

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

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Sunday of the Paralytic

Lord God, may we contemplate your marvelous mysteries
and praise your wonderful signs,
as we remember your mercy towards humanity represented
by the paralytic.
Always strengthen our faith, our confidence and our love for you.
We shall give glory and thanks to the
Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit now and for ever. Amen.

Христос Воскрес! Воістину 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

Did you know that Delta Bingo & Gaming supports 64 local charities in the Niagara Region and that St. John's is honoured to be part of those charities. Last year we received \$14,000 from funds raised through Delta Bingo charitable gaming, which helped defray some of our monthly operating expenses.

We are in need of a few more volunteers to help with our monthly bingos. We host 3 bingo's a month which require 2 volunteers for a 2 hour shift. Gone are the days of having to count cards and money, now the only thing volunteers are responsible to do is greet customers and keep tables tidy. That's all!!! If you are able to help with at least one bingo a month, please speak with Mary Trush or the parish office. A schedule of bingo dates and times can be found on the kitchen bulletin board. Not only will you be helping raise funds for your parish by volunteering, but you get a complimentary St. John's shirt! Also, why not help support all the charities involved by playing bingo, maybe you'll be a winner! For more information please visit their website, www.deltabingo.com or pop in to the hall at 124 Bunting Rd.



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

A **Moleben** is a service of intercession, or service of supplication in honor of Jesus Christ, the Mother of God, a Feast, or a particular saint or martyr.

The Moleben to the Blessed Virgin Mary has its roots in a very ancient prayer called the Paraklysis and is a shortened version of the Matins, complete with a gospel reading. It originated in Western Ukraine at the beginning of the 20th century and was composed by Father Meletius Lonchyna. 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 Wednesday evening in
May at 7 p.m. to
honour the Mother of God

May 6, 2017 - Sunday of the Paralytic

Epistle: Acts. 9:32-42 Gospel: Jn. 5:1-15
Reader E. Pelletier (Eng.) Next week: J. Luciw (Ukr.)

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Saturday May 13th: 4:15 p.m. Divine Liturgy for God's blessings upon Anne McDonnell req. by Mary Mallon
Sunday May 14th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

*THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN FOR
GODS BLESSINGS UPON THE PARISH, PARISHIONERS AND FR. JERRY LAZORYK OF
ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CHURCH IN SAULT STE. MARIE IN HONOUR OF
THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PARISH.*

OFFERINGS:

April 30th \$1,394.85
Swiachene: \$881.00
Development Donations: B. & T. Oleksiw \$40.00
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 Osczycko, Alexandra Bucciarelli, Heidi Walters, Bob French, Fr. Basil Kondusky, Mary March, Tena Wowchuck, Art Holowachuk, Jean Diggins, Sharon Hudgen, Michael Kozachenko, Paula Kozachenko, Sharon Dohan, Sawyer Christie, Bette Johnson, Val Runduns, John Hamm, Phyllis & John Romak
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.

PLEASE WISH THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS A HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

30th: Emma Hemphill
7th: Edward Kuchar 8th: Shelley Tymoszewicz
9th: Staceyanne Totolo 10th: Fr. Basil Kondusky
11th: Hannah Diggins 12th: Sean Maksymyshyn
13th: Emily Pelletier, Paul Szakacs

God Grant Them Many Years! Mnohaya Lita!

Announcements:

Thank you to Fr. Tykhy for serving Liturgy today while Fr. Anton is away in Sault Ste. Marie.

Choir Practice – May 9th at 7 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting – May 15th at 6 p.m.

A very sincere thank you to all those who stayed to help with the clean up after our Parish Swiachene- Easter Meal. We had a very nice turn out and delicious meal.

Folk Arts Open House hosted by The Ukrainian Canadian Congress Niagara Branch will be held on Saturday May 20th from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. here in St. John's Activity Centre.

Interested in becoming a member of St. John's Church? Registration forms are available at the back of the church. Please fill it out and return it to the parish office so a set of envelopes can be issued to you.

Did you know that you can now sign up for Recurring Donations? We can arrange to have your donation automatically transferred from your bank account each week. Automatic giving is secure and convenient and can be arranged through the parish office.

Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen with food preparation and serving on May 20th for Folk Arts. Please call the parish office to add your name to the list.

Chaika Ukrainian Song and Dance Ensemble will be celebrating their 60th Anniversary on May 27th with their Annual Spring Concert at 1 p.m. at Bishop Ryan Secondary School in Hamilton. Tickets are \$15. Also a 60th Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Zabava featuring "Zirka" will be held in that evening at Michelangelo Banquet Centre, 1555 Upper Ottawa St. Hamilton. Tickets are \$70 (includes concert) and can be purchased by calling John (9289) 253-9909 or Anya at (905) 966-2692 by May 17th.

Sts. Cyril & Methodius Golf Tournament – Saturday July 29th at Niagara Falls Golf Club. Cost is \$90 per person and includes 18 holes of golf with a power cart, registration gift and dinner. For more information please call Zenon Chytra at (905) 941-4864.

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 – **deadline is June 8th, 2017**

