



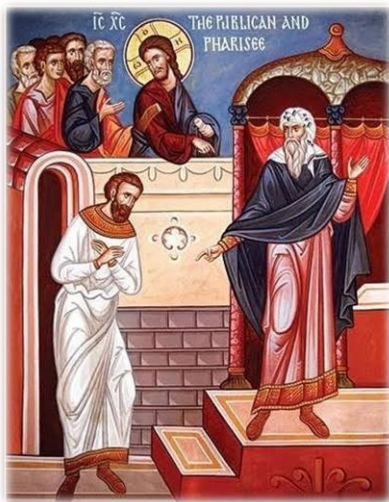
We welcome our faithful, friends, and visitors who have come to worship with us today in God's vineyard. Please come and join our family in regular weekly worship at our Cathedral *John 15:1-2*  
Дорогі парафіяни та друзі нашої Катедрі, які відвідують наші Богослужіння. Щиро запрошуємо Вас також приходити та молитися разом із нами на наші буденні служби.

## Українська Православна Катедр Пресвятої Тройці Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of Holy Trinity

Парафіяльний Місячний Бюлетень - Parish Monthly Bulletin

**February – 2024 – Лютий**

### Неділя митаря і фарисея Sunday of the Publican & the Pharisee



#### Кондак Голос 4

Тікаймо від фарисеєвої похвальби і навчімося митарєвої величі слів смирення, у покаянні взиваючи: Спасителю Світу, очисти рабів Твоїх.

#### Kondak, Tone

Let us flee from the proud boasting of the Pharisee and learn the humility of the Publican, and cry out with groans: O Saviour of the world, be merciful to us.

Rt. Reverend Mitred Archpriest Taras Makowsky

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Services are being served in the Church and being Live-streamed

## Сердечно Вітаємо!

We extend a warm & cheerful Welcome to all Parishioners & Visitors Worshipping today!

**Христос Ухротився! В Річці Йордани! Christ is Baptized! In the River Jordan!**

**Сповідь / Confession** will be heard before the Divine Liturgy and after Vespers/Akathist

Проба Катедрального Хору / Cathedral Choir Rehearsal: Monday – 7:00 p.m.

Проба Хору Діброва / Dibrova Ukr. Folk Ensemble Rehearsal: Wednesday – 1:00 p.m.

Робочі дні Союз Українок / U.W.A.C. Work Bees – Watch for information

### February / Лютий – Schedule of Services

**Fri Feb 2** **Presentation of Our Lord/ Стрітіння Господа Нашого Ісуса Христа**

**Divine Liturgy /Св. Літургія 10:00 a.m. Live-Streaming**

*Tone/Голос 1- Hebrews /Євр. 7:7-17; Luke/Лк. 2:22-40*

**Sun Feb 4** Sunday 35 after Pentecost / Нед 35- та по П'ятдес

Ven. Isadore of Pelusium / Прп. Ісидора Пелусіотського

**Divine Liturgy /Св. Літургія 10:00 a.m. Live-Streaming**

*Tone/Голос 2 - Col./Кол. 3:12-16 ; Luke/Лк. 18:18-27*

**Sun Feb 11** Sunday 36 after Pentecost / Нед 36- та по П'ятдес

Blessed Prince Vsevolod / Блгв. Кн. Всеволода

**Divine Liturgy /Св. Літургія 10:00 a.m. Live-Streaming**

*Tone/Голос 3 – 1 Tim./Тим 5:15-17; Lk./Лк 18:35-43*

**Sun Feb 18** Sunday 37 after Pentecost / Нед 37- ма по П'ятдес

St. Leo, The Great / Свт. Льв, папи Римського

**Divine Liturgy /Св. Літургія 10:00 a.m. Live-Streaming**

*Tone/Голос 4 – 1 Tim./ Тим 4:9-15- Lk./ Лк 19:1-10*

**Sun Feb 25** Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee/Нед. про Митаря та Фарисея

**Divine Liturgy /Св. Літургія 10:00 a.m. Live-Streaming**

*Tone/Голос 5 - 2 Tim./ Тим 3:10-15 - Lk./ Лк 18:10-14*



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### Вічна Пам'ять Memory Eternal

**Найглибше Співчуття:** Члени Української Православної Катебри Пресвятої Тройці висловлюють своє найглибше співчуття всім родинам які зазнали смуток з приводу упокоєння своїх улюблених.

**Deepest Condolences:** The members of the Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Trinity wish to express sincerest sympathies to the Makowsky and Kerelchuk and families who recently experienced sorrow through the repose of their loved one,

**Rose Kerelchuk**

Memory Eternal! Вічна Її Пам'ять!



## Please Pray for The Health & Well Being — Просимо Молитись За Хворих



Просимо подати імена своїх рідних або знайомих, котрі перебувають у стані хвороби та потребують нашої молитовної допомоги щодо швидшого одужання. Також пам'ятаймо у своїх молитвах за тих, хто не може вийти з дому або перебуває у старечому домі чи шпиталі. Молімось за здоров'я та одужання, імена надруковані по англійськи нижче:



Please submit the names of your relatives or friends who are ill, so we can say prayers for them to help restore their health. Remember in your prayers all those who are homebound, in care facilities or impeded by illness & cannot attend Church. Please pray for the well-being & health of those listed below:

Alice	Elsie	Ernie	Jan	Maurice	O.Taras	Susan
Caleb	Elsie	Gordon	Jerry	Myron	Ron	Tony
Donna	Elizabeth	Gordon	Joel	Nadia	Rose	Walter
Elaine	Erika	Iris	Katya	Olga		



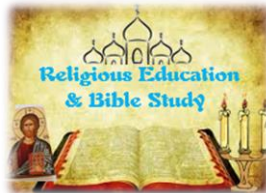
Моліться разом за народ України

Please let Father Taras or Nadine Potts know of others whom we should remember in our prayers or when you feel your name could be taken off the list

## Come Join in Learning about our faith Приходьте, дізнайтеся про нашу віру

### Following Fellowship after Liturgy Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

Topic: All you wanted to ask about the Liturgy  
but were afraid to ask?



## The Liturgy. . . an outline

1. Litany: Here we pray for the whole world. Who else do we pray for? (travelers, prisoners, leaders of our country, bishops, priests, deacons, rain and sun, food to eat, and we especially remember Mary the Theotokos) What do we respond? (Lord have mercy. Grant it, O Lord.)
2. Hymns of worship: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> antiphons, troparia and kontakia, Trisagion -- review the words.  
Sing the antiphons we use each Sunday.
3. Epistle and Gospel: Here we hear God's word from the Bible. The priest carries out the Gospel and tells us to pay attention to God's word.
4. Cherubic Hymn: God makes us His special guests, along with the seraphim and cherubim, His angels in heaven. The priest uses incense as he prays, reminding us that the prayers go up to God the same way the smoke rises. The priest carries the chalice and discos in the Great Entrance, while praying for us all.
5. Creed: We all recite the creed --by the Fathers of the Church in Nicaea under Constantine the Great.
6. Preparation for Communion: Commemorating the Last Supper. Here the priest prays for the bread and wine to become the true body and blood of Jesus-a great Mystery.
7. The Megalynarion: We honor Mary the Theotokos with a special hymn.
8. The Lord's Prayer: Jesus gave us this prayer himself.
9. Holy Communion: We receive the body and blood of Christ.
10. Benediction: The priest blesses us and dismisses us. We all venerate the Cross.





## ОГОЛОШЕННЯ - PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Збори Парафіяльної Управи Катедрі:** Слідуючі збори управи Катедрі відбудуться **27-го Лютня** год. 7:00 вечором. Як маєте щось на увазі, яке відноситься до нашої катедрі, прошу подайтеся до когось на управі.

**Cathedral Parish Council Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on  
Tuesday **February 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm

If you have any questions please call President Larry Klopoushak (306) 222-9856

**Annual General Meeting February 4<sup>th</sup> Лютень**



## Товариство Українців Самостійників

Річні Загальні збори проведуть у четвер 22-го лютому, о год. 5:30 гостинність

### USRA/TYC - Saskatoon 'Steppe' Branch:

TYC AGM will be held February 22<sup>nd</sup>

Social & Supper 5:30. **Annual General Meeting** to follow

**If you can help with TYC Bingos, call Maurice Werezak** 306-230-8957



### **Bingo Dates:**

Thursday, February 8 – Afternoon 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Tuesday, February 20 - Afternoon 11:00 am - 5:00 pm – February 29 5pm – 9:30 & 9:30 – 1:30 am

## **Збори Союзу Українок Канади – Відділь Ім. Ольги Кобилянської:**

Збори Союзу відбудуться пізніше

### **U.W.A.C. – Olha Kobylianska Branch**

U.W.A.C. Work Bees – Watch for information - Робочі дні Союз Українок  
Their next regular meeting will be announced at a later date.



**Note:** Saturday, March 23: **Easter Food Sale** 10–12 noon

cabbage Rolls, Vareniky, Easter Paska and Easter Babka)



Saturday, April 27: **Easter Bake Sale** 1–2:30 pm



## **Work Bees**

### **Perogy/Verenyky Bee**

Prep - Feb 19<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am

Pinching – Feb 20<sup>th</sup> 9 am

**Cabbage Roll Bee Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am**



**Paska Bees** Tuesdays : March 5<sup>th</sup> , 12<sup>th</sup> , 19<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am



# Annual General Meeting

**Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Trinity**  
**Sunday, February 4, 2024**

We invite all members to attend  
Come hear reports, participate in electing your new executive and committee members  
and help review and formulate plans for 2024.

Divine Liturgy/Св. Літургія 10:00 a.m., lunch will be provided during the meeting/Обід і збори

## Річні Загальні Збори Катедральної Громади

**Збори відбудуться в аудиторії У неділю, 4-го Лютого, 2024 р. Обід/збори по Служби**  
Просимо всі члени прибути на цю збори. Почути звіти, вибрати новий заряд  
Та рішити проекти на слідуючий рік

**Nominating Committee** (Elaine Maksymiuk, Doreen Howlett, Rod Antonichuk) have presented the following members who are willing to let their names stand for Parish Council:

President:	Larry Klopoushak	Secretary:	Carol Shinkewski
Past President	Rodney Antonichuk	Members at Large:	Elaine Maksymiuk
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Robert Rudy		Terry Senko
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Cindy Didula		Matthew Hrycuik
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Randy Evans		Cheryl Fedusiak
4 <sup>th</sup> Vice President	Doreen Howlett	TYC Representative:	Maurice Werezak
Treasurer:	Bohdan Danyliw	UWAC Representative	Carol Cisecki

Nominations from the floor of the AGM are accepted for any position.

Note: TYC & UWAC positions are determined by their respective organizations.



## Fellowship & Coffee

**February/ Лютий 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**

Everyone is welcome for coffee, and fellowship downstairs following the Divine Liturgy. A chance to connect with fellow Parishioners.

## Братерська Зустріч При Каві

Після Божественної Літургії в Аудиторії: Усіх ласкаво  
просимо на каву для спілкування з своїми знайомими прихожанами!



*When a sunbeam falls on a transparent substance, the substance itself becomes brilliant, and radiates light from itself. So too Spirit-bearing souls, illumined by Him, finally become spiritual themselves, and their grace is sent forth to others. From this comes knowledge of the future, understanding of mysteries, apprehension of hidden things, distribution of wonderful gifts, heavenly citizenship, a place in the choir of angels, endless joy in the presence of God, becoming like God, and the highest of all desires, becoming God.*

*St. Basil the Great*





**Христос Народився! Славимо Його!  
Христос Охристився! В Річці Йордані!  
Слава Ісусу Хресту! Слава на Віки!**

As the joyous Christmas Season comes to an end, your Parish Council at the Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in Saskatoon extends warm greetings to all of you. We have been busy at our cathedral this past month with our usual activities, including a very beautiful Feast of Jordan Service and

Water Blessing and a wonderful Holy Supper prepared by Cindy Didula and her team of Carol Cisecki, Vesper and Nestor Kowalsky, and Carol and Terry Shinkewski. Thanks to the church choir for carol singing, and also to all of you who stayed to help with the cleanup at the end of the evening. It was a wonderful time of fellowship in the parish.


Our fundraising efforts continue for the **Hall Project** – the renewal of the windows, and façade of our hall - to help with the longevity of our building and with a more appealing look to attract more renters of our facility for bigger events. We have a substantial number of donations to the project that you have forwarded to the church already and we thank you very much for them. Please join us in the lower level of the hall for the Cathedral AGM after the liturgy on February 4. We will have drawings and a discussion about the project. We look forward to your further financial support as we raise the funds to complete this much-needed renewal of our hall.




Beginning with February 1, our parish will move to the Revised Julian calendar, with Стрічення-The Meeting of Our Lord, falling on February 2 (formerly on February 15) and continuing from that point. The new church wall calendars have arrived and are being distributed. Please speak with Zenovie Kindrachuk to obtain your copy. As of February 1, they will be accurate for the rest of the year.

We encourage you to return to in-person attendance of our church services at the cathedral as often as you can. Although live streaming is convenient for those who are shut-in, ill or are far away from us, our community needs you to be present to grow and thrive spiritually in fellowship with each other. We miss you and hope you will join us regularly at the cathedral for our services. The more involvement we have from you, the more our fellowship as a parish grows, and the more we pursue this goal, the stronger we grow in faith and fellowship in our church family.

With Christian love,

Larry Klopoushak, *Parish Council President*

Лютий– 2024 – February						
Неділя Sunday	Понеділок Monday	Вівторок Tuesday	Середа Wednesday	Четвер Thursday	П'ятниця Friday	Субота Saturday
 Неділяна Школа Sunday School 10 am				1	2 Presentation of Our Lord/ Стрітення Господа Нашого Ісуса Христа <b>*Div Lit 10 am Live Stream</b>	3
4 Sunday 35 after Pentecost / Нед.35 -та по П'ятдес. <b>Parish Council AGM</b> <b>*Div Lit 10 am &amp; Live Stream</b>	5	6	7 Dibrova 1:00 pm	8	9	10
11 Sunday 36 after Pentecost / Нед.36 -та по П'ятдес.  <b>Кава / Fellowship</b> <b>Div Lit 10:00am Live Stream</b>	12	13	14 Dibrova 1:00 pm	15  Cabbage Roll Bee 9:00 am	16	17
18 Sunday 37 after Pentecost / Нед. 37-ма по П'ятдес. <b>Div Lit 10:00am Live Stream</b>	19  Potato Prep 8:00 am	20  Perogy Pinching 9:00 am	21 Dibrova 1:00 pm	22 <b>TYC AGM Meeting</b> <b>5:30 pm</b>	23	24 <b>Frozen Sale</b> <b>10 am - noon</b>
	Otets Makowsky away on holidays					
25 Sunday 38 after Pentecost / Нед.38-ма по П'ятдес.  <b>Кава / Fellowship</b> <b>Div Lit 10:00am Live Stream</b>	26 <b>Religious Education after Fellowship</b> <b>Feb 25</b>	27 <b>Parish Council</b> <b>7:00 pm</b>	28 Dibrova 1:00 pm	29		
<b>Live-Stream</b> You DO NOT need FaceBook to join & view the service <a href="https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityCathedralSaskatoon/?ref=bookmarks">https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityCathedralSaskatoon/?ref=bookmarks</a>						

 <b>Server / Epistle Readers / Greeter Schedule</b>  				
Date		Servers:	Epistle Readers:	Greeters
February 02	Fri	Maurice W. / Gord T.	Choir & Cantors	John D.
February 04		Larry B. / Andrew H.	Robert R. / Taisa R.	James W. / Gil A.
February 11		Rod A. / Matthew H.	Guillome K. / Jacob P.	Ron S. / Jim H.
February 18		Ivan S. / Terry S.	Matthew H. / Lucius B.	Victor T. / James W.
February 25		Maurice W / Rob S.	Max H. / Caleb A.	Ivanna P. / Liudmyla D.



## Ill-Timed Conversations With One Another During Church

The last five paragraphs of the homily "On the Subject of the Paralyzed Man Healed by the Lord in Capernaum" by *St. Gregory Palamas (1296-1359), Archbishop of Thessaloniki*

Leaving aside for now the higher virtues, when I am standing with you before God in the holy church and I turn around and see people offering up hymns and prayers to God with understanding and contrition, or someone standing silently listening in deep thought, then this sight alone immediately inspires me; my soul is filled with delight and I glorify Christ, our Father in heaven. For without Him nobody can do anything good ( John 15:5), and all men's attainments are due to Him.

But what can I say to those people who neither stand in silence, nor join in the singing, but instead meet one another and mix our reasonable worship of God with worldly chatter? They do not listen themselves to the divinely inspired words and prevent others who want to listen from doing so. "How long will you go limping between two different opinions?" as Elijah the Tishbite would say (1 Kings 18:21). You want simultaneously to come together for prayer and for worldly, ill-timed words. Of course, you succeed in neither purpose, because you destroy the one with the other, or rather, they destroy each other. How long before you stop talking idly in this place? You make this house of prayer into a place of business or impassioned speech (Matt. 21:13; Mark 11:17; Luke 19:46). In this house the words of eternal life are both spoken and heard, on the one hand by us, as we beseech God for eternal life with unashamed hope, and on the other hand by God, as He gives eternal life to those who ask with their whole heart and mind. But he will certainly not give it to those who do not even apply their whole tongue, as it were, to asking.

Nowadays, brethren, our sacrifice to God is not accomplished through fire, as in the time of Moses, but through words. In those days, when God used to receive the sacrifice carried up by fire, when Korah and his fellow-rebels against Moses offered strange fire from outside, they were completely burnt up by the holy fire which spontaneously sprang out at them (Num. 16:31-35). We should be afraid lest, when we bring strange words from outside into this place of sacrifice, by which I mean the church, we should be condemned once and for all by the divine words there. For by so doing we shall have made ourselves liable to hear that abominable voice which pronounces our condemnation.

Let us instead be afraid, and as long as we are here let us stand with fear before God and make our supplication. After leaving this place, we should give proof of the resulting change for the better in our ways. We should not be enslaved to gains, especially if they are dishonest. We should avoid oaths, especially false ones. We should renounce shameless words, and shameless actions even more so, slander, cunning and arrogance. By means of godly prudence of mind, we should train and motivate every part of our body and all our senses, leading our body upwards with godly reasoning and fear. We must not let our body bring us down and overpower us by its own servile and disgusting appetites. As we have learnt from Paul, we know that if we live after the flesh we shall die; but if through the Spirit we mortify the deeds of the body, we shall live forever (Rom. 8:13).

Let us stir up all who see us to glorify God as they recognize that this house has Christ within it, who gives strength to those whose souls are paralyzed and commands them to lift up and offer up to Him, with a spiritual understanding pleasing to God, their physical senses and perceptions, instead of being mindlessly carried away and brought down by them. In this way they will go into the house that is really ours, by which I mean the country in and above the heavens, where Christ now is, the Heir and Bestower of our inheritance.

To whom belong glory, might, honor and worship, with His Father without beginning, and the holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and forever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.



# Events In & Around the City & the Church



## Програма в шановання Тараса Шевченка

Program in Honour of **TARAS SHEVCHENKO**

Sunday, March 10, 2019 2:00 pm

Bethlehem Highschool

Sponsored by UCC Saskatoon Branch



Save the Date!!!  
Green Grove Ukrainian  
Orthodox Camp

## Green Grove Church Camp

**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** celebrations this summer. -- July 20

Youth Camp July 06 - 20

Teen Camp July 21- 28

**Car Rally** Commemorating the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of war in Ukraine

**Saturday Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm**



Car rally starting at 1 p.m. meeting at Bethlehem Highschool parking lot to be followed with a talk at 3 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Nutana Branch 3021 Louise St by soldier who was at Kherson when it was liberated



## Congratulations

Congratulations to **Taisha Rudy**, the 2023 recipient of the Diane Ortynsky Scholarship, which is awarded by the Ukrainian Museum of Canada. Taisha is currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Neuroscience at the University of Saskatchewan.

## Пасхалія 2024 Pascalion

Початок Великого Посту	Православна пасха	Латинська пасха	вознесення	тройця	Початок петрівки
Beginning Great Fast	Orthodox Pascha	Latin Pascha	Ascension	Pentecost	Apostles Fast
March 18/ березня	May 5 /травня	March 31 /березня	June 13 червня	June 23 /червня	July 1 /липня

## Donation\$ using the QR Code

Holy Trinity Cathedral has arranged to have an additional payment option, the use of a QR Code

We are happy that you're here to pray with us today at the Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in Saskatoon, SK.

Click on the QR code using the camera on your phone to donate a gift to our Parish.

It will take you to the "Canada Helps" website, our secure Partner, and a receipt will be issued by email immediately.



## 2023 Income Tax Receipts



Income tax receipts for the calendar year **2023** will be issued to all donors by the end of February 2024. Those members who have their email address recorded with the Church will be receiving their receipt via email.

If you do not have an email address recorded with the church, receipts will be sent by mail.

If you do not have your email address recorded with the church & want your receipt sent to you by email, or if you have changed your email address, please notify Zenovie Kindrachuk by sending your email address to [htuoc@sasktel.net](mailto:htuoc@sasktel.net) or call him at 306-227-4342

**Thank You** to all who have donated so generously in the past year.

## Blessing of Homes

Blessing of homes began on Йордан/Jordan, January 19<sup>th</sup> at Ilarion Residence following Divine Liturgy at Cathedral. Fr. Taras will continue to bless homes and will phone ahead to notify you if he is visiting the area. If you wish, you may contact Fr. Taras for a specific or convenient time for your family to have your Home Blessed. If you do not wish to have a visit, please let Fr. Taras know. Home Blessings will carry on through the year as in the past years.



### Church Calendars

Church calendars are now available. Members can contact Zenovie Kindrachuk for their copy. Email [htuoc@sasktel.net](mailto:htuoc@sasktel.net) or call him at 306-227-4342.

. Thank you to [Saskatoon Funeral Home](#) for sponsoring the calendars.



## John of Kronstadt

The candles lit before the icons of the Theotokos are a symbol of the fact that She is the Mother of the Unapproachable Light, and also of Her most pure and burning love for God and Her love for mankind.



## День Стрітєння Господнього – 2-го лютого –

одне з найбільших свят Православної Церкви. У цей день не “зима з весною стрічається” (як каже навколоцерковне повір’я), а споминається одна з ключових подій історії взаємин Бога і людини: Ісуса Христа, який був принесений на 40-й день після народження до єрусалимського Храму, зустрічає праведний Симеон. У цій події Церква бачить зустріч двох Заповітів: на зміну Старому Завіту, який уособлює старець Симеон, приходить Завіт Новий – який встановить із людьми втілений Месія-Христос.

... У день Стрітєння Господня по церквах перед літургією за традицією освячують свічки. Традиція ця походить від давнього звичаю робити у день Стрітєння процесію містом із запаленими світильниками (на кшталт хресного ходу). Потім виникло повір’я, що нібито ці свічки охороняють житло від “грому”, тобто пошкодження блискавкою. Насправді ж у молитвах на благословення свічок на Стрітєння підноситься до Бога прохання про те, щоб, як запалені свічки власним світлом розганяють нічну темряву, так і наші душі, просвітлені Духом Святим, ...

## Why do we Bless candles?



The Lord's Supper is a great holiday of the Orthodox Church, which is celebrated every year on the same day - February 2. Then Christians solemnly commemorate the bringing of the Infant Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem on the fortieth day after his birth. ...

In the prayer of consecration, the priest asks Christ the Savior to "consecrate the candles with the light of grace, so that as the light of the visible fire banishes the darkness of night, so that our hearts are enlightened by the invisible fire, that is, enlightened by the Holy Spirit." That we may be able to see with the purified eye of the soul what is pleasing to God and what is needed for our salvation. And to please us to overcome the dark dangers of this world and reach the light of unceasing... »

... “A candle burning in front of an icon is a sign of our faith and hope for gracious help God, who is always generously sent to all who turn to him in faith and prayer Of the Lord and His saints. A lighted candle is a symbol of our ardent and grateful love for God.” As Saint Filaret (Drozdov) wrote: "candlelight means reverence for the holy icon and gives the convenience of seeing it in the dark." Of course, from this we can conclude that there are no more graceful or less graceful candles. ...

The day of the Lord's Supper - February 15 - is one of the biggest holidays of the Orthodox Church. On this day, not "winter meets spring" (as the church belief says) but remembers one of the key events in the history of the relationship between God and man: Jesus Christ, who was brought to the Temple in Jerusalem on the 40th day after his birth, meets the righteous Simeon. In this event, the Church sees the meeting of two Testaments: the Old Testament, represented by Elder Simeon, is replaced by the New Testament, which will establish with people the incarnate Messiah-Christ.

... On the day of the Lord's Supper, candles are traditionally consecrated in churches before the liturgy. This tradition originates from the ancient custom of making a procession on the day of Strytenia through the city with lighted lamps (like a procession). Then came the belief that these candles allegedly protected the home from "thunder", i.e. lightning damage. In fact, in the prayers for the blessing of the candles at the Meeting, a request is made to God that, just as lighted candles dispel the darkness of night with their own light, so our souls, enlightened by the Holy Spirit, ...



## February Anniversaries:

Volodymyr & Mariya Pastukh (03), Vladislav & Yanna Parchovnik (14),  
Ihor & Mila Yushchyshyn (17), Oleksander & Luba Malko (16),  
Olexander & Maryana Brovko (21) Carmen & Johanna Koch (27)



**February Birthdays:** Angelina Prystypa (01), Gil Allen (02), Iryna Klob (02),  
Boden Bertrand (4), Elizabeth Hallborg (02), Oleksandr Dzhura (03), James Hryciuk (03),  
Sophia Laderieva (03), Tatiana Mandrykina (03), Rhonda van Driel (03),

Madeline Dzialo (04), Julia Hirnyak (04), Kateryna Hrycuik (04), Pavlo Isak (04),  
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Tatiana Iatsiuk (05), Oksana Chepyha (6), Sylvia Oleksyn (06), Mark Trischuk (06),  
Olga Stefaniuk (07), Jean Tomy (07), Alina Volorko (07), Taylor Paige Brakstad (8),  
Helen Wasylciw (08), Heidi Helmke (09), Irahli Pasikashvili (09), Oksana Sukmaniuk (09),  
Selina Ghebremedhin (10), Lyubov Hirnyak (10), Maria Matiychuk (10), Arlene Uhryn (10),  
Michael Wiwchar (10), Ivan Harmanovskyi (11), Audrey Slowski (11), Volodymyr Drachuk (12),  
Eugenia Chiperi (12), Bohdan Danyliw (12), Luba Machula (12), Tatiana Soltykevych (12),  
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Jordon Del Frari (14), Alyssa Hyshka (14), Karolina Odintsov (14), Uliana Pilchenko (14),  
Zenon Zuzak (14), Anastasia Antonov (15), Daniele Zohoun (15), Max Kindrachuk (16),  
Maryna Kortunov (16), Mykola Matiychuk (16), Oleksandr Kalyton (17), Ihor Yushchyshyn (17),  
Olya Pilchenko (18), Sarah Skwarchuk (18), Anna Druzhynina (18), Oleksander Harbuz (20),  
Nikole Harmaovskyi (20), Catherine Herman (20), Nika Mandaric-Brovko (20), Kessler Kohut (21),  
Matvij Dobushevsky (22), Serhij Harbuz (22), Parker Remenda (22) Ella Remenda (22),  
Tiffany Kreke (24), Wasyl Rybalka (24), Nazar Semyboroda (24), Artem Shmatov (24),  
Alice Chometa (26), Paulina Denysenko (26), Rakan Kreke (26), Luidmilla Podoliak (26),  
Alanna Hawrysh (27), Mihaylo Kortunov (27), Fr. Vasyl Maskal (27), Dobr. Halia Zuzak (28),  
Nico Sovyn (28), Ian Dzialo (29), Jonathan Kochan (29)

**На Многая і Благая Літа! May God Grant you Many Years!**

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