



5th Sunday of Pascha Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Father Among the Saints Athanasius the Great (373) – Athanasius was born in Alexandria in Egypt in 295. He was well educated. A disciple of Anthony the Great, in 325, while still a deacon, he went with his bishop Alexander to the Council of Nicea, which had convened in defense against the Arian heresy. At the death of Alexander, Athanasius was elevated to the see of Alexandria on June 8, 328. Through his sermons and writings, he became a defender of the faith and a champion of God. He spent seventeen years in exile for his faith. He died on May 2, 373.

**** Sunday, April 25th, 2021 ****

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Easter Season Greeting until May 13th

Christ Is Risen! - Indeed He Is Risen!

Chrystos Voskres! - Voistynu Voskres!

Христос Воскрес! - Воістину Воскрес

***The Most Holy Trinity Parish Public Liturgical
Services Postponed Until May 13th (or further notice)***

Please join in live-streamed coverage of liturgical services:

**Holy Eucharist Cathedral (New Westminster) – Divine
Liturgy at 8:30 a.m. (Eng.) & 10:30 a.m. (Ukr.)**

<https://www.facebook.com/holyeucharistcathedral/>

Youtube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPp1JaDotIj_4h3aAJq0Srg

St. Nicholas Parish, (Victoria) - Divine Liturgy at **10:00 a.m.**
via [Facebook](#) or [Website](#)

St. George's Parish (Prince George) - Divine Liturgy: **8:30 a.m.** – (in Ukrainian) & **10:00 a.m.** (in English) - Facebook page or at parish webpage (www.sgparish.ca)



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 4: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel * the glorious news of the resurrection * and cast off the ancestral condemnation, * they proudly told the apostles: * “Death has been plundered! * Christ our God is risen, * granting to the world great mercy.”

Troparion, Tone 8: At the mid-point of the Feast, O Saviour, * water my thirsty soul with streams of true godliness; * for You cried out to all: Let any who thirst, come to Me and drink. * O Source of Life, Christ our God, glory to You!

+Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 8: Drawn to the well by faith, * the Samaritan woman beheld You, the Water of Wisdom, * and drinking abundantly of You, * she inherited the heavenly Kingdom for ever, * becoming everlastingly glorious.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 4: At the mid-point of the Feast according to the Law, * Maker of all things and Master, * You said to those present, O Christ God: * Come, and draw the water of immortality. * And so we fall before You crying out with faith: Grant us Your mercies, for You are the source of our life.

Prokeimenon, Tone 3: Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (11:19-26, 29-30):

In those days, those who were scattered because of the persecution that took place over Stephen, travelled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, and they spoke the word to no one except Jews. But among them were some men of Cyprus and Cyrene who, on coming to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists also, proclaiming the Lord Jesus. The hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number became believers and turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord. Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they met with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called “Christians.”



Alleluia, Tone 4: Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

verse: You have loved justice and hated iniquity.(Psalm 44:5,8)

Gospel: John 4:5-42:

At that time, Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband." "What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as

these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that the Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.” Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.” Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.”

Hymn to the Mother of God - Virginité is alien to mothers and child-bearing is foreign to virgins; yet in you, O Mother of God,

both of them came together. Therefore, we and all the nations of the earth without ceasing magnify you.

Communion Hymn - Receive the Body of Christ; * taste the fountain of immortality.

* Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. * Alleluia, alleluia, * alleluia.

Instead of “Blessed is He...” , “We have seen the true light...”, “Let our mouths...” *we sing: 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: Christ is risen...(3x).*

“Christ is risen” is sung again once (using a simple chord chant) instead of “Glory be to the Father...” at the dismissal.

Then the Troparion “Christ is risen” is sung as in the beginning of the Liturgy, but with an additional ending.

Troparion: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life *(3x).*

And to us He has granted life eternal * we bow down before His resurrection on the third day.



**** To Ponder – The Fathers & Mothers Speak *****

“Let us pray for one another. Let us pray that we may accomplish our life’s mission, which is to be holy. Let us pray that we will be the love and kindness of God in today’s world.”

St. Mother Teresa of Culcatta

“Tribulations render persons more illustrious both in the presence of God and man, if they know how to bear them with fortitude.” St. John Chrysostom

Commentary on the Sunday Gospel Reading:

<https://godwithusonline.org/reflections/the-sunday-of-the-samaritan-woman-ukrainian/>



On the fifth Sunday of Pascha, we celebrate the feast of the Samaritan Woman. Tradition says that her name was Photeini (Світлана). She met Jesus at midday at Jacob's Well, which was located in the city of Sychar. And being tired from travel and the heat, Jesus sat at Jacob's Well. A little after, the Samaritan woman came to draw water, and had a long conversation with Him (it is the longest recorded discourse between Christ and a human in the entire Bible).

Photeini did not want to talk to Jesus, because the Samaritans did not have any dealings with Jews; Jews considered her people heretics because Samaritans kept only the first five books of the Old Testament. However, the Lord talked with her anyway, read her heart, revealed her secrets and gave her the "Living Water"—the grace of the Holy Spirit that leads to eternal life and flows to all humanity—to drink. Photeini immediately ran throughout the city to proclaim Christ. Through her, many other Samaritans believed in Jesus.

Tradition further establishes that she finally received the crown of martyrdom in Rome with her two sons and five sisters during the persecutions under the Emperor Nero in the second part of the 1st century.

**** ANNOUNCEMENTS ****



Dear Parishioners, please be assured of my prayers and well wishes in this ever present time of battle with the coronavirus.

Public church services continue to be postponed. Please participate in online or televised services and remain united with each other in thought, prayer, phone calls, etc.

Please Pray for health of ... All those affected by the coronavirus, and: Don N., Caroline H., Ambrose S., Robert M., Dave & Betty C., Matt D., Alexandra & Oleh K., Miroslaw G., John N., Fr. John N., T.W., Bill P., Thomas H., Bohdan R., Lawrence & Ping B., Peter O., Gladys O., Alex S., Jessica N., Olga P., Sharon B., Zonia R., Brian K., Jayne & Ernie P., Mary W., Sam D., Ray O., Mary E., Sharon & Al L., Joe S., Jeanne R., Emily H., Lisa M., Michael L., Greg H., Melynda S., Ann D., Joyce K., Suzanne C., Clay B., Maria W., Anne D., 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.



Thank you to all our Supporters

– **Дякуємо** – Our gratitude to everyone for your prayers & ongoing financial support of our parish and for all other ways in which you assist our church community. God bless you all!

Dr. R. J. J.



Christ is Risen! Blessed Pascha! – we wish many God's blessings to all our Brothers & Sisters in Christ who today, Sunday, May 2nd, 2021 are celebrating Easter/Pascha according to the Julian calendar. Christ is Risen!

Alpha online – our next catechetical session will take place this coming **Wednesday, 5th** at 10:30 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Society – will hold their Annual General Meeting via zoom tomorrow, Monday, May 3rd, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. This coming **Wednesday, May 5th at 11:30 a.m.** the board of SSVP will have their 2nd zoom session of a workshop on mental health.

Knights of Columbus Council 8132 (OLPH) Zoom Meetings – will take place this coming Thursday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m.



Father Le Jeune 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly – will hold their monthly zoom meeting on **Thursday, May 20th, 2021** at 7:00 p.m.

Note From Pro-Life Kamloops Society:

– please join us today, Sunday, May 2nd for a **silent prayer vigil** from 2 - 3 p.m. on Columbia St. in front of First Baptist Church between 4th & 5th Ave.

- we invite everyone to participate in our **monthly vigil** this coming Friday, May 7th. We meet from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church, between 4th & 5th Avenues, on Columbia St.

- also special invitation to participate in **2021 National Hospice/Palliative Care Week** – May 2-9, 2021

Let us pray for our Kamloops **Marjorie Willoughby Hospice** which provides excellent, positive (not euthanasia) care to those who are dying. Some other links you may wish to explore:

Canadian Hospice Care Association

<https://www.chpca.ca/campaign/national-hospice-palliative-care-week/>

BC Hospice Palliative Care

<https://bchpca.org/event/national-hospice-palliative-care-week/>

Physicians for Life"<https://www.physiciansforlife.ca/national-hospice-palliative-care-week/>

"McMaster University Family Medicine"

<https://fammedmcmaster.ca/national-hospice-palliative-care-week>"

<https://fammedmcmaster.ca/national-hospice-palliative-care-week>

Upcoming Major Feast Days – The Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ will be celebrated on **Thursday, May 13th** & The Descent of the Holy Spirit – **Pentacost Sunday, May 23rd**.

The Canadian National Week For Life & The Family

- will be celebrated from **May 9-16**, with the theme, "Family, the Domestic Church: A Sign of Hope and Life." Material to mark the celebration has been prepared by the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF), and is available on the CCCB website:

<https://www.cccb.ca/national-week-for-life-and-the-family/>

National March For Life 2021 May 13, 2021 – for more information, please follow the link -

<https://marchforlife.ca>

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter - virtual weekend experience is coming to you on May 14 - 16, 2021! Registration deadline: May 7, 2021. If you desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you; no travel required, all from the comfort of your own home! For registration go to: <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-5>

Click here for info video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvQUEZ35Ufg&feature=youtu.be>



Sunday, May 2 * Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.):** God's blessings to all parishioners

Monday, May 3 * Div. Lit:** God's blessings & good health to Members of SSV in Kamloops & Dominica

Tuesday, May 4 * Div. Lit:** +Hanna R.

Wednesday, May 5 * Div. Lit:** God's blessings & good health to Wilma C.

Thursday, May 6 Div. Lit: Div. Lit: God's blessings to Staff & students at OLPH

Friday, May 7 * Moleben to the Mother of God *****
3:30 p.m. - outdoor service

Sunday, May 9 * Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.):** God's blessings to all parishioners



Prayer for the Afflicted People of Ukraine in Time of War

O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we entreat You to hear the earnest prayer of Your beloved Church of Kievan Rus' for her deeply afflicted children abiding in the land of Ukraine. Behold their grave sorrow and grievous plight, and speedily come to their aid. Deliver Your vulnerable people from unjust aggressors, foreign invasion and the terror of war. Strengthen courageous defenders of the nation to fight virtuously, inspired more by love of those they protect than hatred of the enemy.

O compassionate Lord, shelter the displaced, heal the wounded, console the orphan, protect the widow, comfort those who mourn, and mercifully receive into Your Kingdom those who have nobly died guarding their homeland against every aggression. Quickly

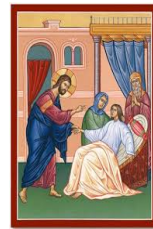
make cease the spilling of blood of friend and foe alike, yet stir many to bravely struggle for that true justice which alone can bring lasting peace.

O kind-hearted Lord, as You are our peace, soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that Your beloved children of the land of Ukraine may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom, where You reign with Your eternal Father, and Your most holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now, and forever and ever. Amen.



Prayer During the Coronavirus Outbreak

Lord, Our God,
We thank you for the life that is your gift,
For the providence that sustains us,
And for your wisdom that directs the course of
our days. The threat of an infection of coronavirus
is upon us today. This disease causes fear among
us and has claimed lives.



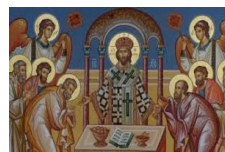
We humbly beg you, loving Lord, dispel our fear and deliver
us from this and other diseases.
Heal those who are afflicted and stop the spread of the virus.
Strengthen us in charity to care for one another.
For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify
You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.
Amen.



Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in
these Holy Gifts!

I love You above all things and I desire to
receive You into my soul.



Since I cannot receive You now, I place before You my whole
life and hope, O loving Master; and I ask, pray, and entreat You:

Make me worthy to partake in a mystical way and with a pure conscience of Your awesome and heavenly Mysteries:
for forgiveness of sins, for the pardon of offenses, for communion of the Holy Spirit, for the inheritance of the kingdom of heaven, for confidence before You, and not for judgment or condemnation.

I embrace You as You enter and abide in me, and I unite myself completely to You. Permeate my soul and body, and never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Catechetical Resources on line in English & Ukrainian

1. Royal Doors with daily readings and reflections, UGCC Catechism online, articles, etc

<https://www.royaldoors.net/>

2. Formed: Christian movies, TV shows, prayers, etc.

<https://watch.formed.org/browse>

3. Dynamic Catholic. Beautiful resource for the whole family with Catechism for children, marriage enrichment programs, etc.

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/>



1. Живе ТВ.

<https://zhyve.tv/>

2. Дивен Світ.

<https://dyvensvit.org/>

3. Катехизм УГКЦ.

<http://catechismugcc.org/>

