

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

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Father Deacon Thomas Chaput

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28th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, 17 December, 2023

Epistle Reading: Col. 1:12-18 • *Gospel:* Lk. 17:12-19

SUNDAY SERVICES:

Sunday, 17 December, 2023 - BILINGUAL

Sunday, 24 December, 2023 - ENGLISH

Sunday, 31 December, 2023 - BILINGUAL

Confession will be available on Sunday morning starting at 9:15 AM. It is recommended that members of All Saints attend confession at least once every four (4) months.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Victor and Helen, Nadia, Marilyn, Lawrence, John, Janet, Chelsey, Mervin, Sonia, Elaine, Jeffery, Richard, Mary, Allan, Linda and Michael, Bob, Debbie, Alex, Rev. Frs. Olexander, Eugene, Nicholas Orest, Dobrodiyka Genya.

PRAYER OFFERINGS: If you would like someone to be mentioned in prayer, submit their names by email, directly to **Fr. Nicholas - revorestrauliuk@gmail.com**, **Fr. Deacon Thomas - thechaputs@shaw.ca** or <u>allsaintsuoc@mymts.net</u>, or inform one of the church elders.

The care and maintenance of our property remains a priority. If you are unable to attend church, please continue to support us with your offerings. All Saints accepts Interac E-transfers for donations in addition to cheques or cash. Please submit e-transfers to allsaintsuoc@mymts.net.

CHOIR NEWS

The All Saints Choir invites our congregation to participate in singing along with us during the Liturgies, specifically during; "Communion before and after prayers", "I Believe," and "Our Father".

These are particularly important to sing or recite along with the choir. Join us as we lift our voices and pray to our Heavenly Father in unity!"

There are Liturgy booklets in the pews. Please ask an elder or sister to locate one for you if one.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Thank you to Anya Haraschuk and Demi Kuzyk Bernier for providing this important program for our children. **For more information about our Sunday School program, please contact Anya Haraschuk at** <u>fedyaz@yahoo.ca</u> or Demi Kuzyk at <u>demikb@shaw.ca</u>.

LET'S CELEBRATE!

Rt. Rev. Mitred Protopresbyter Fr, Nicholas Orest Rauliuk will be celebrating 56 years of Holy Priesthood on December 24, 2023. He was ordained by His Eminence Metropolitan Ilarion (Ohienko)

December 24, 1967 at the Holy Trinity Metropolitan's Cathedral in Winnipeg.

We at All Saints will honour this occasion this coming Sunday December 17, 2023.

May God grant Fr. Nicholas many Blessed years.

If you or your family are celebrating a major life event such as a birth, birthday, anniversary, retirement, etc., please notify Fr. Deacon Thomas at thechaputs@shaw.ca so a note of congratulations can be included in our bulletin. We look forward to sharing in your joy.

CHRISTMAS CHEER BOARD

The Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints is registered with the Christmas Cheer Board to sponsor 2 families, of 6 (parents and children) people each. The parish can now begin to collect food donations, and concentrate on food basics, until details about the families are sent.

Family 1: Olena and Yurii Syvak (Parents), Makar (Male, 8 yrs), Mykyta (Male, 6 yrs), Uliana (Female, 2 yrs) (Children)

Family 2: Lesia and Oleksandr Bolotniuk (Parents), Alisa (Female, 11 yrs),
Daria (Female, 14 yrs), Mariia (Female, 16 yrs) (Children)

A LIST OF WANTED ITEMS IS INCLUDED AT THE END OF THE BULLETIN.

COMING EVENTS:

Malanka on January 13, 2024. Music by "Dennis Nykoliation Band".

Tickets are available: Adults - \$70 pp. / Children 12 and under - \$35 pp. Catering is by Ludwick.

Call Emil at 204-488-2200 or Ted at 431-279-4965.

Your support is needed to ensure these fund-raising events are successful.

Please circle these dates on your calendars and let your family and friends know about them!

Do You Have an Item for Our Bulletin? Please contact us via email at allsaintsuoc@mymts.net
NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH? If you're unable to make the trip on your own, we would be pleased to provide you with transport. Contact us at allsaintsuoc@mymts.net and we'll arrange a ride for you.

CHECK US OUT!

All Saints website, Facebook page, and Instagram has a great deal of information waiting for you at your fingertips!

All Saints news and information can be accessed at:

Church Website: https://www.allsaintsuoc.ca/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/allsaintsuoc/

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS 2023 Parish Council & Support Volunteers:

President - Len Matiowsky, (431) 668-8335

Clergy - Fr. Nicholas Orest Rauliuk, (431) 374-1794 or (204) 691-5689

Fr. Deacon Thomas Chaput, (204) 470-6376

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Kitchen Crew Coordinator: Jennifer Osachuk (204) 338-4859

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Lawrence Chubey, (204) 256-8785

Ted Kowal, (431) 279-4965

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DIVINE LITURGY LIVE STREAMS CAN BE FOUND AT THESE WEBSITES:

• Live stream from Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints, Winnipeg, MB @ 10:00

https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/live

• Live stream from Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral, Winnipeg, MB @ 6:30 am

https://www.facebook.com/HTUOMC/

28th Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 3

Great-martyr Barbara and Martyr Juliana at Heliapolis in Syria (306). Ven. John Damascene (776). Ven. John, bishop of Polybotum (716).

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER...

This Sunday is the twelfth Sunday of Luke; the Gospel reading recounts the healing of the ten Lepers (Luke 17:12-19).

As the Lord Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem (towards His Passion) he passed through a village where he was greeted by ten men with leprosy; a serious and contagious skin disease common in that time. From a religious perspective, the infected person was considered "unclean", and according to the Law, this "uncleanliness" was grounds for isolation; socially and religiously. The Jews considered this disease as retribution from God towards sinners, lepers were seen as the ultimate sinners, punished for their disobedience. They were forbidden to socialise with others and turned away at the gates of the temple when they tried to visit for prayers and religious rites. The affected were prevented from mixing with others and were further humiliated in their distinguishment from the non-affected; they were forced to call out "unclean, unclean" to warn others of their approach. Anyone who came close to them or touched them would be considered unclean themselves. Naturally, this caused those afflicted to suffer not only physically, but psychologically and spiritually as well.

Of the ten lepers in this Gospel reading; nine were Jews and one a Samaritan. In that time, there was religious and ideological disagreement between the Jews and the Samaritans, causing a huge rift between the two groups, so the Book says: "The Jews did not mix with the Samaritans" (John 4:9) as the Samaritans were considered impure by the Jews. But we can see that within this particular group of lepers, the Jews lived with a Samaritan, as pain and suffering united them and their differences were cast aside, gathering as one set of outcasts in support of each other.

We read from the evangelist Luke; "they stood from afar" as the Law ordered them, and raised their collective voice in prayer to Christ, saying "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" They were seeking mercy from the Master, something which they lacked from their own people and society. In response, Jesus ordered them saying "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And that they did,

immediately believing in the word of the Lord, without objection or doubt of their cleanliness, even before they were cured. Their faith manifested the miracle.

After they had set off, only one of the ten lepers returned to Jesus "to glorify God with a loud voice". Of all the ten, the only one to return in gratitude and thanksgiving at the feet of Christ was the Samaritan, called "foreigner" by Jesus, and considered a stranger within the Jewish community. We can see that this healed Samaritan, through his faith, realised that Jesus was not only a teacher or a miracle maker but the Lord himself. In fact, the first commandment for the Samaritans is not to worship and prostrate to anyone but "God", so the very act of prostration at the feet of Jesus made by the returning Samaritan was a clear and public acknowledgement that God and Jesus are the same person.

The healing of leprosy, along with other miracles, was considered an act of virtue by the expected Messiah, and a sign of the approaching Kingdom of Heaven. The Evangelist Luke makes mention of this (7:19); John the Baptist sent two of his disciples to Jesus, saying: "Are you the Coming One, or do we look for another?" And in that very hour, He cured many infirmities, afflictions and evil spirits. Then He answered the two disciples, saying: "Go and tell John the things you have seen and heard: that the blind can see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the gospel preached to them, and blessed is he who is not offended because of Me."

The ten lepers all believed in the word of the Lord Jesus, and because of this all of them were healed, but only one came back and thanked Him, receiving salvation, "Go thy way; thy faith has made thee whole." Faith leads to the healing of the flesh. But thankfulness, gratitude and worship lead to the healing and salvation of the soul.

We all are sick with the leprosy of sin which makes us unclean and far away from God. We should realise just how far away from God our sinful actions make us and dare to approach the Master of Glory shouting aloud "O Jesus Have Mercy on me! Kyrie Eleison, Lord Have Mercy." He will listen and cleanse our souls from the Leprosy of sin, but it is important that we return to Him and thank Him as the apostle Paul says: "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," (Ephesians 5:20). We often forget, in our ungratefulness, to return to God in thanksgiving, for His mercy.

Christ does not need our thanks; it is for our own acknowledgment and recognition that He is the origin and source of all blessings, healing and good things. We must continually thank God when our prayers are answered, in whichever capacity they are, for He knows what is best for us and what is useful for our salvation.

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Слава Icycy Христу! Slava Isousou Christou! Glory to Jesus Christ!

Слава Навіки! Slava Na Veeky! Glory Forever!



Feed-a-Family Program				
	Family Size (number of people in family) & Estimated Cost			
	Single	2-3	4-5	6 or more
Hampers should include the items below:	\$90	\$150	\$190	\$250
1 Juice - 100% fruit, 1 litre	1	2	3	4
2 Soup, canned* (lentil, pea, vegetable)	2	3	4	6
3 Vegetables, canned	1	2	4	5
4 Jelly powder	1 pkg	3 pkg	4 pkg	4 pkg
5 Fruit, canned (packed in own juice)	1	2	3	4
6 Macaroni & Cheese	1	3	5	6
7 Pasta (whole grain)		1	2	2
8 Spaghetti sauce*		1	1	1
9 Rice (brown, converted or parboiled)	1 pkg	2 pkg	2 pkg	3 pkg
10 Oatmeal (non-sweetened)	1 pkg	1 pkg	2 pkg	2 pkg
11 Tuna, canned (packed in water)	1	2	3	4
12 Peanut butter	1	2	2	2
13 Baked beans (no pork)	1			
14 Pancake mix		1	1	1
15 Pancake syrup		1	1	1
16 Stuffing mix		1 pkg	1 pkg	2 pkg
17 Jam	1	1	1	1
18 Cookies	1 pkg	1 pkg	2 pkg	2 pkg
19 Cake Mix		2	3	3
20 Candy		2	2	2
21 Gravy mix		1	3	3
22 Dried fruit		1	1	2
23 Sugar & Flour	1 kg	1 kg	4 kg	4 kg
24 Tea or coffee	1 pkg	1 pkg	1 pkg	2 pkg
25 Scalloped or mashed potatoes	1 pkg	2 pkg	2 pkg	2 pkg
26 Protein (beef, chicken, fish)				

^{*} Please choose brands with reduced sodium

Suggested additional items: milk, fruit, eggs, vegetables, cheese slices, chocolate

Suggested gift cost:

- Infant 5 yrs \$25
- 6 11 yrs \$20-\$30
- 12 14 yrs \$25-35