

On the feast of the Transfiguration we bless grapes as well as other fruits and vegetables as a beautiful sign of the final transfiguration of all things in Christ.

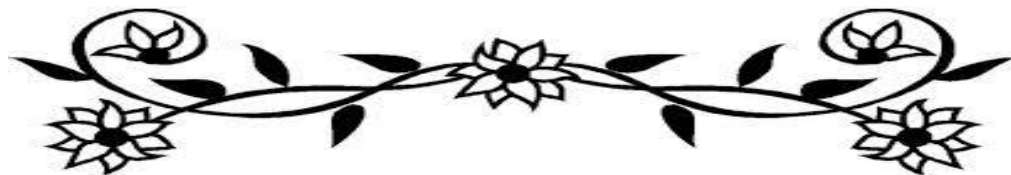
It signifies the ultimate flowering and fruitfulness of all creation in the paradise of God's unending Kingdom of Life where all will be transformed by the glory of the Lord.

Fruit will be blessed during Liturgy today.



**The Feast of the Dormition** (Falling Asleep) of the Mother of God will be celebrated Sunday August 12th during Liturgy. The Great Feast of the Dormition of The Theotokos celebrates the wondrous way in which The Theotokos left this earthly life and was taken into heaven in a miraculous way: both body and soul.

Holy Tradition tells us that all the Apostles, except Thomas, were transported mystically to Jerusalem in order to be with the Mother of God as she died and present at her burial. When Thomas arrived the next day, they opened the tomb so that he could say his farewell. They found only an empty tomb filled with sweet-smelling flowers. Parishioners are welcome to bring flowers that day, to be blessed in remembrance of this great sign of her holiness.



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**(BYZANTINE-UKRAINIAN RITE)**

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*Feast of the Transfiguration*



O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant, we pray, to your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may merit to become co-heirs with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Pastor: Rt. Rev. Msgr. Anton Szymychalski - Mitred Archpriest**

**In retirement: Rev. Basil Kondusky**

**Parish Secretary - Mrs. Chrystyna Tymczyszyn**

**Parish office is open Tuesday - Friday from 8:30 a.m.- 12:00 noon  
after hour EMERGENCIES ONLY please call (905) 327-3563**

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**Divine Liturgy:**

Saturday 4:15 p.m. (Eng.) Sunday 10:00 a.m. (Ukr. & Eng.)

Weekdays & Holy Days: see bulletin

**Sacraments:**

**Confession** - Before or after Liturgy; anytime by request

**Baptism, Marriage** - Please contact the parish office

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Epistle: Peter 1:10-19 Gospel Reading Mt. 17:1-9  
Reader: N. Palchuk (Ukr.) Next week: G. Barton (Eng.)

**DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:**

Sat. Aug. 11th:	4:15 p.m.	Divine Liturgy (Eng.) Feast of the Dormition with blessing of flowers
Sun. Aug. 12th:	10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.) Feast of the Dormition with blessing of flowers

*THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS AND  
GOOD HEALTH UPON SICK AND SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH.*

**OFFERINGS:**

July 21st: \$675.00

July 29th: \$1,560.00

Errors or omissions? Please call the office. - *THANK YOU!*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN:**

Kateryna Dacko, Alexandra Matychuk, Becky Mussat, Lesia Melnyk, Olga Onyschuk, Stephania Zubatiuk, Fran Chayka, Helen Brodoway, Rose Kondusky, Matteo Niickolai Grochowina-Totolo, Sharon Cybulak, Josifa Cuipka, Greg Kondusky, Cecilia Osczypko, Alexandra Bucciarelli, Heidi Walters, Bob French, Fr. Basil Kondusky, Tena Wowchuck, Jean Diggins, Sharon Hudgen, Paula Kozachenko, Sharon Dohan, Sawyer Christie, Bette Johnson, Val Runduns, John Hamm, Phyllis Romak, Ricki Holubowsky, Michalyna Juskiw, Pauline Halowski, Christine Nebesny & Sophie Craig.

*Lord, Jesus Christ, You who traveled throughout Galilee healing the sick, enabling the blind to see and the lame to walk, bring healing to Your people who need it this day. Give peace to the minds of those who are tortured by mental illness and anxiety. Comfort those who are alone in their illness. May Your people reach out to them and all who are in need this day. Send grace to the caregivers, that they might be effective and gentle agents of Your loving mercy. May our sufferings be united with Yours to bring healing to people throughout the world. Amen.*

**Announcements:**

**Sts. Cyril & Methodius Golf Tournament** – Saturday September 8th at Niagara Falls Golf Club. Cost is \$100 per person and includes 18 holes of golf with a power cart, registration gift and dinner. For more information please call Zenon Chytra at (905) 941-4864.

The church office will be closed from August 7-10<sup>th</sup> for summer holidays. Phone messages will be checked, but no one will be in the office.

Please remember that during the summer we still collect canned food and dry foods to help those in need. Why not pick up a few extra items to donate next time you are in the grocery store.

Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Hamilton invites all to its 8th Annual "Ukrainian Day on the Bay" on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 47 Discovery Drive, Hamilton. Explore the beauty of Hamilton Harbour and Bay on a Boat Cruise while enjoying Ukrainian music and food. **Boarding at 3 pm. Cruise 3:30-6:00 pm.** Adults \$25; Students \$15; Ages 12 and under \$5 (Food not included). For tickets call 905-335-6534 or email at [ucchamilton@yahoo.ca](mailto:ucchamilton@yahoo.ca)

Interested in becoming a member of St. John's Church? Registration forms are available at the back of the church. Please fill it out and return it to the parish office so a set of envelopes can be issued to you.

Please check out our website [www.stjohnuc.com](http://www.stjohnuc.com) If you would like to have our bulletin emailed to you weekly, please sign up on the link provided on the website.

Summer holidays are upon us and sometimes we are not able to come to church regularly, but unfortunately our monthly bills never take a holiday! Did you know that you can sign up for Recurring Donations? We can arrange to have your donation automatically transferred from your bank account weekly, bi-weekly or monthly. Automatic giving is secure, safe and convenient and can be arranged thorough the parish office.

Just a Reminder that the beige envelopes marked "Roof Fund Donation" in your Sunday Offering Boxes will now be put towards the expansion of our Memorial Monument.

**Facer Street European Festival** – will be held on Monday August 6<sup>th</sup> from noon – 9 p.m. rain or shine. Admission is free. There will be various European foods, and live entertainment. For more information visit [www.facereuropeanfestival.com](http://www.facereuropeanfestival.com)

The **Holodomor National Awareness Tour Bus** will be parked at the St. Catharines Museum and Welland Canal Centre (192 Welland Canal Parkway, St. Catharines) from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. on August 9<sup>th</sup> and at the Welland Historical Museum (140 King St. Welland) on August 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>. We encourage everyone to visit the bus and also the displays inside the museums.