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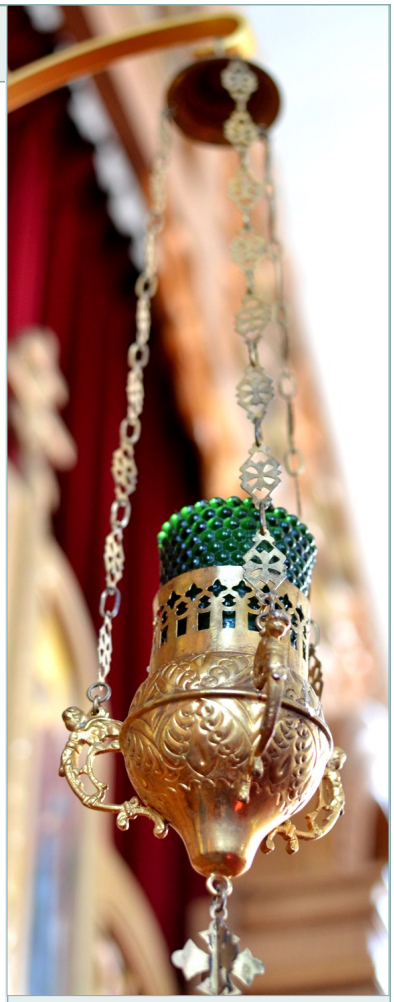

Sponsors!

Our fundraising committee has begun a new campaign - Newsletter Sponsorship!
If you are interested in how you can sponsor a newsletter,
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Many thanks to
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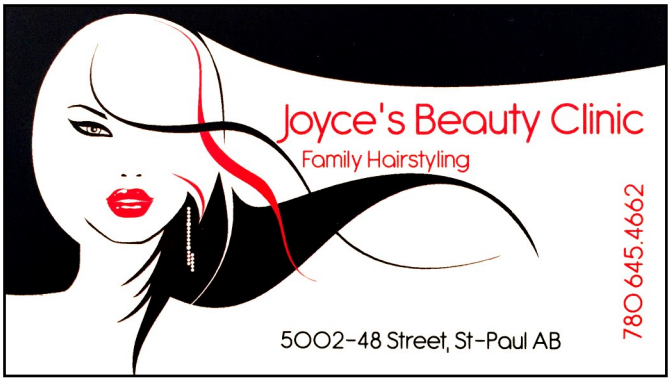

PASTORAL MESSAGE

Submitted by Fr. Peter Haugen

NEW & IMPROVED!

Христос Воскрес! Christ is Risen!

Permanent Conference of Ukrainian Orthodox Bishops Beyond the Borders of Ukraine

"Yesterday I was crucified with Him . . .Yesterday I was crucified with Him; today I am glorified with Him…Yesterday I died with Him; today I am made alive with Him…Yesterday I was buried with Him; today I am raised up with Him…Let us offer to Him Who suffered and rose again for us our complete selves – the possession most precious to God and most proper…Let us become like Christ, since Christ

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became like us…Let us become Divine for His sake, since for us He became Man… He assumed the worse that He might give us the better. He became poor that by His poverty we might become rich. He accepted the form of a servant that we might win back our freedom…He came down that we might be lifted up. He was tempted that through Him we might conquer… He was dishonored that He might glorify us. He died that He might save us. He ascended that He might draw to Himself us, who were thrown down through the fall of sin…Let us give all, offer all, to Him who gave Himself a Ransom and Reconciliation for us…We needed an incarnate God, a God put to death, that we might live. We were put to death together with Him that we might be cleansed. We rose again with Him because we were put to death with Him. We were glorified with Him because we rose again with Him...A few drops of Blood recreate the whole of creation!" - St. Gregory the Theologian, Paschal Orations

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

With these powerful words of St. Gregory the Theologian from his Paschal Orations we greet each and every one of you, dear Brother Clergy, Monastics and our beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ in the nations of the world beyond the borders of Ukraine – in the United States of America, Canada, Brazil, Paraguay, Argentina, Great Britain, Germany, France, Belgium, Australia, New Zealand and all our faithful in other nations! We also especially greet our Brother Hierarchs, Clergy, Monastics and Faithful of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine – the Autocephalous Church of the Ukrainian nation, which God has blessed by the Holy Spirit guided and thus, wise decision of His All-Holiness, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople and New Rome, Bartholomew I and the Holy Synod of Constantinople!

We pray the joy of our celebration amongst all of you, our spiritual children, is even more powerful today than ever before because of this powerful accomplishment – returning to the fold of Christ's Body – the Holy Orthodox Church – millions of faithful Orthodox Christians who had been roaming in a spiritual wilderness through no fault of their own. Today they must feel the words of St. Gregory above: "*We rose again with Him because we were put to death with Him*," for they had experienced what felt like spiritual death for so many decades!

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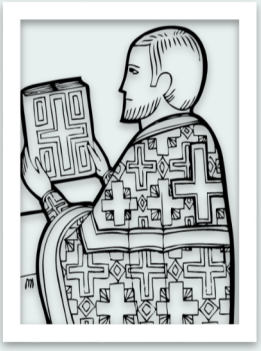
Each of us experienced this "death with Him" during our Baptism, descending in the waters of the Sacrament and rising up therefrom into NEW LIFE with Him in His Body, our Holy Church. It is almost



Liturgical Scripture Readings

May 2019

Sunday, May 5th

Antipascha. 2nd Sunday of Pascha, of St. Thomas.

Epistle - Acts 5:12-20
Gospel - Jn. 20:19-31

Sunday, May 12th

Third Sunday of Pascha. Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women. Tone 2.

Epistle - Acts 6:1-7
Gospel - Mk. 15:43-16:8.

Sunday, May 19th

4th Sunday of Pascha, Sunday of the paralytic. Tone 3.

Epistle - Acts 9:32-42;
Gospel - Jn. 5:1-15.

Sunday, May 26th

5th Sunday after Pascha, Sunday of the Samaritan Woman. Tone 4.

Epistle - Acts 11:19-26, 29,30
Gospel - Jn. 4:5-42.

Newsletter Submissions Needed!

Please keep the submissions for the newsletter coming! Announcements, reports, stories, photos… If you want to share it, we want to see it! Please feel free to submit to me anytime.

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If anyone you know is in the Hospital, or are at home ill and would like a visitation from me, please contact me and I will make immediate arrangements to meet with them.

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impossible to explain in simple human words, the depth of meaning behind all that God in the Holy Trinity has done for in order that we might have hope, refuge and protection throughout our lives – "The Father is my Hope, the Son is my Refuge, the Holy Spirit is my protection" – enabling us to survive ANYTHING utilized against us by the fallen angel to tempt us away from the Body.

Once again at this Great and Holy Feast of PASCHA – THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD – our true life is confirmed. Death is annihilated, the power of Satan has been trampled down by the One, Who could NOT be held captive to death, Who would be the 'firstborn from the dead" (Rev. 1:5) and first in the new creation! We are meant to be heirs of the Resurrection, heirs of all things in heaven and on earth. Let us rejoice in that Resurrection! Let us live with a certainty that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ has accomplished all for our salvation!

We assure you all, dearly beloved, of our prayers for you at this PASCHA and every single day of life that follows. We will pray that we, together, may co-create with our Risen Lord a new world that comprehends the sanctity of life, not only of our own species, but of all species made in God's Wisdom. We will pray that we, sooner rather than later, seek to ensure to the best of our individual and communal ability, to preserve the welfare of God's creation. We beseech you to join us in these prayers so that we all, together, may stand before our Risen Lord with hope, faith and charity filling our lives – for the world around us and all its inhabitants.

Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen!

+ YURIJ – *Metropolitan, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada*
+ ANTONY – *Metropolitan, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, South America and the Diaspora*
+ JEREMIAH – *Archbishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Eparchy of South America*
+ DANIEL – *Archbishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and Diaspora*
+ ILARION – *Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada – Western Eparchy*
♦ **ANDRIY** – *Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada – Eastern Eparchy*

Mother's Day Strawberry Tea

for Mothers of all ages & stages

Music

Door Prizes

Monday, May 13
All Saints Ukrainian Cultural Centre
5601 51 Street, St. Paul, Alberta

Drop in anytime from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Parent Link Children's Corner will be set up for supervised children's activities... so that Mothers with small children can enjoy a break!

THERE IS NO CHARGE.

THIS IS A "LOVE ST. PAUL COMMUNITY" PROJECT, SPONSORED BY ST. PAUL & AREA INTERCHURCH GROUP.

Love St. Paul Community

Reach 2019: Purse Project

In the past, our District's "Purse Project" was a tremendous help to women who experienced domestic violence and were sheltered in Dr. Margaret Savage Crises Centre in Cold Lake and Columbus House of Hope in St. Paul.

We are going to **"Reach Out"** again to support women in both shelters.

The Project is our District's commitment to almsgiving and will run from **April 1-May 12, 2019.**

How the Project Works:

1. Women in our Bonnyville & District churches will choose a "gently used", clean purse that they would like to gift to a woman in the shelter.
2. Each women that donates a purse will fill it with personal items that are most needed by shelter residents. (Fr. Peter reminds us that this is a family project and men can purchase items to put in the purse as well!)
3. Buy 10 of the following 14 items and place them in the purse:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body wash
- Hand lotion
- Deodorant
- Feminine products
- Lip balm
- Hair brush
- Hair clips/ponytail holder
- Small package of kleenex
- Nail clippers/nail file
- Socks
- Face cloth
- Gift cards (for example a $15.00 card that they can use to choose items of need)

4. Bring your purse donations to church each Sunday - the deadline is the Sunday Service on **May 12, 2019** in Nowa Bukowina.

Thank you, in advance, for your generous spirit!

For more information contact:
Sandra (780) 614-0786 or Caroline (780) 645-3975

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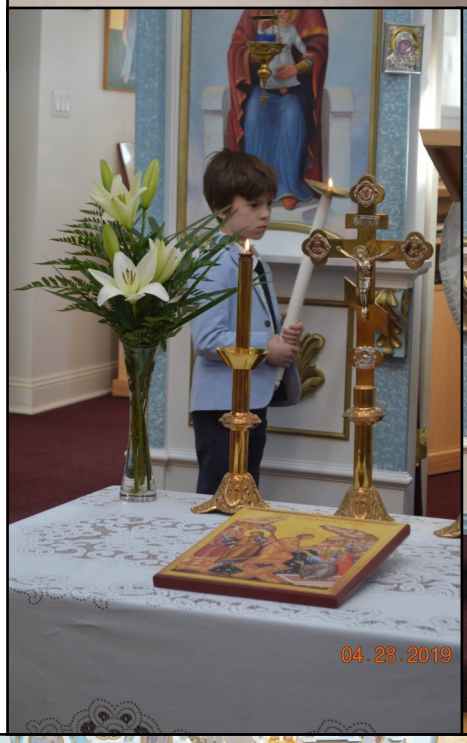

Butter rams made at workshop in St. Paul, images from Paschal Liturgy in St. Paul.

GREAT VESPERS

We will be holding Great Vespers on the Saturdays preceding the Divine Liturgies in St. Paul and Bonnyville. It is my hope that in time, as our parishioners become more comfortable with this service, that individuals will volunteer to assist in the readings when they arrive at the Church. No one will be forced to read, so please don't avoid these services in fear of being asked, but it really is a wonderful way of becoming more involved in our worship services.

Schedule of Great Vespers:

Saturday - May 25th- St. Elias, Bonnyville - 5 pm

Saturday - June 22nd - All Saints, St. Paul- 5 pm

"O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God. Have mercy on me, a sinner ."
-Jesus Prayer

WEBSITE

Don't forget we have a website!
It is under a bit of construction, but you can find updates, locations, and a long term schedule there. Photos will be coming soon as well. Check it out!

www.bonnyvilleanddistrictuoc.ca/

We're also on Facebook!
Look up:

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Bonnyville & District Ukrainian Orthodox Parish Council Society - Schedule of Services - 2019

Note: Services may be cancelled due to inclement weather. If weather is a concern, please contact the President listed to learn service status.

MAY				
Date	Day	Time	Location	Description
4	Saturday	5:00 PM	St. Paul	Great Vespers
5	Sunday	10:00 AM	St. Paul	St. Thomas Sunday/Provody
12	Sunday	10:00 AM	Nowa Bukowina	Myrrhbearing Women Sunday/Provody/Mother's Day
19	Sunday	10:00 AM	Glendon	Sunday of the Paralytic/Provody
25	Saturday	5:00 PM	Bonnyville	Great Vespers
26	Sunday	10:00 AM	Bonnyville	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman/Provody

JUNE				
Date	Day	Time	Location	Description
2	Sunday	10:00 AM	Sandy Rapids	Sunday of the Blind Man/Provody
	Sunday	3:00 PM	Stry	Obitnitsia/Provody
6	Thursday	*ASCENSION OF OUR LORD*		
9	Sunday	10:00 AM	Bonnyville	Sunday of the Fr.'s of the 1st Ecumenical Council
16	Sunday	10:00 AM	Glendon	*Pentecost* - Descent of the Holy Spirit
23	Sunday	10:00 AM	St. Paul	Feast of All Saints - Xram
24	Monday	APOSTLES' FAST BEGINS		
30	Sunday		Sandy Rapids	Feast of All Saints - Xram

Please note:

All Sandy Rapids services are being hosted at St. Elias in Bonnyville.