

April 19, 2020 – THOMAS SUNDAY

Brothers and sisters in Christ!

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Христос Воскрес! Воістину Воскрес!

In our Gospel for this Sunday, the Resurrected Lord comes and stands among the disciples (who were gathered in a house with the doors locked because of fear) and tells them: 'Peace be with you'. In this one passage, He says this not once, not twice, but THREE times! In these days of our own confinement, and conscious of our own fears and anxieties, it's good for us to hear and repeat those same words: *Peace be with you*.

I am grateful to all our parishioners and friends who prayerfully joined our Livestream Liturgies during Holy Week and Easter. This will continue to be our primary means of 'communal' prayer in the days ahead. Don't forget that resources are available on the [Liturgy Live](#) page of our website to enhance your prayerful participation in livestreamed Liturgies.

If you have yet to see our Parish Easter Greeting Video, or want to see it again, it is available on our [Parish YouTube Channel](#). We have had so much positive feedback about this video! I'm grateful to everyone who sent in a clip and particularly to **Myron Glova** for expertly editing them all together. Don't forget to subscribe to our YouTube channel, and share the link with family and friends, as it is home to recent homilies and upcoming episodes of 'Father's Corner' catechetical videos.

One silver lining in the dark cloud of COVID-19 has been the growth of our 'online' parish presence and capabilities. The crisis has resulted in the expansion of our Liturgy Live audience, videoconferencing technology has allowed our parish council and various committees to continue to meet, and now you can...

- Sign up for our online newsletter at <http://eepurl.com/gCJFV9>;
- Fill out an online parish membership application at <https://forms.gle/YP1kq5tmVEM5jNzE8>;
- Sign up online for our monthly [Pre-Authorized Debit](#) (PAD) program;
- Make a donation to the parish via e-transfer by sending it to treasurerdormitionucc@gmail.com.

Speaking of donations, our parish council is grateful to those of you who have left donations in the church mailbox or online via the parish website, or through our pre-authorized debit (PAD) program. THANK YOU! Please continue to use these donation methods or sending your gifts by mail directly to the church (120-105th Street West Saskatoon, SK S7N 1N2).

On a personal note, I want to extend a note of thanks to Myron (IT), Marcie & Elizabeth (Choir), and Neil & Roman (Sacristans) for their dedication and 'in-church' ministry over these past few weeks. I'll continue to rely on their assistance as long as our government and health officials continue to restrict public gatherings to 5 people. In addition, many thanks to the parishioners and communities who sent Easter cards and gifts to me and my family – much appreciated!

Peace be with you!

Fr. André

UPCOMING LITURGIES & EVENTS: April 19-26, 2020

Date	Time	Location	Event
Sun, 19 April Thomas Sunday	9:30AM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Divine Liturgy (closed to the public)
Tues, 21 April	9:00AM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Divine Liturgy (closed to the public)
	7:15PM	Online	Parish Executive Meeting
Thurs, 23 April St. George	6:30PM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Divine Liturgy (closed to the public)
Sat, 25 April St. Mark	9:00AM	Dormition-Church	Divine Liturgy: Birthday Blessings—Gregg Winacott (closed to the public)
Sun, 26 April Myrrh-Bearing Women	9:30AM	Dormition-Church Livestreamed	Divine Liturgy (closed to the public)

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

1. **PLEASE PRAY FOR EACH OTHER!** Remember especially those who are sick, suffering or house-bound: Alex Skakun, Hailey Woytowich, Steph Cooley, Jules Chrusch, Rose Chrusch, Tina Wesolowski, Nikolas Stefanyshyn, Albert/Genevieve Zaiachkowski, Delvine Zapanariuk, Olga Kondra, Shelley Perepeluk, Bill Muzyka.

2. **Devotional Services to Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky** - Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm (CST) Livestreamed on the [Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine YouTube Channel](#).

3. Hundreds of **Online Audio and Video Resources from the Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies** are available for FREE! Presentations from the Institute on theology, spirituality, liturgy, church history and canon law, including:

True Light – A Podcast by the Sheptytsky Institute

<https://www.sheptytskyinstitute.ca/podcast/>

Sheptytsky Institute Video Library

<https://www.sheptytskyinstitute.ca/video-library/> <https://www.youtube.com/sheptytskyinstitute>

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Finally, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are offering an indefinite 50% discount (Coupon Code: MAS150) on our catalogue of publications, books, DVDs, etc.:

<https://www.sheptytskyinstitute.ca/indefinite-50-discount/>

4. **Reject Euthanasia Bill C-7!** There is a horrible irony in our country these days: that we are going to great lengths to save the lives of our vulnerable population from COVID-19 and at the same time we have a government willing to create an environment where suicide is available in often questionable circumstances to persons incapable of making informed and free choices! Please support this attempt to let the government know that we firmly disapprove and add your name to this petition! The Hon. David Lametti - Minister of Justice and The Hon. Patty Hajdu - Minister of Health: [Reject Euthanasia Bill C-7](#).