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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. 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. If you would like to become a registered member, please contact Fr. Vasyl or parish office.

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

	JANUARY GREETERS	JANUARY TABULATORS
Jan. 15	Maggie Stephen & Bernice Bzdell	Cliff Rakochy & Linda Korchynski
Jan. 22	Carl & Linda Korchynski	Art Wytrykush & Rosanne Miller
Jan. 29	Mark & Karen Woitas	Carl Korchynski & Walter Brigidear

	JANUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023
Jan. 15	Karen Woitas/Natalia Osoba –	
	Byzantine Glorious	Karen Woitas
Jan. 22	John Makuch/Svitlana Zelena - Joyful	John Makuch
Jan. 29	Bernice Bzdell/Iryna Baran - Luminous	Rosanne Miller

## CHRIST IS BORN! LET US GLORIFY HIM! ХРИСТОС РОЖДАЄТЬСЯ! СЛАВІМО ЙОГО!

#### THIRTY - FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Tropar (Tone 7): By Your cross You destroyed death; You opened Paradise to the thief; You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy, and charged the apostles to proclaim that You are risen, O Christ, our God, offering 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 7): No longer shall the dominion of death be able to hold humanity, for Christ went down shattering and destroying its powers. Hades is bound. The prophets exult with one voice. The Savior has come for those with faith, saying: "Come forth, O faithful, to the resurrection!"

PROKIMEN (Tone 7): The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

Verse: Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God; bring to the Lord young rams.

EPISTLE: A reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to Timothy (1: 15 -17) Timothy my son! You can depend on this as worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I myself am the worst. But on that very account I was dealt with mercifully, so that in me, as an extreme case, Jesus Christ might display all his patience, and that I might become an example to those who would later have faith in him and gain everlasting life. To the King of ages, the immortal, the invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever! Amen.

ALLELUIA VERSES: It is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing in Your name, O Most High.

To announce Your mercy in the morning and Your truth every night.

**GOSPELS:** Luke (18: 35-43)

At that time as Jesus drew near Jericho a blind man sat at the side of the road begging. Hearing a crowd go by the man asked, "What is that?" The answer came that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. He shouted out, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!" Those in the lead sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus halted and ordered that he be brought to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" "Lord," he answered, "I want to see." Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight. Your faith has healed you." At that very moment he was given his sight and began to follow him, giving God the glory. All the people witnessed it and they too gave praise to God.

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

POPE's PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY: *For Educators.* We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

JANUARY FOOD BANK ITEM - RICE

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE January 16 - January 22, 2023

**Monday**, **January 16**, **2023** - The Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and Illustrious Apostle Peter. **James 2:14-26**; **Mark 10:46-52**.

**6:30 p.m. Divine Liturgy** and **Catechism** (*DL intention is for +J.Gordon Wicijiwski, requested by Andria and Maria Obarianyk*)

**Tuesday, January 17, 2023 -** Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Anthony the Great (356). **Hebrews 13: 17-21; Luke 6: 17-23.** 

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for God's blessing and health upon Alla

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 - Our Holy Fathers and Archbishops of Alexandria Athanasius (373) and Cyril (444) James 3:11-4:6; Mark 11:23-26.

No service scheduled

**Theophany Home blessings** 

Thursday, January 19, 2023 - Our Venerable Father Macarius of Egypt (c. 390) <u>James 4:7-5:9; Mark 11:27-33.</u>

**Theophany Home blessings** 

Friday, January 20, 2023 - Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Euthemius the Great (473). Hebrews 13: 17-21; Luke 6: 17-23.

**Theophany Home blessings** 

Saturday, January 21, 2023 - Our Venerable Father Maximus the Confessor (662).1 Thessalonians 5:14-23; Luke 17:3-10.

**10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy** for +Ivan Drabycz second year passed anniversary, requested by Donna Drabycz

Sunday, January 22, 2023 - Sunday of Zacchaeus; 1 Timothy 4:9-15; Luke 19:1-10.

9:10 a.m. - Rosary-livestream

9:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy-livestream

1:30 p.m. - Divine Liturgy in Moose Jaw and Theophany home blessings

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.

January 8 Donations: 38 Regular envelopes - \$1455; 1 Building Fund envelope - \$20; 10 Initial Offering envelopes - \$175; 3 Visitor envelopes - \$345; 7 Memorial Tree envelopes - \$90; 1 CD Donation - \$20; 1 Christmas Offering envelope - \$100; Loose Change - \$103.75.

E-Transfer Donations: 3 donations - \$95.

9 Pre-authorized Givings - \$1515.

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.

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 may 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.



2023 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 who 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.

#### Ultimate A & B Youth Presents... A Youth "Lock-In" Retreat!

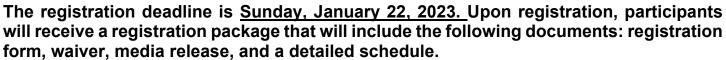
Are you in grades 7-12 and are looking to attend a 24-hour Lockin Retreat?

Well now's your chance!

This year's lock-in takes place <u>Friday</u>, <u>January 27</u>, <u>2023</u> <u>@7pm to Saturday</u>, <u>January 28</u>, <u>2023</u> <u>@ 6pm</u> at St. Basil's Parish Centre (1717 Toronto Street, Regina).

This year's theme will be "Refocus". Activities for the two days include: team building activities, bowling, spiritual sessions, guest speakers, and so much more.

The cost for the event will be \$40. This will cover all the meals and activities.



If you are interested in attending or would like more please contact Lesia Lazurko (Ultimate A & B Youth Coordinator) at <a href="mailto:ultimateaandb@hotmail.com">ultimateaandb@hotmail.com</a>

THANK YOU is extended to all those who came to help out with the preparation, serving and clean up for our Theophany supper. A special "thank you" is passed on to my husband, Terry, and Louise Makuch for their extra work. May God Bless each of you for your kindness. Rosanne Miller, Parish Cook.





2023 BLESSING OF HOMES: The blessing of homes begins in January after the Feast of Holy Theophany and is carried out until February 1<sup>st</sup>. By His Baptism in the River Jordan, Christ sanctified the waters. It is at this time of year that sanctification is brought to our homes, to us and to our loved ones. We keep this tradition of having our homes blessed by our Parish Priest every year in faith that God blesses all of us during this New Year with health and salvation. Sign up sheets are located in the fover for the blessing of homes.



**PEROGIES FOR SALE:** The parish has raw perogies for sale at a cost of \$12/2 dozen. Please contact Rosanne at 306-543-5773 to arrange for pick-up. The parish would like to keep a supply on hand for sale, so more perogy bees may be arranged.

A reminder to all UCBC members that your 2023 membership fees are due.



Saturday January 21, 2023 5:30 Appetizers & Cocktails 6:30 Supper

Performances by Tavria School of Ukrainian Dance @8pm

Dance & Midnight lunch to follow

Adults \$60 Table of 8 \$440 Performers and Children \$25

REGINA PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE
MUSIC BY PLATINUM MUSIC SERVICES
TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE OR BY CONTACTING TAVRIA

#### **FUNERALS AT OUR PARISH**

When a parishioner dies, it is important that we honour the deceased with a Christian Funeral. It is essential that you contact the Parish Priest to let him know that the person has died and then contact a local funeral home for the funeral arrangements.



#### The Funeral Service

Usually, a *Parastas and*/or *Panakhyda* (memorial service also called Prayers) is served the evening before the funeral. On the day of the funeral, while at Roman Catholic Church a Mass for the Deceased is celebrated, in Ukrainian Catholic Tradition the Funeral Service is celebrated, therefore, a Divine Liturgy or Eucharist is not attached to it.

Divine Liturgy for the Deceased are celebrated after the burial in the Ukrainian church and may be served 3, 9, 40 days and 1 year service etc.

The Funeral Service of Our Church is deeply impressive, as well as truly meaningful and uplifting. It is profoundly moving, based in the Psalms, various hymns and a blessing of the body. The celebration is a truthful meditation on life and death, reminding us how precious and short life is and how it should be spent in union with God.

#### Cremation

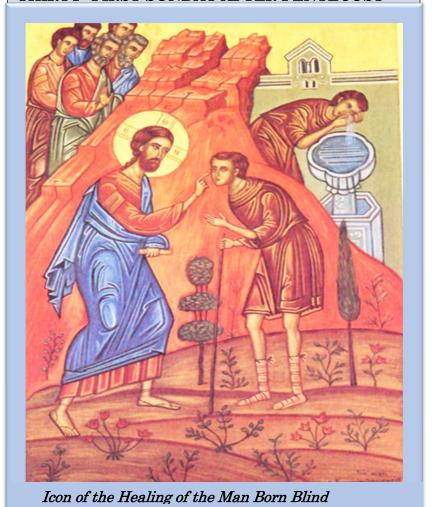
The Church sincerely recommends that the pious custom of burial be retained; but it does not forbid cremation, unless this is chosen for reasons which are contrary to Christian teaching (Canon 876, §3).

If the cremation is preferred because of certain circumstances, please make sure you are familiar with the current teaching of the Church and the Eparchial policy regarding it. The Eparchial Funeral directives about cremation are more or less the same as those of Roman Catholics. In any case, the decision to cremate should never be taken hurriedly and always in consultation with your parish priest.

The Catholic Church strongly recommends that the funeral service should be performed in the <u>presence of the body of the deceased before it is cremated</u>. The presence of the body over which the church community is praying is an essential and deeply meaningful feature of the Church's funeral rites.

Most parishioners are familiar with our funeral customs but if you are unsure, you can always contact the Parish Priest who will answer any questions you may have.

#### THIRTY -FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



#### ASK AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE

God is the source and fountain of all blessings. "For every good gift and every perfect gift is from above coming down from You the Father of Lights" (Liturgy Ambo prayer). God's resources are infinite and unceasing. Like the sun, He continually shines upon all who wish to accept Him. "Let anyone ask; it shall be given to them" (James 1:5).

God loves all His children. He gives abundantly and liberally. When Solomon asked only for wisdom, God gave him riches and fame also. When the prodigal son requested only the place of a hired servant, his father restored to him his position of a beloved son. "God gives to all liberally and He does not upbraid us" (James 1:6).

God gives freely and ungrudgingly. He gives generously and never casts up the gift in our faces. With humans there is a kind of giving that expects more than what is given in return. There are those who give only to

gratify their vanity and sense of power, by putting the recipient under obligation (never allowing that person to forget). Someone once said that the most expensive things in the world are those you get for nothing. God, however, gives with generosity, for it is His nature to give in unselfish love. We must have a fixed faith in God, who is our Father and hears our prayers. "But," says St. James, "he must ask with faith, and no trace of doubt, because a person who has doubts is like the waves thrown up in the sea when the wind drives. That sort of person, in two minds, wavering between different ways, must not expect that the Lord will give him anything" (James 1:7-8).



# Христос раждається! Славімо Його! Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

May the birth of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ bring Light and Life to your homes and hearts this Christmas.



From Metropolitan Lawrence Huculak,
O.S.B.M., Apostolic Administrator,
Bishop-Emeritus Michael Wiwchar, C.Ss.R.,
and the clergy, religious, staff and faithful of
the Eparchy of Saskatoon