Community Events:

UCC Niagara is inviting all to a Panachyda commemorating the victims of the **Revolution of Dignity**, including The Nebesnya Sotnya (The Heavenly Hundred) who were killed in the streets of Kyiv in February 2014. Service will be held at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church on Wednesday February 19th at 6:30 p.m.

The Ukrainian Youth Association of Canada - St. Catharines invite all to participate in a blood drive to honor the Revolution of Dignity at the St. Catharines Blood Centre - 395 Ontario St. (Henley Plaza).

Group bookings - Thursday February 20th from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. and Saturday February 22nd from 9-11 a.m.

Please book an appointment at blood.ca, call 1-888-2DONATE or contact Tanya at choly.tanya@gmail.com

In the Front Lines of Ukraine - a presentation and book signing by Nolan Peterson - Journalist, will be held on Sunday February 23rd at 12:30 p.m. at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church Hall. Nolan Peterson is an author & conflict journalist and has reported extensively from the front lines in eastern Ukraine, Afghanistan and Iraq. A light lunch will be served. Presentation will be in English and all are welcome to attend.

Club Roma invites everyone to their *Gnocchi Night* - February 28th from 4 - 7 p.m. Enjoy Italian gnocchi or penne with meatballs, salad and roll. Eat in or take out. Cost is \$14 for adults \$14 and \$12 children.

PYSANKA WORKSHOP - Saturday March 21st from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. at St. Georges Parish Hall, 4 Augusta Ave. St. Catharines, Cost is \$30 per person, (children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult). Materials will be provided and you must bring your own lunch. Limited space available, so please contact Nadya at (905) 259-6171 to register.

ST. GEORGES CHURCH PYSANKA BINGO - Saturday March 14th. Admission is \$10 and includes a door prize ticket, coffee and dessert. Bingo cards are \$1 each. Doors open at 1 p.m. and bingo starts at 1:30 p.m. To reserve a table of 8 please call Margaret at (905) 892-8772

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Meatfare Sunday



When You, O God, shall come to earth with glory, All things shall tremble

And the river of fire shall flow before Your judgment seat;
The books shall be opened and the hidden things disclosed!
Then deliver me from the unquenchable fire,
And make me worthy to stand at Your right hand, righteous Judge!

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

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

February 16, 2020 - Meat-Fare Sunday

Epistle: Cor. 8:8-9:2 Gospel Reading: Mt. 25:31-46 Reader G. Barton Next week: A. Atamanuk

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Sat. Feb. 22nd: 4:15 p.m.: Divine Liturgy (Eng.)
Sun. Feb. 23rd: 10:30 a.m.: Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.)

THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN IN LOVING MEMORY OF +PAULINE HALOWSKI REQUESTED BY THE HALOWSKI FAMILY.

OFFERINGS:

Feb. 2nd: \$770.00 Automatic debit donations: \$885.00 Feb. 9th: \$1,233.00 Automatic debit donations: \$175.00

Maintenance & Upkeep Donations: E. Snider \$20.00; O. Czerwoniak \$10.00;

Z. Lewicki \$20.00; Anonymous \$15.00; P. Koval \$50.00

Development Donations: Z. Lewicki \$20.00; J. Prystupa \$20.00; P. Koval \$50.00

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN:

Kateryna Dacko, Alexandra Matychuk, Lesia Melnyk, Olga Onyschuk, Stephania Zubatiuk, Bob French Helen Brodoway, Rose Kondusky, Matteo Niickolai Grochowina-Totolo, Sharon Cybulak, Greg Kondusky, Heidi Walters, Fr. Basil Kondusky, Tena Wowchuck, Jean Diggins, Sharon Hudgen, Paula Kozachenko, Sawyer Christie, Phyllis Romak, Ricki Holubowsky, Michalyna Juskiw, Walt Cybulak, Helen Kokotka & Fr. Walter & Mary Dacko.

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

Coffee Hosts Schedule:

Feb. 23rd: Gena & Roy Barton

The sign up sheet for 2020 Coffee Hosts is now available in the church vestibule for those who are willing to act as hosts. We need 2 hosts per Sunday, so please sign up for as many Sundays as you are able. Hosts are responsible for serving coffee/tea, cutting up and plating prepared baking and clean up. This is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to gather together in fellowship. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Announcements:

<u>St. John's Annual Meeting</u> will take place today after Divine Liturgy. We are accepting nominations for the Chairperson position. We remind all our parishioners that the success and growth of our parish depends on the input an involvement of all parishioners and we ask that everyone to be in attendance.

We have started planning for our spring fundraiser - PYSANKA BINGO which will be held on March 25th . If you would like to donate a new item that can be used for prizes, please bring it into the parish office during the week. Only new items will be accepted and only prizes that are accompanied with a sales slip/receipt can be included towards your 2020 income tax receipt.

Pysanka (Easter Egg) Bingo Games will be held in our Activity Centre on Wed. March 25th beginning at 7 p.m. Admission at the door is \$10 and includes 1 bingo card; refreshments at break time and a chance to win a door prize. We also will have a raffle and Easter breads, pyrohy and cabbage rolls for sale.

Did you know that you could still make your Sunday donations even if your not here! Why not sign up to have your bank account debited weekly, bi-weekly or monthly in the amount of your choosing. To sign up, please speak with Christine during the week and fill out a form.

St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner featuring live music by Vox Violins - Saturday March 14th. Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased through the parish office during the week.

We are gearing up for our Annual Big-A-Bucks event, which will be held April 25th, 2020. As always we require parishioners to help solicit businesses for donations. Please consider helping, by picking up a letter from the parish office with details of the event and taking the time to visit various businesses to ask for prize items. Last year we had 20 parishioners donate personally and we hope that we can count on your continued support. This year we are looking for specific items such as tools, outdoor sports/camping equipment and gift cards. For more information please see Christine in the parish office or speak with Walt Lastewka.

St. John's will host a Parish Sobor (assembly of lay representatives) on Sunday March 1st after Divine Liturgy to discuss the concerns and direction of our parish and church as a whole. Notes will be taken at our Sobor and will be presented and discussed further at the Regional Sobor, which will be held on Saturday March 7th in our parish hall. The purpose of these meetings is to get a representation from all churches in our Eparchy and to discuss matters of faith, morality, rite, and canonical and cultural life. All are welcome to join us on March 1st. Also a light lunch will be provided during the meeting.

PLEASE NOTE THAT NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD DIVINE LITURGY WILL BE HELD AT 10:30 A.M.