***Support MUM***



**COME JOIN AND CELEBRATE UKRAINIAN  
CHRISTMAS THEATRE (VERTEP) and SOCIAL  
AT ST. ATHANASIUS PARISH**

Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Celebration will begin after the 11:00 A.M. Ukrainian Divine Liturgy. Dinner will be catered by Charlotte's Catering. Tickets are being sold before and after Sunday, Divine Liturgy. All tickets must be purchased by Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

**Adult Tickets: \$30, Youth: 7 – 12yrs - \$15.00, Under 6 – Free**

*St. Athanasius Displaced Ukrainian's do not have to purchase a ticket however they are required to register in order to obtain a ticket. Tickets are available from Gerry Syrota phone – 306-533-9914 or Father Vasyl Tymishak – 306-519-9030.*



**HELP TO UKRAINIANS ARRIVING IN REGINA:** St. Athanasius Social Justice Committee wants to hear from the Displaced Ukrainian who have arrived in Regina. The front desk at the church has envelopes addressed to Ukrainian Refugees. Inside of the envelope is a form to be completed with the items you may need such as clothing, household items, food etc. Once you have completed the form, please place your sealed envelope in the basket or give to Father Vasyl and the Social Justice Committee will be in contact with you. All forms completed will remain confidential.

**DOPOMOHA:** Donation Centre is located at 1660 Park Street for furniture, bedding and clothing, across the street clothing items at 1629 Park Street open from **1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M., SATURDAY ONLY**. Miscellaneous items at 3303 Grant Road, open from **3:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M., SATURDAY ONLY**. Displaced Ukrainian refugees may shop at these locations, however, you need to register with UCC at 1860 Lorne Street, Office 106, Regina Sk. to get tickets for entry access.

To Donate Items such as new bedding, excellent condition furniture and winter outer wear clothing can be taken to at 1660 Park Street, **SUNDAYS BETWEEN 1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

Items such as new toiletries, cleaning supplies, tools, household items will be accepted at 3303 Grant Road, **SUNDAYS BETWEEN 3:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.**

November 2022 Parish Council Highlights

Hello everyone,

As a way to improve communication with all of you as St. Athanasius Parishioners we will be including a brief recap of the recent Parish Council meeting. If there is other information you would like to know about do not hesitate to contact Parish Council.

### **Financial Update**

Inquiries regarding the balance of accounts is available by contacting the Parish office.

### **Business Arising**

**Live Stream** - If you, or someone you know, would be interested in joining our Livestream Team we are looking for people to help. Full training is available.

- The **photo icon** project for the front lobby continues to be developed with progress slowed as the artists is volunteering with the war effort.
- **Coffee** – Please sign up to serve coffee as it can only happen with your support. There will not be coffee if no one is signed up to help and we are VERY short of volunteers at the moment.
- **Funeral Lunch** – The Seniors are no longer doing lunches for funerals that take place at St. Athanasius. Rosanne Miller has taken over the responsibility. Please contact the office for more details and costs, should you require this service.
- **Support for Ukraine** – The donations are noted weekly in the bulletin – your generosity is very much appreciated, and Father Vasyl and the Social Justice Committee are continuing the process of distributing funds. We wish to thank all of the Parishioners who have donated funds or goods, as well as those who have been driving the newcomers to appointments, church etc.

**Catechism** – Thanks to Karen Woitas, Peter Federko and the St. Athanasius choir, as well as all the children who participated in the St. Nicholas Day lunch and program. A very special Thank You to St. Nicholas for appearing as well!

**Ushering** – in the last few months we have returned to the pre-pandemic way of ushering. Those scheduled to usher will be responsible for the collection after the homily, guiding people during Holy Communion, and tabulating the collection after Liturgy. If you would like to volunteer please let the office know. We would also like to remind parishioners that collections will happen immediately after the homily.

**Bilingual Liturgies** - With the arrival of many newcomers from the Ukraine, we will continue in the short term of having a more bilingual service to help all feel welcome. Please use the weekly bulletin for English words for Epistle and Gospel readings.

Special thanks to all parishioners for helping everyone feel welcome.

The first Sunday of the month will see a Ukrainian Liturgy starting at 11:30 A.M.

### **New Business**

**Memorial Tree** – is again set up in the foyer. All donations should be clearly marked and include the family names of those you wish memorialized. Donations this year will go towards the purchase of new Icons.

**Theophany Supper** – will be held January 5<sup>th</sup> after blessing of water.. The cost will be \$20 for Adult's, \$15 for Youth and 6 and Under are Free. The Deadline for tickets, **which must be purchased in advance**, is Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023.

**Choir/ Livestream Supper** – as is tradition, the parish will be buying supper for the Choir and Live Stream team to say Thank You. This usually happens every year, however COVID postponed that, along with so much else. This year we will say thanks for all of your great work throughout the past two plus years.

**Parish AGM** – The AGM will be held Sunday, March 19, 2023 following Liturgy. All Parish Council groups are asked to have their signed reports submitted to the office no later than March 10, 2023.

Thanks for your continued support.

*St. Athanasius Parish Council*

## COATS FOR KIDS



HELP KEEP KIDS AND THEIR FAMILIES WARM THIS WINTER. THIS YEARS CLOTHING WILL BE SPLIT BETWEEN THE NEW UKRAINIAN FAMILIES AS WELL AS LOCAL AND RURAL SCHOOL AGED KIDS.



PLEASE DONATE GENTLY USED WINTER ITEMS OR CONTACT A K OF C BROTHER TO GIVE A MONETARY DONATION FOR NEW COATS.



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### *From Sheep to Souls*

Saint Spyridon 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.

### SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS



*Icon of Saint Spyridon – December 12th*