Brothers & Sisters in Christ!

Both of our Scripture readings help to focus our attention on the challenges and potential that exists in "community". In the Epistle reading, St. Paul writes to the Corinthian community, and begs them in the name of Christ to agree in what they say and avoid division; instead, be united in mind and judgment. It seems like an impossible task for anyone! In a similar way, in today's Gospel, in the face of what seems like an impossible situation, Jesus invites his disciples to give all that they have to help feed the crowds that had gathered – all for the sake of building community.

More astounding than Jesus' feeding of the crowds with a few pieces of bread and fish is Jesus' transforming the crowd into a community, a community united in their need for one another, in the bread they share, in the love of Christ who has brought them together. Christ empowers each one of us to perform our own miracles of creating community when we "move the fences" to include outsiders, when we welcome the rejected and forgotten to our tables, when we give of what little we have, joyfully and gratefully, for the sake of others, when we welcome one another as we would welcome Jesus.

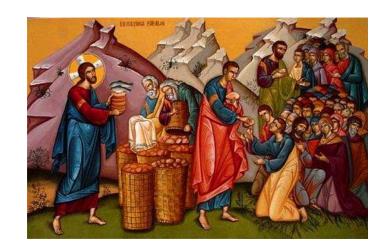
That being said, our Gospel story also teaches us about our God:

I. You are worthwhile in God's eyes, always. Everyone is fed. We approach the bread of life not because we are saints, but because we need it.

- 2. Our offering is worth it. 5 loaves and 2 fish of the poorest type. The leftovers on the shelf, the sardines only the poor ate: the boy had no idea of where his offering would lead. We never know where love will bear fruit.
- 3. God is with us in the ordinary the God of the table not the temple. Where we are in life, he finds us, and feeds us most when we are most empty. He will feed us always more than enough love in the heart of God for all. The meal of today has lasted, and the Eucharist is the central prayer and activity of the church. We minister the bread of life now to each other!

Blessings on your week,

Blessings, Fr. Andre



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Ukrainian Catholic Parish of the Dormition of the Blessed Mother of God

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Sunday Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am (Rosary at 9:00am) Weekday & Feast Days: As per Schedule Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sundays @ 9:10am or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Please make arrangements at least 8 months in advance with Fr. Andre. All couples are required to attend a marriage preparation program and are expected to be active members of the parish community before and after the wedding.

Sacrament of Baptism: Families of the baptismal candidate are to be active members of the parish community for a minimum of 3 months prior to the baptism taking place. Please phone the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Fr. Andre for baptismal preparation.

Holy Communion for Sick & Shut-Ins: If you are aware of someone who is ill or shut-in and unable to attend church and would like to receive Communion at home, please call the parish office.

Hall Usage: Call Gord Worona @ 306-979-1966 or gworona@sasktel.net.

Слава Ісусу Христу! Слава на віки! Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS, GUESTS & VISITORS!

8th Sunday After Pentecost

Upcoming Liturgies & Events in our Pastoral District

Date	Time	Location	Event		
Sun, 30 July 8 th Sunday after Pentecost	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners		
	3:30PM	Hawruliuke-Church	Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind & Grave Blessings		
Tues, 1 Aug	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: Health – Lorna (Gloria Lischynski)		
Thurs, 3 Aug	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +John Sielski (St. John the Evangelist Parish)		
Sat, 5 Aug	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: +Bill Hryniuk (Ann Pidwerbesky)		
Sun, 6 Aug Transfiguration of our Lord	9:30AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: For Our Parishioners & Blessing of Fruit		
	11:30AM	Laniwci-Church	For the Needs of the Eparchy		

Liturgical Ministry Schedule										
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Welcome	<u>rs</u>	<u>Epistle Reader</u>		Children's Liturgy Leaders				
30 July	9:30AM	Rose Hrycu	ik & Dodie Abrametz	Darryl Adamko		Summer Break				
6 Aug	9:30AM	Alonso-Stefanyshyn Family		Rose Worona		Summer Break				
13 Aug	9:30AM	Jennifer Clerke & Mary Shewaga		Mary Shewaga		Summer Break				
<u>Date</u>	Date Rosary		Sunday Collection Counters		Church Cleaners					
30 July	Knights of Columbus		Dodie Abrametz & Barb Bodnarchuk		July 30-Aug 12 Shawn & Allie Hyshka					
6 Aug	Mitchell Smith		Don Gabruch & Natasha Lalach							
13 Aug	Judith Kurulok		Kimball Lischynski & Judith Kurulok		Aug 13-26 Patti Fisher & Gord Worona		Patti Fisher & Gord Worona			

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!

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.



SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, August 27th - Dormition Parish Feast Day Celebration: Divine Liturgy @ 9:30AM followed by water blessing and a pot-luck lunch! Bring your favourite dish and your friends!

PARISH NEWS

- I. 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. **Fr. Andre** is away on vacation with his family from July 26th -August 23rd. In the event of a Pastoral Emergency (anointing, personal crisis, death, funeral arrangements, etc.), please contact **Fr. Gregory Hrynkiw** at 306-241-0141.
- 3. At the conclusion of Divine Liturgy next Sunday the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord Fr. Gregory will bless grapes as well as other fruits and vegetables as a beautiful sign of the final transfiguration of all things in Christ. It signifies the ultimate flowering and fruitfulness of all creation in the paradise of God's unending Kingdom of Life where all will be transformed by the glory of the Lord. So plan to bring some fruit to bless and share!
- 4. Applications are now being accepted for the **Ninth Eparchial Lay Formation**. The program starts September 8 & 9, 2017. Apply by August 30, 2017. There is a program change: it is a Friday night\ and all day Saturday event only for two years, I weekend a month. Come learn more about the richness of our Eastern Church by studying our Liturgy, Theology, Spirituality and Traditions. Contact UCREC at: (306) 652-1718 or rel.ed@sasktel.net or your Pastor.
- 5. YOUNG PEOPLE, THE FAITH AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT Survey for youth. Our Pope wants your input... The goal of this questionnaire aimed at young people throughout the world from 16 to 29 years of age is to provide you with the opportunity to communicate, express and recount who you are and what you want to say about yourself. To take the survey, go to: https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718.

COMMUNITY NEWS

- I. 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. **Musée Ukraina Museum Summer Hours** We are open extended hours during the summer. Please visit the museum during our hours of operation: Sundays from 11:30 AM 4:30 PM and Thursdays, starting June 15 through to August 31, from 1:00 PM 5:00 PM @ 222 Avenue M South Sr. Theodosia Lane, Saskatoon.
- 3. **BIRTHDAY PARTIES** at **ST. JOSEPH'S HOME:** Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. (33 Valens Drive, Saskatoon). Celebrating the birthdays of the residents for the month of August. Sponsored by Ss. Peter & Paul Seniors' Organization). Come join the Sisters of St. Joseph, the celebrants, their families, residents and sponsoring group for an afternoon birthday party celebration, with a snack and entertainment.
- 4. The 11th Annual Ukrainian Golf Tournament the Dave Mysak Kovbasa Klassic is scheduled for Thursday, September 7 at Moon Lake Golf & Country Club. We are once again partnering with NASHI to bring you this fun and entertaining Texas Scramble style golf tournament. \$150 per golfer, which includes green fees, power cart and steak dinner Register as an individual, pair or a team To register call Savelia at 306.653.4646 (you can use Visa or M/C) or Ron at 306.229.2843.