



Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Ukrainian Catholic Parish

Українська Католицька Парафія Воздвиження Чесного Хреста



Sunday, February 2, 2025

Sunday of Zacchaeus; Octoechos Tone 4;
The Encounter of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Meeting of the Lord

By + Fr. Thomas Hopko

Forty days after Christ was born He was presented to God in the Jerusalem Temple according to the Mosaic Law. At this time as well His mother Mary underwent the ritual purification and offered the sacrifices as prescribed in the Law. Thus, forty days after Christmas, on the second of February, the Church celebrates the feast of the presentation called the Meeting (or Presentation or Reception) of the Lord.

The meeting of Christ by the elder Simeon and the prophetess Anna (Lk 2.22–36) is the main event of the feast of Christ's presentation in the Temple. It was "revealed to Simeon by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death...

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We are looking for some new Parish Pastoral Council Members.

There will be a few vacancies that we will need to fill for the 2025/2026 Council. These positions include:

- **Archivist**
- **Membership Director**
- **Cultural Committee Director**
- **Spiritual Committee Director**
- **Social Committee Director**

The Annual General Meeting is being planned for March 23 and we are looking for members like you to come forward and volunteer their time to help shape the future of Holy Cross. Please come and see Mark Helmak, Dale Kluk or Mark Ramsankar for more information.

Sundays:

- 9:30 am Rosary
- 10 am Divine Liturgy

Wednesdays:

- 9 am Divine Liturgy

Most Major Feasts*:

- 10 am or 7 pm Divine Liturgy

(* It's always best to check the calendar in this bulletin for upcoming special events & feasts.)

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Pastoral

Emergencies: 780-340-3726

Church: 780-478-5260

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Our New Toll Free Number:
1-866-886-3946

We no longer have a fax number.

Eparchy: 780-424-5496

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9003 - 153 Avenue NW
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More info on the next page.

I'm terrified of elevators, so I'm going to start taking steps to avoid them.

Hall Rentals:

call Lisa at: 780-222-9155
or email: hallrental@ehcucp

Perohy Off Sales: 780-478-4275

Membership:

email: membership@ehcucp

Funeral Dinners:

Call Cheryl: 780-456-2828

Reminder: To receive member rates for funerals/memorials the deceased person must have been a fully paid up member of Holy Cross Parish for the past 22 consecutive months. Deceased children of fully paid up members are also entitled to member rates however child must be a dependant or under the age of 18.

Parish Pastoral Council:

- Parish Priest – Fr. Bo Nahachewsky
- Deacon - Dcn. John Lukey
- President – Mark Helmak
- Past President – Peter Fedorak
- 1st Vice-President – Mark Ramsankar
- 2nd Vice-President –Deacon John Lukey
- Secretary – Gwen Uchach
- Treasurer – Dale Kluk
- Archivist – Diana Horyn
- Cultural – Mariyka Bodnar
- Fundraising – Terry Yackimec
- Hall Rental – Lisa Borosuik & Gladys Woitas
- Ladies’ Club – Dianne Kluk
- Knights of Columbus – Darrell Uchach
- Men’s Club President – Marc Chiasson
- Youth Coordinator – Emmette Lysak
- Maintenance – Larry Waye
- Membership – J’lyn Ramsankar
- Social – Edd Horyn
- Spiritual – Elizabeth Podloski

Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist:

- Contact Fr. Bo, at least a month in advance if possible

Weddings:

- Contact Fr. Bo, at least a year in advance if possible

Funerals:

- Contact Fr. Bo, as soon as you are able.

Confessions:

- Sundays from 9 till 9:30 with Fr. Bo
- First Sundays of the month with Fr. Myron before and during the Liturgy
- or anytime, just call Fr. Bo to arrange it.

Are you interested in a Pysanka Writing Session?



Please sign up for our Pysanka Writing which is being planned for **Sunday, February 23 at 2 pm.** If

you would like more information see Mariyka Bodnar.

It’s quite fun! Join us.

Do you notice something is missing in our parish, in this bulletin or elsewhere?

Did you find any mistakes in this bulletin?

LET FR. BO KNOW!

I can’t fix what I am unaware of, and I am quite bad at remembering things... and spelling... and keeping focused... and more...

Your reminders, patience and suggestions are like gold to me.

Please humour your ADHD Priest. (Because Jesus said to love everyone.)

Are you, or someone you know, planning to get married in our church?

If so, you/they will need to do “Marriage Prep.”

Please talk to Fr. Bo about how we can make your preparations the best possible, including perhaps attending the upcoming “Eparchial Marriage Preparation Course”. This Marriage Preparation Course is being hosted at St. Josaphat Cathedral in Edmonton, on Saturday, February 22 & on Saturday, March 8, 2025.



Donations received at Holy Cross Parish

Sunday Donations for the Month of January:	\$9,323.00
Candles for the Month of January:	\$125.15
Building Fund Donations for the Month of January:	\$560.00

(Compare that to the utility and other such expenses for the month of December: \$16,786.57)

Meeting of the Lord Continued

...before he had seen the Lord's Christ" (Lk 2.26) and, inspired by the same Spirit, he came to the Temple where he met the new-born Messiah, took Him in his arms and said the words which are now chanted each evening at the end of the Orthodox Vespers service:

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for the revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to Thy people Israel (Lk 2.29–32).

At this time as well Simeon predicted that Jesus would be the "sign which is spoken against" and that He would cause "the fall and the rising of many in Israel." He also foretold Mary's sufferings because of her son (Luke 22.34–35). Anna also was present and, giving thanks to God "she spoke of Jesus to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem" (Lk 2.38).

In the service of the feast of the Meeting of the Lord, the fact emphasized is that Christ, the Son and Word of God through Whom the world was created, now is held as an infant in Simeon's hands; this same Son of God, the Giver of the Law, now Himself fulfills the Law, carried in arms as a human child.

Receive him, O Simeon, whom Moses on Mount Sinai beheld in the darkness as the Giver of the Law. Receive him as a babe now obeying the Law. For he it is of whom the Law and the Prophets have spoken, incarnate for our sake and saving mankind. Come let us adore him!

Let the door of heaven open today, for the Eternal Word of the Father, without giving up his divinity, has been incarnate of the Virgin in time. And as a babe of forty days he is voluntarily brought by his mother to the Temple, according to the Law. And the elder Simeon takes him in his arms and cries out: Lord now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, O Lord, who has come to save the human race—glory to Thee! (Vespers Verses of the Feast).

The Vespers and Matins of the feast of the Meeting of the Lord are filled with hymns on this theme. The Divine Liturgy is celebrated with the lines from the canticle of Mary forming the prokeimenon and the words of Simeon being the verses for the Alleluia. The gospel readings tell of the meeting, while the Old Testament readings at Vespers refer to the Law of the purification in Leviticus, the vision of Isaiah in the Temple of the Thrice-Holy Lord, and the gift of faith to the Egyptians prophesied by Isaiah when the

light of the Lord shall be a "revelation to the Gentiles" (Lk 2.32).

The celebration of the Meeting of the Lord in the church is not merely a historical commemoration. Inspired by the same Holy Spirit as Simeon, and led by the same Spirit into the Church of the Messiah, the members of the Church also can claim their own "meeting" with the Lord, and so also can witness that they too can "depart in peace" since their eyes have seen the salvation of God in the person of his Christ.

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace! From you shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, enlightening those who sat in darkness! Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder; you accepted in your arms the Redeemer of our souls who grants us the resurrection (Troparion).

By Thy nativity, Thou didst sanctify the Virgin's womb. And didst bless Simeon's hands, O Christ our God. Now Thou hast come and saved us through love. Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians, O only Lover of man (Kontakion).

It is customary in many churches to bless candles on the feast of the Meeting of the Lord.



Why do we bless candles on the feast of the Entrance of the Lord into the Temple?

Because Christ the Light of the World made His appearance and was recognized by the priest Simeon and the Prophetess Anna. As the Light shined before them, so too do we bless candles that light up our darkness.

These candles are then meant to be used during prayer in our homes and churches.

If you brought candles to be blessed, simply place them on the table at the front of the church.

If you did not bring any, but you would like a candle to take home with you, we will be blessing a bunch of church candles. You may take one, but if possible, please make a little donation to help the parish cover the costs.



NTC OPEN HOUSE

Newman Theological College invites you to an Open House, where you can learn more about programs, explore the college campus, and meet faculty and staff.



2:00-4:00pm
FEBRUARY 8, 2025



Contact us
780-392-2450



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EASTERN COURSE OFFERINGS NOW AVAILABLE!



FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

PEROGY SUPPER

WHEN:

Saturday, March 1, 2025

WHERE:

**Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish
9003-153 AVE**



FOR TICKETS CONTACT

DIANNE @ 780-242-1534

**ALL AGES
EVENT**

**ADVANCED
TICKETS ONLY**

**Adults (13 yrs+)
\$25.00**

**Youth (7-12 yrs)
\$15.00**

**Children (6 & under)
Free**

- Tickets required for admission
- No Refunds
- Cash Bar

2 SITTINGS

**FIRST
4:30PM – 6:00 PM**
Doors Open @ 4:00 pm

**SECOND
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM**
Doors open @ 6:15 pm



Join Bishop David on a Pilgrimage of Hope to the Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine in Winnipeg on May 2-4, 2025. Pope Francis has designated 2025 the Jubilee Year of Hope and encourages all faithful to embark on pilgrimages, repent of their sins, forgive the sins of others and renew a focus on the spiritual life. Join Bishop David and make a formal pilgrimage to this designated Jubilee Site and partake of a

special outpouring of grace and mercy. The trip will also include a visit to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at Cooks Creek and the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Information session Wednesday, February 12, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Pastoral Centre, 9645-108 Avenue in Edmonton or QR code for Zoom link.



Would you like to learn about icons? Why not paint/write one?



This year Fr. Bo will be teaching two Icon Workshops here in the parish that are open to the public.

The Icon we are painting is the Korsun Icon of the Theotokos (seen to the left). It is a beautiful yet simple Icon which has its name from the Ukrainian city of Kherson. People have been cured of sickness, and saved from foreign invaders through the intercession of the Mother of God before this image. Perhaps through our prayers as we copy this Icon we too will feel God's healing and peace, and through us to the rest of the world.

The workshops will happen on the Family Day Long Weekend in February (14-17) and on the first week of Lent March 2-8.

For those who would consider both workshops, an Icon of Christ will be the second image making this a set.

For more information contact Fr. Bo at 780-340-3726.



Pilgrims of Hope

Feb. 21-23, 2025

Men's Retreat

With Br. Michael Perras, OFM

As we pilgrimage in the 2025 Jubilee Year, this retreat is an opportunity to consider how Hope is our compass, guiding us in the ways of Faith and Love.

The retreat will include prayer, quiet, sharing and guided reflections.

It is an opportunity for men of all ages to recharge and recalibrate for the journey ahead.

Holy Spirit Seminary

12909 - 113 Ave NW, Edmonton

Price \$275 (student discount available)

Includes accommodations, inspiring sessions, meals and snacks throughout the weekend

Register here: <https://shorturl.at/tqiBb> or scan the QR code:

Contact Bernadette.mandrusiak@eeparchy.com or 780-424-5496 if you have questions.



Regular Meetings and Events:

- **Every Sunday at 9:30 am:** the Rosary
- **Every Sunday at 10 am:** Divine Liturgy, alternating English one week, and Bilingual English and Ukrainian the next week.
- **Every Sunday at 10 am:** Sunday School, for children up to grades 2. They begin and end their sessions during the Liturgy.
- **Last Sunday of each month at 10 am: Children's Liturgy,** on this last Sunday of the month we try to make the Divine Liturgy more welcoming for our children and youth. They get a special homily with Marilyn the Catechetical Puppet and children also are encouraged to participate in the service by singing, serving at the altar, reading the epistle, helping with the collection and/or other ways.
- **Every Sunday* at 11:15 (+/-) am: Coffee Hour** (* unless otherwise stated in this bulletin, and during the summer months)
- **Every Monday at 10 am:** Monday Morning's Bible Study Group in the Board Room.
- **Almost Every Monday Evening: Some sort of Parish Meeting,** including but not limited to: Ladies' Club (typically the 1st Monday at 7), Knights of Columbus (typically the 2nd Monday at 7:30), Men's Club (typically the 3rd Monday at 7), and Parish Pastoral Council (typically the last Monday at 7). Check this Bulletin below to confirm the date of the next meeting for your group(s)
- **Most Tuesdays:** Fr. Bo comes to the Church and tries to paint icons in the afternoon. Always phone or text if you would like to come and see me, incase I have other appointments to go to.
- **Every Wednesday* at 9 am:** Divine Liturgy, (* unless otherwise stated in this bulletin)
- **Most Wednesdays:** Fr. Bo stays at the Church and tries to do office work including the bulletin and various meetings with individuals. Always phone or text if you would like to come and see me, incase I have other appointments to go to.
- **Wednesdays:** Fr. Bo tries to start the bulletin, so if you wish to put something into that week's bulletin, please try to have it in by this day. (Yes, most of the time he is still working on it on Saturday... but he wants to get it done mid week.)
- **Every Second Wednesday* at 6 pm: Bible Study,** Everyone Welcome (* unless otherwise stated in this bulletin, and September through June)
- **Every Second Wednesday* at 6 pm: Youth Ministry,** 2 groups grades 3-6, and grades 7-12 (* unless otherwise stated in this bulletin, and during the summer months)
- **Every Second Wednesday* at 7:30 pm: Young Adult Ministry (YAM),** Those who are 18 to 49-ish are welcome to join us (* unless otherwise stated in this bulletin, and during the summer months)
- **Every Thursday: is Fr. Bo's Day off...** at least in theory. Please call him if you really need to, but don't if you don't.
- **Every Friday of the Great Fast (Lent) at 6 pm: Presanctified Liturgy**
- Almost **Every Saturday at 2 pm:** We anticipate having **First Solemn Communion Classes** in the Boardroom.

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

- **Sunday, February 2, after the Liturgy:** We will be **blessing candles** as is traditional on the feast of the Entrance of our Lord into the Temple. If you wish to have some candles blessed please put them on the table in the front of the church before the end of the Divine Liturgy.
- **Sunday, February 2, 3-4 minutes after the Liturgy:** There will be a panachyda for the **first anniversary of the passing of + Al Tymko**, as well as for **+ Johnathan Harkins, + Stella Scott, and + Steve Laschuk**
- **Monday, February 3 at 7 pm:** Ladies' Club meeting.
- **Wednesday, February 5 at 6 pm:** Brave the cold... it's **Bible Study** night. Yeah!
- **Friday, February 7th at 6 pm:** Meeting of St. Mary's Eritrean (Ge'ez) Catholic Church's Council with Holy Cross' Council here at our parish to gather information. Parish Pastoral Council members please consider attending. Note: this is not a decision making meeting.
- **Saturday, February 8, at 2 pm - 4 pm:** Open House at Newman Theological College.
- **Sunday, February 9 from 5:30 - 8 pm:** St. Nicholas Parish will be hosting this year's **Tables for Two**. Tables for Two is a romantic multi coursed fancy meal for married couples, served with reflections for you and your spouse to talk about. For more details contact Bernadette.mandrusiak@eeparchy.com
- **Monday, February 10 at 9 am:** Potato and Perogy Dough Bee
- **Monday, February 10 at 7:30 pm:** Knights of Columbus Meeting


- **Tuesday, February 11 at 9 am:** Perogy Pinching Bee
- **Tuesday, February 11 at 10 am:** Clergy Conference at St. Josaphat's.
- **Wednesday, February 12 at 6 pm and at 7:30 pm:** Youth and then Young Adults. What are we doing??? I don't know yet. Stay tuned.
- **February 14 - 17:** Icon Workshop in the Games Room. Talk to Fr. Bo for more details.
- **Monday, February 17 at 7 pm:** Men's Club Meeting
- **February 21-23:** Men's Retreat at Holy Spirit Seminary.
- **Saturday, February 22:** Eparchial Marriage Prep Course Part 1
- **Sunday, February 23 at 2 pm:** Our Pysanka Writing Session. Please sign up on the sign up sheet. For questions ask Mariyka Bodnar.
- **Sunday, February 23 after the Divine Liturgy:** We will have a panachyda for all the victims of the full scale invasion of Ukraine on the occasion of it's third anniversary. May this unnecessary war cease, and may all those who have died be granted eternal memory. Vichnaya Pamyat.
- **Monday, February 24:** Day of Prayer and Fasting for the end of the war in Ukraine as requested by Patriarch Sviatoslav.
- **Monday, February 24 at 9 am:** Cabbage Roll Bee
- **Monday, February 24 at 5:30 or 6 pm:** If there is interest, Fr. Bo is willing to have a prayer service (Parastas? Akathist? Other?) as part of the day of prayer and fasting for the end of the war in Ukraine. We would need to finish before the PPC Meeting at 7 pm. Please let him know if you are interested in such a service.
- **Monday, February 24 at 7 pm:** PPC Meeting
- **Thursday, February 27:** Bingo
- **Saturday, March 1:** the fantastic Holy Cross Parish Perogy Supper!
- **March 2 - 8:** Icon Workshop in the Games Room. Talk to Fr. Bo for more details.
- **Monday, March 3:** Clean Monday - The first day of the Great Fast (Lent)
- **Thursday, March 6 at 9 am:** Pereshke & Nalysnyky for Off Sale Bee
- **Saturday, March 8:** Eparchial Marriage Prep Course Part 2
- **Tuesday, March 11:** Bingo
- **Friday & Saturday March 14 & 15:** Holy Cross' Parish Lenten Mission with guest preacher Fr. Jim Nakonechny. The theme will be "Be Still and Know That I Am God: Living a Life of Prayer"
- **Saturday March 15:** First Solemn Communion Children receive their **First Confession**.
- **Sunday, March 16:** First Solemn Communion for 4 fantastic children in our parish. Lunch? to follow the Liturgy?
- **Tuesday, March 18 at 9 am:** Cabbage Roll Bee
- **Sunday, March 23 after Liturgy:** Our **Annual General Meeting** for our parish. There is always lots happening in our parish and you won't want to miss this important event.
- **Wednesday, March 26:** Bingo
- **Saturday, March 29 at 9 am:** Baking Paskas with Kids, Youth and Young Adults
- **Thursday, April 10:** Bingo
- **Saturday, April 12:** Our famous **Easter Bake Sale!**
- **Saturday - Saturday, April 12 - 19:** Holy Week
- **Sunday, April 20:** Pascha - Easter
- **Sunday, April 27:** Blessed Breakfast
- **Monday, April 28:** Bingo
- **May 2-4:** Pilgrimage to Bishop Velechkovsky Shrine in Winnipeg with Bishop David.


Celebrate Love and Faith at "Table for Two" This February

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton invites you to a unique evening that blends romance, connection, and spiritual enrichment. Whether you are dating, engaged, or married, "Table for Two" offers a meaningful way to celebrate your love and deepen your relationship with each other and with God.

 **Event Date:** February 9, 2025

 **Time:** 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

 **Venue:** St. Nicholas Parish Hall, 9507 Austin O'Brien Rd, Edmonton

 **Cost:** \$95 per couple

 **Click to register** – <https://shorturl.at/KqSbu>

This special evening is not just a dinner; it's an experience crafted to inspire couples and create lasting memories in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

 **Click here to register now** – <https://shorturl.at/KqSbu>

Parish, Eparchial & Community News / Announcements:

- It is with sadness that we share with you the news of the passing on January 29th of + **Subdeacon Dwain Laflamme**. Subdeacon Dwain served primarily at Holy Eucharist Parish and St. Josaphat's Cathedral. Details of funeral arrangements are not yet available. May God grant eternal repose to your servant Subdeacon Dwain Laflamme. Vichnaja pamjat.
- If there are **any proposed agenda items for the parish's Annual General Meeting** please submit them to the Parish Council, before February 23 by sending it to: office@ehcucp.ca
- **Thank you** to all who stepped up to help with the Frozen Foods Sales. God bless you all.
- **Are you good with Social Media? Websites? Vlogging? Video editing?** If so, consider helping the parish spread the good news. Please come and talk to Fr. Bo if you can help.
- We lately have made some bits of improvement with **our website**. Have you checked it out lately?
- We are seeking good and passionate people who would like to **help our parish's Children's programs**. Please talk to Dianne Kluk or Fr. Bo if you are one of these people we are looking for.
- Holy Cross has many volunteers doing many items for the operation of our parish and we appreciate everyone. **We do need some back-up support for learning and helping with recording donations to our Parish**. The main driver for this function is to issue the year-end tax receipt for your tax return. If you have questions, please see Mark Helmak or Dale Kluk.
- **Membership fees are now due**. We still have a number of envelopes that have not been picked up for the 2025 year. There are still about 49 members that have not picked up their membership for 2025. The cost of a 2025 membership will be \$45 effective April 1, 2025 (These fees were passed at the 2024 AGM meeting).
- **We now can take donations via E-Transfer!** You can set this up on your online banking using our parish email which is office@ehcucp.ca . A detailed example can be picked up at the parish office if you would like.
- We are looking for parishioners who would like to see **more social events in our parish**. If you have ideas that you would like to share with a group of other interested people, we would appreciate your input. It is well known that a healthy community needs to get folks involved in social activities. Do you have suggestions? Please see Edd or contact him (780-908-2410).
- The **2025 Eparchial Marriage Preparation Course** is being hosted at St. Josaphat Cathedral on Saturday, February 22 & Saturday, March 8, 2025. Couples planning to marry within our Ukrainian Catholic Church in 2025 are encouraged to register for the course by contacting Fr. Bo first, then by calling 780-422-3181 or by emailing Fr. Jim Nakonechny at fr.nakonechny@eeparchy.com for more details.
- Our **Sunday School** is awesome! All kids up to First Solemn Communion are welcome. You will get the blessing to go from Fr. Bo at the start of the Liturgy. Don't be shy, join us!
- Boys and Girls who have already done their First Solemn Communion are invited to become **Altar Servers!** Just say hi to Fr. Bo or Deacon John before Liturgy and we will train you on the job.
- Our Eparchy is continuing to raise **funds for people in Ukraine** through CNEWA. If you wish to help you can donate through our parish, which will pass the donation to the Eparchy.
 - The *Okhmatdyt* Children's Hospital was damaged in July by a Russian missile attack, which caused deaths, injuries and damage on the various regions of the city in Kyiv. Help rebuild the hospital. [Donate](#).
 - Pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine. [Donate](#).
- **Coffee Hour Volunteers** are awesome and loved. If you would like to help with this important ministry please see Diana Horyn. (If you don't know who this is ask Fr. Bo or anyone... most of us can point her out to you.)
Also, for existing **Coffee Hour Volunteers**, we want to bring to your attention the new schedule which is posted on the bulletin board near the office.
- Do you have an upcoming **50, 60, 70 or even 75 year wedding anniversary** coming up? If so, wow congratulations! Let us know so that we can celebrate this big event with you by singing "Mnohaya Lita" and by presenting you with a commemorative plaque. There is a sheet near the office door where you can let us know about it.
- **Ongoing Food Bank Collection:** Let us not forget those who are hungry! We are always called to think about those who are less fortunate. A box for nonperishable food donations is always in the entrance of the Church.
- **Kid's Cottage is always in need of diapers** of all sizes. If you can consider picking up a pack (or a few) and then you can bring them to the church. We will collect them here and periodically deliver the diapers for them to use. Thank you.
- We are **Recording our Liturgies** for those who are not able to come in person to church. Please note that the recorded Liturgies are not intended to be an option for those who simply want to stay at home.

The Next Couple Weeks at Holy Cross

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2</p> <p>Sunday of Zacchaeus; Octoechos Tone 4;</p> <p>☩ The Encounter of our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ. Feast of our Lord. 1 Timothy 4:9-15; Hebrews 7:7-17; Luke 19:1-10; Luke 2:22-40.</p> <p>9:30 am Rosary</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy (English)</p> <p>Blessing of Candles</p> <p>After Liturgy there will be a Panachyda for + Al Tymko, + Johnathan Harkins, + Stella Scott, and + Steve Laschuk</p> <p>Yes Sunday School, and Yes Coffee</p>	<p>3</p> <p>☩ The Holy and Just Simeon who received God and Anna, Prophetess. Post-feast of the Encounter. Saint with Six Stichera. Hebrews 9:11-14; Luke 2:25-38.</p> <p>10 am Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 am Appointment</p> <p>1 pm Baptismal Prep</p> <p>7 pm Ladies' Club Meeting</p> <p>Deadline to Register for Tables for Two</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Our Venerable Father Isidore of Pelusium. Post-feast of the Encounter. 1 Peter 3:10-22; Mark 12:18-27.</p> <p>10:30 am Venta Care Centre Liturgy</p> <p>6 pm Fr. Bo teaches Icon Course at Newman Theological College</p>	<p>5</p> <p>The Holy Martyr Agatha. Post-feast of the Encounter. 1 Peter 4:1-11; Mark 12:28-37.</p> <p>9 am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>1:30 pm Appointment</p> <p>6 pm Bible Study</p> <p>6 pm Youth and 7:30 pm Young Adults bumped one week.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Our Venerable Father Boucolus, Bishop of Smyrna; The Holy Hieromartyr Sylvanus, Bishop of Emessa and those with him. Post-feast of the Encounter. 1 Peter 4:12-5:5; Mark 12:38-44.</p> <p>Fr. Bo's Day off</p> <p>11 am "Writing the Light" Class</p> <p>5:30 pm Appointment</p>	<p>7 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus; Blessed Hieromartyr Petro Verhun, presbyter. Post-feast of the Encounter. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 2 Peter 1:1-10; Mark 13:1-8.</p> <p>Cancelled 5:30 pm Appointment</p> <p>6 pm Meeting of St. Mary's Parish and Holy Cross Parish Councils at the Church</p>	<p>8</p> <p>☩ The Holy Great-Martyr Theodore the General; The Holy Prophet Zechariah. Post-feast of the Encounter. Saint with Six Stichera. 2 Timothy 2:1-10; Matthew 10:16-22.</p> <p>2 pm FSC</p> <p>2-4 pm NTC Open House</p> <p>6 pm Secret Meeting again (doesn't this just make you curious?)</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee; Octoechos Tone 5; Leave-taking of the Encounter of our Lord; The Holy Martyr Nicephorus. Resurrectional Gospel 5. 2 Timothy 3:10-15; Luke 18:10-14.</p> <p>9:30 am Rosary</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy (Bilingual)</p> <p>After Liturgy there will be a Panachyda for + Lenard Stepanick</p> <p>Yes Sunday School, and Yes Coffee</p> <p>5:30 pm Table for Two at St. Nicholas Parish</p>	<p>10</p> <p>The Holy Martyr Charalampus. Fast-free week. 2 Peter 1:20-2:9; Mark 13:9-13.</p> <p>9 am Perogy Dough and Potatoes Bee</p> <p>10 am Bible Study</p> <p>10:30 am Baptismal Prep</p> <p>7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting</p>	<p>11</p> <p>The Holy Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebastia. Fast-free week. 2 Peter 2:9-22; Mark 13:14-23.</p> <p>9 am Perogy Bee</p> <p>11 am Writing the Light Class</p> <p>6 pm Fr. Bo teaches Icon Course at Newman Theological College</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Our Holy Father Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch. Fast-free week. 2 Peter 3:1-18; Mark 13:24-31.</p> <p>9 am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>6 pm Youth</p> <p>7:30 pm Young Adults</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Our Venerable Father Martinian. The Holy Women Zoe and Photini (Svitlana) Fast-free week. 1 John 1:8-2:6; Mark 13:31-14:2.</p> <p>Fr. Bo's Day off</p> <p>Cancelled 5:30 pm Appointment</p> <p>6 pm Fr. Bo substitute teaches at Newman Theological College</p>	<p>14</p> <p>☩ The Repose of our Venerable Father Constantine the Philosopher, in the monastic life, Cyril, Teacher of the Slavs; Our Venerable Father Auxentius; The Venerable Maron, Hermit and Wonderworker. Polyeleos Feast. Fast-free week. Hebrews 7:26-8:2; John 10:9-16.</p> <p>6 - 9 pm Icon Workshop at Holy Cross</p>  <p>2 pm FSC</p>  <p>Cancelled 5:30 pm Appointment</p>	<p>15</p> <p>The Holy Apostle Onesimus. Fast-free week. 2 Timothy 3:1-9; Luke 20:45-21:4.</p> <p>10 am - 9 pm Icon Workshop at Holy Cross</p>  <p>2 pm FSC</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Sunday of the Prodigal Son; Octoechos Tone 6;</p> <p>The Holy Martyrs Pamphilus the Priest and Porphyrius and those with them. Resurrectional Gospel 6. 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; Luke 15:11-32.</p> <p>9:30 am Rosary</p> <p>10 am Divine Liturgy (English)</p> <p>Yes Sunday School, and Yes Coffee</p> <p>12 - 9 pm Icon Workshop at Holy Cross</p> 	<p>17</p> <p>☩ The Holy Great-Martyr Theodore the Recruit. 1 John 2:18-3:10; Mark 11:1-11.</p> <p>Family Day Long Weekend</p> <p>10 am Bible Study</p> <p>10 am - 9 pm Icon Workshop at Holy Cross</p> <p>7 pm Men's Club Meeting</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>Our Holy Father Leo, Pope of Rome. 1 John 3:10-20; Mark 14:10-42.</p> <p>6 pm Fr. Bo teaches Icon Course at Newman Theological College</p>	<p>19</p> <p>The Holy Apostle Archippus. 1 John 3:21-4:6; Mark 14:43-15:1.</p> <p>9 am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>1 pm Appointment</p> <p>6 pm Bible Study</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Our Venerable Father Leo, Bishop of Catania. 1 John 4:20-5:21; Mark 15:1-15.</p> <p>Fr. Bo's Day off</p> <p>Cancelled 5:30 pm Appointment</p> <p>6 pm Divine Liturgy and Dinner for Knights of Columbus</p>	<p>21 </p> <p>Our Venerable Father Timothy of Symbola; Our Holy Father Eustathius, Archbishop of Great Antioch. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. 2 John 1:1-13; Mark 15:22-25, 33-41.</p> <p>5:30 pm Appointment</p>	<p>22</p> <p>All Souls Saturday; The Discovery of the Relics of the Holy Martyrs at Eugenius. 1 Corinthians 10:23-28; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Luke 21:8-9, 25-27, 33-36; John 5:24-30.</p> <p>2 pm FSC</p>