



Sunday of the **Holy Fathers**  
24 May 2020 A.D.

Неділя **СВЯТИХ ОЦІВ**  
24 травня 2020 р.Б.

## Holy Eucharist Parish Парафія Пресвятої Євхаристії

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### COVID-19 PROVISIONARY PARISH WEEKLY UPDATE - NO. 8

#### Dear Parishioners,

We find ourselves in a very busy and hopeful week and yet one that is still hampered by uncertainty. There is talk and even reports of some changes to the social restrictions, but what are they exactly and how will they affect church life? We still need clarification and it will certainly be forthcoming in the near future. As of the preparation of this weekly update, there has been no change to the directives that govern pastoral activity in the Archeparchy. Having said that, however, we still have a lot going on!

The prayer life of our parish continues as it always has even throughout the Pandemic.... and then some! We have **daily Divine Liturgy** at 9:00 AM and even twice on Sunday at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM as we maintain the Ukrainian Divine Liturgy for those that have requested this (*and the numbers of those that participate online makes it well worth it*). We have **daily Marian Devotions** throughout May at 7:00 PM. We have added a **Holy Hour** on every Wednesday and Friday at 6:00 PM that is not only broadcast online, but may be attended by small numbers of people if they call in ahead of time (*the number is limited to 10, so we don't want people coming to a locked church, because the number has been surpassed*). Of course, we continue to have our church open for well over an hour on Sundays from 11:00 AM for those that want to come by to visit the church and to receive Holy Communion.

The **Holy Rosary** is prayed *daily* prior to each Divine Liturgy. For the last 10 days of May, we are having "**Mission Days**" reflections following the daily evening Molebens during which we contemplate the Lord's mandate and the role of each and everyone of us in Evangelizing the world around us.

There is the **22nd annual Walk for Mary** on Sunday, May 31 beginning at 2:00 PM

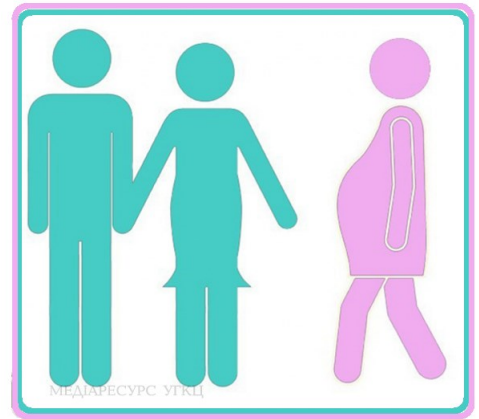
Then, on top of everything, we are excited about the approaching feast of **PENTECOST!** This "birthday of the Church" at which every year we renew our own personal and collective enthusiasm for the Church into which we have all been baptized! We have all received the mandate to go and spread the good news of Salvation. This coming Sunday let's celebrate and explore creative ways in which we can engage in Evangelization with the Pandemic and in the post-Pandemic reality!

As I write this message, I see on my desk a copy of the wonderful Parish Centenary book (*there may still be a few copies left. You really want to pick one up for yourself and your family to have*) and I know what the first chapter of 'volume two' is going to be about - the coronavirus pandemic and what it meant for our parish. Well, we will get through it and look back and we will thank God that we stayed together in prayer and spirit. God bless each and every one of you and your families and friends.

- Fr. Michael

## While we were *sheltering in place*...?

The Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, His Beatitude **Sviatoslav**, together with the lead Roman Catholic Bishop in Ukraine, issued a type of open letter to the government that deals with, what he refers to as one of several illnesses now infecting the world... You will find this interesting (*and kind of shocking*)  
The Coronavirus pandemic has brought to light **many** diseases in the life of contemporary society. One of these is surrogate motherhood, that is, treating people like merchandise which can be ordered, manufactured, and sold. Unfortunately, this is permitted by current Ukrainian legislation.



As religious leaders, we have repeatedly drawn the attention of the competent state authorities to this problem. Such trampling on human dignity compels us, the Catholic Bishops of Ukraine, to appeal to the Ukrainian authorities on all levels, once again, to condemn and ban this shameful phenomenon.

In recent days, we witnessed a video posted on the BioTexCom clinic page from the Venice Hotel in Kyiv, which shows a makeshift children's room and 46 crying babies in beds. **These newborns were in modern incubators, deprived of maternal touch, parental warmth, selfless care, and much-needed love.** They were shown as a purchased product for **no-show buyers**. Such a demonstration of contempt for the dignity of the human person is difficult to contemplate. And all this is made possible by legalized surrogate motherhood.

Legalization of the so-called surrogate motherhood, which should never be called "motherhood," not only involves the horrible phenomena recently shown on video, but also an underlying moral evil that brings immeasurable suffering and persecution to both the child and to the woman who bore it, to members of her family, and to those who produce children as if they were pets.

Of its essence, the practice of surrogate motherhood, its qualities, purpose, and means, are morally unacceptable. The same applies to the so-called altruistic surrogate motherhood, which has the same moral value. For even if the intention of the surrogate mother is good, the means and the object itself are bad. The commercial basis of surrogate motherhood deserves even harsher assessment, from a moral point of view, because it adds the moral evil of buying and selling functions of the body and of the person of the newborn child. No circumstances or consequences can justify the practice of surrogate motherhood.

Every child is a gift of God that should be gratefully accepted in married life. Every child has the right to be conceived naturally, and every child has the right to be born into a family and to be brought up in an atmosphere of love by father and mother. Surrogate motherhood severely violates these rights and makes it impossible for Ukraine to follow the path of development, the path of the great European heritage. Such a gap in Ukrainian legislation significantly destroys European integration efforts and discredits our country in the eyes of European society.

We stand in solidarity with the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Ukrainian Parliament's appeal to ban international child trafficking in Ukraine at the legislative level. We exhort and demand the banning of surrogate motherhood in any form (altruistic and commercial) and to assure to newborn children proper protection and the possibility to be adopted into families.

We reinforce this appeal by condemning a number of international institutions for this shameful phenomenon, which we present in the appendix to this letter.

We also demand that the state authority finally pays attention to family policy in Ukraine: that it creates an appropriate government body that could take care of Ukrainian families; that it ensures that Ukrainian mothers do not have to trade their bodies and the children they carry within for their own survival and that of their families.

**His Beatitude Sviatoslav,**  
Major Archbishop of Kyiv-Halych,  
Head of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church

**Archbishop Mieczysław Mokrzycki**  
Archbishop of L'viv  
Interim Head of the Conference of Roman Catholic Bishops in Ukraine

\*read more at: <http://www.news.ugcc.ua/en/>

## Schedule of Liturgies - Розпорядок Богослужінь

**May 24 - May 31, 2020**



**Participate ONLINE - Live-streamed via: [www.HolyEucharist.ca](http://www.HolyEucharist.ca)**

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| <b>May 24, 2020</b><br><b>Sunday of the Holy Fathers</b><br>Acts 20 :16-18, 28-36;<br>John 17: 1-13<br><br>(All services live-streamed on YouTube) | 8:00 am             | Служба Божя   | - Selina & James Hoffman (2nd Ann.), by Parents            |
|  | 10:00 am            | Divine Liturgy (Eng)                                      | - For All Parishioners                                     |
|  | 11:00 am - 12:20 pm | Individual church visits & opportunity for Holy Communion |  |
|  | 7:00 pm             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 3</b>                               |
| <b>Monday, May 25, 2020</b><br>Finding the Head of John the Baptist;<br>Cor. 4: 6-15; Matthew 11: 2-15   | 9:00 am             | Divine Liturgy  | +Paul Holowaty & Elsie Stepaniuk, by the Family            |
|  | 7:00 PM             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 4</b>                               |
| <b>Tuesday, May 26, 2020</b><br>Apostle Carpus;<br>Acts 21:26-32;<br>John 16: 2-13   | 9:00 am             | Divine Liturgy  | for +Elsie Tymchak, by Phyllis and friends                 |
|  | 7:00 pm             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 5</b>                               |
| <b>Wednesday, May 27, 2020</b><br>Priest Martyr Therapontus;<br>Acts 23:1-11; John 16: 15-23   | 9:00 am             | Divine Liturgy  | Birthday Blessings for Sandra, by the Family               |
|  | 6:00 pm             | Hour of Prayer  |  |
|  | 7:00 pm             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 6</b>                               |
| <b>Thursday, May 28, 2020</b><br>Venerable Nicetas;<br>Acts 25: 13-19; John 16:23-33   | 9:00 am             | Divine Liturgy  | Birthday Blessings for Katherine Hoffman, by the Family    |
|  | 7:00 pm             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 7</b>                               |
| <b>Friday, May 29, 2020</b><br>Martyr Theodosia;<br>Acts 27: 1-28:1; John 17: 18-26  | 9:00 am             | Divine Liturgy  | Birthday Blessings for Carlene, by the Family              |
|  | 5:30 pm             | Funeral N. Smerechynsky                                   |  |
|  | 7:00 pm             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 8</b>                               |
| <b>Saturday, May 30, 2020</b><br>All Souls Saturday;<br>Acts. 28:1-31; John 21: 14-25  | 9:00 am             | Divine Liturgy  | For the health of Rilyn Rewniak, by Holy Eucharist Seniors |
|  | 6:00 pm             | Вечірня з лутією  |  |
|  | 7:00 pm             | May Devotions   | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 9</b>                               |
| <b>May 31, 2020</b><br><b>Pentecost Sunday</b><br>Acts 2 :1-11;<br>John 7: 37-52, 8: 12  | 8:00 am             | Служба Божя   | - за місто Київ (1538) та всю Україну                      |
|  | 10:00 am            | Divine Liturgy  | - For All Parishioners                                     |
|  | 11:00 am            | Individual church visits                                  | <b>MISSION DAYS 2020 - 10</b>                              |
|  | 2:00 pm             | Walk for Mary 2020  |  |

Holy Eucharist Ukrainian Catholic Parish  
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Пресвятої Євхаристії

We are live on **YouTube** - **Daily** Services as well as 8:00 am & 10:00 am **Sunday** Divine Liturgies. So tune in through our **website** and take part or just “visit” your church)

**BLUE LAMP**  
(*MARIAN Side Altar*)  
(May 24 – May 30, 2020)  
*Mary watch over all those still taking care of things around the parish*

**RED LAMP**  
(*SAVIOUR Side Altar*)  
(May 24– May 30, 2020)  
*Lord bless little Rylyn and her family*

We are doing a spring clean up of the Parish properties if you have some time and would like to pitch in please call the office to leave your name and to receive more details. 204-667-8866. Thank you all in advance.

| "For the Week of May 17, 2020"   |                                      |
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| 1                                | Envelopes \$1570.00                  |
| 2                                | In Memory Fund \$100.00              |
| 3                                | Easter Sunday \$20.00                |
| 4                                | Good Friday \$20.00                  |
| 5                                | Holy Eucharist Charity Fund \$120.00 |
| <b>Total this week \$1830.00</b> |                                      |

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**Donations:** Many Parishioners have asked how they can keep donating to the church during these unusual times. **God bless you for thinking about your parish!** We are looking into any government or church assistance plans, but unless (and until) that comes through, we need **your help** to keep going!  
We offer **Direct Deposit**, if this is something you want to try - call the office for further assistance.  
If you would like to **drop off** - use the mailbox located in front of the Parish Centre during office hours ↑

**PLEASE DO THIS! Please CALL** - especially in this time of the **Pandemic**. *Visiting, praying for and reaching out to the Sick and lonely is one of the works of mercy taught by Christ.*  
**At Home or in Hospital:** Mary Schurko, Ollie Kowalski, Ollie Kostiuik, Mary Kozubniak, Julian Cherniak, Tony Hendricks , Elizabeth Rewniak **St. Joseph’s Residence:** Mary Ruta  
**River East Personal Care Home:** Liz Simcoe, Alex Lasota  
**Holy Family:** Mary Horbal, Irene Omeniuk, Bill Simcoe, Helen Babiniec, Jennie Huchko, Anne Wach, Fr. V. Yakowchuk, Milly Maniowich, Elizabeth Boychuk **Middle Church:** Olga Hnatiuk, Margaret Sawchuk  
**Maples Personal Care Home:** Joe Ewanochko  
**Ask for Fr Michael (204-996-1310) he will make Pastoral/Sacramental visits if asked and permitted (sometimes it may have to be done by phone/skype)**

**HOLY HOURS & CHURCH VISITS**

As we begin the slow, cautious crawl “out the catacombs”, we want to do so first of all with our Lord and under His guidance. Therefore, we want to begin in the very heart of our Parish - at our Church! Starting this week we will begin to have our Church open for “individual visits” where we will maintain the provincial regulation of **not more than 10 people at a time**. [therefore: **Phoning in ahead to “pre-register” will be required**] The use of **hand sanitizer** and **disinfectant** and **masks** will be the rule and, especially “**social distancing**” of six feet at any given time. The church will be marked with **directional arrows** - please follow them **in and out** of the Church and **when moving within** the Church. The Church will be **marked** as where visitors may **sit/kneel** to pray. Those of one household that come together may sit together, but only if their group does not cross into the social distancing parameters of other visitors. If so, then single-household groups must separate to different markers so that distance is maintained.

**Sundays** - from 11:00 AM to 12:20 PM - with the opportunity for Holy Communion / and Confession  
**Wednesdays** - from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM - with the opportunity for Confession  
**Fridays** - from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM - with the opportunity for Confession