



## \*\*\* Thomas Sunday \*\*\*

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pascha

*The Holy Apostles Herodion, Agabus, Rufus, Asyncritus & Hermes – St. Paul extols these apostles in his Epistle to the Romans (16:11-14), except Agabus of Jerusalem who foretold Paul's imprisonment and the famine that occurred under Cladius between the years 45 and 48 (Acts 21:10). They were part of the seventy apostles of Jesus.*

\*\*\* Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 \*\*\*

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#### *Easter Season Greeting*

***Christ Is Risen! - Indeed He Is Risen!***

***Chrystos Voskres! - Voistynu Voskres!***

***Христос Воскрес! - Воістину Воскрес!***

#### *Parish Liturgical Services*

**Sunday, April 8 – Thomas Sunday \*\* 9:30 a.m. \*\***



**Rosary (Eng.) \*\*\* 10:00 a.m. \*\*\***

*Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.). After the Liturgy distributing of the Artos (the Blessed Bread), anointing with blessed*

*oil and "Spilne Sviachence"/Parish Easter Lunch.*

**Monday, April 9 \*\*\* 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit: +Andrzej,  
+Ryszard & +Jaroslaw - family**

**Tuesday, April 10 \*\*\* - Friday, April 13 - Divine Liturgies will be celebrated in Cash Creek**

**Sunday, April 15 \*\* 9:30 a.m. \*\* Rosary (Eng.) \*\*\*  
10:00 a.m. \*\*\* Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners**



*After the priest has exclaimed, “Blessed be the Kingdom...” and the people have responded, “Amen,” the clergy sing the Paschal Troparion once and the people repeat it. Then, the clergy sing the first half, and the people conclude it.*

**Paschal Troparion** - Christ is risen from the dead,\* trampling death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* giving life.

**Troparion, Tone 7:** While the tomb was sealed, O Christ God, You dawned as life from the sepulchre, and while the doors were shut, You came to Your disciples, the Resurrection of all, renewing a right spirit in us through them, according to Your 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 8:** With his searching hand, Thomas explored Your life-giving side, O Christ God. For when You entered while the doors were shut, he called out to You with the rest of the Apostles: You are my Lord and my God!

**Prokeimenon, Tone 3:** Great is our Lord and great is His strength;\* and of His knowledge there is no end.

**verse:** Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to our God.

**Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 5:12-20):**

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles.



And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured. Then the high priest took action; he and all who were with him (that is, the sect of the Sadducees), being filled with jealousy, arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors, brought them out, and said, "Go, stand in the temple and tell the people the whole message about this life."

**Alleluia, Tone 8:** Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God our Saviour.

**verse:** For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.

**Gospel: John 20:19-31:**



When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I

will not believe.” A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing, you may have life in his name.

### ***Hymn to the Mother of God***

The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

***Communion Hymn*** - Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem.\* Praise your God, O Sion.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia. (Psalm 147:1)

***Instead of “Blessed is He Who comes...” we sing:***

Christ is risen from the dead,\* trampling death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* giving life.

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

Christ is risen from the dead,\* trampling death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* giving life.

***Instead of “May our mouths be filled...” we sing three times:***

Christ is risen from the dead,\* trampling death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* giving life.

***Instead of “Blessed be the name of the Lord...” we sing three times:***

Christ is risen from the dead, \* trampling death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* giving life.

*At the dismissal, instead of “Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.” we chant: Christ is risen from the dead,\* trampling death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* giving life.*

*After the final Amen, the priest, with cross raised on high, exclaims “Christ is risen” thrice and we respond “Truly, He is risen” each time. Then, the Troparion “Christ is risen” is sung as at the beginning of the Liturgy, but with the addition:*

“And to us he has granted life eternal,\* we bow down before his resurrection on the third day.”



## **\*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\***

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

***Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church – “Christ Our Pascha” #358-359***

**a. The Exclamation “Blessed be the Kingdom” and the Litany of Peace**

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As the public activity of Christ began with the proclamation that God’s kingdom was at hand, so the Liturgy begins with the announcement that the kingdom is present. Signing the Holy Table with the Gospel Book cross-wise, the priest exclaims: “Blessed be the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.” To this the participants at the Liturgy respond: “Amen” (from the Hebrew, meaning let

it be so). By this response they assert that the kingdom is truly among us and that they long for it to thrive and grow.

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In the Litany of Peace we bring before the Lord the Church's prayer for the whole world. This is the way the liturgical assembly affirms the manifestation of God's kingdom. The Church's prayer for the world is an expression of faith that all is in the hands of the Lord. It also expresses our readiness to accept from the Lord whatever answer he might wish to give. The name of the Litany of Peace indicates the need for inner peace and reconciliation with all. The first petition of the Litany indicates that Christ himself is our peace (see Eph 2:14) and that it is in him that we pray. The petitions of the Litany of Peace express concern for the good of the Church, of the country in which we live, and of all creation. The Litany of Peace teaches the faithful to place common needs before private ones. The prayer "Lord, have mercy," repeated by the faithful as the community's response to the petitions, includes both the request for God's merciful love and the community's faith that he unfailingly proffers that love." **p. 125-6**



**Please Pray for health of ...** John K., Irene M., Maria W., Jessie P., Brandon, Chad, Vanessa & Nathan N., Joe M., Anne D., Joyce & Joe K., Gordon B., Rose K., Edward H., Bishop Severian, Maria S., Maria & Ihor Z., Joe S., Clay B., 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.



**Sincerest Thanks** — for your Easter greetings, cards and gifts. May God bless and reward you abundantly!  
*Fr. Andrzej and family.*

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Dorothy".



**Kneeling during the Easter Season** – a reminder that traditionally from Easter Sunday until Pentecost we do not kneel during the Divine Liturgy. As a sign of our redemption and final resurrection, we offer our prayers to God while standing.

**Easter Dinner** – will take place at the Most Holy Trinity parish today, **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** after the Divine Liturgy.

**Clergy Annual Retreat & Conference** – will take place in Cache Creek from **Tuesday, April 10 to Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**.

**“Christ Our Pascha” - Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church** – Part three of the presentation on this great spiritual resource of our Church will take next **Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>** during our coffee time after the Divine Liturgy.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul, OLPH, Kamloops** – will hold their next monthly meeting on **Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. in SSVP Dining room on Briar St.

**Monthly Parish Council Meeting** – will take place on **Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at 7:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

**The Father Le Jeune 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly** – will hold their monthly meeting on **Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at 7:00 p.m. at Le Jeune Manor.



**Parish Fundraiser Brunch** – will take place on **Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** after the Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

**Announcement from the Kamloops Pro-life Society** - We invite you to our Pro-life Fundraising Dinner and Silent Auction, Saturday, April 21, 6:30 p.m., at the OLPH Parish Centre 635 Tranquille Rd. **Dr. Christopher Inegbedion**, psychiatrist, will be speaking on 'Life Choices'. **Tickets: \$30.** Phone [778-220-5584](tel:778-220-5584) or [250-376-4161](tel:250-376-4161).

**Diocesan Youth Retreat:** Friday April 27 – Sunday April 29 at St. John Vianney in Kamloops. Registration available online at [www.recdk.org](http://www.recdk.org).



**St. Joseph's Christian Book store, Gifts and Church Supplies**, located across the street from the Cathedral, is a Catholic-based Christian store with a wide range of religious products: gifts; CD's; videos and DVDs; Christian books and music; statues; crosses and crucifixes; rosaries; prayer books; devotionals; bibles; theology; family and relationships; healing and grieving; charismatic; religious jewellery; baby and baptism gifts; sacramental gifts and supplies; medals; greeting cards; teacher and catechism supplies; Church supplies; and more. St. Joseph's will also repair broken or chipped statues. Call 778-471-6100

**The Most Holy Trinity Parish Stewardship:** Sunday, April 1 - \$603.00 \*\*\*\* *May God bless and reward you for your generosity & support.*

#### **Special Petition 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.

#### **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.*



**CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR** - August 19-26, 2018

Start planning your summer holidays now! Come join us to celebrate our 34<sup>th</sup> year of camp for children in our Eparchy! Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build self-confidence and self-esteem, develop life-long skills while reconnecting with nature and building friendships. Our camp is also a wonderful opportunity to experience God through nature and the companionship of others.

Campers will learn about the Ukrainian language and culture along with games, hiking, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and much more!

If you are between the ages of 7-14 this is a summer must do! Registration is \$380. Book by July 4 to save \$50. Bus transportation is also available to and from New Westminster. Register online using Eventbrite. Search “Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018.” For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or [jennsawka@hotmail.com](mailto:jennsawka@hotmail.com).

## **WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CAMP**

Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. Please contact Jennifer if you are interested in helping.

### **VOLUNTEER as a Camp Counsellor**

We are seeking between 8-10 individuals to help plan and organize our camp activities. Apply online using Eventbrite. Search “Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018.” Applications due May 15, 2018. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal record check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

### **VOLUNTEER as a Camp Chef**

We are seeking between 4-6 individuals to help us each day in the kitchen. It is your opportunity to get creative and be a part of one of the campers’ top 5 things at camp; The Food!

### **VOLUNTEER as our Camp Nurse**

We are looking for an individual to be our camp nurse. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the children in our Eparchy. This position would require valid first aid and nursing certification. Responsibilities would include administering medications brought by campers/staff as well as recording all incidents and treatments. Supplies and medications are provided by the camp.

### **DONATE Food**

We are always happy to accept food donations of fresh fruits and vegetables, breakfast items; cereal, syrup, pancake mix, jam, Nutella, lunch items; chicken soup, Kraft dinner, cheese, drinks; juice boxes, powdered drinks, brownie/cake mixes, Jello, snack bars, cookies or treats. Gift certificates to Superstore and Costco are also welcomed.

### **DONATE Monetarily**

Each year the Eparchy sponsors several children to attend. You can help send a deserving child to camp through your donations. Donations can be made through the Eparchy or online at our

Eventbrite page. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$25 or more.

Visit our website [www.nweparchy.ca](http://www.nweparchy.ca)



### **Update Regarding Canada Summer Jobs Program**

We the undersigned, representing Christian, Jewish, and Muslim communities across Canada have spoken publicly about our concerns regarding the new application requirements for the Canada Summer Jobs program.

Groups applying for 2018 funding were required to endorse an attestation by checking a box, indicating their affirmation of certain beliefs held by the current government, described by many as a “values test.” Such a values test contravenes the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, which guarantees the freedom of religion and conscience (2a), of thought, belief, opinion and expression (2b), as well as “equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination”(15 [1]).

In January of this year, we asked to sit down with the government to find a path forward. In the interim, we invited those sharing our deep concern to write, call or meet with their elected Member of Parliament, respectfully expressing these concerns.

We know that more than 1,400 applications have been denied, compared to 126 in 2017. It is no coincidence that the number of rejections has spiked due to the controversial attestation.

Hundreds of concerned groups did check the box, but amended the attestation to instead confirm that they will abide by the laws of Canada in their hiring practices and all other activities. Applications that failed to check the box, or did so with qualification or clarification were sent back as incomplete. Most were then resubmitted, asking for an accommodation under the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

In spite of our ongoing efforts at dialogue with the government, which culminated in a meeting with Minister Hajdu on Wednesday March 21, and our persistent requests that the problematic attestation be amended or removed, it has been made

clear to us by the Minister that there will be no accommodation provided, and no changes made to the attestation for this year.<sup>1</sup> Applicants that did not “check the box” will be ineligible for a Canada Summer Jobs grant in 2018.

The Minister has also indicated that changes will be made to the application for 2019 to provide greater clarity and precision. However, many of our organizations remain concerned that the question of ‘reproductive rights criteria’ and other undefined values will remain present in the application form in 2019.

While we welcome a review of the application process for 2019 and have asked the Minister to be included in the process of changing the policy, we are extremely disappointed that the government has chosen not to make adjustments to the program for this year. This leaves hundreds of programs across the country vulnerable. These groups must now consider modifying or cancelling programs, while others will be forced to launch emergency fundraising campaigns. It is disheartening to think that this whole situation could have been avoided.

As faith leaders, we will continue to raise our collective voices and encourage others to advocate for changes to the program and, most importantly, to respect the diverse views and beliefs of all Canadians.

Signatories:

Mr. Bruce Clemenger, President

The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada

Rabbi Chaim Strauchler Rabbinical Council of America

Mr. Derek B.M. Ross, Executive Director & General Counsel

Christian Legal Fellowship

Rev. John Pellowe , Chief Executive Officer Canadian Council of Christian Charities

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<sup>1</sup> Proposed rewording of the attestation which was submitted to the Minister is attached.

Mrs. Margaret Ann Jacobs, National President  
The Catholic Women's League of Canada  
Dr. M. Iqbal Nadvi, Chair Canadian Council of Imams  
His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins  
Roman Catholic Archbishop of Toronto  
Representing: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Canada Summer Jobs Attestation

***Meeting with Minister of Employment, Workforce Development  
and Labour The Honourable Patricia A. Hajdu on March 21,  
2018***

The initial attestation consisted of four statements.<sup>1</sup> As you are aware, only one of those statements raised concern for many organizations. On or about January 23, 2018, supplemental information was released to clarify the initial attestation.

Initial Attestation

Both the job\* and my organization's core mandate\* respect individual human rights in Canada, including the values underlying the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms as well as other rights. These include reproductive rights and the right to be free from discrimination on the basis of sex, religion, race, national or ethnic origin, colour, mental or physical disability or sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression;

Proposed Attestation

My organization complies with all laws to which we are subject, including all applicable human rights laws and labour/employment laws, and will use the Canada Summer Jobs grant only for the activities stated in our application. My organization recognizes that the Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees the rights and freedoms of all Canadians.

## ***Supplemental Information***

**Organization:** This is the entity that is directly applying to use CSJ funding.

**Core mandate:** This is the primary **activities** undertaken by the organization that reflect the organization's ongoing services provided to the community. It is not the beliefs of the organization, and it is not the values of the organization.

**Respect:** Individual human rights are respected when an organization's primary activities, and the job responsibilities, do not seek to remove or actively undermine these existing rights.

The CSJ program will not fund organizations whose primary activities:

- involve partisan political activities; or
- do not respect – seek to remove or actively undermine – established individual human rights in Canada.

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<sup>i</sup> See for example: <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs/eligibility.html> and the Applicant Guide [https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/canada/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs/CSJ2018\\_applicant\\_guide.pdf](https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/canada/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs/CSJ2018_applicant_guide.pdf).