

UPCOMING LITURGIES & EVENTS: April 9-16, 2017

Date	Time	Location	Event
Sun, 9 April Palm Sunday	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners
	11:30AM	Prud’homme-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Bill Hryniuk (St. John the Evangelist Parish)
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For the Needs of the Eparchy
Mon, 10 April Holy Monday	6:00PM	Dormition-Church	Confessions
	7:00PM	Dormition-Church	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy: +Archdeacon Ray (Lawrence/Ursula Popovitch)
Tues, 11 April Holy Tuesday	7:00PM	St. George Cathedral	Eparchial Chrism Liturgy
Wed, 12 April Holy Wednesday	6:00PM	Dormition-Church	Confessions
	7:00PM	Dormition-Church	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy: For Healing
Thurs, 13 April Holy Thursday	7:00PM	Dormition-Church	Vespers, Divine Liturgy & Foot Washing: For Our Parishioners
Fri, 14April Good Friday	11:00AM	Vonda-Church	Holy Shroud Service
	3:00PM	Dormition-Church	Holy Shroud Service, followed by All-Night Vigil
Sat, 15 April Holy Saturday	2:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: God’s Blessings – SSMI in Saskatoon (Ollie Komarnicki)
	8:00PM	Vonda-Church	Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy & Easter Basket Blessing
Sun, 16 April EASTER	8:00AM	Dormition-Church	Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy & Easter Basket Blessing

Liturgical Ministry Schedule				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Welcomers</u>	<u>Epistle Reader</u>	<u>Children’s Liturgy Leaders</u>
9 April	9:30AM	Judith Kurulok & Diana Chomitzky	Linden Predy	Jennifer Clerke
	5:00PM	Volunteers	Volunteer	-----
16 April	9:30AM	Rose Hrycuik & Ruth Serack	Monica Rhinas	NO CHILDRENS’ LITURGY TODAY
	NO 5:00PM DIVINE LITURGY TODAY...			
23 April	9:30AM	Loran Chrusch & James Bidulka	Elizabeth Stefanyshyn	David & Amy Rybinski
	5:00PM	Volunteers	Volunteer	-----
<u>Date</u>	<u>Rosary</u>	<u>Sunday Collection Counters</u>	<u>Church Cleaners</u>	
9 April	Jana Lalach	Gord Worona & Chis Sherban	April 9-22	Jana Danielson & Amanda Hudye
16 April	Mitchell Smith	Lucas Olenick & Danika Shoffner		
23 April	Elizabeth Stefanyshyn	Donna Gosselin & Tim Lalach	April 23-May 6	David & Amy Rybinski

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS!

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon **Covenant of Care Abuse and Misconduct Protocol** is designed to ensure that all allegations of physical and sexual abuse and other misconduct are handled responsibly, transparently and with all due care and attention. If you have a concern please contact Fr. Andre, Parish Coordinator of Care **Jon Abrametz** at (306-652-8833 ext.1) or Deb Larmour, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at (306)-653-0138 ext. 228.

COMMUNITY NEWS

1. The Shrine of the Venerable Nun Martyrs Olympia and Laurentia (215 Avenue M South) celebrates a **Weekly Moleben Service** every Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m., followed by fellowship. Please come and join the Sisters of St. Joseph in prayer!

2. **Pontifical Divine Liturgy with Vespers, Blessing of Chrism Oil and Washing of Feet** – Holy Tuesday, April 11, 2017 – 7:00p.m. - St. George Cathedral. An invitation is extended to all parishioners of our Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon to come together and celebrate in this Holy Week Service.

3. **Outdoor Way of the Cross** - A community prayer walk accompanying the cross as it is carried through the streets of Saskatoon, recalling the last hours of the Passion of Jesus: Good Friday, April 14, starting at 9:45 a.m. The Way of the Cross begins in front of the courthouse on Spadina Crescent with stops at a range of city landmarks and buildings. Prayers during the walk connect suffering and injustice in our world to the stations of the scriptural Way of the Cross (introduced by St. John Paul II in 1991). The prayer walk takes about 90 minutes, and is followed by a soup lunch at St. Paul’s Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent East. For further information call Myron at (306) 659-5841.

4. **Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day Procession** will be held Easter Monday, April 17 beginning at 4 p.m. from Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish at 426-Avenue J South with smudging and prayer. A procession with the statue of Saint Kateri will include praying of the rosary and singing of Immaculate Mary from Guadalupe to St. Mary’s Parish and back. The procession will conclude with the song “Kateri” followed by soup and bannock. Everyone is welcome!

5. Saskatoon **Prayer Breakfast** will be held at 7 a.m. Saturday, April 29 at Prairieland Park in Saskatoon, featuring a message of hope from guest speaker Jason Caldwell, and musical guests Brad Johner and the Johner Boys. Tickets: \$40 each. Tables of eight are available. Find more information at www.saskatoonprayerbreakfast.ca or call (306) 370-9870.

6. Thinking about Separation or Divorce? **Retrouvaille** is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health and reawaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought a couple together. For confidential information about the April 28-30 Retrouvaille weekend in Saskatoon, call Joanne or Ben at (306) 652-7155 or email retrouvaille@sasktel.net.

7. It’s time to celebrate spring and Ukrainian culture with an evening of dance and song. Join us as we celebrate **50 years of Boyan Ukrainian Dance** in Saskatoon on April 29, 2017! The evening will consist of a performance by Boyan dancers, including Boyan on Tour and special guests Pavlychenko Folklorique Ensemble, Yevshan Ukrainian Folk Ballet Ensemble, and Lastiwka Ukrainian Orthodox Choir and Orchestra. A dance and midnight lunch will follow featuring Half Na Piv. Semi-Formal Attire. No Jeans. Tickets are on sale now! The Grand Circle and Main Floor Front are SOLD OUT. Adults: \$29.00 Children (12 and under): \$12.00 For more information please visit our website: www.boyandance.com/about/50years.

8. **Vesna Festival 2017** - Saturday, May 13th at Prairieland Park, Saskatoon - 5:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Featuring "Half Na Piv" of Saskatoon and "Budmo" of Winnipeg, as well as Ukrainian Cuisine, Artisan Market, Art Showcase, Cafe Kyiv, Children's Sadok and Cultural Room. Tickets avable at www.vesnafestival.com or call the Box Office at 306-652-4700. Early Bird pricing until April 15th: \$40 Adults; \$20 Children (6-16); 5 & Under Free.

APRIL EPARCHIAL COLLECTION – Aid to the Holy Land. The special collection for the month of April is for Aid to the Holy Land. To contribute, use our parish collection envelopes and check off “Special Collection” on the front of the envelope, and “April – Holy Land” on the back.

Regular Giving by Pre-Authorized Debit – Making monthly contributions by preauthorized debit is a valuable way to help our parish reduce administration and allows us to plan for the future. Giving monthly by direct debit is a confidential agreement between you and Dormition Parish. Simply complete the pre-authorized debit form (available at the entrance of the church) and drop it in the collection basket. A year-end donation receipt will be issued for all pre-authorized and other donations you make during the tax year. Many thanks for your continued generosity and support!

50 years of Share Lent! Development and Peace – Caritas Canada thanks everyone who donated to Share Lent. The money collected will go towards meeting the needs of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to make a donation, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the Offertory or to make a donation directly at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

Easter Flower Donations – On Easter Sunday the church will be bursting to overflowing with the glories of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. As is our tradition, we place Easter lilies and other flowers in the Church as an offering to God in thanksgiving for our salvation. To accomplish this, and to allow the faithful to offer a gift to God, you can donate to this endeavour. Remember to check off “Easter Flowers” on the inner –side of the parish collection envelope. Thank you.



Delivering essential and effective Eparchial Ministries to keep our Ukrainian Catholic Faith alive and flourishing requires monetary resources.

The 2017 Annual Eparchial Appeal will be conducted from April 22 to May 28, 2017. BBESSI Office staff will be coming to share the goals & objectives of the 2017 campaign at **Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George** for all parishioners in the **Saskatoon and district area**.

We extend an invitation to all parishioners at **the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of St. George, Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, and Dormition of the Blessed Mother of God Parish and district parishes** to attend an information sharing presentation by BBESSI following a **Moleben service @ 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at the Ukrainian Cathedral of St. George – 210 Avenue M South – Saskatoon, SK.**

PARISH NEWS

1. PLEASE PRAY FOR: Orest Chernesky, Alex & Phyllis Skakun, Patsy Galbraith, Anne Iwanicha, Mary Bayda, Hailey Woytowich, Shawn Hyshka, Nick Chrusch, Ethan Smolinski, Steph Cooley, Jules Chrusch, Walter Moshinski, Mike Okrainetz, John Kurysh, David Kurysh.

2. Our Parish Alpha Program continues after Easter! Come and share a meal, a video and reflection. Upcoming topics include: Why and How Should I Read the Bible? How Does God Guide Us? Who is the Holy Spirit? What does The Holy Spirit Do? How Can I Make the Most of the Rest of My Life? For more information, contact Judith Kurulok @ j.kurulok@sasktel.net.

DORMITION & DISTRICT PARISHES HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

<u>April 10 Holy Monday</u>	6:30PM 7:00PM	Confessions Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
<u>April 11 Holy Tuesday</u>	7:00PM	Eparchial Chrism Liturgy @ St. George Cathedral
<u>April 12 Holy Wednesday</u>	6:30PM 7:00PM	Confessions Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & Anointing of the Sick
<u>April 13 Holy Thursday</u>	7:00PM	Liturgy of St. Basil with Vespers & Foot Washing
<u>April 14 Good Friday</u>	11:00AM 3:00PM	Holy Shroud Service (@Vonda) Holy Shroud Service, followed by Vigil at the Tomb of Jesus until Sat. 2:00p.m.
<u>April 15 Holy Saturday</u>	2:00PM 8:00PM	Liturgy of St. Basil with Vespers Resurrection Matins, Easter Vigil Liturgy & Basket Blessing (@Vonda)
<u>April 16 Easter Sunday</u>	8:00AM	Resurrection Matins, Easter Divine Liturgy & Basket Blessing
<u>April 17 Bright Monday</u>	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy

Brothers and sisters in Christ,
Today marks the beginning of the Holy Week. I’m aware of how busy life is for many of you, but this week, I invite you and your family to take the opportunity to stop and spend some time with Jesus. You’ll notice that every day this week there is something liturgical happening in our church – take advantage of these services to be present to our Lord, to be reminded of the great depths of God’s mercy for you. And if you find that you are just too busy, that you are too exhausted, perhaps this week is an opportunity to ponder whether God wants you and your family to be so busy.

Blessings for this Holy Week - Fr. Andre

Eparchial Space at St. Volodymyr's Villa

In an effort to be more available among the people in the Eparchy, I am moving out of his current residence at 425 Pinehouse Drive at Gennese Square that is owned by the Eparchy. I have asked for Eparchial space at St. Volodymyr's Villa where I will have an opportunity to be among others as well as have some working area. St. Volodymyr's Villa has made space available in a two-bedroom suite since there is not extra space in that building. Another reason for this change is that these arrangements will, in the end, be less expensive for the Eparchy than current arrangements. Other than the usual reclamation procedure for tenancy changes, there were no suite modifications and therefore no special cost to the Eparchy. With the hope of being more available in the southern part of the Eparchy, efforts are under consideration for me spending more time in Regina in a similar fashion. My main office remains at the chancery where all mail is directed.

Willowgrove Property

Approximately 12 years ago Bishop Michael Wiwchar, CSsR was able to obtain a piece of land in Saskatoon with the hope of establishing a new parish. Once I took office, the direction offered by the 2004 Sobor document recommendations suggested we investigate this possibility of building a church. An eparchy-wide effort to solicit the opinion of the members of the Eparchy about how to use this property in the best interests of the Eparchy was undertaken. The response was not favorable regarding establishing new parish. The following years of investigations of how to use the property for the Eparchy as a senior's residence or green space for gardens or even as a worship/day care space likewise encountered several obstacles.

In light of establishing an Eparchial Fund, the sale of the Willowgrove property is not beyond possible consideration. It would also add to the interest monies available to the widest number of members of the Eparchy to carry out recommendations of the Sobor 2014 Document.

We continue to strive to be better stewards of all the people and all the material gifts God has given us. Be sure to make yourself available to attend the November 2017 (17th -18th?) STEWARDSHIP FORUM where we can hear God's voice spoken to us through one another on how to be better stewards of all people and material gifts God has given us.

In Christ,



April 1, 2017

Слава Ісусу Христу! Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Eparchy of Saskatoon,

Stewardship – Identifying Needs

Regarding Vision 2020 also known as “Vibrant Parishes – A Place to Encounter the Living Christ”, the Eparchy of Saskatoon was asked by the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church to reflect on how our parishes could become vibrant places to encounter Christ. This was to take shape in six particular areas, including the 1) Word of God; 2) Holy Mysteries (Sacraments) and Prayer; 3) Serving One's Neighbour (diakonia); 4) Leadership; 5) Fostering Unity (koinonia); and 6) the Missionary Spirit of the Parish. Said differently, the role of a parish is to be a place of sanctification (sacraments), education (catechesis) and administration (caring for material needs), sharing the same extended roles of the bishop and clergy.

Building upon the Sobor Document of 2005, our more recent reflection produced the 2014 Sobor Document where we find our plan for how we are called to be missionary disciples and good stewards of the people and all gifts given us by God. Regarding stewardship, one important step was to protect our people and all we have as an Eparchy by investing in an umbrella insurance and liability policy a few years ago. Indeed, all Western Dioceses and Eparchies have this in place. To maintain this coverage at an acceptable standard, operational audits by the Assembly of Western Catholic Bishops will be carried out to confirm our compliance with this expression of stewardship. As Catholics, Western and Eastern, we are taking steps to make our churches, halls and everywhere we worship and celebrate as safe as possible for all ages. Further steps for safety and risk reduction are underway - as demonstrated by our development of the Covenant of Care policies and protocols that all Eparchies and Dioceses must have in place.

Stewardship Forum

This brings into focus the many churches, halls and properties that remain idle and are rarely used. They are certainly landmarks and a testament to the dedication and faith of our ancestors, however, from another perspective they present a growing risk of injury and some of them are embarrassingly beyond repair. Additionally, many cemeteries need care and attention. That is why every District Council, with their priest, are essential in evaluating the needs for worship of those in their

respective area while the respectful decommissioning of other places of worship is calling for some difficult decisions to be made. Who better to care for these buildings and plan for their future than those who live nearby? How does their care play a role in the bigger picture across the Eparchy?

Consequently, in November 2017 I have asked the Eparchial Pastoral Council to facilitate another STEWARDSHIP FORUM for all parish councils across the Eparchy to participate in. The theme, “Do You Love Me? Tend My Sheep – Caring for Whom and What God Has Given Us.” will focus our attention on how all of us are called to be better stewards. Guidelines will be discussed on how to be responsible stewards so that unnecessary risk to injury is reduced and efforts to fund future programs and ministry for our future generations are safeguarded. Everyone is responsible in some way for sanctifying, teaching and administrating.

Annual Eparchial Appeal

The 2014 Sobor Document has recommendations for addressing the spiritual needs of our faithful in the Eparchy. Funding for the improvement of programs and services provided by eparchial ministries has become a reality through your generosity and the Annual Eparchial Appeal. The Eparchial ministries, including the Family and Life Office, the Religious Education Centre, the Youth Ministry and the Communications Office have provided for the needs to faithful in all the corners of the eparchy.

While this effort is dedicated to ministry and programs, unfortunately we are still very dependent on Catholic Missions In Canada and other sources to assist with meeting the financial demands and recommendations as outlined in the 2014 Sobor Document. That is why the idea of establishing an Eparchial Foundation (contemplated over 10 years ago by the Financial Council) was revisited so that the assets of the eparchy were made available to as many parishioners as possible.

An Eparchial Foundation

Like other similar trust funds, the idea is to grow a principle investment and with time, this investment will provide interest that can be disbursed for specific financial requests. As an example, it makes sense to grow a fruit tree that provides for the future rather than always purchasing fruit. In the case of the eparchy, the interest from the Eparchial Foundation would be available to fund requests that fall under the 2014 Sobor Document recommendations. This assistance would reach members of the eparchy regardless of where they live in Saskatchewan.

Sheptytsky Institute

We should be grateful to those before us who had the insight of establishing a facility as a student residence. It was well used by members of the eparchy over several decades, many of whom are today’s leaders in our Ukrainian community. However, for the last 10 years or more, the trend has been for the faithful to invest in a residence privately, allowing their children/students a place to live while studying. Then, later, it serves as a place for the parents to retire in Saskatoon. The Eparchy has voted with their feet. Meanwhile our energies with the Institute have been making affordable residency of foreign students when that is clearly not a SOBOR priority.

Renovations of Sheps for continued use, even as a student residence, was imminent. Other purposes of the building were investigated but did not fit the SOBOR directives. It became clear that the best way the asset of Sheps could be made available to the greatest number of members of the eparchy was selling it and creating an Eparchial Foundation. Consequently, Sheptytsky Institute located on the corner of College Drive and Wiggins Avenue in Saskatoon is set to be sold (possession date of May 1, 2017) for \$2, 275,000 (before commissions and legal fees were deducted). The proceeds of this sale (after deductions) are going to serve as a major contribution to the Eparchial Foundation. The management of the foundation will be entrusted to BBESSI since it has as its members the faithful of the eparchy.

We are positioning the assets of the eparchy so that they are available to as many members of the eparchy as possible over future decades. Disbursements from the Foundation are to be guided by the recommendations of the SOBOR and approval of the financial council. This is the best way to have all the ‘stakeholders’ participate in deciding how disbursements of the interest of the Foundation are made. It is about good stewardship.

UCREC & AGEMI Office at Chancery

As a result of the sale of Sheptytsky Institute building on the corner of College Drive and Wiggins Ave. the Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre (UCREC) is moving to the Chancery office location of 214 Ave M South in Saskatoon. The management office of the Archangel Gabriel Eparchial Ministries Inc. (AGEMI) is also moving its office to the Chancery building. They will continue their work of managing the assets of the Eparchy.