



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, that is, the Body of Christ. Here, services are offered in the 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.

Sunday, October 13, 2019 ~ 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Today's Readings: *Epistle: 2 Corinthians 9: 6-11 Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11*

Special troparia and texts are found on the bulletin inserts

Epistle Readers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Linda Douglas
Sunday (10 a.m.): Susan Soldan



Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday (5 p.m.): Linda Douglas
Sunday (10 a.m.): Stanley Myslicki

Veritable Words of Wisdom

By Jesus' power and authority, multitudes of people
will be caught for eternal kingdom blessings
by the followers of Jesus who teach the word of God,
obey His commands, humble themselves,
and treasure Christ above all.

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.

OCTOBER 5/6

Envelopes: \$2,570.⁰⁰
Mission Collection: \$94.²⁵
Special Projects: \$105.⁰⁰
Seminary Fund: \$155.⁰⁰



Parish News & Events



We extend our best wishes to **Anne (L) Opaski** who celebrated her 90th birthday on October 7, and **Peter Swerdlyk** who celebrated his 95th birthday on October 8. May the Lord continue to bestow his blessings upon Anne and Peter for many more years to come ~ *Многая і благая літа.*

The **Holy Cross Golden Agers** would like to express their sincerest appreciation to all parishioners, friends and family who came out to help at their pyrohy making last Tuesday. May God bless you all!

October is the month of the Rosary. We will, therefore, pray the Glorious Mysteries 20 minutes before each Saturday/Sunday Divine Liturgy. Everyone is welcome to participate in this most inspirational recitation.



A Halloween party for our children is being planned for **Saturday, October 19** at 6 p.m. in our parish hall. If your children/grandchildren are interested in attending (*parents and grandparents can come, too!*), please call Jaclyn Strehlow as soon as possible at 252-1789 to indicate your intentions. There'll be crafts, games, food, and fun for all!



On **Sunday, October 20**, we invite everyone to come down to the parish hall (after Liturgy) for the return of our coffee hour/mini-luncheon and fellowship. Items for the buffet/dessert tables should be brought to the parish kitchen no later than 9:45 a.m. that morning. Also, during that time, a 30-minute instructional video on the art of baking and decorating a 'korovai' (wedding bread) will be shown. This is a must-see for anyone interested in esoteric wedding customs.

Orders for the **November 18 pyrohy making session** are now more than 90% filled, which means the cut-off is very close. We encourage those who wish to receive product to place an order at your earliest convenience to avoid any disappointment. Call Walter at 475-3757, or send him an e-mail at warywodaw@gmail.com Thank you very much for your cooperation and support!

Thank you for your generosity! Щиро дякуємо!



The Mission Collection for the month of October is designated for **Community Clothing Assistance** of Thunder Bay.

Liturgical Services Schedule

For the week of **October 14 to October 20, 2019**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

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

5:00 p.m. ~ **19th Sunday after Pentecost**

Epistle Reader: Brett Glena

Eucharistic Minister: Christopher Tennant

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

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

10:00 a.m. ~ **19th Sunday after Pentecost**

Epistle Reader: Mary Ann Lysak

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Lysak

Щасливого дня подяки всім! Happy Thanksgiving to all!





History Corner



DRESSED TO THE NINES AND HAVING GOOD TIMES

Here is a picture from our archives that was taken at the Parish Halloween Party from October 1993. More than 40 children were in attendance plus parents, and as most of us can remember, those were 'spooktacular' good times. This year's Halloween Party will take place in our parish hall next **Saturday, October 19** at 6:00 p.m. Those who wish to attend are to call Jaclyn Strehlow no later than this Tuesday.

HOLY CROSS GOLDEN AGERS

Regular afternoon activities take place every Thursday starting at 1:00 p.m. (doors opened at 12 noon). New members are still welcome to join anytime. Membership is just \$10 per year. Come be a part of a dynamic group of people!

Many thanks to all members, plus parishioners, family and friends who were present to help with our pyrohy making this past week. We appreciate your time and effort, and wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving weekend!

Do you enjoy the fall colours? Then hop on the next bus with us to Grand Portage on **Wednesday, October 16**. It will leave the church lot @ 3:45 p.m. and return @ 10 p.m. This is a free service open to those 18 years and up with valid passports. To reserve your seat in advance, please contact Ann Kozlowski (622-3006) or Ann (G) Opaski (577-2805). ☺

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



As we hear in today's Gospel from St. Luke, Chapter 5, the mental state of Peter, James and John that morning was one of disappointment and discouragement. They had fished all night and caught nothing. However, when Jesus arrived, the impossible turned into an amazing catch.

When we are at our weakest, when we are down in the dumps, that is the point where God can take over. When we are weakest, God is strongest. We are not called to the safety of the shoreline but, to "*put out into deep water*," attempting the impossible with God, capturing people for His kingdom.

~ from a sermon by Gaither Bailey

Readings for the 19th Sunday after Pentecost (to help prepare for the nourishment of the Word of God at Liturgy)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31 - 12:9
Paul's Visions and Revelations

Gospel: Luke 6: 31-36
Love for Enemies

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.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY

The next bingo training date is **Saturday, October 19** beginning at 10 a.m. sharp at Superior Shores Gaming Centre, 435 Memorial Avenue. If you are going to attend, please inform Gerry Bullock or Michael Watral so that either can notify the staff at Superior Shores how many to expect from our club/parish. Our next bingo session is on **Wednesday, November 20** in the evening.

To all fisherman: the last to submit your weigh-in slips is **Sunday, October 27**. The salmon category is still empty, so you are encouraged to go out and try to catch one of those "pink-fleshed, ray-finned" swimmers. The banquet is scheduled for **Saturday, November 2** in our parish hall.

Our Corporate Communion takes place **Sunday, October 27** at the 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy. All members are requested to meet in the church hall no later than 9:40 a.m. after which we will proceed into the church as a whole. We ask you to please wear your St. George's blazers with the crest, a dress shirt and St. George's tie (or another appropriate one), with grey trousers. And because this is a very important occasion, we encourage all members to attend services on the Sunday of that weekend, rather than the Saturday before. A breakfast meeting will follow at the Airline Hotel at \$10/person. Hope to see many at both venues!



Love and Service to God since 1960!

Autumnburst Bazaar - presented by the St. Dominic's CWL, **Sunday, October 20, 2019** at St. Dominic's Church Hall, 130 Redwood Ave. W. from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Adults: \$6, children: (5-12 years) \$4; those under 4: free. Call Linda Burella @ 577-6789 for tickets or you can purchase them at the door.



Halloween Tea - **Sunday, October 20, 2019** from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Slovak Legion, 801 Atlantic Avenue, presented by the R.C.L Ladies Auxiliary Slovak Branch. Tickets are \$7 per person and are available from any Ladies Auxiliary member or at the door. You may also call the Legion Office at 623-3354 Ext. 1 or 2 during regular business hours

K of C Pickerel Dinner (in support of their community projects) - **Saturday, October 27** at the Columbus Centre. Two sittings: 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. \$21 per person, includes pickerel, home fries, coleslaw, bread, dessert and coffee/tea. Refreshment bar is available. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance. Call Rosie at 623-3252 during business hours to obtain yours.



We Have Much to Be Thankful For Regardless of Circumstance

We've all heard the story of the first Thanksgiving feast celebrated by the Pilgrims. It happened in 1621, almost 400 years ago. It had been a hard year for the Pilgrims. They had arrived in America too late in the year to plant any crops. Because of this they were hungry much of the time. They were not in good health, and many of their friends and family got sick. In fact, almost half of them died during that first winter in America. So, when the harvest came in the



fall of 1622 the Pilgrims knew that they were probably going to be safe. They had plenty of food to eat now and plenty to store away for the upcoming winter.

The Pilgrims wanted to give thanks to God for giving them so much, so they decided to have a feast. Their neighbours, the Wampanoag Indians, brought deer they had hunted and everyone settled down for a huge meal and celebration that lasted three days.

Most everybody knows that this is the story of the first Thanksgiving Feast, but it is not the only story of Thanksgiving among the Pilgrims. Two years later....

In 1623, it was a very dry summer at the Plymouth colony. There was a drought and the Pilgrims were worried that their crops would fail and they wouldn't have enough food. But you know what? They still had Thanksgiving. Now it wasn't a feast, it was a fast. When times were hard they would take a day and not eat. They did this to focus totally on God. They thanked God for what He had given them and prayed for His help through the coming winter. You see, whether the Pilgrims had a lot or a little, they wanted to thank God for His provision.

They didn't just thank God for providing them with food they thanked him for giving us His Son. You see the Bible says: "Rejoice always; pray constantly; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." You see God has already given us His Son Jesus to take our punishment for any bad things we have done. So whether our tummies are full, or our tummies are grumbly, whether the future looks bright or the future looks scary, we still have so much to be thankful for.

Let us pray: God, You have given us so much over the last year, but the most important gift ever is the gift of Your Son Jesus. Thank you so much. Amen.

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