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Christ Is Risen!

Beloved in the Lord: Hierarchs, Archpastors, Pastors, Monastics and pious Faithful of Our Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada and our Brothers and Sisters in Ukraine!

This year marks the first year that I celebrate Holy Pascha with you, as Metropolitan of our God-protected Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada.

Together we have embraced the long Lenten journey, which has come to an end, and it is with fervent hearts, illumined with spiritual hope that we prepare to green the Risen Lord. We no longer weep with tears of sadness that our Lord has been taken away from us by the sin of humanity, but we weep with tears of joy for '*Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.*' (Paschal Troparion)

He rises from the tomb triumphant and all-victorious and we are risen with Him. Through the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, as we stand before the open Royal Doors, we see that it is Christ who opens the gates of Paradise that had been closed to us and we are commanded, '*with fear of God, faith and love, draw near.*' (Divine Liturgy)

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, this is the joy in my heart that I share with you on this glorious feast. It is my sincere prayer that the radiance of the Sun of Righteousness be felt in every single member of our church and in every single parish, for each of you is a valued element of our Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada and as such, the living Body of Christ.

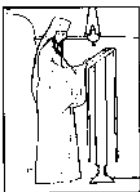
Let us continue to allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in showing the truth of Christ's Gospel to the world and thus enabling them to participate in the Paschal Joy that is for those who celebrate the Resurrected Lord. Beloved in the Lord, I greet all of you on this holy '*day that the Lord has made*' (Paschal Matins).

Christ is Risen!

Indeed, He is Risen!

+YURIJ, Metropolitan





**LITURGICAL
SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

May 2011

Sunday, May 8th

3rd Sunday after Pascha
Holy Myrrhbearing Women
Epistle: Acts 6:1-7;
Gospel: Mark 15:43-16:8.

Sunday, May 15th

4th Sunday after Pascha
Sunday of the Paralytic
Epistle: Acts 9:32-42.
Gospel: John 5:1-15.

Sunday, May 22nd

5th Sunday after Pascha
Sunday of the Samaritan
Woman
Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29, 30;
Hebr. 13:17-21;
Gospel: John 4:5-42;
Luke 6:17-23.

Sunday, May 29th

6th Sunday after Pascha
Sunday of the Blind Man
Epistle: Acts 16:16-34;
Gospel: John 9:1-38.



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

Sunday, May 8th

Bilingual

Sunday, May 15th

Bilingual

Sunday, May 22nd

Bilingual

Sunday, May 29th

English

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



Liturgical



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

Friday, May 6th

St. George

9:30 am - Confession
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.



God Who first established this feast for us allows us to celebrate it each year. He Who gave up His Son for our salvation, from the same motive gives us this feast ... allowing us to pray together and to offer common thanksgiving ... He gathers to this feast those who are far apart...

St. Athanasius



Sunday, May 15th
Jesus Heals the Paralytic

Young Adults' Orthodox Retreat

June 17-19, 2011 at Mt. St. Francis Retreat Centre in Cochrane, Alberta

The event: a Pan-Orthodox Young Adults Retreat for 18-30 year olds

The speaker: Rev. Fr. Cornel Zubritsky

The topic: **"The Challenge: Being Young & Orthodox in Today's Society"**

For more information contact: Carmen Belsheim (403) 968-76489 or c.belsheim@gmail.com

In Memoriam!



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

- Nancy Sawchuk and Family on the repose of Nancy's aunt, Jenny Stogre (Fediuk);
- Nick & Ollie Zukiwski and Family on the repose of Ollie's cousin, Leah Allen (of Loomis, California);
- Family and friends of long time former member of St. Andrew's U. O. Sobor, Anne Bandura;
- Family and friends of long time former member of St. Andrew's U. O. Sobor, Elsie Winntonyk.

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

**ETERNAL BE THEIR MEMORY! WE PRAY THAT
THE LORD GOD WILL**

ESTABLISH THEIR SOUL WHERE THE RIGHTEOUS REPOSE

To families making arrangements following the repose of a loved one:

When planning an obituary for the Funeral Home's submission to the Edmonton Journal, consider honouring your loved one by including an Orthodox Cross and/or emblems of the organizations to which he/she has been affiliated. Funeral Homes have the following available for inclusion in obituaries: insignia of the Order of St. Andrew; torch emblem (smoloskyp) of the Ukrainian Women's Association of Canada, of which our Ladies Auxiliary is a branch.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB UPDATE

The Golden Age Club (Over 55) continues to meet every Tuesday at 9:30 A.M. for aerobics and 10:00 A.M. for the fellowship. During April we had "Soup & Sandwich" the first Tuesday, internet messages/video the 2nd. Tuesday, Birthday Cake on the third Tuesday, and Easter blessed lunch on the last Tuesday. Our attendance got up over 20.

May 3rd will feature "Soup & Sandwich". May 17th is Birthday Cake, and for May 24th we are hosting the Capilano Plus 55 group. I extend a welcome to both our Parish Members and the Capilano Group to "meet and greet" and enjoy new friendships'.

Planning ahead: Our June event to the Mayfield Theatre is ***sold out***. We are invited by the Selo Tenant's Association to the Ukrainian Senior's Selo for a Barbeque on June 14th. On Sunday, June 19th we have the option to go to Camp Bar-V-Nok for Sunday service and lunch. We plan on going to the Jubilations Theatre in September. Look for confirmation in the next Outreach.

A note to other seniors, there are vacancies at Selo should your friends or family be looking for a seniors apartment. The garden at Selo needs someone or a group to volunteer to maintain the grounds and flowers. Contact Marlene at 780-469-4141. *-Eugene Luchka, President*

Parish Bulletin Board

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The following individuals comprise the committee:

Michael Gilyshyn 780-473-6775
Ernest Skakun 780-434-0543
Stephanie McNee 780-469-5293

GREETERS' ROSTER

Anyone interested in serving as a greeter please phone Emilie (780-430-7772) or George (780-469-2555). I look forward to contacting you for a date to be a greeter.
-Emilie Gorgichuk

For the months of July and August, Greeters have not been assigned, but if you are on the Greeters Committee and arrive at church early please volunteer to welcome everyone!



Greeters' List for June:

June 5 - Lesia Perritt & Lessia Slipchuk
June 12 - Michael & Olga Alexandruk
June 19 - Ernest & Vivian Skakun
June 26 - Steve & Emilie Gorgichuk

NEXT PYROHY SUPPER!

Our next "Pyrohy Supper"



will be held on

Friday, June 3rd
from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Bring Family & Friends!

REMINDER: No suppers will be held in July or August!!!

Greeters' List for May:

May 8 - Bill & Mary Dymianiw
May 15 - Marshall & Mary Boratynec
May 22 - Gordon & Marion Ostapchuk
May 29 - Gary & Nadine Brow



St. Andrew's Ladies Auxiliary

Христос Воскрес! Воистину Воскрес!

Our Easter Tea and Bake Sale of April 9 was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who participated in the paska and babka work bees. We made more pasky than usual and are grateful to the volunteers who packed up the extras and sold them at Capilano Mall. All home baking at the Tea and Bake Sale sold very quickly; people commented on the lovely selection and wished there was more to purchase. Attendance at our tea was at an all-time high with every one of the 21 fancy cakes consumed! Thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen of the Parish who assisted in all the preparation and work associated with the event. Thank you, also, for your donations of cash, home baking, fancy cakes, door prizes and raffle items. Congratulations to Donna Fedorow, winner of the in-house raffle of three pysanky.

From our general meeting on April 18, a donation of \$1000 was made to the Men's Club. A notion of motion was made to donate funds toward the Capital Campaign for St. John's Institute. Members are also encouraged to make individual donations in support of this building project. It is anticipated that St. John's Institute will soon be open and serve as a central hub for the entire Ukrainian community.

Thank you to all who contributed to our Easter potluck feast on Sunday, May 1. The food was delicious and beautifully presented. We are truly blessed with generous members and fine cooks!

The Ladies Auxiliary 50th Anniversary Committee met on May 3. The dates of the September events have been adjusted from the tentative ones provided last month. Our History Book launch is now firmly scheduled for Sunday, September 18; the 50th AGM will be on Monday, September 19, and the Panakhyda honouring all reposed Ladies Auxiliary members will be on Sunday, September 25. **See details of the 50th Anniversary of St. Andrew's Ladies Auxiliary** in this issue of the Outreach.

Please note that this year St. Andrew's Parish is hosting the **Bishop's Tea** following the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, June 5, 2011**. Look for the announcement in the Outreach. The Ladies Auxiliary along with sister branches of UWAC (Ukrainian Women's Association of Canada) will be providing the food and beverages. We look forward to your participation in this annual event.

In Christian love,

Lesia Perritt, President

Thank You

Sharp's Audio Visual

10552-106 St. Edmonton 780-426-7454

Sharp's continued generosity in supplying the 100 ft. Video cable at no charge to enable us to broadcast our Paschal Divine Liturgy into our Atrium for our overflow crowd on Easter Sunday is truly appreciated. Sharp's has assisted St. Andrew's for the past three years.

INFORMATION MEETING

Renewing Your Neighbourhood
Reconstruct | Improve | Invest

Thursday, June 2, 2011

from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Argyll Centre

6859- 100 Avenue N.W., Edmonton





CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS



Christ Is Risen!

Indeed He Is Risen!

As we continue to say and sing Christ Is Risen for forty days after the Resurrection to Ascension, we are aware of Christ's presence amongst us. We are drawn to carry on His message through missions and evangelism in a special way.

On April 10th we recognized **Robyn Alexandruk, Alexander Arabski, Tiana Martyniuk and Kayla Segin** for their First Confession. Congratulations! A sincere thank you is extended to **George Gushaty, Walter Killick, Mike Wasylasko, Andres Arabski, Stephanie McNee, Nancy Sawchuk and Ollie Sluzar** for helping with the Communion Breakfast.

A thank you is extended to the Altar Boys and Myrrh Bearers for your involvement during Palm Sunday, Holy Friday and the Resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ Services. It was heartening to see the number of participants.

On **May 8th, Sunday of Myrrh Bearing Women, we are recognizing the Myrrh Bearers and Altar Boys** during Fellowship.

Church School Awards are on Sunday, May 29th.

Dates to Remember:

Sunday, May 8 th	Sunday of Myrrh Bearing Women / Mother's Day / Recognition of Myrrh Bearers and Altar Boys during Fellowship
Sunday, May 15 th	Classes
Sunday, May 22 nd	Classes (combined) Victoria Day
Sunday, May 29 th	Youth Sunday / Church School Awards
Thursday, June 2 nd	Ascension of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ (Feast Day)
Sunday, June 12 th	Pentecost (Feast Day) Students will participate
Sunday, June 19 th	All Saints Day / Father's Day
Sunday, June 27 th	Last Day of Classes – Recessed until September 4 th (Registration Day)

Yours in Christ, *Olga Alexandruk* (780-998-2356) & *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 **April** sponsors: Rose Marie Danyliuk (April 3); Communion



Brunch Fellowship (April 10).

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

CAMP BAR-V-NOK



For those who are planning their activities for the month of June, a reminder that the **Annual St. Andrew's Family Camp Weekend**

will be held at **Camp Bar-V-Nok** on Father's Day weekend again this year.

Father's Day weekend this year is **June 17th. to Sunday, June 19th.**

Activities will include games, water activities, fishing, boating, hiking, camp fire sing-a-long, Saturday Dance, Sunday Church Service and Pot Luck Dinner, etc.

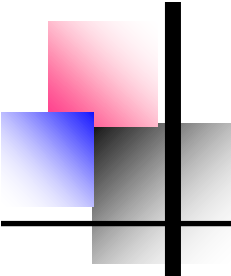


Accommodation is available for sleeping, tenting, and RV's.

A Sign Up Sheet will be available at the church (or call Gord Ostapchuk) to let us know who and how many are coming, so that we can book accommodation and prepare for supplies, etc.

More details to follow in the June Outreach.

Gord Ostapchuk, Chair – Family Camp Committee (780-463-0454)



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SOCIETY DAY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>1 of St Thomas 9 Conf 9:30 Hours reading 10 Div Lit 12 Spilne sviachene 3pm Provody @ Edm cemetery</p>	2	<p>3 9:30 am - Golden Age Club Aerobics followed by Fellowship</p>	4	5	<p>6 St George 9:30 am Conf 10 Div Lit @ Selo 5-7:30 pm - Pyrohy Supper 6:15 pm - Ukr Dance Classes</p>	<p>7 5 pm Gr Vespers 6 pm Conf</p>
<p>8 of Myrrhbearing Women 9 am Confession 9:30 Hours reading 10 Div Lit 12 Fellowship 2pm Provody @ Beechmount</p>	<p>9 7 pm - Board of Management Meeting</p>	<p>10 9:30 am - Golden Age Club Aerobics followed by Fellowship</p>	11	12	<p>13 6:30 pm - Veerneest Rehearsal @ Eastglen School</p>	<p>14 2 pm - Veerneest Year End Concert @ Eastglen School 4pm Great Vespers 4:45pm Conf</p>
<p>15 of the Paralytic 9 am Conf 9:30 Hours 10 Div Lit 12 Fellowship 2pm Provody at St. Michael's cemetery</p>	<p>16 7 pm - Ladies Auxiliary and Men's Club Meetings</p>	<p>17 9:30 am - Golden Age Club Aerobics followed by Fellowship</p>	<p>18 Mid-Pentecost 9 am Conf 9:30 Div Lit</p>	19	20	<p>21 5 pm Gr Vespers 6 pm Confession</p>
<p>22 of the Samaritan Woman; 9am Conf; 9:30 Hours ; 10 Div Lit 12:00 Fellowship 2pm Provody @ Evergreen cemetery</p>	23	<p>24 9:30 am - Golden Age Club Aerobics followed by Fellowship</p>	25	<p>26 8:30 am - Pyrohy Workbee</p>	<p>27 5:30 pm - Pyrohy Making Workshop</p>	<p>28 5 pm Gr Vespers 6 pm Confession</p>
<p>29 of the Blind Man; 9am Conf 9:30 Hours reading 10 Div Lit 12:00 Fellowship 2pm Provody @ St Stephen's cemetery</p>	30	<p>31 9:30 am - Golden Age Club Aerobics followed by Fellowship</p>				



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

DONATION ENVELOPES

Should you require more "Offering Envelopes" please fill out the request form in the Church vestibule entrance area.





From The President

Христос Воскрес! Воистину Воскрес!

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

We hope everyone had a joyous Pascha, celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lenten and Paschal season was very busy with so many people helping out during the Church Services. Then there were those working behind the scenes that make sure everything is in place and in sufficient numbers to provide for a seamless and continuous church service, be it a vesper, akathist or divine liturgy. During one Sunday, April 11 to be exact, there were 39 people who were actively involved in the church service (4 cantors, 2 readers, 22 choir members, 4 palamari, 1 prosphornytsia, 3 altar guild ladies, 3 church school teachers plus children and the congregation who were participating vocally). We are fortunate to have so many talented and giving people who are always there to make sure our church services go on smoothly- everything in its place and in sufficient numbers. Thank you all for participating.

A sincere thank you goes out to **Fedor Gotsialouk** for cleaning the gravel from our parking lots prior to Good Friday and Easter Sunday, to make our procession around the church easier to manage. He hand-swept both parking lots and all the sidewalks because the job had to be done and a work-bee never materialized.

On Easter Sunday, we again had 400+ members and visitors attend our Paschal Divine Liturgy and Pascha Basket Blessing. In addition to the Church proper, the Vestibule and Atrium were at capacity (standing room only), the nursery was full and the kindergarten classroom was filled with 16 tiny tots and parents. Also, there were people waiting on the lower level for the Pascha Blessing.

I must commend **Orest Soltykevich**, our **St. Andrew's Choir, Cantors and Readers- Carla and Michael Kozak, Maria Derwianka, Bill Stetzenko, Iris Blower, Dr. Harry Mosychuk and Walter Zukiwsky** for their superb contribution to the Paschal Divine Liturgy and all the Lenten services. You all pitched in when

needed to make our services complete and meaningful. We are indeed fortunate to have such dedicated and talented people in our parish. Thank You.

We welcome several new members this month- **Orest and Joan Wasyliv, and Ollie Kovaluk**, and from the previous month we welcome **Ed Feniuk**. I know that many of you have already met our newest additions to the St. Andrew's family. In the last two months our St. Andrew's family has grown by four and we are continuing to grow as I write this, with weddings and baptisms scheduled well into the summer. Again we welcome our newest members and look forward to seeing you at our Church services and parish functions.

We are getting on with the capital projects approved at the Annual General Meeting. We have submitted our sign proposal to the City of Edmonton Planning Department and received word that Planning has not approved it. We will be appealing their decision. This is not unusual with City of Edmonton Planning. We have gone through this process of jumping through hoops with every other project we have undertaken at St. Andrew's, only to have it approved in the end. We will keep you posted with results from the proceedings. We are waiting for quotes on the electric door opener for the exterior door at ground level.

May continues to be a busy month with Provody/ Graveside services in the city and in the rural areas. Remember to keep Sunday, June 5th open, since St. Andrew's will be hosting the Annual Western Eparchy Bishop's Tea.

Join us every weekend for our Saturday Vespers and Sunday Divine Liturgies.

Yours in Christ, *George Tkachyk* - President

PYROHY WORKSHOP FOR YOUNG ADULTS, PARENTS & CHILDREN

Friday, May 27th, 2011

5:30 pm Free Supper; 6:00 pm Workshop
at St. Andrew's Cultural Center

For more information or to confirm your attendance
call Stephanie 780-460-1463 or 780-469-5293

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St. Andrew's Men's Club Website
www.uocc-standrew.ca/mensclub/

Bishop's Tea at St. Andrew's

St. Andrew's Sobor Parish is honoured to be hosting the annual Bishop's Tea on Sunday, June 5, 2011.



The Tea will be held during Fellowship following the Divine Liturgy.

There will be numerous guests from sister parishes in attendance.

Mark your calendars and be sure to participate in this informal and cordial event in the presence of His Grace Bishop Ilarion!

Veerneest News

The following individuals were the lucky winners of the **Veerneest SPRING RAFFLE** at the Easter Tea & Bake Sale:

- 1st Prize Sports package – Franca Gagliardi (ticket #47);
- 2nd Prize lap "Spring is in the air" package – Mike Walesiak (ticket #255);
- 3rd Prize Second Cup Wayne Gretzky basket – Janice Yousie (ticket #874)

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- We are Special Guests at Smoky Lake Club's Year End Concert on May 7 (7pm in the Recreation Ctr/Arena).
- Our Year End Concert is Saturday, May 14 at 2:00 pm, Eastglen High School's Majestic Theatre. Tickets are \$10 each pre-ordered or at the door. Multiple Door Prizes and Social to follow.

- DVDs of the Concert are available on order (\$5 each).
- Spring Open House is June 10, 630-800 pm (Early Registration, Concert DVDs Pick-up, and Costume Returns). September 9th is the Fall Open House Night (Registration, Kolo/Circle Dance); Classes begin September 16, 2011.

Танцюймо!

**St. Andrew's
ВІПНІСТЬ/Veerneest
Ukrainian Dance Program
Year End Concert**

With Special Guests

Saturday May 14, 2011 @ 2:00

MAJESTIC THEATRE
EASTGLEN HIGH SCHOOL (11430 - 68 ST.)

TICKETS \$10

Available at the Door