



SAINT BASIL THE GREAT

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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SUNDAY, MAR. 22nd.
2020

SUNDAY LITURGY

10:00 a.m. English

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

12:00 p.m. Ukrainian

Office Hours (Tues. & Thurs.)

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

CONFESSIONS Before Divine Liturgies

BAPTISM By appointment

FUNERALS By arrangement

MARRIAGES: By appointment at least six months in advance

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Dear Parishioners,

As we all are witnesses to the pandemic situation, I want to ensure you that my prayers are with you as well as prayers of our Archbishop and all the clergy. Let us support each other by pray and phone calls to each other and especially to those who are shut in and our residents of personal care homes. In our liturgical life of our parish, we will follow the instructions of our church authorities within the Archeparchy of Winnipeg. The weekly bulletin can be read online at www.saintbasilwpg.ca where we will inform you when the church will be open for private pray and all updates. You can also follow the website of the Archeparchy which is www.archeparchy.ca or other eparchies of our church in Canada or the United States where you can find good resources for spiritual reading and English language live streams videos from Ukrainian Catholic Churches. You are invited to join Metropolitan Lawrence – ONLINE – this Sunday as there will be a LIVE broadcast of his Divine Liturgy from St. Anne Parish Church at 11:30 AM. There will be LIVE access to the Liturgy via Facebook or via <https://vimeo.com/399047504>

I am available for emergency calls so please contact me if needed. Let us Trust God in this situation without panic.

God Bless you all and it will be a big joy when we meet together when the Covid 19 pandemic ends.

***SCHEDULE All Sunday and Feast Day
Divine Liturgies are hereby closed to
the public!!!***

	<i>Time</i>	<i>Feast or Intention, requested by</i>
22 Mar., Sunday	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy for all parishioners
23 Mar., Monday		
24 Mar., Tuesday	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy for the soul of Jean Baydock offered by Matt Baydock & Family
25 Mar., Wednesday	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy for all parishioners
26 Mar., Thursday		
27 Mar., Friday	10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Divine Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts—PARASTAS (Sorokousty) Prayer Vigil to 5:00 PM
28 Mar., Saturday	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy for health and God's Blessing for Louise Mazur
29 Mar., Sunday	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy for all parishioners

LITURGICAL SERVICES Following upon the civil restriction concerning the gatherings of persons, **all Sunday and Feast Day Divine Liturgies are hereby closed to the public.** This means that priests are to celebrate these liturgies with limited assistants, such as a cantor, for the given intentions, especially for the parish, the sick and deceased. The faithful are dispensed from the canonical obligation to attend Sunday and Feast Day Liturgies.

The same restriction applies to other liturgical functions, including the Lenten services and weekday liturgies. The clergy are to conduct these liturgical services, especially for the spiritual benefit of the faithful, but only with limited assistants. All Lenten Missions are cancelled.

Special Instructions will be given separately for liturgical services for Holy Week and Easter.

**God's Blessings for your
Happiest Birthday**

Jordyn Szwaluk—Alex Zimrose
Maya Robins—Iris Sawchuk—Bill Kubik

МНОГАЯ ЛІТА!

SANCTUARY LIGHT burns eternally to indicate the presence of the Holy Eucharist
In the tabernacle.

The Sanctuary light can be reserved, please contact the office at 204-837-4180.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Call and visit our many parishioners that are ill or experiencing various challenges in life. **Remember:** *If anyone wishes to receive the Sacraments at home or in the hospital or nursing home please contact the parish office or Fr. Ihor directly, at the numbers noted, and we will be happy to visit.*

A heartfelt thank you to all parishioners who supported the four youth/Children of Mary/Altar Boys "Coffeehouse" during this past year. It was our pleasure to serve you. We look forward to using the funds for upcoming social gatherings. We also plan to continue helping with the coffeehouse in the future.

May God Bless You

St. Basil's Youth and Children

EPISTLE READERS:

Mar. 22 & 29—Katherine Dunsford
April 5—Nicholas Prychitko

USHERS & GREETERS

Mar. 22—Linda Gardner & Raymond Yakimik
Mar. 29—Harry & Nellie Fediuk
April 5 & 12—Pylyp Yersak & Nadia Khrustavka

Tatsa counters

March: Linda Gardner and Aurelia & Orest Kulchyski

DONATIONS – God bless you for supporting your parish. **Sunday collections for 10:00 am liturgy was \$ 851.00**

Church Custodians

March: David & Phyllis Shumski & Maryanne Siwicki

Dear Parishioners, Please contact me to help clean the church for a month in 2020. Your early attention would be greatly appreciated.

**Diane Pinuta - Church Cleaning Chair
204-774-1350**

Church will be open for private prayers every day from 11 AM to 1 PM
PRAYER VIGIL will be held every Friday (11:00 am to 5:00 pm) throughout Lent. Please come to pray for the needs of St. Basil's and your personal needs.

Re: COVID - 19 Pandemic Directives # 2 (19 March 2020)

Prot. H/10/2020 Glory be to Jesus Christ! To the Reverend Clergy, Religious Sisters and Laity of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg:

Since issuing the first directives for the Archeparchy of Winnipeg re the Coronavirus pandemic on 12 March 2020, the situation continues to worsen, forcing us to take drastic measures. In consultation with other Church officials we are issuing the following directives, effective Friday, 20 March 2020. Further spiritual reflections on this current crisis will be forthcoming.

GENERAL NORMS 1) We are to follow the regulations and directives of the pertinent civil authorities, public health officer and other medical sources given for the common good of society. Our directives are issued especially with due concern for the health and well-being of our clergy and faithful.

2) Particular care is to be given in keeping all spaces and objects clean and sanitized.

3) Special attention is to be placed on avoiding physical contact with other persons, keeping advised distances (social distancing) from other persons (at least two meters), avoiding coughing, sneezing, speaking close to, and breathing upon other persons. These precautions are to be maintained in liturgical services as well.

4) In keeping with current civil directives for the Province of Manitoba, all gatherings are restricted to less than 50 persons. This number will likely be further restricted. This restriction applies to all gatherings as well in our churches and on church property.

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8) Parishes should use electronic means to transmit liturgical services, including "live stream", and other uses of the internet. Prerecorded services, homilies, catechesis and other similar presentations can be made available via "You Tube" or other social media platforms. We hope to give further updates as to available programming via the internet, especially

from within the Archeparchy of Winnipeg. Liturgies are also transmitted from Ukraine. In Canada a daily Roman Catholic Mass is offered on Canadian TV networks.

9) **Funerals** may continue to be conducted in churches and funeral homes according to local regulations. Gathering restrictions must be followed, in consultation with relatives of the deceased. Persons who are at risk should not attend. Some families may request immediate burial with a Panaxyda and interment rites at the gravesite. At this time, unless a Divine Liturgy is deemed essential, the funeral service should consist of the Parastas and/or Panaxyda. A memorial liturgy can be planned for a later date. Public receptions following a funeral are not to take place, especially on church property.

10) **Marriages/ Crowning**, where possible, should be postponed to a later date. If taking place during the pandemic, gathering restrictions must be followed. Those who are at risk should not attend. Public receptions following a marriage are not to take place, especially on church property.

11) Baptism and Chrismation / Rites of Initiation where possible, should be postponed to a later date. If taking place during the pandemic, participation is restricted to the immediate family and sponsors, according to the gathering restrictions. Those who are at risk should not attend. For the prayers of exorcism, the priest is not to breath over the candidate. This can be replaced by the waving of the hand over the candidate.

12) Sacrament of Reconciliation /Confession will continue to be made available to the faithful, but on an individual basis. Group preparations, including Lenten Missions, are suspended. Pastors should indicate to the faithful when they are available in church for Confessions. A practical distance of 2 meters (6 feet or 2 chair lengths) should be maintained between the penitent and the priest. Confessions are to take place in an open space. Safe environment precautions continue to be required, e.g. no confessions in a closed room, especially with minors.

13) Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins continues but within the health directives of hospitals, health care facilities and private homes. While providing spiritual support to those in need, clergy are to avoid situations where they too can become carriers of the virus and thus endanger others. Precautions are to be taken when administering the Sacramental Mysteries of Holy Communion, Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick, as outlined elsewhere in these Directives.

14) Distribution of Holy Communion

-i- The priest must wash his hands thoroughly before beginning the preparation of the Gifts at the Proskomide (Prothesis). He also should sanitize his hands before the fraction of the Eucharistic Bread during the Divine Liturgy ("Holy Things for the Holy").

-ii- Only the main celebrant is to drink from the Eucharistic Chalice, while other clergy are to “Intinct” the Eucharistic Bread into the chalice.

-iii- All clergy are to refrain from saying the reception formula aloud when distributing the Holy Eucharist to the faithful, to avoid breathing or spraying saliva onto the face of the recipient.

-iv- Use of wooden single-use utensils (e.g. wands, flat sticks) are permitted for the distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful. Such wooden utensils are to be used one per person, and then cleansed after the Liturgy like the communion spoon. These wooden utensils are to be burnt within a week after usage.

-v- If the church is to be open for individual visits by the faithful at prearranged times, the clergy may distribute Holy Communion to the faithful, following the above norms.

-vi- Distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the sick and shut-ins can be done with wooden utensils, following the norms given above. Washing hands before and after each visit is a high priority.

SANITARY NORMS

15) Clergy and others assisting around the altar must wash their hands thoroughly before and after every liturgical service.

16) Clergy and laity must refrain from shaking hands and any other forms of body contact within the church. Keeping a distance between persons is also important.

17) Holy Water containers are to be emptied and covered, including those at church entrances.

18) Veneration of icons, the gospel book, crosses and crucifixes, reliquaries and any other church items by kissing, touching or any other means is to be halted.

19) Chalices, other sacred vessels, hand crosses, gospel books and similar items are to be washed with sanitizers or warm soapy water. Purificators, towels and other linen are to be replaced with fresh ones after each liturgy.

20) All books and other movable items should be taken from church seating and stored until further notice.

21) Door handles, bannisters, pew tops, counters and other areas frequently touched inside and outside churches are to be sanitized. Washrooms especially are to be kept sanitized.

Dearly Beloved in Christ, During this time of trial let us raise our prayers to the Lord, Physician of our body and soul, for the spiritual strength and bodily health so much needed in these days. May He help us through his peace to overcome our anxiety and fear. Through the prayers of the Mother of God and all the saints. In Christ, Most Rev. **Lawrence Huculak OSBM, Archbishop of Winnipeg, Metropolitan for Ukrainian Catholics in Canada**

PRAYER DURING TIMES OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace. Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. For yours is the Kingdom and Power and Glory of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

St. Ephrem Prayer To be recited daily during the Great Fast.

O Lord and Master of my life! Drive from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust for power, and idle chatter. (*Prostration*)

Instead, grant to me, Your servant, the spirit of integrity, humility, patience, and love. (*Prostration*)

Yes, O Lord and King! Let me see my own sins and not to judge my brothers and sisters; for You are blessed, for ever and ever. Amen. (*Prostration*)

+God, be merciful to me a sinner! +God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me! +I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord! (*4 times*)

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KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak the following Knights events are cancelled, Coffee House, March Perogy Supper (April perogy supper decision to be made at later date) and Spring Fling Dance. On behalf of my Brother Knights we thank all of our parishioners for your support of all of our events and look forward to your support when COVID-19 is no longer a problem, in the mean time stay healthy, Brother Knights if you aren't feeling well or have a cold, say your Rosary and pray at home

Submitted by John Bazarkewich Saint Basil Council Grand Knight

You can also follow:

Sacred Heart (Rossburn): <https://www.facebook.com/mykhaylo.khomitskyy>

St Josaphat Cathedral (Edmonton): <https://stjosaphat.ab.ca/>

Patriarchal Sobor of the Resurrection (Kyiv):

<https://www.youtube.com/user/pressugcc>

Holy Eucharist (Winnipeg):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nirAL59ewTY&feature=youtu.be>

Holy Protection of the Mother of God

(Toronto):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6y6jafiWs4>