



Sunday after Theophany

**Synaxis of the Holy and Glorious Prophet,
Forerunner and Baptist John**

***** Sunday, January 7th, 2018 *****

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Liturgical Services this Week

Sunday, Jan. 7 * 9:30 a.m. Rosary (Eng.) *****
10:00 a.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings for all
parishioners. (Eng./Ukr.)

Monday, Jan. 8 * 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.:** +*Mary Elizabeth,*
+*Emmett, +Margaret & +Angus Brady*

Tuesday, Jan. 9 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.:** + *Douglas Sidney*

Wednesday, Jan. 10 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.:** *God's blessings &*
good health for Maryann Stacey

Thursday, Jan. 11 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.:** *God's blessings &*
good health for Stan Malarz

Sunday, Jan. 14 * 9:30 a.m. Rosary (Eng.) *** 10:00 a.m.**
Div. Lit.: God's blessings for all parishioners. (Eng./Ukr.)



Antiphon 1

When Israel came forth from Egypt, the house of Jacob from an
alien people.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Judah became His sanctuary, Israel His dominion.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

The sea beheld this and fled,* the Jordan turned back on its course.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Why was it, O sea, that you fled,* that you, O Jordan, turned back on your course?

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

Antiphon 3

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Saviour.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord, and the great king over all the earth.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Entrance

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Troparion, Tone 6: Angelic powers were upon Your tomb* and the guards became like dead men;* Mary stood before Your tomb* seeking Your most pure body.* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.* You met the Virgin and granted life.* O Lord, risen from the dead,* glory be to You!

Troparion, Tone 1: When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan,* worship of the Trinity was revealed;* the voice of the

Father bore witness to You,* naming You the beloved Son,* and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the word's certainty.* Glory to You, O Christ God,* who appeared and enlightened the world.

Troparion, Tone 2: The just man is remembered with praises,* but for you the Lord's testimony suffices, O Forerunner,* for you truly became more honourable than the prophets* and were deemed worthy to baptize the One foretold.* and you suffered for the truth and joyfully announced to those in Hades* that God appeared in the flesh taking away the sin of the world* and offering us great mercy.

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

Kontakion, Tone 4: Today, You have appeared to the world* and Your light, O Lord, has been signed on us,* who with knowledge sing Your praises.* You have come, You have appeared, O unapproachable Light.

Prokeimenon, Tone 1 - Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us* as we have hoped in you.

verse: rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Prokeimenon, Tone 7 - The just man shall be glad in the Lord and shall hope in Him. (Psalm 63:11)

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-13



Brothers and Sisters, each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith

and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

Alleluia, Tone 5 - Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

verse: For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared. (Psalm 88:2,3)

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17

At that time when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death, light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

Hymn to the Mother of God

O my soul, magnify Christ the King, baptized in the Jordan.

Irmos: Every tongue is at a loss to praise you as is your due, O Mother of God. Even a spirit from above is filled with dizziness when seeking to sing your praises. But since you are good, accept our faith, for you know well our love inspired by God. For it is you who protect all Christians; therefore, we magnify you.

Communion Hymn

The grace of God has appeared* bringing salvation to all. (Titus 2:11) * Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 148:1)

Instead of “Blessed is He who comes...” we sing

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan.

Instead of “We have seen the true light...” we sing

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan.

Instead of “May our mouths...” and “Blessed be the Name...” we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan. (3)



**** ANNOUNCEMENTS ****

*I. WE ARE CREATED FOR INTIMACY AND
COMMUNION WITH GOD*

God created human beings in his image and likeness. He thus called them to enter into communion with him. The Lord revealed to his people his desire to communicate with them, and his desire is to hear them respond to his Word. He longs for his people to come to know him in love; he wants to fill them with his love.

The entire Old Covenant is the expression of God's desire to raise human beings to intimacy with him. The Old Testament law and commandments, the temple and sacrifices, the holy days—all these had as their goal the creation of appropriate conditions for human intimacy with God.

In the New Covenant, God makes humankind worthy to enter into full communion with himself. This is accomplished through Christ in the Holy Spirit. Indeed, the New Covenant was realized in Christ, the incarnate Son of God. Christ

inseparably united in himself the life of God and the life of humankind. Our life in Christ—our prayer—is the deepening of this gift of communion.

Humankind grows in communion with God within the community of the faithful, the Church. The Church is Christ's Body. Thus, the fullest expression of prayer is ecclesial, liturgical prayer, that is, Divine Services. In these Services, we are united to God and one another, and "with one heart and one voice" form the family of God."

*Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church -
"Christ Our Pascha" #311-334*

A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!



Please Pray for health of ... John H., Maria Z., Joe S., Clay B., Mike B., Ann W., Lawrence S., Fr. Jeffery S., Lawrence & Ping B., all the sick brothers and sisters in our families and our parish community.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

Thank you to all our Volunteers – Дякуємо – we would like to express our sincerest gratitude to everyone for your hard work connected with last Friday's Theophany Eve Supper. The food was delicious and the evening most enjoyable! Many thanks also for your support of our parish community and all other work done at the church property this past week. God bless you all!



Христос Рождается! – we wish many God's blessings to all our brothers and sisters who will celebrate Christ's Nativity according to the Julian calendar today!

House Blessing & Pastoral Visits – will start this coming week. Please assist Fr. Andrzej in planning these visits by letting him know your most convenient time. A sign-up sheet is provided at the church entrance. Thank you.

Вічна Память! Eternal Memory! – we share the sad news that last Monday, January 1st, 2018 our brother in Christ and past parishioner **Mr. Orest Kociuba** died. Funeral services will be celebrated at the Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC: 1) Prayers on Thursday, Jan. 11th, 2018 at 7:00 pm and Funeral Service on Friday, January 12th, 2018 at 10:00 am. May our late brother Orest's soul rest in peace.

Monthly Parish Council Meeting – will take place on **Tuesday, January 16th, 2018** at 7:00 p.m. at the parish hall.



Knights of Columbus the 4th Degree Council – will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, January 18th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Le Jeune Manor.

Next Monthly Fundraiser Breakfast – will take place on Sunday, January 21st, 2018.

Annual Parish General Meeting – is planned to take place on **Sunday, February 4th, 2018**.

The Compassionate Community Care (CCC) helpline, 1-855-675-8749 is a national service for people who are seeking advice, help & support regarding euthanasia & assisted suicide prevention, &/or end-of-life treatment issues or concerns.



Special Petitions for Divine Liturgy:

* We also pray for the people of Ukraine, that with the help of the Holy Spirit, they may obtain social peace, political harmony and economic stability: Lord, hear us and have mercy.

* We also pray to be blessed with generous hearts to contribute to our Bishop's initiatives and programmes, such as: the support of parishes, the education of parishioners, and the formation of seminarians, Lord hear us and have mercy.

The Most Holy Trinity Parish Stewardship: Sunday,

Dec. 31 - \$540.00 **** May God bless and reward you for your generosity & support.

Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments:

Reconciliation: on Sundays and Holy Days: before Divine Liturgies and other days, by appointment.

Holy Communion: for the sick, by appointment, any time.

Baptisms: by appointment.

Marriages: six months' notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made.

Funerals and Memorials: by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick (Holy Unction): Those anticipating surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive anointing or to meet with parish priest, please call or email Fr. Andrzej in advance to arrange a time and a day.



Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

1. You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Holy Communion); 2) You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently; 3) You attend Divine Services regularly; 4) Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church; 5) You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water and medicine does not break the fast). 6) You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel. 7) To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.

If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are very welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.