

*** Thomas Sunday ***

2nd Sunday of Pascha

The Holy Apostles Jason and Sosipater; the Holy Martyrs Dadas, Maximus and Quintilianus (286-305); Our Father among the Saints Cyril of Turau (1183)

*** <u>Sunday, April 28th, 2019</u> ***

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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 28 - 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.

Tuesday, April 30 - Friday, May 3 - Divine Liturgies will be celebrated in Deroche, BC

Sunday, May 5 * 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..." & "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!

Please Pray for health of ... Rob E., Bill Ch., Joyce K., Eugenia W., Milynda S., Suzanne C., Walter D., Rosa S., Natalia D., Moriss P., Bill & Johanne C., Clay B., Annie A., Maria W., Anne D.,



Rose K., Maria S., Lawrence & Ping B., all sick brothers and sisters in our families and 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*.



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.



MHOFAA JITA! – very special God's blessings to anyone among our parishioners and their families who celebrated their birthday, name-day, wedding anniversary and any other special anniversary during **the**

month of April (3rd – Elsie Kinaschuk; April 19, 1958 Joe & Elsie Mychaluk; 25- Colby Stewart; 28 - Jessie Pawlyshyn).

Easter Dinner – will take place at the Most Holy Trinity parish today, **Sunday, April 28th** after the Divine Liturgy.

Funeral Service – for our late brother in Christ **John Kolody** will take place on Wednesday, May 8th at 10:00 a.m.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, OLPH, Kamloops – will hold their AGM tomorrow, **Monday, April 29**th at 1:00 p.m. in SSVP dining room on Briar St.

Clergy Annual Retreat & Conference – will take place in the Carmel Hill Formation House, Deroche, BC from **Tuesday**, **April 30 to Friday**, **May 3rd**.

Perogy Work-Bees – special session of perogy making will take place this coming **Tuesday**, **April 30**. We begin at 8:30 a.m. Please plan to come and join us.



Annual Diocesan (RC Diocese of Kamloops) Youth Retreat – May 3 – 5, 2019 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help RC parish in Kamloops. For youth in grades 7 – 12.

Children's Catechism – will take place this coming **Saturday, May 4th** at 2:30 p.m. in the parish hall.

Parish Fundraiser Brunch – will take place next **Sunday**, **May 5th** after the Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

The Father Le Jeune 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly – will hold their monthly meeting on **Thursday, May 16th, 2019** at 7:00 p.m. at OLPH Parish Centre.



Next Pastoral Address – will take place on **Sunday**, **May 19**th after the Divine Liturgy during the coffee time.

Monthly Parish Council Meeting – will take place on **Tuesday, May 21st, 2019** at 7:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

The Most Holy Trinity Parish Stewardship: Sunday, April 21 - \$768.00 **** *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.

The Gospel of Luke	From	То	Psalm(s)
6:12-26	April 28, 2019	May 04, 2019	Ps 34-35
6:27-35	May 05, 2019	May 11, 2019	Ps 36-37
6:36-42	May 12, 2019	May 18, 2019	Ps 38-39

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 18-25, 2019

Start planning your summer holidays now! Come join us to celebrate our 35th year of camp for children in our Eparchy! Camp St. Volodymyr is a great place to be physically active, build selfconfidence and self-esteem, develop life-long skills while reconnecting with nature, growing spiritually and building friendships. Our camp is also a wonderful opportunity to experience God through nature, in a catechetical program, liturgical services 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 7-15 this is a summer must do! Registration is \$390. 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 2019." For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or 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 2019." Applications due May 15, 2019. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal record check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

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. Donation can be made through the Eparchy or online at our Eventbrite page. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$25 or more.

VOLUNTEER as a Head Chef or Camp Chef

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

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. Visit our website <u>www.nweparchy.ca</u>

2019 Pastoral Letter of The Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada on the Occasion of the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

To the Very Reverend Clergy, Monastics and Religious Sisters and Brothers, Seminarians and Laity of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada:

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One day during this past month of March, many of us opened the newspaper and saw a disturbing headline: "*City of Montreal to pull Crucifix from Council Chamber!*" The article was distributed by the official agency, *The Canadian Press*, and as such was seen across Canada. The article explained that the city council had decided that after 80 years, it was no longer desirable to have the crucifix hang in the chambers of the city hall. This, the article pointed out, was part of the movement of secularism in the province of Quebec.

This news item was disturbing on its own, but its impact was particularly felt as it came during the time of the Lenten Fast, when Christians around the world were preparing themselves to mark the crucifixion, death, burial and resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Even though most city halls across Canada do not have a crucifix hanging on the wall, and likely never did, there was a certain comfort for Christians to know that in a province that had such a strong Catholic history, the respect and tradition of this important symbol of faith was still found in the heart of city life.

The crucifix, even in its simplest form, speaks eloquently of the great gift of Jesus, the Son of God for all humanity. It relays this message of salvation when it is worn around the neck. It relays this same message of salvation when it stands on the top of a church dome. It speaks not only of suffering and death, but at the same time of resurrection and eternal life.

In our churches we find a special place for the cross of Christ especially on Good Friday, near the symbolic grave that is set up in the heart of the church. The cross stands over the grave of Jesus and reminds us of his great sufferings.

On Easter Sunday morning we again find the empty cross in the heart of the church, as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ. It tells us not only of the triumph of Jesus over suffering and death, but of his glorious rising from the dead. And most importantly it reminds us of the Good News that we too are challenged to suffer and die with Jesus, so that we too will rise to eternal life after our death and burial.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The decision to have a crucifix in public places of our communities may not be a decision that will be up to us to make. However, each of us can make the decision to have a crucifix hang on the walls of our homes.

When people walk into our houses, what kind of homes do they find? What does the interior appearance of our homes say about the people who live there? They may see how well our homes are decorated and arranged, and compliment us on our taste. Or they may see dusty cupboards and dirty dishes, causing them to think poorly of our personal hygiene. But when people walk into our homes can they tell that they are in the home of a believer in Jesus Christ? Do they feel a sense of religious faith when they enter our homes, by the appearance of a crucifix, or holy icons, or other religious symbols?

As we prepare for these important days of Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday, let us not get caught up only in the decorations associated with these days, that include various figures of the holy cross. Rather, let us make sure we use the holy cross and other religious figures as symbols of our faith in Jesus Christ.

Strengthened by the cross of Jesus and his life-giving resurrection, we send these Paschal greetings to all our faithful in Canada, in Ukraine and throughout the world. We send these Paschal greetings to the sick and the elderly. We send these Paschal greetings to the marginalized and the forgotten. We send these Paschal greetings to those struggling with their faith, those living in doubt and fear. Live in hope, do not be afraid, for Christ is Risen!

Come all you faithful, and let us bow to the holy resurrection of Christ, since through the cross, joy has come to all the world. Ever praising the Lord, let us extol his resurrection, since He, having endured the crucifixion, has destroyed Death by his death! [Paschal Matins]

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+ Lawrence Huculak, OSBM, Metropolitan Archbishop of Winnipeg

+ David Motiuk, Eparchial Bishop of Edmonton

+ Stephen Chmilar, Eparchial Bishop of Toronto

+ Ken Nowakowski, Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster

+ Bryan Bayda, CSsR, Eparchial Bishop of Saskatoon

+ Michael Wiwchar, CSsR, Bishop Emeritus of Saskatoon

+ Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM, Bishop Emeritus of New Westminster