

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

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Holy Spirit, you came to us in every language of every culture and every nation.

Pour out your power upon our divisions.

Make us remember that every tongue is a reflection of your creation.

You made our differences become our hope.

And have created enclaves of race, color, and creed.

Bring us back to a place where we can hear you, see you, and feel your presence in every human being.

And we pray for peace among us in Your name. Amen.

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 for phone calls only!

No visitors please!

After hour EMERGENCIES ONLY please call (905) 327-3563

Sunday Divine Liturgies will be livestreamed on our Facebook site (St. John Byzantine Ukrainian Church) every Sunday at 10 a.m.

Sunday Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m. Attendees must be preregistered

November 29th 2020 - 1st Sunday of Advent

Epistle: Eph. 5:8-19 Gospel Reading: Lk. 12:16-21

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Sun. Nov. 29th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy - 1st Sunday of Advent
Sat. Dec. 5th: 4:15 p.m. Divine Liturgy
Sun. Dec. 6th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy - 2nd Sunday of Advent

OFFERINGS:

Sunday Donations: Nov. 22th: \$515.00 Automatic debit donations: \$265.00
Maintenance Donations: O. Czerwoniak \$10.00

**We are most grateful to all of you who have been donating for the support of the church.
God bless you and keep you in His loving care.**

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, Sharon Hudgen, Paula Kozachenko, Sawyer Christie, Phyllis Romak, Ricki Holubowsky, Walt Cybulak, Helen Kokotka, Fr. Walter & Mary Dacko, Nicole Demers & Ellen Ternowski.

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

***THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN
IN MEMORY OF +STELLA LEWICKI
REQUESTED BY MARY & ZANON LEWICKI.***

Please remember if you need to visit the parish office, you must first make an appointment. No walk-ins!!

The following Parish Council positions are up for election in January: Vice-Chairperson and Treasurer. If you are interested in putting your name forward for either position or have any questions regarding the duties of the positions, please speak with Fr. Anton or Christine in the parish office. Please remember that Parish Council works to promote unity - keeping the parish together by enabling people to think, pray, work and play together.

St. John's Store will not be taking any orders from now until Christmas, **no exceptions!** If you require food items for your Christmas celebrations, we suggest to come to the store early, to make your purchases to avoid disappointment. Purchases can be made Thursday & Fridays only from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The kitchen and store will be closed from Dec. 21st and will reopen Jan. 4th so our volunteers can have a well deserved break.

Thank you to all those who brought in food donations for the Food Drive held by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress to commemorate the Holodomor-Genocide. All donations were brought to Sts Cyril & Methodius Church where they were donated to Community Care.

CHRISTMAS FOOD COLLECTION - we will continue to collect canned and dried food until Dec. 13th for the Community Care Christmas Food Drive. Please drop off your donations into the bin provided.

Just a reminder that everyone must wear a mask when inside the church. This is for the safety of everyone.



Please note the procedure when attending Divine Liturgy on Saturdays and Sundays. We will continue to streamline one service at 10:00 a.m. for those who prefer or cannot attend. Your safety is our greatest concern but you must comply with the rules.

Those who have the following Coronavirus related symptoms should stay home:

1. a fever above 37.5 C,
2. breathing problems,
3. coughing

4. those who have traveled outside the country in the last 14 days,
 5. those who have had contact with a person with Coronavirus,
 6. those who have had contact with a person who traveled internationally and has a breathing problem.
- On Sunday we will have volunteers at the entrance of the church, who will be asking everyone about their health. Each person will have to sign a form that they are healthy. Forms will be provided if you don't have one.
 - Everyone will enter through the center doors and go out through the side doors.
 - You will have to sit where you are asked to sit. (Church will be sanitized after every service)
 - There will be no prayer books in church so you must bring your own or you can purchase one for \$1.00 which you can keep and bring with you every week.
 - All people are required to wear masks in church for the protection of others.
 - People from the same household may sit together. People from different households must practice the 2-meter distancing.

We remind everyone that they must pre-register to attend any Liturgy. This must be done every time, since we only have room for 50 people. Please call the parish office (905) 937-3393 during the week to reserve your spot.

Thank you to all those who have been coming in to volunteer in our Kitchen. We are happy to be back to our "new normal". Since the region has been approved to proceed to Stage 3 of Covid restriction, we are now able to have more people in the kitchen. We will continue with the same procedures that have been in place. Volunteers will have to sign in and have their temperature taken, wear a mask and sanitize their hands. Your safety is our greatest concern and if we all comply with the rules, we will all stay safe.

The new schedule for the kitchen is as follows:

Monday a.m.: pyrohy & pie dough
apple peeling

Tuesday a.m.: potato boiling & balling
cabbage rolls

Wednesday a.m.: pies

Thursday a.m.: Pyrohy

Meatsticks, soups, shepherd's pie and lasagnas are not made on a set date, only when needed.

Our store will be open Thursdays & Fridays only from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**We thank everyone in advance for their continued support of St. John's,
especially during this time.**