

UPCOMING LITURGIES & EVENTS: Dec 31-Jan 7, 2017

Date	Time	Location	Event
Sun, 31 Dec Sunday after Christmas	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners
	5:00PM	NO 5:00PM DIVINE LITURGY TODAY!	
Tues, 2 Jan	7:30PM	Dormition-Auditorium	KofC Council 13129 Meeting
Thurs, 4 Jan	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: Deceased Olynyk Family Members (Mary Shewaga)
Fri, 5 Jan Vigil of Theophany	11:30AM	STM College Chapel	Divine Liturgy: God’s Blessings – Bumbaca Family
	5:30PM	Dormition-Auditorium	Meatless Pot-Luck
	7:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy & Great Water Blessing: For Our Parishioners
Sat, 6 Jan Theophany	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: God’s Blessings – Rawlyk Family
Sun, 7 Jan Sunday after Theophany	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners
	3:30PM	Dormition-Auditorium	RCIA
	4:00PM	Dormition-Church	First Solemn Holy Communion Prep
	5:00PM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For the Needs of the Eparchy

Liturgical Ministry Schedule				
Date	Time	Welcomers	Epistle	Children’s Liturgy Leaders
31 Dec	9:30AM	Ruth Serack & Diana Chomitzky	Linden Predy	-----
	5:00PM	NO 5:00PM DIVINE LITURGY TODAY!		
7 Jan	9:30AM	Dodie Abrametz & Barbara Bodnarchuk	Patti Fisher	Jennifer Clerke
	5:00PM	Volunteers	Volunteer	-----
14 Jan	9:30AM	Bill & Lil Muzyka	Brennan Uhyn	Amanda Hudye & Ian Baranesky
	5:00PM	Volunteers	Volunteer	-----
Date	Rosary	Sunday Collection Counters	Church Cleaners	
31 Dec	Knights of Columbus	Danika Shoffner & Victor Skomar	Dec 31-Jan 13	Maureen Chrusch
7 Jan	Judith Kurulok	Mildred Nicol & Judith Kurulok		Loran Chrusch
14 Jan	Mitchell Smith	Danika Shoffner & Gord Worona	Jan 14-27	Travis & Katherine Hutsal
Snow Cleaning		Dec 30-Jan5 Matthew Yunik	Jan 6-12 Linden Predy	Jan 13-19 Al Bodnarchuk

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 covenantofcare@skeparchy.org or 306-653-0138 ext. 228.

A WARM WELCOME TO PARISHIONERS, GUESTS & VISITORS!

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.
2. **Award-Winning Internment Documentary to Premiere in Saskatoon** - The University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students Association and the Ukrainian Canadian Professional & Business Association of Saskatoon are pleased to bring you the documentary, "That Never Happened: Canada's First National Internment Operations," by Ryan Boyko of Armistice Films. Tuesday, January 9, 2018 @ The Roxy Theatre (320 20th St W). Doors open at 6 PM Screening at 6:30 PM. A live Q&A session with the Producer and Director will follow. Tickets are available online at Eventbrite or call Adrian 306-220-8967 or Nykola 306-514-3143.
3. **St. George’s Cathedral Malanka** will be on Saturday January 13, 2018 at the St. George’s Senior Citizen Centre (1235 20th Street West). Advance tickets only! Deadline to reserve your ticket is January 10th by calling (306) 664-3459, 249-0493, 382-1647, 382-6572, or 382-2715.

Support SCSBA’s Schools You Can Believe In fundraising campaign

Help ensure Catholic education is available to all who choose it, no matter the reason, for future generations. Donate to support the legal appeal of the Theodore court-case ruling and keep resources in our classrooms. A permanent reversal through the appeals process (which will likely go to the Supreme Court of Canada) is needed to maintain funding for all who choose Catholic faith-based education. Donate online at <https://foundation.gscs.ca>, or make your cheque payable to Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Foundation (write “Theodore” in the memo) and drop it off at your local Catholic school or deliver it to 420 22nd St E; Saskatoon, SK S7K 1X3.

“Just as you did it to the least of these...”

St. Joseph High School students collected over 21,000 lbs of food for the Saskatoon Food Bank and Learning Centre this past Halloween—the most among the many schools that are helping feed the hungry. Catholic education makes a difference in your community.



Visit the **Cantors’ Corner** on our Eparchial Website: www.skeparchy.org . . . If you have not already discovered this on our website, please click on the icon on our homepage and discover the Propers for the Liturgical Year on a monthly basis as taken from the translation and music of Father John Sianchuk, CSsR, which is more widely used in our Eparchy. The new project, late December through March, is a "work in progress". We are again asking for your feedback. Please email me throughout this trial period at ivannaha@sasktel.net with your feedback and comments.

17th Annual King of Kovbasa - Thursday, February 8, 2018, 7 PM (doors open 6:30 PM) Prairieland Park (503 Ruth St W). Our community partner this year is the new PotashCorp Children's Discovery Museum. They will be moving into the old Mendel Art Gallery building on Spadina in late 2018. Come out and support a great cause! Single tickets are \$40 and reserved tables of 8 are \$350 plus service charges. Credit card purchases can be made online from our UCPBA Saskatoon website at ucpbasaskatoon.ca/events.html. Reserved tables may also be purchased with cash or cheque by emailing UCPBA President David Lalach at david.lalach@richardsongmp.com.



The **Bishops' Levee** will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. **Monday, Jan. 1, 2018** in the Bishop LeGatt Hall of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Drive, Saskatoon.

Everyone is welcome to meet and greet **Bishop Mark Hagemoen** of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, and **Bishop Bryan Bayda** of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon during this come-and-go reception.

No RSVP required. This event is organized by the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Assemblies (D'Arcy McGee 1065; Justice Emmett Hall 2700 and Bishop Nykta 2755). For information, contact Ron Frehlich, Faithful Navigator, D'Arcy McGee Assembly at (306) 229-0090.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018 will feature a number of Saskatoon events from Sunday, Jan. 21 to Sunday Jan. 28, beginning with an Opening Service at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 at St. John's Anglican Cathedral, and events every day of the week. For more information visit the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism website at www.pcecumenism.ca or call (306) 653-1633.

St. Michael's Camp would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We look forward to seeing you at camp in 2018. Go to <http://www.stmichaelscamp.com/> or call Tracie Bugera @ 306-533-8229.

Winter Camp Dates

- Little Mikes Family Camp Feb. 16-19
- Youth Camp Feb. 19-24

Summer Camp Dates

- Teen July 1-6
- Youth July 8-14 & 15-21
- Day Camp July 23-26
- Little Mikes Family Camp July 26-29



Bishop Andrew Roborecki Foundation was established in 1982 to accept donations from the Faithful for educational support of Seminarians or Priests who will serve our Eparchy. Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSSR, has designated the month of **January** in which to make your donations. Please use your own church envelope and indicate "Donation for Roborecki Foundation" and deposit with your Sunday Collection. Make your cheques payable to your Parish, who will then forward all donations to the Foundation. Your donation will be receipted in your Parish records along with all your regular church donations. *Thank you for your continued support & prayers. ХРИСТОС РАЖДАЄТЬСЯ!*

Planning to get married in 2018? Congratulations! The Eparchy of Saskatoon Marriage Preparation Program "Crown them with Honour and Glory" will take place in Saskatoon on Saturday March 24, 2018 - 8 am. to 7 pm. at the Eparchial Chancery Office (214 Ave M South). At this one day intensive course you will be immersed in the beauty and richness of our unique wedding ceremony and learn some of the keys to a happy lifelong marriage. Please speak immediately with Fr. Andre about your plans. To register for the course email Deborah Larmour at uwitness2family@skeparchy.org.

PARISH NEWS

1. **PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Orest Chernesky, Alex & Phyllis Skakun, Anne Iwanicha, Hailey Woytowich, Ethan Smolinski, Steph Cooley, Jules Chrusch, Walter Moshinski, Mike Okrainetz, John Kurysh, Rose Chrusch, Bernie Storzuk.

2. **Church Parking Lot** - If you park your car in the church parking lot, please make every effort to park as close as possible to the church building (without hitting the wall!) or along the rectory property (without hitting the rectory!). This ensures that there is sufficient space in the middle of the lot for other vehicles to enter and exit. Thanks for your cooperation!

3. **Theophany Eve Meatless Pot-Luck Supper** (Kutia will be provided!) - Friday, January 5th @ 5:30PM. Divine Liturgy & Water Blessing @ 7:00PM

4. **Blessing of Homes after Theophany** - Throughout the month of January, Fr. André will be visiting and blessing the homes of parishioners from our pastoral district with the newly blessed "Jordan water". To have your home blessed, please call/text Fr. André @ 306-280-2941 or send an email to admin.ducc@sasktel.net to book an appointment.

Brothers and sisters in Christ! Christ is Born! Христос Раждається! I hope you are enjoying this first week of the Christmas Season! Many thanks to all who participated in our Christmas Liturgies this past week. Christmas Eve was memorable not just because of the size of the crowd, but also for the energy and enthusiasm of our children who performed a fantastic Nativity Play! Thanks to them for all their prayerful efforts, and in particular, to **Carla Shynkaruk-Adamko** and **Andrea Abrametz** for directing and producing! We were fortunate to host Bishop Bryan at the Christmas Day Liturgy, who acknowledged our vibrant and growing parish community! Special thanks to our choir members, sacristans and servers for their service at the Liturgies, and to our Sanctuary and Art & Environment committee members who did such a beautiful job with the altar linens. Gratitude to Jana, Tim, Cindy, Loran and Roman for their help in putting up the Christmas decorations. Finally, on behalf of my family, many thanks to those of you who offered 'Gifts of Love' – your generosity is very much appreciated and remembered!

Looking back on this past year, in our Pastoral District there were **15 Baptisms:** Logan Michael Alexandrovich (Bodnari), Wyatt Wade Stus (Dormition), Stephan Yuriy Olenick (Dormition), Emily Elizabeth Sopatyk (Prud'homme), Kascia-Maria Predy (Dormition), Aria Rae Shoffner (Dormition), Payton Nevaeh Winacott (Dormition), Carter Ben Stupak (Dormition), Kaitlyn Emily Karcha (Dormition), Theodore Edmund Bagwell (Dormition), Nathaniel Peter Shwytyk (Vonda), Kenyan Robert Bergen (Dormition), Skylar Lane Fortier (Dormition), Sawyer Marc Fortier (Dormition), Ryker John Fortier (Dormition); **3 Marriages:** Robert Cusson & Brandy Lozinsky (Dormition), Izaiah Pidskalny & Brittney Ohs (Borschiw), Bill Dykstra & Sarah Farthing (Dormition); **10 Funerals:** William Hryniuk (Prud'homme), Eugene Kurmey (Vonda), John Sielski (Vonda), Nick Chrusch (Vonda), Mary Bayda (Dormition), Stella Chilliak (Prud'homme), Steve Komarnicki (Dormition), John Koshman (Dormition), Anne Perozuk (Hawruliuke), Tracy Pobran (Dormition). We thank God for the gift of new life, and ask for eternal memory for those who now repose!

Have a great week, and Happy New Year! -- Fr. Andre



Because of the changing times and after some discussion, it has been decided that the Eparchial News will no longer be published in the fashion it has been over the years. I personally wish to thank the individuals, parishes and organizations who supported the publication financially over the years, particularly while I was the editor.
- Fr. Yuriy Lazurko

The Future of the Eparchial News - Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR



A little history . . . With the blessings and leadership from the late Bishop Basil Filevich, and the determination of two faithful servants, William Berezny and Deacon Yuriy Lazurko (and their families), December 1990 saw the birth of the Eparchial News with the first Christmas edition. Today, 27 years later, we bid farewell to the Eparchial News as we have grown to know it. However, I would be remiss in only discussing the future of the Eparchial News without first expressing our most sincere gratitude to William and Father Yuriy for their hard work and perseverance in bringing this publication to fruition. Furthermore, I wish to thank Fr. Yuriy who continued to believe in the importance of this publication to the faithful in our Eparchy for these past 27 years. He truly was the “*chief cook and bottle washer*” of the Eparchial News, serving as co-editor, editor and courier, seeing to it that each of the publications always got delivered to all the parishes in our Eparchy. All this was done with no cost to the Eparchy. **TRULY A LABOUR OF LOVE!** We also express our gratitude to Добрадійка (Dobrodijka) Dorothy and the Lazurko family for their support to Fr. Yuriy’s work with the Eparchial News. May God Bless you Father Yuriy, good and faithful servant of our Eparchy!

And now, what about the future . . . Chatting face to face with the Coordinator of the Communication Office of the Eparchy Chris Pidwerbeski the other day, different trends became apparent about communication in the Eparchy. I was surprised to learn the growing numbers of people accessing our Eparchial website, over 3.3 million hits this year to date, with over 80,000 visitors (first time visitors), and over 140,000 visits (people who return frequently). A recent meeting of the Communication Office with the web designer, Whole Wheat Web Design, and various staff and volunteers who contribute to social media, news and event stories to our websites, as well as to parish bulletins, brought to light the new challenges faced in keeping people informed. The news that reaches the faithful of the Eparchy of Saskatoon currently comes in various formats.

Websites, Facebook, Snapchat, Twitter, Instagram, Livestream, etc., have made the sharing of news more accessible as to how it is shared and with whom. Further, the methods available to share news have diversified. The various methods or formats for news have become more commonplace. For example, with some ease, video can be livestreamed, which offers people not able to attend an event in person the option of participating in it more personally by seeing and hearing a great deal live on a device such as cell phone, computer or tablet.

Others may prefer a news column style approach to the news, with a reporter who attended the event and covers it with photos as well as an intentional selection of highlights of the story. Some readers enjoy the summary of the event and the suggested significance of what took place. The perspective of the reporter comes through in the story. What the Eparchy needs is people who are willing to capture various aspects of what is happening in their parishes, districts and/or in the Eparchy, and then write about it, and then submit it to our Communications Office. This familiar relationship can be comforting to some when they turn their attention to what is the latest news out there. This is more significant when we hear that the Prairie Messenger will soon stop print and recent decisions about regularly printed news in the Moose Jaw area as well, to cite a couple of examples.

My concern is for the catechetical and faith-forming role that the written print has played in the lives of the faithful over the years. After all, good reporting of Catholic and Christian news should not be limited to merely informing people about events. It should have the intention of stirring something in the heart of the person digesting it, calling them to reflect on something that is meaningful, challenging (disturbing or comforting) and then evoking a response in the reader or viewer. News in the Eparchy should have the intention of evangelizing and forming those who access it.

The Eparchial News will continue online in some manner so that people from across the Eparchy can access it for its summarizing and celebration qualities. This can easily be downloaded and printed for those who prefer to handle the paper copy to read the Eparchial News. As we transition into a new chapter of an ever-changing aspect of what it means to be a missionary disciple, sharing news and passing it on again, we will become vibrant followers of Christ, which is everyone’s vocation and responsibility.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Bryan Bayda, CSsR