

## Community Events:

*In the Front Lines of Ukraine* - a presentation and book signing by Nolan Peterson - Journalist, will be held on today 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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.

The Ukrainian Canadian Congress and League of Ukrainian Canadian Women in Canada invite all to attend an upcoming concert commemorating Sviato Heroyin and Sviato Shevchenka (honouring heroic Ukrainian women and poet Taras Shevchenko) on Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:30 p.m. The program includes the choir "Svitanok" and a presentation by Lesia Shymko about the charity "Ukrainian Women /veterans Health Initiative - REHUB". Program will be in Ukrainian. There is no admission, but a donation of \$5 per person is suggested. All proceeds collected will be donated towards "Dzerelo Children's Rehabilitation Centre" in Lviv.

PYSANKA WORKSHOP - Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup>. 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

### LENTEN SERVICES

Lenten prayers for the departed (Sorokousty) will be every **Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.** during Lent. If you wish to include any names of any departed relatives in this years services, please return an envelope marked "Sorokousty" with your list of names of the departed you wish to pray for. If you already have a list and have no new names to submit, please write "Same as last year" on your envelope when you return it. Special marked envelopes can be found in the church vestibule.

Stations of the Cross will be held every **Friday at 7 p.m.** This is a popular devotion used by individuals who, through prayer and reflection wish to follow Jesus Christ on his way to Calvary. It is a wonderful way to pray and meditate to help deepen our understanding of the way of the Cross.

All parishioners encouraged to attend as many of these services as possible.

### **ST. JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH** **(BYZANTINE-UKRAINIAN RITE)**

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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**

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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

February 23, 2020 - Cheese-Fare Sunday

Epistle: Rms. 13:11-14:4 Gospel Reading: Mt. 6:14-21  
Reader A. Atamanuk Next week: M. Skaab

**DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:**

Wed. Feb. 26th: 10:00 a.m.: Pre-sanctified Liturgy with Sorokousty  
Fri. Feb. 28th: 7:00 p.m.: Stations of the Cross  
Sat. Feb. 29th: 4:15 p.m.: Divine Liturgy (Eng.)  
Sun. Mar. 1st: 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.)

***THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN  
FOR ALL THE SICK AND SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH.***

**OFFERINGS:**

Feb. 16th: \$890.00 Automatic debit donations: \$195.00  
Maintenance & Upkeep Donations: T. Lee \$50.00  
Church Donations: B. Mazur \$100.00  
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. 23<sup>rd</sup>: Gena & Roy Barton Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>: Irene Boyes & Judy Holland  
Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>: Laurie Halowski Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>: Olga Czerwoniak & Verna Perrone

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:**

Thank you to all those who stayed after Liturgy last Sunday to attend our Annual Meeting. Congratulations to our returning Chairperson, Bob Oleksiw, and returning members, Natalie Millhiser-Vice Chairperson, Allan Struk-Treasurer and Don Osadec-Secretary and Adele Krawchuk-Spiritual Trustee. We wish our Parish Council continued success for the upcoming year.

Thank you to all those who helped in anyway with our Valentines Dinner. We had 100 people in attendance and were serenaded by our friend Ralph who entertained us with his accordion throughout the evening.

Pysanka (Easter Egg) Bingo Games will be held in our Activity Centre on Wed. March 25<sup>th</sup> 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 great items to raffle off!

We are gearing up for our Annual Big-A-Bucks event, which will be held April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. As always we require parishioners to help solicit businesses for donations. **A list of business that that participated last year, is available in the kitchen.** Please consider helping, by picking up a letter from the parish office with details of the event and taking the time to visit listed donors to ask for prize items. 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>. A light lunch will be provided during the meeting.**

**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.



