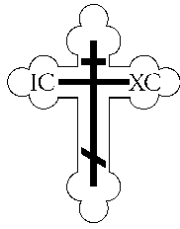


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## Parish President's Report

**СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ!  
СЛАВА НА ВІКІ!**

**Glory Be To Jesus Christ!  
Glory Be Forever!**

We've come through a very busy two months with the Nativity, Feast of Jordan, Annual Meeting, a slight change in Board of Management and a General Meeting.

Following the Annual Meeting of February 7, 2010, the Parish has been a whirlwind of activity with work bees for Babky, Pasky and Pyrohy taking up a great deal of our time. And with the Great Lent having started on February 15, 2010 the frequency of church services has been noticeable and it will increase as we celebrate Soul Saturdays commemorating our loved ones who have passed on, Liturgies of Pre-sanctified Gifts, Holy Unction Services and on into Palm Sunday, Passion Week and the Greatest Feast Day on our Orthodox calendar, the Resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

I have been a member of St. Andrew's for 40 years. The drive, commitment, co-

operation and determination to succeed and go forward never cease to amaze me. Our members continue to attend church services, not only on Sundays but on weekdays and evenings, where other Orthodox Churches have declining attendance and near empty churches or have no evening and weekday services at all. Yet we at St. Andrew's with no permanent Priest continue to attend. As Father Volodymyr Bilous said to us at our General Meeting, "There is some good that comes from a seemingly negative situation in that adversity brings people closer together." I sincerely thank Father Volodymyr for his words of wisdom, and faith in us to come through these tough times. The old adage of "The tough get going when the going gets tough", applies in this situation.

St. Andrew's contributed their usual strong presence on Orthodoxy Sunday at St. Barbara's Russian Orthodox Cathedral with approximately 25+ attendees. Our choir

members participated with the combined church choirs under the direction of Lesia Chumer and did an outstanding job singing the responses. We thank St. Barbara's for hosting Orthodoxy Sunday and providing for the fellowship hour that followed.

A special Thank you is due to our Church School Teachers Olga Alexandruk and Sheri Harasymuk for organizing and providing our own St. Andrew's Sunday of Orthodoxy with the Church School children involved in the presentation of Icons. It was a precious and moving experience.

While we continue to be part of these obvious church related activities, we often take for granted the excellent work that the choir, the Church School teachers, the cantors, the myrrh bearers, the altar boys and all our volunteers who contribute to our rich practices and traditions. Thank you all for making St. Andrew's the positive and religious experience that it is. Orthodoxy Sunday was certainly a treat. ...

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## LITURGICAL SCRIPTURE READINGS

March 2010

Sunday, March 7th

*3rd Sunday of the Great Fast*  
*Veneration of the Cross*  
Epistle: Hebr. 4:14-5:6;  
Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1.

Sunday, March 14th

*4th Sunday of the Great Fast*  
*St. John of the Ladder*  
Epistle: Hebr. 6:13-20;  
Eph. 5:9-19;  
Gospel: Mark 9:17-31;  
Matt. 4:25-5:12.

Sunday, March 21st

*5th Sunday of the Great Fast*  
*Ven. Mary of Egypt*  
Epistle: Hebr. 9:11-14;  
Gal. 3:23-29;  
Gospel: Mark 10:32-45;  
Luke 7:36-50.

Sunday, March 28th

*Entrance of Our Lord*  
*Into Jerusalem*  
*"Palm Sunday"*  
Epistle: Phil. 4:4-9;  
Gospel: Mark 2:1-12;  
John 12:1-18.



### SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday, March 7th

**Bilingual**

Sunday, March 14th

**Bilingual**

Sunday, March 21st

**Bilingual**

Sunday, March 28th

**English**

*Confession @ 9:00 a.m.*  
*Divine Liturgy commences*  
*@ 10 a.m.*



### WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. ANDREW'S SELO

Saturday, April 3rd  
*"Holy Saturday"*

Blessing of Easter Baskets  
at SELO - 6:30 pm

Monday, April 5th  
*"Bright Monday"*

10 am - Divine Liturgy  
Fellowship Coffee & Lunch  
to follow every Divine Liturgy



### REMEMBERING THE LIVING & DEPARTED

During every liturgy the priest says prayers for the living and the departed. At the entrance to the church, please fill in special "Remembrance Cards" and submit them to the celebrant priest so that prayers may be offered.

## Liturgical



### **PROSPHORNYTSIA**

We extend a huge bouquet to Adele Krewusik who has been St. Andrew's Prospornytsia since 1999. Words cannot express our appreciation for her dedication and commitment through many years of donating flour and baking the five loaves of bread (prospora) that are consecrated for the Holy Eucharist and blessed for distribution at each Divine Liturgy. Adele also baked the Artos for blessing and distribution every Easter.

We welcome Vera Tkachyk who has volunteered her service as our new Prospornytsia. Somehow it is fitting that she assumes this role by following in the footsteps of her mother and mother-in law who served their respective parishes in the same capacity for many years.

God's Blessing to both Adele and Vera; may He grant you many years! На мно́гі літа!

Submitted by Lesia Perritt, President  
St. Andrew's Ladies' Auxiliary

**The family of Dr. Harry Hohol and Sandra** express their gratitude for the continued support of our Church Family and friends during the repose of our Father and illness of our Mother.

We wish to acknowledge our thanks to the following:

Bishop Ilarian, Rev. Fr. Benny Ambrosie and all the Clergy of the Western Eparchy of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada for your prayers, attendance and participation in our Father's Prayer and Funeral Services.

The Order of St. Andrew, that our Father was so proud to be a member of.

The St. Andrew's choir and Cantors.

The Ladies Auxiliary for providing and serving all the food required.

Friends of the family that brought flower tributes, cheese and meat platters, full meals, cards of condolence and hope, phone calls, visits and dishes for Ukrainian Christmas.

Park Memorial for everything. Our Father knew he was in good hands.

St. Andrew's for accommodating people, re-organizing, and setting up the video presentation.

The Ukrainian Male Chorus for giving our Father his last conducting experience of Oche Nash at the Cross Cancer Hospital.

We thank Rev. Fr. Ambrosie for his pastoral care throughout our parents' illnesses.

Most sincerely,  
Our family.

## In Memoriam!

St. Andrew's Sobor Family extends their sincerest condolences to:

⇒ Michael & Gloria Gilyshyn and Family on the repose of Gloria's mother, Mrs. Subchuk.

Should you have names of loved ones you would like included in this section, please contact the Church Office at 780-469-1463.

ETERNAL BE THEIR MEMORY!  
WE PRAY THAT THE LORD GOD WILL ESTABLISH  
THEIR SOUL WHERE  
THE RIGHTEOUS REPOSE



## Parish Bulletin Board

### GREETERS' ROSTER

Listed below is a roster of those who have confirmed their participation as "Greeters" for this month:

March 7th -

*Garry & Nadine Brow*

March 7th - PASSIA

*Michael & Olga Alexandruk*

March 14th -

*Cliff & Lesia Perritt*

March 21st -

*Bruce & Gloria Macdonald*

March 28th - Ollie Sluzar,

*Steve & Emilie Gorgichuk*

To all the greeters a special THANK YOU!

### MORE GREETERS NEEDED

If you are interested in acting as a Greeter, please contact Pauline Lysak (434-4826).

### DONATION ENVELOPES

Should you require more "Offering Envelopes" contact Gene Luchka (465-1736) or Mark Bartko (469-9921) or fill out the request form in the Church vestibule entrance area.



### NEXT PYROHY SUPPER!

Our next "Pyrohy Supper" will be held on



**Friday,**  
**March 5th**  
from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
Bring Family & Friends!



## President's Report *Continued from p. 1 ...*

The new Board of Management met on February 8, 2010 and primarily dealt with business arising from the previous Board's initiatives with the new Board taking up the balance of business arising and initiatives to complete in the next few months.

1. The February newsletter was received from the Veerneest Dance Group. Thank you card was received from George and June Gushaty, A letter of thanks was received from the Council of Ukrainian Orthodox Churches of Edmonton (ST. Stephen's Cemetery) for the \$5,000.00 donation. Received a letter from the Chancellor of the UOCC advising of SOBOR 2010. Received the Assessment Notice from the City of Edmonton. Received a letter from Jean Naciuk to be read at the General Meeting ON February 21, 2010. Received e-mail notification from Fr. Deacon Anton Lakusta regarding their non-renewal of membership at St. Andrew's. Received e-mail notification from Myron and Emily Stechishin regarding their non renewal of membership at St. Andrew's. Received e-mail from Metropolitan John with 100201 dated "Open Letter" to membership.
2. Reports from executive members were minimal due to new Board members taking over their portfolios and pending direction from the General Meeting slated for February 21, 2010 regarding a priest short list for a permanent priest assignment to St. Andrew's, the expenditure priorities for maintenance and capital items, and SOBOR 2010 information to be presented.
3. Items tabled to the March 8 meeting included Church Goods to be considered for ordering, Church enhancement.
4. Plans were being put in place to have Church School/Dancing School Paska and Pysanka workshop on March 6, 2010 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
5. The church service calendar including Passia's, Soul Saturdays, Holy Unction service, Passion Week services and Provody has been arranged. Please check the Calendar in the Outreach for the March and April Services. The Provody schedule is listed elsewhere for your information since many of us have Provody in the city and in rural districts.
6. The **next Board meeting will take place on March 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. ...**

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**CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS:**

A thank you is extended to Megan Alexandruk, with the direction of Carla Kozak, for reading *The Hours on Orthodoxy Sunday*. Also, a thank you to all students and teachers for participating in the Triumph of Orthodoxy by carrying ICONS, reading the "Synodikon" and saying the Creed, and to the Church Elders, Mark Harasymuk, Michael Alexandruk and George Tkachyk for being cross bearer and banner bearers.



## St. Andrew's Ladies Auxiliary

Слава Ісусу Христу! Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Work bees are in high gear for paska and babka making.



Thank you to the ladies who are arriving at the crack of dawn to prepare the dough, and to all who are contributing their

energy and talents in making and baking beautiful breads for our Easter baskets. The remaining work bees scheduled are: March 1 (paska) and March 8, 11 and 15 (babka). Please contact Stephanie at 469-1463 or 469-5293 if you are available for any of these work bee dates.

Our **Easter Tea and Bake Sale** is on Saturday, March 20 at 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Past experience has shown that most of the baking is sold in the first 20 minutes so everyone is encouraged to be there on time. Anyone contributing baked items for sale is asked to bring them in for pricing on Friday, March 19 between 6 and 7:30 p.m. or on Saturday by 11:00 a.m.

The Ladies' Auxiliary passed a motion to contribute \$2500.00 to the building fund for St. Mary the Protectress Church in Parksville on Vancouver Island, served by our own Parish son, Rev. Fr. Peter Haugen. It is heartwarming that a new Ukrainian Orthodox Parish is thriving and growing. We wish

Fr. Peter, Dobrodiyka Erin and all their parishioners much success in their initiatives!

We continue to accept hygiene kits for distribution at emergency shelters. There is a drop off box in the atrium. Following is a list of items to include in a zip-lock bag for a single hygiene kit: toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, soap, small shampoo, razor, lotion and washcloth. These items can be readily purchased at local Dollar Stores and assembled for approximately \$3.25 per kit. It is truly a feel-good project to provide basic hygiene needs to those in crisis.

Our next Ladies' Auxiliary meeting is on Monday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m. March will be a busy volunteer month prior to, and including the Easter Tea and Bake Sale. There are also many special services during the Lenten period leading up to the Paschal Divine Liturgy on Sunday, April 4. Hopefully many members will be able to take in at least some, if not all of these special services. Our Holy Orthodox tradition is steeped with moving and meaningful worship to provide us with much spiritual nourishment.

In Christian love,

*Lesia Perritt,*  
President



## CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

*Glory to Jesus Christ!*



Our Journey to Pascha continues .... During the Great Lent, as Orthodox believers, we should adhere to a stricter way of living, reflecting on Christ's self-discipline when He spent His last forty days on earth in fasting and prayers in the desert.

The **Paska and Pysanka Workshop will be on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** starting at 1:30 p.m.

Students receiving their **First Confession will recognized on Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>**. Specific lessons on Confession for these students are continuing. That Sunday is also Godparents Day and we encourage all students to invite their Godparents to come to St Andrew's and worship with them. Likewise, we encourage all Godparents to invite your Godchildren to come and worship with us.

On **Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, we commemorate the Myrrh Bearing Women**. On that Sunday we will be recognizing the Myrrh Bearers and Altar Boys during Fellowship.

### Dates to Remember:

Saturday, Mar. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Paska and Pysanka Workshop at 1:30 p.m.
Sunday, Mar. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Third Sunday of Lent ---Veneration of the Cross
Saturday, Mar. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Vespers and Confession (5:30 p.m.)
Sunday, Mar. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Fourth Sunday of Lent---St. John of the Ladder / Church School Confession and Communion / First Confession Recognition /Godparents' Day/Parish Communion Brunch at Fellowship
Sunday, Mar. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Fifth Sunday of Lent---St Mary of Egypt / Youth Sunday
Saturday, Mar.27 <sup>th</sup>	Lazarus Saturday
Sunday, Mar. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday ---Entry of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ into Jerusalem
Wednesday, Mar. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Holy Unction
Friday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Holy Friday / Altar Boys and Myrrh Bearers will participate
Sunday, April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday ---"Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" / Altar Boys and Myrrh Bearers will participate (No Classes)

Yours in Christ,

*-Olga Alexandruk (780-998-2356) and Sheri Harasymuk (780-464-0558)*

## Parish Bulletin Board

### SUNDAY FELLOWSHIPS

The Sunday Fellowships are greatly appreciated by the worshipping congregation; therefore we would like to thank those who sponsored or provided these fellowships.

**A most heartfelt thank you to:**

... the month of **February** sponsors:

Fellowship Committee (Feb. 7) Memorial Fellowship for Anne

Burdeny sponsored by Maurice Burdeny (Feb. 14); Memorial Fellowship for Boris Strilchuk sponsored by Eva Strilchuk (Feb. 21).

At the same time **we invite other parish members** to also sponsor an occasional Fellowship.

### LADIES AUXILIARY HISTORY BOOK

Have you ordered your history book, *A Labour of Love?* To **order**, call Lil Cebryk at 780-436-8492.

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee is comprised of the following individuals:

Ivan Kupchenko (Chair)

780-440-9419

Gordon Haug

780-464-4777

Joanne Chizen

780-454-6254

Stephanie McNee

780-469-5293



### With Thanks

I would like to thank Robert Lazaruk, Mike Wasylasko, Harry Karasiuk for the great effort in helping me clean the ovens.

Also a thank you goes out to Wally Mailman, Harry Karasiuk and Gene Luchka for repairing the hallway ceiling in the lower level.

*Gordon Haug*



# March 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Paska Baking	2 9 am - Golden Age Club Mtg	3 7 pm - Ukr Lang Classes	4	5 5-7:30 pm - Pyrohy Supper 6:30 pm - Ukr Dance Classes	6 1:30 pm - Paska & Pysanky Workshop
7 <i>Veneration of the Cross</i> 6 pm - PASSIA at St. Andrew's	8 Babka Baking 7 pm - Parish Board Mtg.	9 9 am - Golden Age Club Mtg	10 7 pm - Ukr Lang Classes	11 Babka Baking	12 6:30 pm - Ukr Dance Classes	13 5:30 pm - Vespers & Confession for Church School
14 <i>4th Sunday of Great Fast</i> <i>St. John of Ladder</i> First Confession* Godparents' Day	15 Babka Baking 7 pm - Ladies Aux. Mtg.	16 9 am - Golden Age Club Mtg	17 7 pm - Ukr Lang Classes	18	19 6:30 pm - Ukr Dance Classes	20 1-3 pm - Easter Tea & Bake Sale
21 <i>St. Mary of Egypt</i> Youth Sunday	22	23 9 am - Golden Age Club Mtg	24 7 pm - Ukr Lang Classes (last day)	25	26 6:30 pm - Ukr Dance Classes	27 <i>Lazarus Saturday</i>
28 <i>Entrance of Our Lord / 'Palm Sunday'</i>	29	30 9 am - Golden Age Club Mtg	31 6:30 pm - Holy Unction Healing Service			

**Sunday PASSIA Services (6 p.m.):**  
**March 7th - St. Andrew's**  
**March 14th - St. John's Cathedral**  
**March 21st - St. Anthony's**

\* Parish Communion Brunch  
 at Fellowship  
 Sunday, March 14th



Following every Sunday Divine Liturgy,  
 "Fellowship Coffee & Lunch" is served!  
 We welcome you and yours!



**Parish President's Report —**  
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... To the Board Members who have taken on new positions this year, I thank Lesia Perritt for her sterling effort and accomplishment as the past secretary to keep the minutes in order and available on time. Your presence on the Board as the President of the Ladies Auxiliary will be most welcome. Thanks to Michael Zukiwsky for his years on the Board as Vice-President and President, who now becomes Past President, the fountain of knowledge that I can look to, for past precedent and advice. To Tom Haugen, Vice President, Nadine Brow, Secretary Michael Gilyshyn, Membership, Gordon Haug, Facilities Manager, and Lawrence Dary, Men's Club Representative, Welcome back to the Board we certainly need your depth of experience from previous Boards and church related organizations.

I wish to thank the Members of St. Andrew's for their confidence in having me serve as President of St. Andrew's for the year 2010. It is certainly going to be an interesting and challenging year but with your faith, advice, assistance and support, I know that we will come out of this year on a positive note.

-George Tkachyk  
Parish President

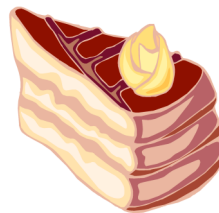
Provody / Graveside Services – 2010

- April 11      Edmonton Cemetery - 3:00 p.m.
- April 18      Beechmount Cemetery - 2:00 p.m.
- April 25      St. Michael's Cemetery - 2:00p.m.
- May 2         Evergreen Cemetery - 2:00 p.m.
- May 9         St. Stephen's Cemetery - 2:00 p.m.

**EASTER TEA & BAKE SALE**

Saturday, March 20th, 2010

1:00-3:00 p.m.



*St. Andrew's Cultural Center*

*9831 - 75 Street*

**Homebaking**



**Paska**



**Babka**



**Pysanky**

*Sponsored by St. Andrew's Ukrainian  
Orthodox Ladies' Auxiliary*

**SOBOR 2010**

**“CREATED IN HIS  
IMAGE AND LIKENESS  
– WE ARE LIVING  
ICONS”**

The 22<sup>nd</sup> National Council of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada - SOBOR 2010 will be held in Winnipeg at the Fairmont Hotel and the Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral.

St. Andrew's will be allowed 15 voting delegates as per the By-Laws of the UOCC.

Parish members interested in attending as guests or delegates of St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor Parish can pick up information packages in the Church vestibule or from the Parish office. A delegate sign-up sheet is posted in the Atrium.

For Further information, call George Tkachyk at 780 -634-5803.

**ORTHODOX MEN'S  
RETREAT  
Of  
ST. JOHN THE  
BAPTIST**

The Orthodox churches of Calgary present their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Orthodox Men's Retreat:

Sanctum Retreat Centre,  
Caroline, Alberta  
April 9-11

Additional information available in the Church Office.

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***Next “Outreach” Issue - March 28th, 2010***

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[www.uocc-standrew.ca/mensclub/](http://www.uocc-standrew.ca/mensclub/)

*St. Andrew’s Ukrainian  
Orthodox Sobor Parish*

**General Meeting  
Update**

February 21, 2010

Following the General Meeting of February 21, 2010, and the motions passed by the members present at the meeting, the Board of Management is undertaking the following actions:

1. The Board will ensure that the Open Letter from Metropolitan John will be e-mailed, made available for pick up and/or mailed via Canada Post to all Members of St. Andrew’s Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor. This has already been done except for the infrequent attendees and shut-ins. The latter members will have to have theirs delivered via Canada Post.
2. The Board will be responding to the Open

Letter from the Metropolitan explaining St. Andrew’s Concerns and Issues that were not addressed or regarded as irrelevant.

3. The Board will submit a suggested short list of Priests requested by St. Andrew’s to the Metropolitan for consideration for the placement of a full time priest.
4. The ballot results for the prioritization of maintenance and capital projects for 2010 subject to financial feasibility are listed below in order of importance with #1 being the highest priority and # 6 being the lowest priority:
  - (1) Maintenance Items
  - (2) Kitchen Ceiling Tile
  - (3) Exterior Signage
  - (4) Washroom Renovation

- (5) Sanctuary Lighting
- (6) Room Divider for the Classroom/Boardroom. This was very distinct last priority receiving only a few votes.
5. The SOBOR 2010 Meetings for delegates and interested members are posted elsewhere in this newsletter.



**New Board of Management**

*St. Andrew’s Board Of Management 2010*

<b>President</b>	<b>George Tkachyk</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Tom Haugen</b>
<b>Past President</b>	<b>Michael Zukiwsky</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Nadine Brow</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Eugene Luchka</b>
<b>Assistant Treasurer</b>	<b>Mark Bartko</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Michael Gilyshyn</b>
<b>Facilities Manager</b>	<b>Gordon Haug</b>
<b>Men’s Club Rep.</b>	<b>Lawrence Dary</b>
<b>Ladies Aux. Rep.</b>	<b>Lesia Perritt</b>
<b>Parish Priest</b>	<b>Fr. Volodymyr Bilous</b>