

Вітаємо до Парафії Воздвиження Чесного Хреста! Welcome to Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish!



Христос Воскрес! Воістину Воскрес! Christ Is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

We extend a warm "Happy Easter Season!" to all our parishioners and guests, and pray that your participation in today's Easter Season Divine Liturgy will be enriching, meaningful, and special for all of you.

May 12, 2019 ~ Sunday of the Paralytic

Today's Readings: Epistle: Acts 9: 32-42 Gospel: John 5: 1-15
Troparia and special texts are on page 8 of the white Easter season booklets

Epistle Readers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Evelyn Poleschuk
Sunday (10 a.m.): Mary Ann Lysak



Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Linda Douglas
Sunday (10 a.m.): Murray Salomon

"Happy Mother's Day!" to all mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, and godmothers as we celebrate this annual event in your honour, and wish you all the love, health and happiness that you so rightly deserve. You are cared for and appreciated beyond measure. May God grant all of you many more happy and blessed years ~ Многая і благая літа! On Sunday morning, after the Divine Liturgy, we invite those ladies to come down to the parish hall for the annual 'Mother's Day Brunch', sponsored by the members of St. George's Society.

HOLY CROSS PARISH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



Thanks to all for the many, many accolades received after the Parish Easter Dinner concerning our 'famous' cabbage rolls. Compliments are still being received. Regrettably, there were only a limited amount of sales afterwards as many in attendance enjoyed a second helping of the delicious 'holubtsi.' Another making (for frozen orders only) is being considered, tentatively in mid- to late-June, and will be announced in this bulletin as soon as it is confirmed. Play stay informed.

Holy Cross Golden Agers will have their pyrohy making on **Tuesday, June 4.** To place your order, please call Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann (G) Opaski (577-2805) now to avoid disappointment as the cut-off date is coming up fast.



Even though the weather is getting warmer, please remember your donations to our **Food Hamper** in the narthex for non-perishables. When full, items are delivered to St. Andrews Dew Drop Inn where they are used to feed those less fortunate. *Thank you kindly!*

Your Return Gift to God

Let us strive to live as Christian stewards, receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them generously and lovingly with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

MAY 4/5

Envelopes: \$1,030.⁰⁰ Special Projects: \$130.⁰⁰
Mission: \$48.⁵⁰ Eparchial Needs: \$70.⁰⁰

Thank you for your generosity! Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!

The Mission Collection for May is designated for **Habitat for Humanity Thunder Bay.** Since 1994 Habitat for Humanity of Thunder Bay has been building homes and hope for families in need by providing affordable housing in the community of Thunder Bay. To date 39 families and numerous children have been served through our homeownership program and 30 new homes have been constructed in the city.

Liturgical Services Schedule

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

10:00 a.m. ~ Moleben to the Mother of God



SATURDAY, MAY 18

10:00 p.m. ~ For the repose of the servant of God
†Joan Conrad ~ 40th day

4:40 p.m. ~ Praying of the Holy Rosary

5:00 p.m. ~ **Sunday of the Samaritan Woman**

Epistle Reader: Joseph Myslicki

Eucharistic Minister: Frances Puchalski

SUNDAY, MAY 19

9:40 a.m. ~ Praying of the Holy Rosary

10:00 a.m. ~ **Sunday of the Samaritan Woman**

Epistle Reader: Larissa Warywoda

Eucharistic Minister: Stanley Myslicki

Mother's Day Tribute

*Motherhood is a million little moments
that God weaves together with grace,
redemption, laughter, tears,
and most of all, love.*



~ Lysa TerKeurst ~



Readings for the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

(to help prepare for the nourishment of the Word of God at Liturgy)



Epistle: Acts 11: 19-26; 29-30

The Church at Antioch

Gospel: John 4: 5-42

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

As you read each passage, ask yourself these questions:
“What thoughts, ideas, words or images come to mind?”
and “What are the connections between them?”
This will help make them easier to follow and understand.



History Corner

25 years ago...

DATELINE: MAY 8, 1994. It was another memorable occasion at Holy Cross. Pictured below left is **James (Jim) Petrunka** presenting a beautiful potted arrangement of “mums” to **†Nettie Kachur**, who, at the age of 87 when this



picture was taken, was the eldest mother in attendance at the annual **“Mother’s Day Breakfast”** in our parish hall, sponsored by the members of St. George’s Society.

Nowadays, Jim is our “bran and blueberry muffin master” who whips up his tasty recipe for the ladies (and the staff) at this yearly event. Unfortunately for us, it’s a closely-guarded family secret which he keeps tightly locked in a sealed mason jar in his winter home in Florida... just kidding. Thanks Jim!



In today’s Gospel reading, Jesus offers the paralytic man a new and unusual opportunity. Jesus did not discuss the pool or its alleged abilities to provide a cure, He simply said to him: “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.” Obviously, the man now had a choice. He could listen and ignore, listen and hope or he could listen and obey. This opportunity was totally unexpected. It is almost shocking, yet the man must make a choice. He chose to seize the moment. Don’t we all have that choice? Jesus invites the man to participate in this miracle. In His words “to take up his bed” the Lord is telling him and all those who truly want to change, something very important: do not make any provision to go back. Many people fail right here. Many will not step out on faith and burn their (crutches) bridges behind them. However, we have several advantages over the man in this account. Remember, he had been in his condition 38 years; he didn’t know who Jesus was or what he could do; nor did he have anyone to assist him in his efforts. However, we have the good news of the Gospel available to us. We know who Jesus is and what He came to do. He is willing to help and heal us. We are free to call on Him today in prayer.

~ from a sermon by Otis McMillan

HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS

Regular afternoon activities take place on Thursdays starting at 1:00 p.m. with doors opened at 12 noon, and new members are still welcome to join our ranks. Check us out!

The next bus to Grand Portage departs the church parking lot this coming **Wednesday, May 15** at 3:45 p.m. and returns @ 10:00 p.m. To book your free seat, give Ann Kozlowski or Ann (G) Opaski a call before then. Non-members (18 years and up with valid passports) are cordially invited to come along — the more, the merrier!

Orders for our Spring Pyrohy Making session on **Tuesday, June 4** can be placed anytime. Contact Ann Kozlowski at 622-3006 or Ann (G) Opaski at 577-2805 to get your name of the list. The price is \$6 per dozen (for cooked or raw frozen). Help spread the word as the deadline is approaching!

***Do not regret growing older.
It’s a privilege denied to many!***



ST. GEORGE’S SOCIETY

We will again be preparing a delicious breakfast meal for all the mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, and god-mothers of our parish on Sunday morning following the Divine liturgy. Those who have signed up to help (on Saturday and/or Sunday) are reminded to be present. Extra assistance to serve and clean up will be appreciated.

Our next bingo session is a matinee on **Monday, May 20** (Victoria Day). Volunteers should be at the hall no later than 12 noon in proper attire.

The next bingo training date and time is:
Sunday, May 26 @ 4:00 p.m.



All members (and parishioners 18 years and over) are invited to take the training (it’s only an hour long) and assist at future bingos. Please inform Gerry Bullock so that he can confirm your attendance with the staff at Superior Shores.

Our final regular monthly meeting will take place on **Sunday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m.** Tickets for the annual dinner meeting, on **Thursday, June 20**, will be available at that time. We hope to see many members in attendance on both occasions.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Superior Quilt Show 2019 - Friday, May 24, Saturday, May 25, and Sunday, May 26 at the CLE Coliseum, 425 Northern Avenue. Admission is \$5; children under 12: free. 200+ quilts on display plus vendors, food sales, free demonstrations and Spring Quilt Challenge sponsored by Northcott. Check out the poster in the narthex for exact times as they vary from day to day or visit www.thunderbayquilters.org for more information.

King of the Lobster Supper - Saturday, June 1 at the Columbus Centre (Arthur at May) from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Guaranteed 3 lobsters, salads, scalloped potatoes, dessert, rolls and coffee/tea. Tickets are \$60/person and are available at the Centre Office or by calling Rosie at 623-3252 to purchase your tickets with a credit card. **Deadline: Monday, May 13 at 5:00 p.m.**



Whoever Has Jesus, Has Life

Most kids like milk, don't you? Perhaps some of you have seen those old TV commercials and advertisements with famous people wearing a milk mustache and asking the question, "Got milk?" Why are they doing that? Well, they are trying to get people to drink more milk. Why should they care if people drink milk?

The reason is that milk helps to build strong, healthy bodies. Milk is a good source for calcium which helps to build strong bones and teeth. The protein in milk helps to build strong muscles and healthy hair. Other vitamins in milk help to maintain the skin and helps you to stay looking young. Drinking milk is one of the easiest ways to give your body the vitamins and minerals it needs to grow and to be strong and healthy. So, you see, "Got milk?" is a very important question.

There's a question that is even more important than, "Got milk?" In fact, it is the most important question you could ask anyone. Can you guess what that question might be? That question is, "Got Jesus?" What does that mean and why is it such an important question?

The Bible tells us that God has given us eternal life through Jesus Christ, His Son. The Bible says, "He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life." Don't you think that the most important thing you could ask someone is whether or not they have life? After all, if you don't have life, you have nothing.

So, the important question is: "Got Jesus?" If you believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and that He came to die on the Cross to pay the price for your sins and was raised from the dead, you've got Jesus. And, if you've got Jesus -- you've got life!



Dear Father, thank You for giving us eternal life through Jesus Your Son. Amen.

Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen!

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