

***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



**The Ukrainian Canadian Congress (Niagara Branch)
invites all to attend the**

UKRAINIAN FOLK ARTS FESTIVAL OPEN HOUSE

St. John Activity Centre – 91 Lakeshore Rd.

Saturday May 12th from 12 noon – 5 p.m.

1st show – 1:30 p.m.

2nd show 3:30 p.m.

FEATURING EXCITING ENTERTAINMENT BY

KALYNA , BARVINOK & DUNAI

UKRAINIAN DANCE ENSEMBLES

LIVE MUSIC BY *KASHA*

**GREAT FOOD PROVIDED BY ST. JOHN'S KITCHEN
AND INTERESTING DISPLAYS AND VENDORS.**

PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR

UKRAINIAN HERITAGE.

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

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Sunday of the Blind Man

I come to You, O Christ, as the man blind from birth.
With the eyes of my soul blinded, I cry out to You in repentance,
"You are the resplendent Light of those in darkness."



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

Pastor: Rt. Rev. Msgr. Anton Szymychalski - Mitred Archbishop

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 6, 2018 - SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

Epistle: Acts. 16:16-34 Gospel Reading: Jn. 9:1-38

Reader: G. Barton (Eng.)
Next week: S. Kozela (Ukr.)

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Thurs. May 10th: 11:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy with Moleben - Ascension of the Lord
Sat. May 12th: 4:15 p.m. NO DIVINE LITURGY
Sun. May 13th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.)

*THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN IN LOVING MEMORY OF
+ANN TRUSH AND +KATE DIDYCHUK REQUESTED BY BILL & MARY TRUSH.*

OFFERINGS:

April 29th: \$1,230.00

Development Donation: P. Koval \$10.00

Memorial Monument Donations: A., N. & S. Oleksiw (in memory of +Joseph Losz) \$100.00; P. Koval \$20.00

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, 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.

**Welcome to newly registered parishioners
Markian and Heather Snihur along with their daughter Scarlett.**

Choir Practice – Tuesday May 8th at 6 p.m.

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

All are invited to join us for coffee today after Liturgy. We will have a special cake to celebrate all the mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, godmothers and aunts.
Ascension of the Lord

*****Please note there will be no Saturday Liturgy next Saturday, May 12th at 4:15 p.m., because of the Folk Arts Open House.**

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.

Congratulations to Jane Oleksiw who has been chosen as the 2018 Folk Arts Ambassador representing the Ukrainian Community.