

**Moleben to the Mother of God
Devotional Prayers**

The Moleben to the Blessed Virgin Mary has its roots in a very ancient prayer called the Paraklys and is a shortened version of the Matins, complete with a gospel reading. It has evolved into a much loved service that traditionally is used throughout the year and during the month of May and October. Please join us every Thursday morning in May to honour the Mother of God



Loving God,

We thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us,
Whose love is so precious that it can never be measured and
Whose patience seems to have no end.

May we see Your loving hand behind them and guiding them.
And we ask you to bless them with Your own special love.

Amen.

*God's blessings to all our Mothers, Stepmothers, Grandmothers,
Aunts and Godmothers!*

Happy Mothers Day! May God grant you many happy years!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO FR. ANTON WHO CELEBRATED HIS
33RD ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION YESTERDAY.**

***Thank you for the seeds you plant and disciples you nurture;
Thank you for the sermons you preach and the prayers you lift up;
Thank you for the wise counsel and the words of encouragement;
Thank you for the sacrifice and service.***

***May God bless you and give you many happy years!
Monhaya Lita!***

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***Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the
First Ecumenical Council***

You are greatly glorified, O Christ our God, who established our
Fathers as luminaries upon the earth, and through them led us all
to the true Faith. O Most compassionate, glory to You.



**Христос Воскрес! Воистину Воскрес!
Christ Has Risen! He Has Truly Risen!**

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

May 13, 2018 - SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS

Epistle: Acts. 20:16-18 Gospel Reading: Jn. 17:1-13

Reader: S. Kozela (Ukr.)

Next week: A. Atamanuk (Eng.)

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Thurs. May 17th: 10:30 a.m. Moleben to the Mother of God

Sat. May 19th: 4:15 p.m. Divine Liturgy (Eng.)

Sun. May 20th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.)

Pentecost Sunday

***THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS AND GOOD HEALTH
UPON ALL OUR MOTHERS, STEP-MOTHERS, GRANDMOTHERS,
GODMOTHERS AND AUNTS.***

OFFERINGS:

May 6th: \$1,320.00

Church Donation: B. Mazur \$100.00

Memorial Monument Donations: Halowski Family (in memory of +Joe Losz) \$30.00;

P. Rosewarne \$50.00; P. Koval \$20.00; V. Perrone \$20.00; T. Lee \$50.00

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 Osczytko, Alexandra Bucciarelli, Heidi Walters, Bob French, Fr. Basil Kondusky, Tena Wowchuck, Art Holowachuk, Jean Diggins, Sharon Hudgen, Paula Kozachenko, Sharon Dohan, Sawyer Christie, Bette Johnson, Val Runduns, John Hamm, Phyllis Romak, Ricki Holubowsky, Michalyna Juskiw, Pauline Halowski & 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:

Choir Practice – Tuesday May 15th at 6 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting – Monday May 14th at 6 p.m.

Pentecost Cemetery Services – will be held on Sunday May 20th at Victoria Lawn Cemetery beginning at 1 p.m. Please meet at the Mausoleum and we will proceed from there, from graves closest to farthest.

-Monday May 21st services will be held at Mt. Osborne Cemetery, Beamsville at 6 p.m.;

-Tuesday May 22nd services will be held at Queens Lawn Cemetery, Grimsby at 7 p.m.;

-Lakeview Cemetery, Thorold to be announced.

If you need to make arrangements for Fr. Anton to visit elsewhere, please call the parish office so an appointment can be booked.

Holodomor – A Genocide 85th Anniversary Commemorative Exhibit. St. Catharines Museum Lock 3, 1932 Welland Canals Parkway, St. Catharines. The exhibit will run until November 30th. Museum is open daily from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. but it is suggested to call the museum ahead to confirm viewing times (905) 984-8880.

Dr. J. Czerevko Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Niagara, is now accepting applications for any high school student from Ukrainian heritage who will be graduating this year from grade 12 and entering a certified college or university for further study. UCC gives 6 scholarships of \$2,000.00 each to the top qualified students chosen. Students can either check with both the Niagara District School Board and the Niagara Catholic District School Board for more information. Our parish office also has applications available for interested students. The deadline for applications is June 1st.

Knights of Columbus Council #1394 will celebrate Divine Liturgy at St. John's on June 2nd at 6 p.m. followed by a banquet. Parishioners are invited to attend the dinner at a cost of \$20 per person. Tickets can be purchased through the parish office during the week. Please note that there will be no Divine Liturgy at 4:15 p.m. that day.

A very sincere thank you to all those who helped with our Folk Arts open house. Thank you to those who prepared the food and desserts, those who served and worked in the kitchen and to all those who helped with set up and clean up.

Niagara Life Centre's 2018 **Change is Good** Campaign – Niagara Life Centre is a vibrant, Christian organization caring for families and individuals by offering help, hope and healing in the greater Niagara community. Please consider partnering with them! Containers are available today for those willing to collect loose change for life-giving change. Over the time between Mothers Day and Fathers Day, fill the containers with coins, bills or cheques for Niagara Life Centre. Together, we can bring help, hope and healing to community!

