

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

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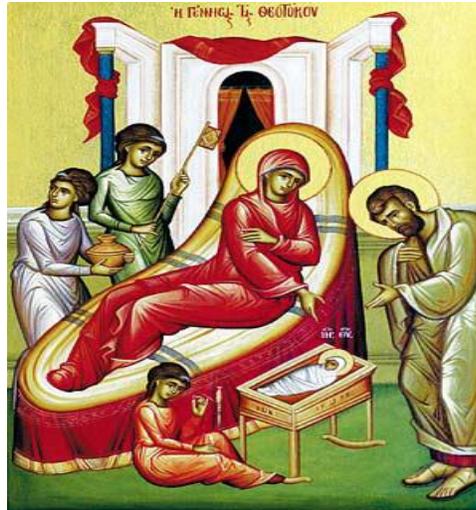
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Nativity of the Mother of God



Your birth, O Virgin Mother of God, heralded joy to the universe,
for from you rose the Sun of Justice, Christ our God.
He took away the curse, He imparted the blessing and by abolishing death,
He gave us the everlasting life.

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.

September 6th 2020 - Feast of the Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Sun. Sept. 6th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Sat. Sept. 12th: 4:15 p.m. Divine Liturgy
Sun. Sept. 13th: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

OFFERINGS:

Sunday Donations: August 9th: \$1,070.00 Automatic debit donations: \$920.00

**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.

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 FOR
GOD'S BLESSINGS AND GOOD HEALTH FOR
ALL STUDENTS RETURNING TO SCHOOL.***

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

We require a few volunteers on Saturdays & Sundays before mass to help administer the rules required by the provincial government. If you would like to help with registering parishioners, ushering or lighting of candles, please call the parish office.

Our Big-A-Bucks 2020 has been cancelled. If you have purchased a ticket but have not yet received a phone call regarding a refund, please call the parish office.

Volunteers are needed to help with steaming cabbage on Wednesday September 9th at 7 a.m. We will be doing many cases of cabbage to get our freezers stocked up to prepared for our Thanksgiving sales. If you can spare a few hours, please come out to help.

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/face shield and sanitize their hands. We are allowed to have 15 volunteers in the kitchen at any time and our tables and chairs have been arranged to allow for social distancing. We still encourage people to let our kitchen co-ordinator Please note, that if you are not on the list of volunteers you cannot come into the kitchen. 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, 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.

God, as our children return to school we pray that You would guide them.

*There are new pressures coming as schools reopen and we ask
that you protect their hearts and minds.*

*Help them to focus on You and to remember You in their
interactions with others.*

*We also pray that You help them to find the right friends and influences.
Please guide us as a parents and grandparents as we help navigate them
through school.*

We also pray for all families to stay healthy and safe.

*Lord, this first day of school prayer is our effort to focus intensely on You,
and to ask that*

You would fill all children's hearts with Your love.

Help them to remember Your love, Your standards and Your care for them.

*Please guide their decisions this school year, and help guide them to
embrace the academic challenges ahead.*

Amen.

