



Sunday, May 14, 2023

**ST. ATHANASIUS UKRAINIAN
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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 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. 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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Welcome to all visitors and parishioners who are celebrating the Liturgy with us today. UCBC will be serving cake, coffee and juice in honour of Mother's Day in the auditorium after the Divine Liturgy service.



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 the 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>

APRIL/MAY GREETERS		APRIL/MAY TABULATORS
May 14	Carl & Linda Korchynski	Kevin Korchinski & Carl Korchynski
May 21	Kevin Korchinski & Len Markewich	Art Wytrykush & Linda Korchynski
May 28	Terry & Rosanne Miller	Walter Brigidear & John Dmyterko

APRIL/MAY ROSARY		READERS
May 14	Karen Woitas & Svitlana Zelenyi - Glorious	Karen Woitas
May 21	Louise Makuch & Iryna Baran – Byzantine Joyful	Louise Makuch
May 28	UCWLC – Luminous	UCWLC

**AS WE CELEBRATE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, TO ALL FAITHFUL
WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE WISHES FOR HOLY AND HAPPY EASTER!
CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!
ВСІМ ВІРНИМ БАЖАЄМО
ВЕСЕЛИХ ТА ЩАСЛИВИХ СВЯТ ВОСКРЕСЕННЯ ХРИСТОВОГО
ХРИСТОС ВОСКРЕС ! ВОІСТИНУ ВОСКРЕС!**

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND
- Sixth Sunday after Pascha

NOTE: *Please remember from Resurrection Sunday to Ascension Thursday, we stand to pray. Note also that from Easter Sunday to Ascension Thursday, at daily Liturgies, the Sunday antiphons are recited and the tropar, kondak, etc. are read from the preceding Sunday bulletin. The Epistle and Gospel are of the day.*

EASTER REFRAIN: *Christ is risen from the dead, by death He conquered death, and to those in the graves He granted life.*

TROPAR (Tone 5): Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

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

KONDAK (Tone 4): With eyes that are spiritually blind I come to You, O Christ; and, like the man who was blind since birth, I cry out to You with repentance: You are a shining Light to those who are in darkness.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen!

KONDAK (Tone 8): Though You went down to the grave, immortal Lord, You destroyed the power of Hades and rose victorious, Christ our God. You who said "Rejoice" to the myrrh-bearing women, give peace to Your apostles and offer resurrection to the fallen.

PROKIMEN (Tone 8): Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

Verse: God is renowned in Judah, in Israel great is his name.

EPISTLE: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (16: 16-34)

In those days as we were on our way out to the place of prayer that we met a slave girl who had a clairvoyant spirit. She used to bring substantial profit to her masters by fortune telling. The girl began to follow Paul and the rest of us shouting, "These men are

servants of the Most High God; they will make known to you a way of salvation.” She did this for several days until finally Paul became annoyed, turned around, and said to the spirit, “In the name of Jesus Christ I command you, come out of her!” Then and there the spirit left her. When her masters saw that their source of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the main square before the local authorities. They turned them over to the magistrate with this complaint: “These men are agitators disturbing the peace of our city! Furthermore, they are Jews, which means they advocate customs which are not lawful for us Romans to adopt or practice. The crowd joined in the attack on them and the magistrates stripped them and ordered them to be flogged. After receiving many lashes they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was given instructions to guard them well. Upon receipt of these instructions he put them in maximum security, going so far as to chain their feet to a stake. About midnight, while Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God as their fellow prisoners listened, a severe earthquake suddenly shook the place, rocking the prison to its foundations. Immediately all the doors flew open and everyone’s chains were pulled loose. The jailer woke up to see the prison gates wide open. Thinking that the prisoners had escaped, he drew his sword to kill himself; but Paul shouted to him, “Do not harm yourself! We are all still here.” The jailer called for a light, then rushed in and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas. After a brief interval he led them out and said, “Men, what must I do to be saved?” Their answer was, “Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, and all your household.” They proceeded to announce the word of God to him and to everyone in his house. At that late hour of the night he took them in and bathed their wounds; then he and his whole household were baptized. He led them up into his house, spread a table before them, and joyfully celebrated with his whole family his newfound faith in God.

ALLELUIA VERSES: *Turn to me and have pity on me.*

Steady my footsteps according to your promise.

GOSPEL: John 9: 1-38:

At that time as Jesus walked along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, was it his sin or that of his parents that caused him to be born blind?” “Neither,” answered Jesus. “It was no sin, either of this man or of his parents. Rather, it was to let God’s works show forth in him. We must do the deeds of him who sent me while it is day. The night comes on when no one can work. While I am in the world I am the light of the world.” With that Jesus spat on the ground, made mud with his saliva, and smeared the man’s eyes with the mud. Then he told him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam.” (The name means “One who has been sent.”) So the man went off and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and the people who had been accustomed to see him begging began to ask, “Isn’t this the fellow who used to sit and

beg?” Some were claiming it was he; others maintained it was not but someone who looked like him. The man himself said, “I am the one.” They said to him then, “How were your eyes opened?” He answered: “That man they call Jesus made mud and smeared it on my eyes, telling me to go to Siloam and wash. When I did go and wash, I was able to see.” “Where is he?” they asked. He replied, “I have no idea.” Next, they took the man who had been born blind to the Pharisees. (Note that it was on a sabbath that Jesus had made the mud paste and opened his eyes.) The Pharisees, in turn, began to inquire how he had recovered his sight. He told them, “He put mud on my eyes. I washed it off, and now I can see.” This prompted some of the Pharisees to assert, “This man cannot be from God because he does not keep the sabbath.” Others objected, “If a man is a sinner, how can he perform signs like these?” They were sharply divided over him. Then they addressed the blind man again: “Since it was your eyes he opened, what do you have to say about him?” “He is a prophet,” he replied. The Jews refused to believe that he had really been born blind and had begun to see, until they summoned the parents of this man who now could see. “Is this your son?” they asked, “and if so, do you attest that he was blind at birth? How do you account for the fact that now he can see?” The parents answered: “We know this is our son, and we know he was blind at birth. But how he can see now, or who opened his eyes, we have no idea. Ask him. He is old enough to speak for himself.” (His parents answered in this fashion because they were afraid of the Jews, who had already agreed among themselves that anyone who acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. That was why his parents said, “He is of age -- ask him.”) A second time they summoned the man who had been born blind and said to him, “Give glory to God! First of all we know this man is a sinner.” “I do not know whether he is a sinner or not,” he answered. “I know this much; I was blind before; now I can see.” They persisted: “Just what did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” “I have told you once, but you would not listen to me,” he answered them. “Why do you want to hear it all over again? Do not tell me you want to become his disciples too?” They retorted scornfully: “You are the one who is that man’s disciple. We are disciples of Moses. We know that God spoke to Moses but we have no idea where this man comes from.” He came back at them: “Well, this is news! You do not know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not hear sinners, but that if someone is devout and obeys his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever gave sight to a person blind from birth. If this man were not from God, he could never have done such a thing.” “What!” they exclaimed, “You are steeped in sin from your birth, and you are giving us lectures?” With that they threw him out bodily. When Jesus heard of his expulsion, he sought him out and asked him, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?” “You have seen him,” Jesus replied. “He is speaking to you now.” “I do believe, Lord,” he said.

INSTEAD OF 'It is truly right...': The Angel greeted You O full of grace, O purest virgin rejoice and again I say rejoice. Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and has raised all who were dead. O mankind rejoice!

Shine O Shine, O new Jerusalem for the glory of the Lord has surrounded you; be happy now and rejoice O Zion. And you pure Mother of God, exalt and rejoice in the Resurrection of Him who was born of you.

COMMUNION HYMN: Receive the Body of Christ; partake of the source of immortality.

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

INSTEAD OF 'Blessed is He who comes....', TROPAR: Christ is risen from the dead....

Instead of: "We have seen the true light..." #118 Khrystos Voskrese

"May our mouths be filled..." #118 Arise and Rejoice!

"Blessed be the name..." #118 Khrystos Voskrese!

Khrystos Voskrese Khrystos voskrese voskrese, voskrese, iz mertvykh, Smerti-u, smert' poprav, Smerti-u, smert' poprav, Isuschym vo hrobikh, Isuschym vo hrobikh, zhyvot, zhyvot, zhyvot daryvav!

or

Arise and Rejoice! Arise and rejoice,

Arise, arise with the risen Lord. Through His death, death has gone. Through His death, death has gone! Everyone who was dead, Everyone who was dead, Ever, everlasting life has won!

At the conclusion of Liturgy:

EASTER REFRAIN: Christ is risen from the dead, by death He conquered death, and to those in the graves He granted life. (3X)

END OF LITURGY: He granted us eternal life, we exalt and glorify His Resurrection.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE May 15 – May 21, 2023

Monday, May 15, 2023 - Our Venerable Father Pachomius the Great (346) [Acts 17:1-15; John 11:47-57.](#)

No service scheduled

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 - Our Venerable Father Theodore the Sanctified, Disciple of Saint Pachomius (364) [Acts 17:19-28; John 12:19-36.](#)

10:00 am. Divine Liturgy for +Glenda Korchinski, requested by John & Louise Makuch

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 - Leave-taking of Pascha. The Holy Apostle Andronicus and those with him; Passing into Eternal Life (1952) of Blessed Ivan Ziatyk, Protohegumen of the Redemptorists and Martyr [Acts 18:22-28; John 12:36-47.](#)

6:30 p.m. Divine Liturgy for health and God's blessing upon Oleksandra and Fr. Yaroslav

7:00 p.m. UCBC mtg

Thursday, May 18, 2023 - The Ascension of our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ Feast of our Lord. Holy Day of Obligation. [Acts 1:1-12; Luke 24:36-53.](#)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for the faithful

Friday, May 19, 2023 - The Holy Priest-Martyr Patrick, Bishop of Prussa, and Those with Him (361- 63) [Acts 19:1-8; John 14:1-11.](#)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for +Judis Serfas 40 day service requested by Denise Syroka.

Saturday, May 20, 2023 - The Holy Martyr Thaleleus (283-84) [Acts 20:7-12; John 14:10-21.](#)

No service scheduled

Sunday, May 21, 2023 - **Seventh Sunday after Pascha. Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea;** [Acts 20:16-18, 28-36; Acts 26:1-5, 12-20; John 17:1-13; John 10:1-8.](#)

9:10 a.m. Rosary livestreaming

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy *livestreaming* and *ECC for newcomers*

3:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy in Glentworth

Syro-Malabar Feast Day 3

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.

May 7: 35 Regular Envelopes - \$1110; 3 Building Fund Envelopes- \$150; 4 Visitor Envelopes - \$260; 8 CCCB Envelopes - \$150; Loose Change - \$205.

E-Transfers – 3 Regular Donations - \$90.

10 Pre authorized Givings - \$1605.



St. Athanasius U.C.B.C. will help to offset the cost of registration for children from our parish to go to St. Micheal's camp. Please mail or drop off the registration form along with proof of payment to St. Athanasius church.

Include the name of the parent/guardian that a cheque may be issued to along with a mailing address.



MOSAIC – A festival of Cultures is June 1st, June 2nd, and 3rd. This year's festival includes 17 pavilions from a variety of countries around the world. You can partake in the cultural education, live entertainment, exotic cuisine and beverages. The Ukrainian Canadian Congress sponsors the Kyiv pavilion which will be at St. Basil's Center, 1717 Toronto St. We need volunteers to make this event a huge success. You can volunteer through a link on signup.com. This link has been sent to the parish office.

*Oksanna Zwarych
Kyiv Ambassador
Volunteer coordinator*

ST ATHANASIUS SENIOR'S NIGHT – OUT



Held on Thursday, May 4th, 2023.

Opening with Divine Liturgy at 5:00 p.m. with Father Vasyl Tymishak. Father's gift to a beautiful beginning to the night.

We thank Father Vasyl, altar servers, readers, all the seniors who attended and responded at the Divine liturgy. It was very much appreciated. God bless you all.

Everyone then went to the parish auditorium for happy hour. During the happy hour, people were asked to sign and add a note on the large plaque, that was a "Farewell

Greeting Card. It was later presented to President Angelina. Father Vasyl gave the opening prayer and gave the blessing of the meal.

Thank you to Father Vasyl, and everyone who volunteered to make this a memorable occasion. Many hands made light work.

The President, Angeline Lawryk honoured for 14 years' dedication and leadership to the St. Athanasius Senior's, from 2009 – 2023. Angie was presented with a certificate of appreciation from the Eparchy of Saskatoon in recognition of her time and service to our parish.



From St. Athanasius Senior's a Mantel Clock was presented.

We want to express our appreciation for the work Angeline did in the 30 years celebration in September 15, 2022, and this event of Night – Out May 4th, 2023. She created an album of events. It's her gift on behalf of our group to the St. Athanasius Parish.

Entertainment for the evening was Alla Gof (Tymishak) who song 2 beautiful solos. Thank you for sharing your gift of talent with us. God Bless you. Followed by "Smile a While" (Larry and Bonnie) from Kendal. Entertainment was very much enjoyed by all.

We as Seniors, with great sadness want to acknowledge that the group of 45 members is saying "Farewell" been together since September 1st, 1992, and will know longer be an organization at St. Athanasius Parish.

Please attend our final meeting on Tuesday, May 16th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Athanasius Boardroom.

You are invited to.....



**St. Athanasius Branch
UCWLC League Day**
Sunday, May 28, 2023



Join us in faith and fellowship as we celebrate
the UCWLC, our New & Milestone Branch Members!
All Parishioners & Friends are Welcome!

**Tickets for the Luncheon & Program
are available after Sunday Liturgies on:**

May 7, 14, & 21

Adult (12 years & older): \$15
Child (6-11 years): \$10
5 years & under: Free

Last Day for Tickets
Wednesday, May 24 (noon)

Contact:
Lorraine Woynarski
306-274-7722

League Day Liturgy - 9:30 am
Brunch & Program - 11:30am
50/50 Raffle ~ See you there!





Calling all Parent Parishioners of St. Athanasius!

Do you have a son or daughter graduating from Grade 12 this Spring? If so, we would like to honor them! Please contact Claudette Stefankiw by May 31, 2023, at 306-530-9940 to register.

Grad Sunday will be held Sunday, June 11, 2023 following liturgy with cake/coffee and presentations from St Athanasius Branches of UCWLC & UCBC.



COFFEE SCHEDULE: Please, if you can sign up for a Sunday to serve coffee, juice and cookies this would be very much appreciated. Coffee schedule sign up sheets are located in the front foyer desk and on the kitchen table. If no one signs up for serving this would be an indicator no one is interested in having coffee after Sunday Divine Liturgy and will be discontinued. Please, help out when you can.

POPE's PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY: *For Church Movements and Groups.* We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

MAY FOOD BANK ITEM – CRACKER

The Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada offers two scholarships: The Vera Buczynsky Scholarship and The Mary Dyma scholarship: to post secondary students enrolled in Ukrainian Language Studies and in Religious Studies. Criteria and applications are available on line at: www.ucwlc.ca The deadline date is October 1st. Sharon Tkachuk: Chair: National UCWLC Scholarship Committee.



SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - STAFF WANTED

St. Michael's Camp, where fun is had, faith is built and long-lasting friendships are created!! Come join us on the beautiful shore of Madge Lake to volunteer at St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Camp. Come join us for crafting, canoeing/kayaking, swimming, campfire singing, field games and more!!

When: July 4-23, 2023 (orientation included)

Where: Madge Lake, SK in Duck Mountain Provincial Park

Apply by May 31st by sending a resume to camp@stmichaelscamp.com and visit our website to learn more.

Currently seeking a **Camp Director** (21+), **Ukrainian bilingual camp counselors** (16+) and a **cook/cooking assistants**. A great opportunity for gaining volunteer experience and experience working with children and youth. There is no requirement to be Ukrainian or Catholic to attend - all are welcome. An honorarium and room & board are provided. Letter of reference is available upon request. Apply today!

Only have availability to volunteer at one of the camps? Let us know and we can see what we can do!

2023 ANNUAL EPARCHIAL APPEAL
“Let Us Share the Gifts that We have been Given.”



The support of the 2023 Annual Eparchial Appeal by the Faithful of the Eparchy has been exceptionally good and very uplifting. Thank you so very much for your continued generosity.

Today we feature the **Bishop Roborecki Foundation**, which is supported by the 2023 Annual Eparchial Appeal. The Bishop Roborecki Foundation was established in 1982 to offer financial support for the education of seminarians and clergy within our Eparchy. By supporting the Bishop Roborecki Foundation through the Annual Eparchial Appeal, you are investing in the future of our Eparchy by educating new priests to take over from those who have served us faithfully for many decades and now approach a well-deserved retirement.

For more detailed information, please refer to the Eparchial website, www.skeparchy.org under the “Organizations” tab and the “Bishop Roborecki Foundation” tab.

If you want more information concerning the Annual Eparchial Appeal, or if you would like to listen to some of the testimonials from individuals who have participated in the various Eparchial Ministry programs, please go to the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan's website at www.ucfsask.org.

Please give prayerful consideration to supporting the Annual Eparchial Appeal. Your gift to the 2023 Appeal will make a significant difference and will serve as a powerful witness of our God's love and mercy. Now more than ever, it is so important to feed the spiritual needs of all the people in the Eparchy. The Annual Eparchial Appeal is an opportunity to come together as an Eparchy to serve each other, and your participation is crucial. Let us follow Christ's example to serve each other and our community.

Did you know that there is more than one way to give to the Annual Eparchial Appeal? You can:

Make a one-time gift.

Make a pledge and spread out your pledge over 12 (or less) monthly payments.

Have your donation matched by your company with a Corporate Matching Gift

Online donations using the QR code which links directly to the UCFSask website.



If you have any questions or comments regarding the Eparchial Appeal or the Foundation itself, please contact the **Foundation Office at 306-653-0138, ext 223.**

ST. ATHANASIUS PARISHIONERS: 2023 Eparchial Appeal envelope donations have been mailed to you. These envelopes are to be directed to the Eparchy in Saskatoon. The envelopes are stamped postage paid, therefore you can take your return envelope to the post office or a stand up mail box without bringing it to the parish. If you cannot make it to the post office and choose to drop it off at the parish, please make sure your envelope is sealed with or without a donation. Thank you for cooperation.

April 2023 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:

Photo Icons - Fr. Vasyl reported that the photo icons are almost complete and will be installed soon. Inquiries will be made about borrowing the scaffolding from St. Basil's, to support the completion of this project.

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.

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.

Father Deacon Ivan Simko, Parish Council Presentation – Father Deacon Ivan shared the experience of his ordination with those present.

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:

St. Basil's Parish - St. Basil's is fundraising for a new roof for their Parish Centre. They are advertising a "Raising the Roof" 50/50 Fundraiser. Please support this project if you can www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/stbasil

Catechism/Sunday School - Report submitted by Karen Woitas. Karen reiterated that First Communion Day was beautiful and that Catechism has finished for the year. Sunday School will continue until the end of June. Next year will be Karen's final year of involvement as coordinator. She is hoping a new coordinator will step up soon, so they can shadow her and learn about the role next year. If you are interested please, contact Karen.

UCF Sask Fundraiser - Everyone is encouraged to support this fundraiser. As previous programs supported by the fundraiser are no longer in place, they are considering that funds will go to initiatives such as supporting religious education programs through the SSML, pension for clergy, seminarians, etc.

Summer Holidays - Father Vasyl will be away in July. Father Warren will cover our parish, with Saturday services at 4 pm. If there is a substitute priest available, Divine Liturgy will continue on Sundays.

Thanks for your continued support.

St. Athanasius Parish Council

A LINK TO BAPTISM

The cure of the blind man also symbolizes mankind's means for its recovery from its blindness. It symbolizes the Sacrament of Baptism. Baptism is called holy enlightenment. Those who have been recently baptized are called the newly enlightened. This gospel from Saint John was read in the ancient Church on Holy Saturday when Catechumens were baptized. As this man is cured of his blindness when he washes in the waters of the pool of Siloam, as Jesus tells him to do, so are we brought out of darkness into a new life when we are baptized as Christ instructed us to be. Jesus restores His creation, mankind, with the potential to become what it was meant to be before the fall of Adam.

We also hear in the reading that after this man was cured many of those who knew him before did not recognize him. He is still the same man but something has Significantly changed about him. He is no longer blind. So when we are illuminated we are also new persons, though our outward appearance might be the same. To symbolize this newness a white garment is put on us to show the purity with which we start this new existence. We must, however, become different and unrecognizable in our inward and outward actions also.

We must manifest our new existence to those around us through these actions. We must radiate this new found light to others by the way we live our lives. We must say to the world, "I am he who was blind but now my eyes are opened." Credit must be given to Him who has cured us of our darkness by living our lives according to the lessons of the illumination we have received and the continued guidance we get with the reception of the Holy Spirit.



Icon of the Gospel of the Man Born Blind



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April 21, 2023

Very Rev. Ivan Nahachewsky
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Christ is Risen !

Dear Fr. Ivan:

Re: New Appointment – Vicar General

In light of the fact that Very Rev. Janko Kolosnjaji has been placed on administrative leave, it is necessary to appoint an individual to assume the duties of Vicar General for the Eparchy of Saskatoon to facilitate the continuing administration of the Eparchy. I therefore appoint you as Vicar General of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon, effective immediately. You will assume all duties and responsibilities of that office in addition to your current appointment as Chancellor of the Eparchy.

I have complete confidence that you will carry out your responsibilities in a manner that will benefit the Eparchy as an institution and the faithful of our church.

In Christ,

Most Rev. Lawrence Huculak OSBM
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