



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

A place of prayer, family, and community since 1967 which follows the Eastern (Byzantine) Christian traditions of the Catholic Faith that first emerged in the lands of Rus-Ukraine through the preaching of Saint Andrew, the First-Called, and echoed onwards through the mission of the holy apostles to the Slavs, Cyril and Methodius. At Holy Cross, we are called to enter into communion with God within the community of the faithful, the Church — the Body of Christ. Here, we offer services in English and Ukrainian languages where we are united to God and one another, and, “with one heart and one voice”, form the family of God. Jesus Christ is the centre of our life, and it is in the Divine Liturgy where we come to know Him in each other by means of the Sacred Scriptures, and through the receiving of the Holy Sacraments. May your participation in today's celebration be thoroughly enriching and truly meaningful as well.

### August 11, 2019 ~ 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Post-feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord)

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 3: 9-17 **Gospel:** Matthew 14: 22-34  
Troparia are on the inserts provided

**Epistle Readers:** (Saturday) Gloria Sherban  
(Sunday) Andrika Warywoda

**Eucharistic Ministers:** (Saturday) Francis Puchalski  
(Sunday) Murray Salomon

### August 18, 2019 ~ 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Post-feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God)

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 4: 9-16 **Gospel:** Matthew 17: 14-23  
Troparia are on the handouts provided

**Epistle Readers:** (Saturday) Linda Douglas  
(Sunday) Michael Watral

**Eucharistic Ministers:** (Saturday) Linda Douglas  
(Sunday) Stanley Myslicki

## Schedule of Liturgical Services

from Monday, August 12 to Sunday, August 25, 2019

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

10:00 a.m. ~ **Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God**  
Flowers and herbs blessed after the service

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 (Post-feast of the Dormition)

5:00 p.m. ~ **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
(See the masthead above for lay ministers)

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 (Post-feast of the Dormition)

10:00 a.m. ~ **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
(See the masthead above for lay ministers)

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

5:00 p.m. ~ **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
Epistle Reader: Brett Glena  
Eucharistic Minister: Christopher Tennant

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

10:00 a.m. ~ **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
Epistle Reader: Mary Ann Lysak  
Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Lysak

## 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.*

### JULY 27/28

Envelopes & Loose: \$1,120.<sup>00</sup>  
Mission Collection: \$81.<sup>50</sup>  
Vigil Lights: \$205.<sup>75</sup>  
Special Projects: \$5.<sup>00</sup>

### AUGUST 3/4

Envelopes & Loose: \$1,300.<sup>00</sup>  
Mission Collection: \$76.<sup>85</sup>  
Vigil Lights: \$100.<sup>65</sup>  
Special Projects: \$110.<sup>00</sup>

## Thank you very much! Щиро Дякуємо!

The Mission Collection for July totalled \$288.<sup>95</sup> and has been sent to **Shelter House SOS** (Street Outreach Services).

The Mission Collection for August is for **Grace Place**.

## Parish News & Activities

Congratulations and best wishes to **Dr. Suzanne Chomycz**, daughter of Ches and Rosa Chomycz, and **Patrick Sullivan** who were joined together in holy matrimony on Saturday, July 27 at St. Agnes' R.C. Church. May the Lord God bless His servants Suzanne and Patrick, give their lives a great store of good things, send them true and faithful love, and grant them many happy and prosperous years. Многая і благая літа!



We welcome **Conor Daniel Neagu**, son of Marius and Crystal Neagu (née Yanicki) into our Christian family, who received the Holy Sacrament of Baptism in the Byzantine Rite on Saturday, August 10. May the light of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, shine over Conor all the days of his life, and may God grant him and his family many happy and blessed years. Многая і благая літа!

It's that time again! St. George's Society presents its annual 'Corn Roast' on **Saturday, August 24** at 6:00 p.m. in our parish hall. Advance tickets only are now available for \$10/person (no tickets will be sold at the door this year). Door prizes are also being accepted, so if you have any to donate, please speak with Michael Watral to arrange for pick-up, or you may bring them to church any Saturday or Sunday before August 19. We hope to see many parishioners and friends in attendance for this yearly social & fundraiser.



Our mother parish, Church of the Transfiguration, will be celebrating its parish Praznyk on **Sunday, August 25**, and is extending an invitation to all our parishioners. Divine Liturgy will be at **12 noon** followed by the communal meal in the parish hall (639 McIntosh Street at Connelly). Everyone is welcome to attend!

**FYI:** The current balance in the Special Projects account is \$2,931. The latest expenditure that was covered (\$1,900) was for the replacement glass for the main church doors. As our building ages, we may need to take care of a few 'big-ticket' items by accessing this valuable source more frequently. Therefore, it is important that the balance in the Special Projects account grow again with your generous financial support. Thank you for your kind consideration! ☺



The Gospel from the 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost (Jesus walking on the water) is not only a lesson about faith, but also about motivation. In our daily lot in life, we are often confronted with circumstances and sudden unexpected appearances. Do we withdraw? Cower? Face it head on? Do we respond with a word with Jesus? In times of peril – real or imagined – Jesus should be our number one contact. Ask Him in prayer to protect us with His Holy Spirit and guide our response. When we realize that Jesus is right there with us, we can muster up faith and have great comfort and even some element of bravery.

How will we ever know the extent of our own faith; how will we perceive the will of God in a sink or swim situation? Our faith will surface when we call out to Him and He will save us – even from ourselves sometimes. Peter began to sink when he took his eyes off Jesus and looked at the sea wanting to swallow him up. There's the lesson: let's keep our eyes on Jesus in those times of peril, NOT on the crisis (sea) that wants to swallow us up.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Jesus paints a picture of the type of faith that His disciples needed in the situation at hand. They asked, "Why couldn't we cast out the demon?" The disciples had cast out demons before. Why was this one different? Well, the demon was not the issue; rather, it was their lack of faith. Like a mustard seed, faith has to grow in order to access the things of the Kingdom. A little faith is not enough; it has to continue to grow and become so dominant that it overshadows and blots out any unbelief in life. And when that happens, Jesus smiles, "nothing will be impossible to you."

~ condensed and edited from sermons by Howard Gunter and Barry O. Johnson



## ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

Our next bingo is on **Wednesday, August 14** from 12 noon to 4 p.m. The next bingo training session at Superior Shores is **Saturday, August 17** at 10:00 a.m. sharp. Those who wish to attend the training should notify Gerry Bullock or Michael Watral.



Our annual Corn Roast is set for **Saturday, August 24**. Advance tickets only are now available (\$10/person) - none will be sold at the door. Member (and family) volunteers will certainly be appreciated. Draw prizes are also being accepted. See Michael Watral if you have any to donate. *Thank you!* ☺

Fisherman: remember to submit your weigh-in slips to any Fish and Game Committee member as soon as possible so that the Board can be updated regularly.



We now have a confirmed date for our annual Golf Tournament: **Saturday, September 21**. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the narthex bulletin board in late August for those who are interested in joining us on the links. Of course, any member who wishes to attend the steak dinner at the parish hall afterwards is also invited. The cost will remain at \$10 per member (plus greens fees), and all members are invited.

Finally, our first regular meeting of the new society will take place on **Sunday, September 29** at 7:00 p.m. New members are welcome to join at that time.

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## EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

**Spaghetti & Meatballs Take-out** - Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Councils 1447 and 8602 (in support of their community projects), **August 15 & 29** from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Columbus Centre, \$11.<sup>50</sup> per order. Please bring your own container. Roasted chicken and perogies also available. See the poster in the narthex for more information.

**37<sup>th</sup> Annual Westfort Street Fair** - **Saturday, August 17** from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., featuring bargains from merchants, free draws & prizes, artisans & crafters, local and ethnic foods & refreshments, plus activities for kids & live entertainment. Enter to win a trip for two courtesy of Bearskin Airlines. Check out the poster in the narthex for details. Presented by the Westfort Village Assoc.



## HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS

Regular afternoon activities resume **Thursday, September 5** — that's now less than one month away! New members are welcome to join at that time. Membership is only \$10/year.

This month's bus to Grand Portage will leave the church parking lot on **Wednesday, August 21 @ 3:45 p.m.** and return @ 10:00 p.m. You can call Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann Opaski (577-2805) to book your free seat. Non-members (18 years and up) **with valid passports** are invited also. Come join us for a relaxing evening of fun and fellowship! ☺



We have some great news to share! A fall bus trip to Winnipeg from **September 30** through to **October 3** (4 days/3 nights) is shaping up. Transportation arrangements have been confirmed with Winning Streak (they've got new buses!), and hotel accommodations are being negotiated — plus some exciting event performances, such as *Cirque du Soleil* and others. Many thanks to George Rusnick for taking care of the details. More information will be given as soon as it is available. Those who have indicated their interest will be contacted by phone; a meeting will be arranged in the near future — stay in touch!

Our fall pyrohy making has been re-scheduled for **Tuesday, October 8** (*that's just before the Thanksgiving weekend*). You can place a 'standing order' anytime with Ann Kozlowski or Ann Opaski to do so (their numbers are listed above) — and please help spread the word to others. *Thanks!*

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

**Readings for the 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Sundays after Pentecost**  
(to help prepare for the nourishment of the Word of God at Liturgy)

**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday** (August 18)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4: 9-16  
Gospel: Matthew 17: 14-23

**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday** (August 25)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9: 2-12  
Gospel: Matthew 18: 23-35

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.



**The Children's Corner** is on hiatus during July and August. Enjoy the nice weather, and always remember to keep Jesus as the centre of your lives in the summer. Say your prayers every night before you go to sleep to thank God for all the blessings in your life.

## ~ The Woodwork Angel ~

**MY TEETH SCREAMED.** I couldn't neglect them any longer. I finally ignored my fear of dentists and decided to get them fixed. But how? I was a college sophomore and barely supported myself with part time jobs. Maybe I could fix the worst one. I flipped open the Yellow Pages and called the first dentist within walking distance. The receptionist told me to come right over. As I hurried across the campus, I forgot the pain in worrying about how I would pay the bill.

In a few minutes I was in a chair being examined by a dentist who said, "Hmm," as he surveyed the wreckage of my mouth, "Your teeth are in bad shape."

"I already know that, " I snapped, in a smart-aleck way to hide my fear."

"But don't worry," he said, "I'm going to fix them."

"No, you're not. I can't afford to pay you." I started climbing out of the chair.

"What are you doing?"

"I told you, I have no money."

"You're a student at the university, aren't you?"

[*What difference did that make, I thought.*] "Yes..."

"You're going to graduate in a few years, aren't you?"

"I hope so."

"And then you expect to get a job, don't you?"

"That's my plan."

"Well, then you'll pay me. Meantime, you concentrate on your classes and leave the dentistry to me."

I stared at him. He really meant it. He calmly picked up his tools and fixed the aching cavity.

From that day on, I saw him every week until my teeth were in good shape. And he kept them that way with regular checkups. After graduation, I got a job and settled his bill in a few months.

In the 40 years following, I've learned to call this man a "woodwork angel." These are strangers who appear out of nowhere — out of the woodwork — when I need help. They've lent and given me money, materials or equipment; they've taught me skills and helped me organize groups; sometimes they've rescued me from danger or making a big mistake. So, dentist dear, wherever you are, bless you and thank you again!

Varda One from *The 4<sup>th</sup> Course of Chicken Soup for the Soul*

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