

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

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Father Deacon Thomas Chaput

Reader/Cantor: Allan Pawluk and Len Matiowsky • Choir Director: Jan Michalyshyn

21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, 29 October, 2023

Epistle Reading: Gal. 2:16-20 • Gospel: Lk. 8:5-15

SUNDAY SERVICES:

Sunday, 29 October, 2023 - ENGLISH

Sunday, 5 November, 2023 - BILINGUAL

Sunday, 12 November, 2023 - ENGLISH

Sunday, 19 November, 2023 - BILINGUAL

Sunday, 26 November, 2023 - ENGLISH

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: Nadia, Marilyn, Lawrence, John, Janet, Chelsey, Mervin, Sonia, Elaine, Jeffery, Richard, Mary, Allan, Linda and Michael, Bob, Alex.

Best wishes to Alex Moodrey on a speedy recovery from his hip surgery

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 allsaintsuoc@mymts.net, 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 fedyaz@yahoo.ca or Demi Kuzyk at demikb@shaw.ca**.

COMING EVENTS:

Fall Supper and Dance fund raiser on November 4, 2023. Music by "High Profile Dance Band".

Fall Supper & Dance is now sold out!

Donations for Silent Auction should be dropped off by Thursday Nov 2nd by 6: 00 pm.

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!

LET'S CELEBRATE!

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

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

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Lawrence Chubey, (204) 256-8785

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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/

21tst Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 4

Martyr Longinus the Centurion, who stood at the Cross of the Lord (1st c.). St. Longinus the Gatekeeper of the Kyiv Caves (13th c.).

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER

Today we heard the familiar parable of the sower in the Gospel. When our Lord concludes this parable He says "he that has ears to hear, let him hear." (Luke 8:8) Jesus says this to indicate to those present that there is a deeper meaning to the story then what is on the surface; just seed being scattered and sprouting.

The disciples realize this and ask "What might this parable be?" (Luke 8:9) The Lord replies to this question with "Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand." (Luke 8:10)

In this response our Lord Jesus Christ makes a distinction between His followers and those that just hear His words and see His works. God bestows His grace upon those that choose to follow Him. When we choose to follow Him our spiritual eyes are opened so that we may know the mysteries of the Kingdom of God. As followers of Christ our God, He may at times speak to us in very direct terms. The Gospel of Saint John reminds us of this in Christ's last conversation with His disciples before His death; "These things have I

spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time comes, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs." (John 16:25). What is the deeper meaning of this parable?

"A sower went out to sow his seed" (Luke 8:5) is the start of the parable. The sower is Our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ who left His eternal existence with the Father and Holy Spirit to enter into time. The incarnate Word of God, Jesus Christ, went out into His world. The world that He created out of nothingness as described in the Book of Genesis.

The field that our Lord went out to is that of human souls. He went out into the field of human souls to sow the seed of salvation. God desires our salvation as it says in Saint Paul's first epistle to Timothy; He "will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth." (1Timothy 2:4) Additionally, God is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9) The seed of salvation is sown into the souls of men through Christ's teachings.

The parable tells us that three parts of the seed is lost. The parable makes it clear that the failure of this seed is not the fault of sower or the seed but of the ground upon which it fell. We need to be willing to cooperate with God in order to receive salvation. This means that we must abandon our self will and follow Christ in order to receive salvation. We are given an example of this when our Lord calls His disciples James and John. They leave their work and their father for Christ when He says the words "Follow Me." (Matthew 8:22)

The lost seed in the parable does not mean that God will not benefit from making His word known to those that will not receive it. We only need to look to the parable of talents to see that even in the case of the servant that made no use of the talent given to him that the Lord still received that talent back. This is further demonstrated for us when Jesus sends His disciples out to teach giving them the following instructions "And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you." (Matthew 10:13). So my dear brothers and sisters in Christ be the good soil that receives the seed of God's salvation so that you may have the ears to hear and the eyes to see the mysteries of the Kingdom of God.

Fr. Milan Medakovic at Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church