



***Sunday of Publican &
Pharisee***

***Неділя Митаря і
Фарисея***

The Holy Woman Martyr Agatha – Agatha, born of a noble Silician family, was martyred under Emperor Decius.

Sunday, February 5th, 2017

Daily Divine Liturgies this week



Monday, Feb. 6 * 9:00 a.m.** Div. Lit.: God's blessings to all parishioners

Wednesday, Feb. 8 * 9:00 a.m.** Div. Lit.:
+Nick Kardynal (40th Day Memorial) – Rose

Kardynal & family

Thursday, Feb. 9 * 9:00 a.m.** Div. Lit.: Special Intention

Friday, Feb. 10 * 9:00 a.m.** Div. Lit.: +John Broder –
Ann Wyshynsky

Saturday, Feb. 11 * 4:00 p.m.** Divine Liturgy

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee & Post-feast of the Encounter

Troparion, Tone 5: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word,* co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,* and born of the Virgin for our salvation.* For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death* and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion, Tone 1: Rejoice, full of grace, Virgin Mother of God!* From you there dawned the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God,* who enlightens those who dwell in darkness.* And you, O righteous Elder, be glad!* You received in your embrace* the Liberator of our souls,* who grants us resurrection.

+Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 3: Let us bring sighs of sorrow to the Lord as did the Publican* and approach the Master as sinners,* for He desires salvation for everyone.* He grants forgiveness to all who repent.* For as God, the One-who-is, co-eternal with the Father, He became flesh for us.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 1: By Your birth, You sanctified a virgin womb* and fittingly blessed the hands of Simeon.* You have come also now and saved us, O Christ our God;* give peace to Your community in time of war,* and strengthen its rulers, whom You love,* for You alone,* are the Lover of mankind.

Prokeimenon, Tone 5: You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us* from this generation and for ever.

verse: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15

Timothy, my son, now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions and suffering the things that happened to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. What persecutions I endured! Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. Indeed, all who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. But wicked people and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving others and being deceived. But as for you, continue

in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia, Tone 5 Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

verse: For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared.

Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

The Lord said his parable, “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

Hymn to the Mother of God: *O God-bearing Virgin, hope of Christians, protect and guard and save all those who put their trust in you.*

Irmos, Tone 3: *In the law, the shadow, and the scriptures, we the faithful see a figure: every male child that opens the womb shall be sanctified to God. Therefore do we magnify the first-born Word and Son of the Father who is without beginning, the first-born Child of a Mother who had not known man.*

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

“Pride and Its Opposite Virtue - Humility

Pride is the most dangerous passion and the mother of all sins. It was because of pride that Satan fell from God, and it is precisely pride that

has ruined the prolonged endeavors of many an ascetic. Pride is a person's idolatrous self-deification: a person exalts oneself over other people and puts oneself in place of God. The proud person is closed to God's grace: "The Lord opposes the proud; but he gives grace to the humble" (Prv 3:34). St. Augustine teaches that pride is the source of all evil, and in order to overcome all other sins, one must rid oneself of the root cause – pride: "Whence does iniquity abound? From pride. Cure pride and there will be no more iniquity. Consequently, that the cause of all diseases might be cured, namely, pride, the Son of God came down and was made low."

The proud person usually does not see his or her own sin. This person is filled with self-love, finds it difficult to forgive, and to ask forgiveness of others, and has trouble relenting. Such a person rejects all forms of authority and frequently flares up in anger. He or she bears grudges, constantly judges other people, and envies their successes. Pride deceitfully takes control even of those who, having achieved virtue, regard themselves, rather than God, as the cause of their achievements.

The most effective means of combatting pride is to train oneself in humility. This opens a person toward God and neighbor, and makes a person capable of receiving God's transfiguring and liberating power. The Apostle Paul declares: "We destroy arguments and every proud obstacle raised up against the knowledge of God, and we take every thought captive to obey Christ" (2 Cor. 10:4-5). Through the virtue of humility, a person stands in truth before the face of God. Therefore, Christian humility does not demean a person, but allows one to recognize one's true dignity as a child of God. St. John Chrysostom writes:

"He who places humility as the foundation of his character can safely build a building of any height. It [humility] is the strongest palisade, an immovable wall, an impenetrable fortress; it supports the entire edifice and does not allow it to fall ... it makes it inaccessible to attacks ... and through it God, the lover of mankind, pours out on us His plentiful gifts."

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A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!



Please Pray for health of ... Ivan L., Steven P., William Sh., Fr. Edward E., Neville D., Myron S., Dianne L., Pat S., Lily-Ann S., Kathleen B., Mary D., Nick L., Pauline P., Ray S., Cameron V., Rose O., Roman D., Bonny H., Ric B., Shirley C., Sofia B., Peter D., Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Yvette U., Peter S., and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the present time.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members, as well as if you would like a name removed from the list.

Children's Catechism Program – will continue today Sunday, Feb. 5th & next Sunday, Feb 12th, 2017 after the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. There will be no Catechism class on Sunday Feb. 19th.

Volunteers for Sunday Coffee Clean-ups – Please continue putting your name on the calendar posted in the church hall. Thank you to everyone who is willing to help out. God bless you.

House Blessings & Pastoral Visits – will start this coming week. Please assist Fr. Andrzej in planning these visits by letting him know your most convenient time. Thank you.

2016 Income Tax Receipts – are ready to be picked up. Please come to the church hall after the Divine Liturgy to collect your receipt.

Dormition Parish Council Monthly Meeting – will take place tomorrow, Monday, February 6th, 2017 at the parish hall at 7:00 p.m.

Zahalnycia – this coming Friday, Feb. 10th is **not a fasting day**. According to the Church tradition, we are permitted to eat meat products throughout this whole week as though in opposition to the proud Pharisee who boasted that he fasts twice a week. (Fr. Julian Katrij: "A Byzantine Rite – Liturgical Year" p. 61)

"Epic" - early Church history – Adult Catechism - will continue this coming Friday, Feb. 10th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Please join us!

"A Quick Journey Through the Bible" – 3rd presentation will take place next Sunday, Feb. 12th, 2017 after 1st Div. Liturgy.

Parish Fundraisers – Perogy making – will take place this coming **Saturday, Feb. 11th** & on **Saturday, Feb. 25th** starting around 8:00 a.m. Please join us.



Nominating Committee — we are now beginning our preparation for the election of the new Parish Council for the year 2017. The following parishioners will be part of the Nominating Committee: **Mrs. Helen Hut, Mr. Victor Ukrainetz & Fr. Andrzej.**

2016-2017 Nominating Committee Report – the following parishioners have let their names stand for various positions on the Parish Council:

Chairperson – **Mr. Alex Pankiw**

Vice-Chairperson – **Mrs. Maria Cacchioni**

Secretary – **Mrs. Bonnie Lalach**

Financial Secretary – **Mrs. Liz Hnylycia**

Treasurer – **Mrs. Sarah Kriel**

Maintance Committee – **Mr. Ihor Lisotskyy**

Annual Parish General Meeting – is planned to take place on **Sunday, February 19, 2017** after the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. On that day there will be only one bilingual Divine Liturgy.

Great Fast (Lent) 2017 – will begin on **Monday, February 27th.**



Dormition Parish Social Project – Our Parish Council voted that the 1st quarter of 2017 coffee proceeds will go to the “Christmas Candle” project with money going to a hospice in Ivano-Frankivsk which houses orphans and provides the basic necessities, education and life skills to help them integrate into society. On Sunday Jan. 29th we collected \$59.05.

Our websites & email: www.dormition.ca or www.kelowna.nweparchy.ca; www.nweparchy.ca Email: fr.wasylinko@gmail.com

Food Bank & Shoe Bank Canada Donations – although the Christmas season has ended and the customary focus of giving gifts has died down, let us remember that those less fortunate are still in need regardless of the season. On your way out to church, bring a non-perishable item from your pantry. If you have shoes you no longer need, please consider donating them also. The food bank box is located in the church entrance and the shoe box is in the hall corridor. Thank you for your generosity.

English Edition of the Catechism “Christ—Our Pascha” – The Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church has now been published and is available for

purchase. In our parish you can buy a copy for \$25 CAD. There are still a few copies left. Please contact Fr. Andrzej.

Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon *** Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program Underway.

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary Program is known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program. The 2017 program is now receiving applications. Once again we are privileged to offer thirty bursaries of \$500.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time-only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in their second or subsequent year of post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province. Applications are accepted from January 1st, 2017 until June 30th, 2017 with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference can be found on our web site at <http://kofcbc.org/files/2013/08/Terms-of-Reference-2017.pdf>



Requests for applications should be addressed to:

Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon Attn: Dale Hofer, Bursaries Chairman 2300 Teal Place Vernon, BC V1H 1R1

We would like to once again congratulate the many recipients over the past years and look forward to the opportunity to assist many more young people in the advancement of their education.

Dormition Parish Stewardship: Sunday, Jan. 29th - \$600 (1st Div. Lit.) & \$90 (2nd Div. Lit.); candles - \$43.10.

Vibrant Parish Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, as you once gathered lost sheep that they might hear Your voice and be your flock, so also today graciously look down from heaven upon our parish community, and send down on it your Holy Spirit, that it might be a place to receive the joy of Your Good News. Strengthen us with your presence, and always gather us together in prayer. Grant us the spirit of serving others, so that in our parish all might encounter You, the merciful God. Bless our spiritual leaders with Your wisdom, and inspire us to generously give of our time, talents and treasure for the building up of Your Kingdom. Unite us in peace and harmony, as befits Your community of love. Instill in us a missionary spirit, and let our parish community shine with the light of the Gospel, with prayer and good works, inviting all to share in the divine

life, so that Your Name, O Savior, may be praised, together with Your eternal Father, and your most-holy, good and life-giving Spirit. Amen.

Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

1. *You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Communion);*
2. *You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;*
3. *You attend Divine Services regularly;*
4. *Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;*
5. *You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water & medicine does not break the fast).*
6. *You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.*
7. *To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.*
If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.

******A Reminder about appropriate reception of Holy Communion - when approaching to receive the Holy Eucharist, the faithful are reminded to open their mouth wide and tilt their head back. Also, please avoid licking the spoon. ******

Special Petition – “We also pray to be blessed with generous hearts to contribute to our Bishop’s initiatives and programs, such as: the support of parishes, the education of parishioners, and the formation of seminarians, Lord hear us and have mercy.”

Vibrant Parish Appeal – please continue to support this very important and ongoing project that is happening in our Eparchy.

SHARE YOUR HEART



EPARCHY OF NEW WESTMINSTER VIBRANT PARISH APPEAL



"... We need your urgent and immediate support to guarantee the viability of our Eparchy for future generations of your children and grandchildren. We want to ensure the survival of pastoral services including the celebration of the sacraments in the Ukrainian Catholic tradition, such as Divine Liturgies, Baptism, Marriages, Funerals and the great Feasts, which means so much to us..."

+Ken (Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster)

WAYS TO GIVE

- **CHEQUE**

(Please make your cheques payable to the Eparchy of New Westminster)

- **BEQUESTS**

(You have the ability to leave a legacy that will commemorate your love of God by remembering the Eparchy in your will.)

- **GIFT OF PUBLICLY TRADED STOCK**

(Please contact the Chancery office for further details on how to make a gift of stock)

FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS THERE WILL YOUR HEART BE ALSO

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