

18th Sunday after Pentecost Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God

The Holy Apostle Ananias, One of the Seventy Disciples of the Lord – he was Bishop of Damascus. In response to a vision from God, he baptized Saul, the future Apostle Paul, in 37 A.D.

Our Venerable Father Romanus the Melodist – he was born in the Syrian town of Emesa. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, he composed more than 1,000 kontakia of which the most beautiful are those of Christmas. He died as a deacon of the Great Church in Constantinople in 530.

Passing into eternal life of Blessed Nykyta Budka (1949) First Bishop of Canada and Confessor of Karaganda

*** Sunday, October 1st, 2023 ***

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Parish Liturgical Services

Saturday, Sept. 30 *** Grindrod Parish ** 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions ** 4:00 p.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings to all parishioners

Sunday, October 1 *** Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God *** 9:30 a.m. ** Rosary (Eng.) / Confessions *** 10:00 a.m. * Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners

Tuesday, Oct. 3 * 9:30 a.m.** Div. Lit.: God's blessings to Joseph Danseran – Rachael T.

Wednesday, Oct. 4 *** 9:30 a.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings & good health for Joe & Linda S.

*** 6:30 p.m. * Moleben to the Merciful Christ

Thursday, Oct. 5 *** 9:30 a.m. Div. Lit.: +George Sherlock

Friday, Oct. 6 *** 9:30 a.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings to the Mujcin family

Saturday, Oct. 7 *** Grindrod Parish ** 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. Confessions ** 4:00 p.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings to all parishioners

Sunday, Oct. 8 *** Feast of Protection of the Mother of God *** 9:30 a.m. ** Rosary (Eng.) / Confessions *** 10:00 a.m. * Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners

Troparion, Tone 1: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans, * and soldiers guarded Your most pure body, * You arose, O Saviour, on the third day, * and gave life to the world. * And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life: * Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! * Glory to Your kingdom! * Glory to Your saving plan, * O only Lover of mankind.

Troparion, Tone 4: Today we believers radiantly celebrate, * flooded in light by your coming to us, O Mother of God; * beholding your pure image, * we say with contrition: * shelter us with your precious protection * and deliver us from every evil,* entreating Your Son, Christ our God, to save our souls.

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

Kontakion, Tone 3: Today the Virgin stands before us in the church * and together with the choirs of saints invisibly prays to God for us. * Angels are worshipping with hierarchs, * Apostles exult with prophets, * for the Mother of God prays in our behalf to the eternal God.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 1: You arose in glory from the tomb * and with

Yourself You raise the world. * All humanity acclaims You as God. * and death has vanished. * Adam exults, O Master, * and Eve, redeemed from bondage now, cries out for joy: * "You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all."

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. (*Psalm 32:22,1*)

Prokeimenon, Tone 3 - My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour. (Luke 1:46)

Epistle: A reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (2 Cor. 9:6-11):

Brothers and Sisters, the point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food, will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.

Hebrew 9:1-7

Brothers and Sisters, the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was constructed, the first one, in which were the lampstand, the table, and the bread of the Presence; this is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a tent called the Holy of Holies. In it stood the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which there were a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot speak now in detail. Such preparations having been made, the priests go continually into the first tent to carry out their ritual duties; but only the high priest goes into the second, and he but once a year, and not without taking the blood that he offers for himself and for the sins committed unintentionally by the people.

Alleluia, Tone 8 - verse: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour.

verse: Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms. (Psalm 94:1,2)

verse: Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear. *verse:* The rich among the people shall entreat your countenance. (Psalm 44:11,13)

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11



At that time, Jesus was standing beside the lake

of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

St. Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

At that time, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." While he was saying this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it!"

Communion Hymn - Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. (Psalm 148:1) *



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

"Heaven and earth are sanctified. * The Church is radiant and all the people are rejoicing. * Behold, the Mother of God, * together with the angelic hosts, the Forerunner, and the Theologian, * with the prophets and the apostles has invisibly entered. * She prays to Christ in behalf of all Christians * that He may have mercy on our city and all people * who glorify the feast of her Protection." Vespers stichira

"When Sunday loses its fundamental meaning, it becomes merely a part of a weekend. People stay locked within a horizon so limited that they can no longer see the heavens. We've got to learn how to live according to the rhythm we were created for." Saint John Paul II

"God offers us risk, danger and strange insecurity that leads to perfect security. His security begins when we start loving God with our whole heart, our whole mind, our whole soul and our neighbour as ourselves... We must clothe the skeletons of our lives with the flesh of His love, or we shall perish." *Catherine Doherty*

"Господь не закликає готових до служіння, але готує закликаних."

A warm welcome - to all parishioners & guests who join us today in our church for the Divine Liturgy. We wish you a blessed & healthy week!





Дякуємо – We are very grateful to everyone for your continued support of our parish community and for supporting our brothers & sisters in Ukraine. Our gratitude to **everyone** who has so far contribited towards our insurance bill. Many thanks to Mr. Dwayne Booy for his help with painting at the parish residence. God bless you all!

Please Pray for health of ... All those wounded in the war in Ukraine and: Joe & Linda S., Sharon & Al L., Armin



K., Fr. Volodymyr D., Ken S., Michelle M., Rita N., Claude & Eva G., Mary & Dave E., Lawrence & Ping B., Jill C., Shelly N., Shane E., Elsie K., Wilma C., Rob E., Billie M., Dave C., Matt D., Bill P., Thomas H., Gladys O., Jeanne R., Lisa M., Suzanne C., Clay B., Stefanica K., 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.

Pope Francis blessed the decision of the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in **appointing Very Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski as Bishop of the Eparchy of New Westminster**. Bishop-Elect currently serves as the Chancellor of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg and Pastor of Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God Parish, Winnipeg. Bishop-Elect Michael will be ordained to the episcopacy on **Wednesday**, **Nov. 8**th at Saints Volodymyr and Olga Cathedral, Winnipeg. He will be enthroned (installed) on **Saturday**, **Nov. 18**th at Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God Parish, Vancouver, followed by his First Solemn Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Cathedral, New Westminster, on **Sunday**, **November 19**th.

Children's Catechism – will begin today, Sunday, Oct. 1st during our coffee in the parish hall.

2023 Life Chain – will take place today, Sunday Oct. 1st from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Life Chain is a peaceful witness, standing for one hour praying for our country, for an end to abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide. **Gathering place:** Sacred Heart Cathedral, 255 Nicola St. and First Baptist Church, 454 Columbia St. Signs provided. We stand along Columbia between 3rd and 5th Aves.

Note from Kamloops Pro-Life Society - We have begun the Choose Life Kamloops 40 Day Prayer Vigil. This year, the official designation by 40 Days for Life is Sept. 27 – Nov. 5. from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 3rd Ave. & Nicola St. This is a non-denominational activity that respects all human life from its beginning at conception, throughout each person's life to its natural end.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, OLPH, Kamloops -

will hold their next monthly board meeting on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 10**th. and regular members' meeting on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 17**th at 11:00 a.m..

New Westminster Clergy Conference - will take place at New Westminster on Tuesday & Wednesday, Oct. 10th & 11th, 2023.

Next Monthly Parish Council Meeting – will take place on **Sunday**, **Oct. 15**th at noon in the parish hall.

The Father Le Jeune 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Assembly – will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in OLPH parish centre.

Eparchial Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe – will take place from Dec. 4-16, 2023. For more information please refer to the attached poster.

Special Request – Fundraiser for the Insurance Bill – on behalf of our Parish Council, we are turning to the generosity of our faithful with a request for donations to cover the cost of our annual insurance bill. Unfortunately, our parish UCWLC will not be able to help with donations the way they did in previous years. Last year's bill was \$6,000. Thank you for your support - we collected \$600 so far. May God bless and reward you for your generosity.

This Week's Parish Stewardship: Saturday, Sept. 23 - Grindrod: \$235.60. Sunday, Sept. 24– Kamloops: \$725.00 (includes \$300 donation for insurance) *** May God bless you for your generosity.



Prayer for the Afflicted People of Ukraine in Time of War

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that Your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all Your precious children, at risk and in fear, that You would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen.

Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

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 doesnot 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.

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Spirit of Awareness - Dear parishioners, if our brother/sister in Christ, who usually sits next to you, is not in church today, please contact them and ask how they are doing. Let them know that our parish community misses them very much!

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 the parish priest, please call, or email Fr. Andrzej in advance to arrange a time and a day.

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