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



Did you know that St. John's is one of the many charities that participates with Bingos held at Delta Bingo Hall, 124 Bunting Road.

Last year these bingos brought in \$16,392.71 for our parish!!

Our bingos are held 3 times a month, from the hours of 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. If you are able to volunteer for a few hours a month to help with bingos, please call the parish office. All volunteers are expected to do are tidy up tables and smile! Gone are the days of having to count cards or money! This is a very easy way of raising funds for our church, which help pay for the upkeep of our facility. New volunteers need to attend a short training workshop and will received a St. John's shirt!!



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Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Father, thank you that Jesus doesn't leave us at the surface, but probes until he can lead us deeper. Help us to drink deeply at the well of your Living Water! Help us never take your Holy Spirit for granted. Thank you for your incredible grace that brings us to faith and sustains us unto eternal life.



Христос Воскрес! Воістину 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 19, 2019 - Sunday of the Samaritan Women

Epistle: Acts. 11:19-26 Gospel Reading Jn. 4:5-42 Reader T. Lee (Eng.) Next week: M. Skaab (Ukr.)

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Thurs. May 23rd: 10:00 a.m. Moleben to the Mother of God

Sat. May 25th: 4:15 p.m. Divine Liturgy (Eng.) +George Tkachuk & +Mary Fogdton

Reg. Helen Brodoway & family

Sun. May 26th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.)

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

OFFERINGS:

May 12: \$845 Automatic Debit donations: \$175.00

<u>Development Fund</u>: Z. Lewicki (in memory of +John Lewicki) \$20.00; <u>Maintenance Fund</u>: Z. Lewicki (in memory of +Stella Lewicki) \$20.00 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, Josifa Cuipka, Greg Kondusky, Cecilia Osczypko, Alexandra Bucciarelli, Heidi Walters, Fr. Basil Kondusky, Tena Wowchuck, Jean Diggins, Sharon Hudgen, Paula Kozachenko, Sawyer Christie, Bette Johnson, John Hamm, Phyllis Romak, Ricki Holubowsky, Michalyna Juskiw, Sophie Craig, Walt Cybulak & Joseph Perrone.

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

Today at the end of Liturgy we will bless our new tabernacle which was donated by the Halowski family in memory of +Lawrence and +Pauline Halowski.

Thank you to the family for their donation.

Congratulations of Paul & Slava Kozela who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Many Happy Years! Mnohaya Lita!

Announcements:

Parish Council Meeting: Monday May 27th at 6 p.m.

Bingo Volunteers – Please check the schedule on the church bulletin board and sign up for May 22nd and June dates that need to be filled.

Sts Cyril & Methodius Church will host their 6th Annual Royal Tea Party on Sunday June 2nd from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. in their church hall. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information or to RSVP by May 22nd, please contact Marge Peshko at (905) 934-4561.

Coffee Hosts Schedule: Today - NO COFFEE

May 26th - Roy & Gena Barton

June 2nd - Olga Onyschuk & Ann Atamanuk

June 9th - Marta & Adrianna Skaab

June 16th - Don & Liz Osadec

The coffee schedule for June is now available in the church vestibule. We have a few openings at the end of June that need to be filled. Please sign up!!

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 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. The deadline for applications is June 1st.

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. We had a wonderful turnout and a great time was had by all. Thank you to the Ukrainian Canadian Congress for their sponsorship of the event.

Niagara Life Centre's 2018 *Change is Good* Campaign – Were you able to start filling your Niagara Life Centre containers? The value of sharing is a good way to teach our children to be good stewards of all God has entrusted to us. Many families have found Niagara Life Centre's *Change is Good* campaign to be a great way to engage their children in learning to give and is an opportunity for all of us to help families within our own community. Need a container? We have extras in the church vestibule. **Life-giving change is good!!**

Chaika Ukrainian Dance Ensemble will have their 62nd Annual Spring Concert, June 1st at 1 p.m. at Bishop Ryan Catholic High School, 1824 Rymal Rd. E. Hamilton Admission is \$15. There also will be a Zabava (Dance) featuring Zirka at 7 p.m. at the UNF Hall, 170 Parkdale Ave. Admission for the Zabava is \$20 or for both is \$30. For tickets or more information call John Hucal (289) 253-9909