



Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Ukrainian Catholic Parish

Українська Католицька Парафія Воздвиження Чесного Хреста



Sundays:

- 9:30 am Rosary
- 10 am Divine Liturgy

Wednesdays:

- 9 am Divine Liturgy

Most Major Feasts*:

- 9 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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More info on the next page.

Sunday, October 19, 2025

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 2; The Holy Prophet Joel;
The Holy Martyr Varus; Our Venerable Father John of Rila.**



This coming Saturday is our

Fall Dance!

**Be there and be square...
dancing...**



...or you can do other kinds of dancing. Just be there.

Tickets, if they are still available, will be sold after today's Liturgy... but we need to know how many people to cook for so sales will likely end in a day or two.

If you wish to ask questions call Rose Marie at 780-217-8217.

**Are you able to volunteer for this event?
Can you donate a door prize?**

If so, please see the Ed Horyn today!

And there might be sign up sheets on the counter next to the main parish office.



Our Perogy Supper was a great success.

We made a profit of \$8,990.25 from the Perogy Supper, Frozen Food Off-Sales sold \$1,336.00, and the Men's Club bar made a profit of \$402.87. Thank you once more to all the volunteers that made this happen.

It's Catholic Education Week!

See more about this on page 3 - your prayers and support are required.

This week is also Clergy Study Days

Fr. Bo and Deacon John and all the clergy of the Edmonton Eparchy are meeting together to do some professional Development from Monday till Thursday.

The conference will be opened by Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski, of the Eparchy of New Westminster, and Chair of the Patriarchal Catechetical Commission.

Due to this both Deacon John and I will not be at Monday's Men's Club meeting.

Chosen WILL still happen on Tuesday: it will be lead by some awesome volunteers (who I thank very much for doing this). And finally on Wednesday there will be NO 9 am Divine Liturgy.

Hall Rentals:

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

Perochy 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.

For reasons of food safety and liability our policy regarding food in the hall is A> No outside food is permitted, B> All food is to be consumed in the hall, C> No leftovers are given out, D> No take-out food.

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
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Treasurer – Dale Kluk
Archivist – Diana Horyn
Cultural – Ken Kozak
Fundraising – Terry Yackimec
Hall Rental – Lisa Borosuk & Gladys Woitas
Ladies' Club – Dianne Kluk
Knights of Columbus – Darrell Uchach
Men's Club President – Marc Chiasson
Youth Coordinator – Emmette Lysak
Maintenance – Larry Wayne
Membership – Lorna Chiasson
Social – Edd Horyn
Spiritual – Debbie Lukey

Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist:

- Contact Fr. Bo a month or more in advance

Weddings:

- Contact Fr. Bo 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.

Saints of the Day:**Prophet Joel**

The Prophet Joel (800 B.C.) predicted the desolation of Jerusalem. He also prophesied that the Holy Spirit would be poured out upon all people, through the Savior of the world (Joel 2:28-32).

The hymnographer Anatolius links Joel's prophecy to the Nativity of the Lord.

In the Praises at Matins on the Sunday following the Nativity, he refers to Joel 2:30, saying that the blood refers to the Incarnation, the fire to the Divinity, and the pillars of smoke to the Holy Spirit.

**Relics of Venerable John, the Abbot of Rila**

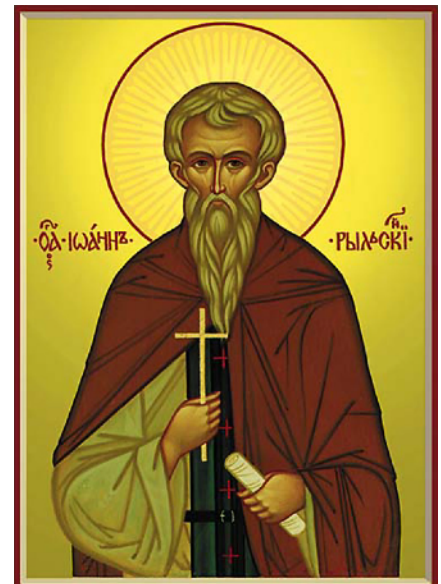
Saint John of Rila, the great spiritual ascetic of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church and Heavenly Protector of the Bulgarian nation, was born in the year 876 in the village of Skrinio in the Sredets district [now Sofia].

After he had been orphaned, the boy became a cowherd in order to avoid people. Once the rich man beat him for losing a cow with its calf. The boy cried long and he prayed, that God would help him. When he found the cow with the calf, the water at that time flowed high and strong in the River Struma. The young cowherd prayed, he placed his own tattered shirt on the water, made the Sign of the Cross over it, took up the calf in his arms and went with it, as though on dry land, to the other bank of the river where the cow was.

The rich man, hidden in the forest, was frightened upon seeing this miracle. He rewarded the youth generously, then sent him away from his home. Having given away his things, the boy left his village. Where and when the saint took monastic tonsure is unknown.

At the very beginning he lived an ascetical life on top of a high and barren hill, eating only wild plants. His cell was made from brushwood. After a short time, robbers fell upon him by night, beat him, and drove him away. Later, he found a deep cave and settled in it. Soon, his nephew Saint Luke also came to live there.

Luke secretly left the home of his parents and went into the wilderness where the Saint was living. After much effort, he succeeded in finding him. At first the blessed one, seeing him from afar, thought this was a...





The **Catholic Bishops of
Alberta, Yukon, and the
Northwest Territories**

Catholic Education Week - October 18 - 24, 2025

“Anchored in Christ, Beacon of Hope”

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

From the heart of God’s loving providence flows the great gift of Catholic education—a gift entrusted to the Church and cherished across our communities in Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon. At the very center of this gift stands the person of Jesus Christ, our hope and our anchor, who draws near to each student, calling them into a personal and transforming relationship with Himself.

The passage from the Letter to the Hebrews invites us to anchor our lives in Christ, who alone offers a hope that is “sure and steadfast”—a hope that reaches beyond our limitations and draws us into the very presence of God. This year’s Catholic Education Week theme, “Anchored in Christ, Beacon of Hope,” reflects the vocation of Catholic schools to be places where students not only encounter this hope but are formed to share it as radiant witnesses in the world.

Hope in Christ takes root in the home, where children first learn the Faith through the witness of their parents. It is nurtured in the life of the parish, where families gather around the altar and are sustained by Word and Sacrament. And it is cultivated in Catholic schools, where educators, clergy, trustees, and families form a sacred partnership in shaping minds and hearts in the truth and love of Christ.

In these times of uncertainty and rapid cultural change, our young people need more than optimism—they need hope founded in Christ. Catholic education offers more than academic excellence; it offers formation in discipleship. In every classroom, library, playground, and staff room, we are called to bear witness to Christ, to teach as He taught, and to lead others to the deep peace that only He can give.

We, the Catholic Bishops of Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon, offer our prayers and profound thanks to all who serve the mission of Catholic education: students, parents, teachers, educational assistants, support staff, school leaders, trustees, and parish clergy. Your fidelity, courage, and love make it possible for our schools to remain steadfast in identity and luminous in hope.

Let us go forward together,
anchored in Christ
and radiant with
hope. May our
words and actions
always reflect the
faith we profess,
and may our
schools continue
to be places
where Christ is
known, loved, and
proclaimed with
joy.

Yours in Christ,

The Catholic
Bishops of
Alberta,
Northwest
Territories and
Yukon

+ William McGrattan

Most Reverend William McGrattan
Alberta Liaison Bishop for Catholic Education
Bishop of Calgary

+ David

Most Reverend David Motiuk
Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Edmonton

+ Jon Hansen

Most Reverend Jon Hansen, CSsR
Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith

+ Hector Vila

Most Reverend Hector Vila
Bishop of Whitehorse

+ Gerard Pettipas, CSC

Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas, CSsR
Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan

+ Charles Duval, CSC

Most Reverend Charles Duval, CSsR
Coadjutor Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan

+ Gary Frank

Most Reverend Gary Franken
Bishop of St. Paul

Rev. Paul Kavanagh

Reverend Paul Kavanagh
Archdiocesan Administrator
Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton



During this Catholic Education Week and throughout the Alberta Teachers Association’s strike let us pray extra that God inspires everyone involved to do act with honesty and integrity and do their best for the children of our province.

Please also pray for the negotiators of both the ATA and the Alberta Government so that the process may not last long, so that it may be less stressful with every day that passes, and may the results be fair and just.

Pray for the children and youth and their families too.

Saints of the Day

Relics of Venerable John, the Abbot of Rila

... demonic temptation, and so he prayed. Like many solitaries, Saint John was bothered by demons, who assumed the shape of wild animals and tried to force him to leave. As Luke approached, he made prostration and asked for Saint John's blessing. That convinced the ascetic that it was truly his nephew, and not a delusion. He blessed Luke and asked why he had come. The young man told him of his desire to share his way of life, and was permitted to remain. Luke emulated Saint John the Forerunner, who had lived in the wilderness from childhood.

Satan could not endure Saint John's holy life of prayer and fasting. Moved by the devil, an acquaintance of Luke's father found him overwhelmed by grief and upset by his son's disappearance, so he said, "Your brother John came by night, took your son, and has him even now. Unless you rescue the boy, he will become food for the wild beasts. Come, and I will show you where he is, and then you can go and take your child."

When Luke's father heard this, he became furious and cursed his innocent brother. When they came near the place, the acquaintance showed him John's cave from afar and departed. The brother went on and found the Saint. He reproached him, calling him a deceiver and an evil man who had stolen his son.

He tried to kill the venerable one with a heavy stick and some stones, but Saint John just stood there saying nothing. The father seized the boy and took him from the wilderness, intending to bring him back to the world. The blessed man, knew that the child would fall into the snares of the devil, was overcome with sorrow and tears. He fell to his knees and prayed: "Lord Jesus Christ, behold the affliction of my heart, and grant me a sign of Thy mercy. Thou hast said, 'Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven' (Matthew 19:24).

After they had walked a short distance, a snake bit Luke, and at once he died a painless death. The

father did not know what to do. He returned to Saint John and repented of his actions. With profound sorrow, he revealed what had happened. Saint John told him to bury the boy and return to his home. The Saint was comforted in his sorrow and he glorified God, because by means of a physical death, He had saved the child from the future death of his soul. Saint John often visited the grave of his righteous nephew, which became his favorite place of solitude.

Saint John spent twelve years in the desolate cave, and then he went into the Rila wilderness and settled in the hollow of a tree.

He fasted and prayed a great deal, wept incessantly, and ate only grass. Seeing such endurance, God caused beans to grow, which he ate for a long time. The beans and his exploits made him known to people.

Once a flock of frightened sheep ran along the hilly steep paths, and did not stop until the place where the monk lived. The shepherds, following after the flock, with astonishment saw the hermit, who amicably greeted them: "You arrive here hungry. Pick some of my beans and eat." All ate and were satisfied. One gathered many beans in reserve. Along the way home he offered them to his comrades, but there were no beans in the pilfered pods. The shepherds turned back

penitent, and the Elder stood there, saying with a smile: "See, children, these fruits are appointed by God for subsistence in the wilderness."

From that time they began to bring to the monk the sick and those troubled by unclean spirits, which he healed by prayer. Fleeing celebrity, the monk went from his beloved tree-hollow and settled on a high and rocky crag difficult of access, where he dwelt for seven years under the open sky. Reports about the great ascetic reached even the Bulgarian king Peter (927-969), who wanted to meet him. Saint John wrote a letter, refusing such a meeting out of humility.

Later on Saint John accepted under him the guidance of monks, who built a monastery with a church in the cave where Saint John formerly lived. He wisely tended his flock and died on August 18, 946 at 70 years of age.

Both lives were taken from the website oca.org



You are Invited to the Holy Cross Parish

Harvest Dance

Saturday, October 25, 2025

Doors Open at 5:00 PM

Dinner at 6:00 PM



Music by The New Lumberjacks



Tickets available from Rose Marie

Call 780-217-8217

Adults \$55.00

Youth \$30.00 (12 and under)

DOOR PRIZES!

★ Casual Wear ★



**If you are a volunteer in our parish you need to help us update your
“Safer Environments” volunteer file.**

If you got an email or a letter, please fill out the necessary information and return them to Fr. Bo's office.

If you got a letter, but you aren't doing the ministry(s) that the letter says you are, please see Fr. Bo.

If you are a volunteer but did not get an email nor a letter, please come see Fr. Bo.

If you need help, or if you have any questions, or whatever... please see Fr. Bo.

Forte Plus Choir and Seniors Acting Out Together

present

Christmas Delivery

November 30 at 2:00 pm
Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Parish
9003 153 Ave NW, Edmonton
Tickets: \$10

*A harried mailman discovers the real meaning
of Christmas as he delivers packages,
trains a new employee, and discovers a new sense
of connection to the community he serves when he
meets a young women and her child in a difficult
situation along his route*

**Monetary donations in support of the
Jessica Martel Foundation**

For tickets call 780-238-5617

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Consider Making a Pilgrimage and meeting a Miraculous Canadian Saint Today right here in Edmonton!

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton invites all faithful to a special day of prayer and reflection in honour of Blessed Bishop and Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky. His Holy Relics will be available for veneration on Sunday, October 19, 2025, offering a profound opportunity for spiritual renewal and connection with the living witness of faith.

Red Deer - St. Vladimir Church

- 📍 3932-46 Street, Red Deer, AB
- 🕒 Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.
- 🕒 Presentation on the Life of Blessed Vasyl at 1:00 p.m.
- 🍽️ A light lunch will be provided.

For more information, please contact:
Claude Dupont – claudedupont@explomet.com | 403-742-4373

Edmonton - St. Basil the Great Church

- 📍 7007 109 Street NW, Edmonton, AB
- 🕒 Divine Liturgy at 7:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact:
Fr. Gabriel Haber – fr.haber@eeparchy.com

Both services will conclude with the veneration of the Holy Relics and the anointing with holy oil. The Guest Homilist for both events will be Father John Sianchuk, C.Ss.R., Director of the Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine in Winnipeg.



✨ CALLED TO BE HOLY MEN'S CONFERENCE! ✨

Gentlemen, this is your friendly reminder that our **Men's Conference** is just around the corner! Join us **Nov 7-8** at **Holy Spirit Seminary** for an enriching experience focused on:

"SELF MASTERY FOR SELF GIFT"

This is more than just a conference; it's a chance to grow in faith alongside a community of men dedicated to living out God's call!

Here's what you can look forward to:

Inspiring Keynote by Fr. Michael Winn: Dive deep into the theme of self-mastery and its importance to our journey towards holiness.

Engaging Session with Catholic Speaker Brian Holdsworth: Ponder the question "How can I be Human in an Inhuman world?"

- **Prayer, Fellowship, & Community:** Experience a weekend filled with spiritual growth and connection.
- 📅 **Dates:** Nov 1, 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM & Nov 2, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
- 📍 **Location:** Holy Spirit Seminary, 12909 – 113 Ave NW, Edmonton
- Meals, fellowship, and powerful teachings plus a Friday evening Scotch tasting! Optional Friday supper available for \$20 – 5:30 – 6:30 PM.
- Students get a 10% discount with promo code STUDENT25.
- Limited overnight accommodation available so register now!

Registration Deadline: October 30, 2025

Register here <https://tinyurl.com/Calledtobeholy25> or scan👉

For more info: 780-424-5496 or

Bernadette.mandrusiak@eeparchy.com.



🙌🙏 We can't wait to see you there! 🙏🙌

Upcoming Events:

- **Yesterday till October 24: Catholic Education Week.** Catholic Education Week is a time to give thanks for the gift of Catholic education, celebrate its constitutional and spiritual foundations, and renew our shared mission. See the letter from the bishops on page 3.
- **Today, Sunday, October 19, at 10 am: Bishop's Name Day Celebration** at St. Josaphat's Cathedral. Divine Liturgy (bilingual) will be followed by a brunch at the parish hall. Donations in honour of Bishop David will be accepted to aid the people of Ukraine. Please RSVP to Patty Zakordonski: pzakordonski@gmail.com
- **Today, Sunday, October 19, at 10 am:** prayer and reflection in honour of **Blessed Bishop and Martyr Vasyly Velychkovsky** at St. Vladimir & Olga Parish in Red Deer. All are invited.
- **Today, Sunday, October 19, at 7 pm:** prayer and reflection in honour of **Blessed Bishop and Martyr Vasyly Velychkovsky** at St. Basil the Great Parish in Edmonton. All are invited.
- **Monday, October 20 at 7 pm: Men's Club Meeting.** All men are welcome, members please attend.
- **October 20-23: Annual Clergy Study Days.** Theme: Catechesis and Synodality. Fr. Bo & Deacon John are away.
- **Tuesday, October 21 at 2 pm for Seniors, and 6 pm for others: "The Chosen: Watch and Discussion"** (and every 2nd Tuesday)
- **Wednesday, October 22: No 9 am Divine Liturgy** due to Clergy Study Days.
- **Saturday, October 25: Harvest Dance:** Doors open at 5 pm, Dinner is at 6 pm. See posters.
- **Sunday, October 26: Children's Liturgy, aka Family Friendly Liturgy.** This is the last Sunday of the month so we will encourage all children and youth to participate in the service as much as possible. And yes, likely Marilyn the Catechetical Puppet will make an appearance during the homily.
- **Monday, October 27 at 9:45 am: Bilingual Schools Divine Liturgy** at St. Basil the Great Parish. If ATA strike is over.
- **Monday, October 27 at 6 pm: Our first Altar Server Practice of this year,** for any and all kids who are in Grade 2 and up to Grade 10. We will learn how to participate in the Divine Liturgy more than just sitting in a pew. And we will have fun doing it!
- **Tuesday, October 28 at 9 am: Perogy Bee.** Come help if you can.
- **Wednesday, October 29 at 10 am:** Ladies club is adding **beets with horseradish** to the Easter bake sale. We are prepping beets and horseradish too now while they are readily available. Anne Tyrkalo is the lead on this, so if you have any questions/suggestions feel free to contact her.
- **Sunday, November 2 at 10 am:** St. Nicholas Parish is celebrating Fr. Slavko Dumec's 25 anniversary of Priestly Ordination.
- **Monday, November 3 at 6 pm: Choir and Youth,** for young people up to and including Young Adults. We will learn how to participate in the Divine Liturgy more than just sitting in a pew. And we will have fun doing it!
- **Friday - Saturday, November 7-8: Called to be Holy: Men's Retreat**
- **Sunday, November 9 at 10:30 am:** St. Stephen Parish in Calgary cordially invites you to celebrate Praznyk and 25 Anniversary to Priesthood of Fr. Janko Herbut. Celebration will be on Sunday, November 09th with D. Liturgy at 10:30 am followed by Dinner. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults; \$ 15.00 for seniors; \$ 10.00 for kids(13-18); \$5.00 for kids (6-12); \$0.00 for kids (0-5). You can buy them by calling Fr. Janko at 780-951-6126 or Parish office 403-249-4818.
- **Monday, November 10 at 7 pm:** Panachyda for the Knights of Columbus.
- **Monday, November 10 at 7:30 pm:** Knights of Columbus meeting.
- **Saturday, November 15: The Nativity Fast begins.**
- **Saturday November 15 at 10 am: The deaconal ordination of Julian Savaryn.**
- **Wednesday, November 19: Red Wednesday:** <https://acn-canada.org/red-wednesday/>
- **Sunday, November 30 at 2 pm:** Choir Concert "Christmas Delivery"
- **Monday, December 1 at 5:30: Ladies' Club Christmas Meeting and Dinner**
- **Sunday, December 7: St. Nicholas Visits us!** Yahoo

Other Announcements

- **Our Question Box:** In our Church's entry there is a "Question Box". If you have a question about our Faith, Church or Traditions, simply write it down and drop it into the box. Fr. Bo will try to answer your question in one of the next bulletins.
- **Are you having a 50th Anniversary?** If so put your anniversary on the sheet on the table next to the parish office or talk to Diana Horyn 780-255-9926. Holy Cross Parish will honour you with a plaque at the end of a Divine Liturgy.
- Abba Macarius (a saintly monk of the 4th Century) was asked: **'How should one pray?'** The old man replied: 'There is no need at all to make long discourses; it is enough to stretch out one's hands and say, "Lord, as you will, and as you know, have mercy." And if the conflict grows fiercer in you say, "Lord, Help!" He knows very well what we need and He shows us His mercy.'

What are we doing at our Tuesday “The Chosen” sessions?

Every second Tuesday in our parish we have two sessions of “The Chosen” one at 2 pm and the other at 6 pm.

We not only watch this acclaimed series about the life of Christ, but we also discuss how these Gospel events affect us now in the life of our parish and world. During the show, we pause at strategic spots, and discuss what happened in the preceding scene(s) to help all understand what happened, as many people don’t catch many of the various details.

In the early “senior’s” session at 2 pm this past Tuesday (specially set up for those who do not like to drive after dark) we talked about how we should understand the Old Testament if we want to understand the New Testament.

In the later 6 pm session (set later in the day for those who may work during the day) we discussed several things including demonic possession and exorcisms, as well as the power of the Sacrament of Confession.

And we ate some great theatre style popcorn!



So... What was our first session about?

Season 1, episode 1, “I Have Called You by Name” focuses on Mary Magdalene’s struggles with demon possession and her liberation from this evil by our Lord. Also we were introduced to several other key figures including:

- **Nicodemus:** A respected and powerful Pharisee who travels to Capernaum to investigate why local laws are being broken. The Roman praetor orders Nicodemus to perform an exorcism on Mary Magdalene, but he fails, leaving him shaken and questioning his own spiritual power.
- **Simon and Andrew:** Two fishermen brothers in massive debt to Rome. Desperate, they resort to working on the Sabbath and Simon tries to cut a deal with the Romans that would betray fellow Jews.
- **Matthew:** A tax collector who is hated by his own people for his collaboration with the Roman oppressors. He is shown to be a social outcast, but he is diligent and keeps meticulous records.

If you would like to catch up with us and watch the first episode you can find it on many streaming platforms such as Amazon Prime TV, Apple TV, and Netflix, several apps, plus it can be found on “thechosen.tv” and other websites.

So come and join us this Tuesday (Oct. 21) when we watch and talk about Season 1, episode 2: “Shabbat” at both 2 and 6 pm

We had 20 people this past week at our Alpha Course. Half of those attending were under the age of 40.

Do you want to come and join us but you missed the first session? If so, please watch the first session online at <https://player.vimeo.com/video/579996493>

Alpha

**NICE MEAL.
HONEST CONVERSATIONS.**

**NEXT SESSION WILL BE ON
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28 AT 6 PM**
AT HOLY CROSS 9003 153 AVE. EDMONTON

The Next Couple Weeks at Holy Cross

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 2; The Holy Prophet Joel; The Holy Martyr Varus; & Our Venerable Father John of Rila. Saint with Six Stichera. Resurrection Gospel 8. 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9; Luke 6:31-36. 9:30 am Rosary 10 am Divine Liturgy (Bilingual) Yes Sunday School, Yes Coffee. 10 am The Cathedral is hosting the Bishop's Names Day Celebration. Catholic Education Week, Pray for Catholic Educators and Students	20 The Holy Great-Martyr Artemius. Saint with Six Stichera. Philipians 2:12-16; Luke 6:24-30. Clergy Study Days Cancelled noon Theosis Studio time due to Clergy Study days Normally on the 3rd Monday of the Month we would have Altar Server Practice... but the Clergy Study Days... 7 pm Men's Club Meeting Catholic Education Week, Pray for Catholic Educators and Students	21 & Our Venerable Father Hilarion the Great. Saint with Six Stichera. Philipians 2:16-23; Luke 6:37-45. Clergy Study Days 2 pm Chosen (2) 6 pm Chosen (2)  Catholic Education Week, Pray for Catholic Educators and Students	22 Holy Father John Paul II, Pope; The Holy Wonderworker and Equal-to-the-Apostles Abercius, Bishop of Hieropolis; Holy Seven Youths of Ephesus. Philipians 2:24-30; Luke 6:46-7:1. Clergy Study Days Cancelled 9 am Divine Liturgy due to Clergy Study days Catholic Education Week, Pray for Catholic Educators and Students	23 & The Holy Apostle and Brother of the Lord in the Flesh James. Great Doxology. Galatians 1:11-19; Matthew 13:54-58. Clergy Study Days 5:30 pm Appointment Thursdays are normally Fr. Bo's day off... but Clergy Study Days... Catholic Education Week, Pray for Catholic Educators and Students	24  The Holy Martyr Aretas and those with him. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. Philipians 3:8-19; Luke 7:31-35. 10 am Baptismal Prep All Day Kitchen and Hall Prep for Harvest Dance 5:30 pm Appointment Catholic Education Week Ends, Pray for Catholic Educators and Students	25 The Holy Martyrs and Notaries Marcian and Martyrius. 2 Corinthians 1:8-11; Luke 5:27-32. 11 am Funeral at Park Memorial +Molly Warring All Day Kitchen and Hall Prep for Harvest Dance 6 pm Harvest Dance 
26 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 3; & The Holy and Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius, from Whose Tomb Myrrh Streams Forth. All-Night Vigil Feast. Resurrection Gospel 9. Galatians 1:11-19; 2 Timothy 2:1-10; Luke 7:11-16; John 15:17-16:2. 9:30 am Rosary 10 am "Children's/ Family Friendly" Divine Liturgy (English) No Sunday School, Yes Coffee.	27 The Holy Martyr Nestor; The Holy Martyr Capitolina and Her Slave Erotheides. Philipians 4:10-23; Luke 7:36-50. Possible 9:45 Divine Liturgy for the Ukrainian Bilingual Schools at St. Basil's Parish 12 noon Theosis Studio time 6 pm Altar Server Practice 7 pm PPC Meeting	28 & The Holy Martyr Parasceve of Iconium; The Holy Martyrs Terentius and Neonila; Our Venerable Father Stephen the Sabaite, Composer of Canons. Great Doxology. Colossians 1:1,2,7-11; Luke 8:1-3. 5:30 pm Online Presentation re iconography 6 pm ALPHA (2) 	29 The Passing of Our Venerable Father Abraham, Archimandrite and Wonderworker of Rostov; The Holy Venerable-Martyr Anastasia of Rome; Our Venerable Father Abraham the Recluse. Colossians 1:18-23; Luke 8:22-25. 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am Beet Horseradish Bee 11 am Appointment 6 pm Bible Study (Last of Old Testament) 	30 The Holy Martyrs Zenobius and Zenobia His Sister; Blessed Hieromartyr Olesky Zarytsky, priest. Colossians 1:24-29; Luke 9:7-11. 5:30 pm Appointment Thursdays are normally Fr. Bo's day off	31  The Holy Apostles Stachys, Amplas, and others with them; The Holy Martyr Epimachus. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. Colossians 2:1-7; Luke 9:12-17. Halloween 5:30 pm Appointment	Nov 1 & Hieromartyr Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo; & The Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian. Polyeleos Feast. Saint with Six Stichera. Passing into Eternal Life of the Servant of God Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky, 1944. Hebrews 13:7-16; Luke 12:2-12.
2 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 4; The Holy Martyrs Acindynus, Pegasius, Aphthonius, Elpidophorus, and Anempodistus. Resurrection Gospel 10. Galatians 2:16-20; Luke 8:5-15. Daylight Savings Time Ends 9:30 am Rosary 10 am Divine Liturgy (Bilingual) Yes Sunday School, Yes Coffee. 11:30 am Fr. Slavko Dumeč's 25th Anniversary of priesthood being celebrated at St. Nicholas Parish in Edmonton	3 The Holy Martyrs Acepsimas the Bishop, Joseph the Priest, and Aithalis the Deacon; The Dedication of the Church of the Holy Great Martyr George in Lydda where his precious body is entombed. Colossians 2:13-20; Luke 9:18-22. 12 noon Theosis Studio time 6 pm Choir & Youth Session 7 pm Ladies' Club meeting	4 Our Venerable Father Joannicius the Great; The Holy Martyr Nicander, Bishop of Myra. The Holy Hermas, Priest. Colossians 2:20-3:3; Luke 9:23-27. 2 pm Chosen (3) 6 pm Chosen (3) 	5 The Holy Martyrs Galaction and Epistemis. Colossians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:44-50. 9 am Divine Liturgy	6 & The Holy Paul, Archbishop of Constantinople, Confessor. Saint with Six Stichera. Colossians 4:2-9; Luke 9:49-56. 5:30 pm Appointment Thursdays are normally Fr. Bo's day off	7  The Thirty-Three Holy Martyrs of Militene; Our Venerable Father and Wonderworker Lazarus, Hermit of Mount Galesius. Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat. Colossians 4:10-18; Luke 10:1-15. Men's Retreat 5:30 pm Appointment	8 & Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the other bodiless Powers of Heaven. All-Night Vigil Feast. A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy. Hebrews 2:2-10; Luke 10:16-21. Men's Retreat
9 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 5;	10 The Holy Apostles Erastus, Olympus, Rodion, and	11 The Holy Martyrs Menas, Victor, and Vincent; The	12 & The Holy Hieromartyr	13 & Our Holy Father John Chrysostom	14  & The Holy and All-	15  10 The Holy Martyrs and Confessors Gurias.

Sunday, October 19, 2025

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 2;
The Holy Prophet Joel; The Holy Martyr Varus; Our Venerable Father John of Rila.**

Troparion, Tone 2: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal,* You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity.* When You raised the dead from the nether world,* all the powers of heaven cried out:* “O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!”

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 2: You rose from the tomb, O almighty Saviour,* and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose.* Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults.* And the world, my Saviour, sings Your praises for ever.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion, Tone 2: The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of God,* unceasing in her intercession and an unfailing hope of patronage,* for as the Mother of Life she was transferred to life* by Him Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

Prokeimenon, Tone 2

The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation.

verse: The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus (blessed be he forever!) knows that I do not lie. In Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is necessary to boast; nothing is to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard

things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

Alleluia verses, Tone 2

The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you.

Lord, grant victory to the king and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You.

Gospel: Luke 6:31-36 (NRSV)

The Lord said, do to others as you would have them do to you. “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

We are very glad to have you with us today. It is our hope that everyone who is with us can experience the Living God here through the prayers of the Divine Liturgy, the warmth of the community and through the profoundness of the Eucharist.

Please introduce yourself to others, and if we can do anything to help you, or if you have any questions about our community, please let us know. We hope you feel at home here and consider becoming part of our big happy church family.

If your experience goes well, tell others. If something did not go well, please let us know in the office (office@ehcucp.ca or 780-478-5260) or by telling Fr. Bo (780-340-3726 or fr.nahachewsky@eeparchy.com) so that we can address the problem and make our parish the best it can be.

