Come together! Come to the Light!

25 August 2019

11th Sunday after Pentecost

25 серпня 2019



Dear Parishioner, Glory to Jesus Christ! As we find ourselves on the eve of a new parish year we want to take stock of where we are as a parish. We, as always, have great potential. What we need to do however, is assess this potential and decide what we need to do and what we want to do as a parish. Things have changed over the years and things have changed since last year. Many of us have become older and less inclined to be as involved as before. But, some of us have also become more available - children can take more care of themselves and/or some are recently retired and can

have more time to volunteer a bit more around the parish. This is what our/your parish needs right now.... (besides generous donations which is an ongoing need, of course)... VOLUNTEERS. Really. We need Catechism teachers and assistants.... Youth facilitators (and assistants).... Perogy helpers.... Bingo volunteers.... Property management committee assistants.... Visiting committee volunteers... music ministry developers and singers... Kildonan Horizons board and outreach... so much more. Listen, no one is asking for heroes to dedicate their life to this (as great as that would be), but how about signing up as an occasional volunteer that can come out as part of a rotating team, and **do what you can**!? Think about it, but NOT LONG. We need commitment now... Please!...

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8:00 am - Українська 10:00 am - English	Social Club: Matthew Bakan 204-599-3542 Perogy Hotline: 204-667-6304			
Weekdays - Будні (see inside page)				
Confessions - Сповідь - Prior to every Divine Liturgy	HAVE A CONCERN? WANT TO GET MORE			
Baptisms - Хрещення - Contact the pastor	INVOLVED? LET US KNOW!			
Weddings - Вінчання - Contact the pastor	FOR A HOSPITAL VISIT, CALL THE CLERGY			
at least 6 months in advance	DIRECTLY - Please don't procrastinate. If some			
* occasionally subject to change—see back page	FOR A HOSPITAL VISIT, CALL THE CLERGY DIRECTLY - Please don't procrastinate. If some one is taken to hospital let your priest know. Its quite unfair to wait until the person can not communicate or receive Holy Communion. Its called Anointing of the Sick - not "last rites"			
To request a Divine Liturgy or other service, please call the Parish Offic	communicate or receive Holy Communion. Its			
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The Miraculous Icon is available to be taken to your home. Imagine the prayerful presence of our loving mother in the heart of your home for a		"The portion of your blessings that you have returned to the Lord" August 18, 2019			
I full week!			1. Envelopes		\$783.00
August 25, 2019 — August 31st, 2019-—Open Call Evelyn Tymchak 204-667-6791 today to reserve this beautiful experience for yourself and all who live			2. Vigil Lights		\$20.85
at or visit your place.			Total		\$803.85
 SUMMER IS HEREThe weather is growing warmer and that means back to the cottage and planning camping trips, visiting with family and friends. While you are away, the expenses of the church continue. Please consider signing up for our automatic debit service. Contact the office with any questions. Forms are available at the back of the church. For more information you can contact Olesia Sloboda at 1.204.361.5471. Think about it Just as you need to be sure that your home, other family members, pets, cottages, etc. are maintained and bills are paid, etc. while you're away your spiritual home and community also needs your ongoing support. Please arrange to upkeep your donations. Your Parish needs it 			Drive" & BBQ - Friday, September 27, 2019 in front of their building, 555 Spence St. from noon to 2:30 pm. Their goal is to crate 1000 Hygiene Kits to be able to distribute them amongst the needy. They are accepting, soap, shampoo, conditioner, dental floss, toothbrush/toothpaste, shaving supplies, hair brushes/combs, baby wipes, toilet paper and paper towels. Or you can drop these items off at the Parish Office where they will be distributed on September 27, 2019.		
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Munroe Ave. Farmers Market 460 Munroe Ave. at Watt St. Hosted by the Holy Eucharist Parish is nather bit former Market 8			Attention Parishioners. f you were not able to attend the 100th Year Gala Dinner but would like to own your very own 100th Anniversary memento that was given out at the dinneryou're in luck. We do have a rew leftthey are \$10 each and can be purchased from the Parish Office. They are beautiful keepsakes that can be used as an air freshener, Christmas ornament, uggage tag, coaster, or simply to display. But hurry we only have a few left!!!		
<i>Wednesdays August 28 to September 18 from 3:00</i> <i>pm to 7:00 pm</i> , please contact the Parish Office at 204-667-8866 for more details and for sign up formsthere is a special deal going on right now in		OFFICE HOURS: For the next 4 weeks the office will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm and WEDNESDAYS from 12:00 NOON to 7:00 pm.			
BLUE LAMP (MARIAN Side Altar)	(August 25 – August 31, 2019) +Ed Dziedzic		ED LAMP OUR Side Altar)	(August 25– Augus Health and Blessin Richard & Pau By Mother	ngs to Peter, Il Lapka ,

STARTING THE DISCUSSION ABOUT M.A.I.D. - ASSISTED SUICIDE – Part 1

The question of euthanasia has recently become a major issue in our western society. It is also known as assisted suicide, mercy killing. Here in Canada it is commonly promoted as "M.A.I.D." (Medical Assistance In Dying). For whom is it "recommended"? ... those mentally and physically challenged, the elderly, those who feel that their "quality of life" is less than they would prefer, those that are lonely, those that feel that they are a burden to their families or to society, etc.

We really need to know what "MAID" is all about and how it could soon touch our lives. Yes.... people can become ill, and have to deal will pain and perhaps chronic illness. Age can make one weary, loss of the same health and verve, loss of friends and family, etc. Yet... life is always that wonderful gift! The Lord gives us that gift and the length of our life has a purpose – His purpose. We need to discern what that purpose is and talk to our Lord and ask Him about how He wants us to live our life now and for the years, months or weeks that He wants us to be upon this earth.

M.A.I.D. is a reality that has been thrust upon us. Some think that "its legal, so it must be okay". Hardly. It is a tragedy that reflects the increasing godlessness of our society and lack of understanding about the relationship between our Lord and us, a lack of understanding about the purpose of our life and an unwillingness to give our time and love to those that need it for a period of time. We think that we don't have the faith or that we don't have the time or the love or the strength that would be required. We sell ourselves short. We need to take a deep breath and think about what is our life and what are our goals and what is the right thing to do right now in these circumstances.

We need to talk about the issues. So let's start by looking at the Catechism to get some clear concepts and expressions that will help is think and discuss with others...

"Christ, Our Pascha": Ukrainian Catholic Catechism (2011)... 3. III. C. 5. Euthanasia (a.k.a. "MAID")

- **908** Euthanasia (from the Greek meaning *good death*) is an action or inaction which by its nature or its intention causes a person's death with the purpose of eliminating all sorts of diverse suffering. Euthanasia is used not only on the gravely ill but also on newborn infants with birth defects. In addition to euthanasia "by individual request," there is also "social euthanasia," in which the decision to terminate a life comes not from the person himself but from society, when further medical treatment is deemed futile or excessively expensive, since the necessary resources could be used to treat many other people.
- **909** The Church teaches: "Nothing and no one can in any way permit the killing of an innocent human being, whether a fetus or an embryo, an infant or an adult, an old person, or one suffering from an incurable disease, or a person who is dying. Furthermore, no one is permitted to ask for this act of killing, either for himself or herself or for another person entrusted to his or her care, nor can he or she consent to it, either explicitly or implicitly. Nor can any authority legitimately recommend or permit such an action. For it is a question of the violation of the divine law, an offense against the dignity of the human person, a crime against life, and an attack on humanity."
- **910** Sometimes, because of prolonged and unbearable pain, people may ask for death for themselves or for another. However, such pleas for death are not always a manifestation of a true desire for assisted suicide or euthanasia. In reality, the gravely ill person needs love, attention, prayer, and spiritual support. Those who are close to the infirm parents, children, family members, friends, and also doctors, nurses, clergy and other members of the church community-are called to surround the infirm with such care.

Discussion points....

- If M.A.I.D. or assisted suicide is <u>never acceptable</u>, then what is the journey forward for one that is either **terminally ill** or **suffering chronic pain** or **lonely/abandoned** or **old and wea**k... or, seemingly all of the above?
- What does this journey forward mean for family and friends and fellow parishioners? What changes or commitments may be required of them?
- What is the difference between intentional assisted suicide and unintentional death as a result of medical treatment?

Even more fundamentally....

- What is the purpose of life? Why did God in His immeasurable love choose to give each individual the gift of life?
- What are my goals in life as a child of God? What is a full or real life?
- What is suffering all about? Is it really a source of grace and of repentance and of new hope for the one who suffers and for others?
- What is suffering all about? Would God permit it? If so, why would He permit it?

Some additional paragraphs that are very helpful in understanding and discussing the issues....

3. III. C. 1. Care for Sick Parents and Family Members

- **898** In the Holy Scriptures we read: "With all your heart honour your father, and do not forget the birth pangs of your mother. Remember that through your parents you were born; how can you repay what they have given to you?" (Sir 7:27-28). Respecting parents means relating to them with love, especially when they are weak and in need of assistance, for example, in old age.
- **900** Children ought to care for their parents in their illnesses and provide them material and moral support in their old age. "My child, help your father in his old age, and do not grieve him as long as he lives; even if his mind fails, be patient with him; because you have all your faculties do not despise him... Whoever forsakes his father is like a blasphemer, and whoever angers his mother is cursed by the Lord" (Sir 3:12-13, 16). Children ought to remember that respect and love for one's parents carries an obligation to look after them for the duration of their lives. No one can ever be relieved of this duty. If parents have already left this life, then children are obliged to conduct a Christian funeral, carry out their final wishes, pray for them, look after their grave sites, and remember the anniversary of their deaths.

2. The Christian Understanding of Death

- **901** A Christian, having been made worthy of the divine life through the mystery of Baptism, already here on earth, lives the eternal life. For the believer, death is a consequence of the sin of our first ancestors. However, death was defeated once and for all by the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, who "to those in the tombs granted life." For a Christian, one's mortality is not a dead end, an exit into non-being, or the end of a human person's existence. Death, like life, has meaning a meaning which we discover in the light of Christ's Pascha. Death is a passing over to new life, from earth to the heavens.
- **902** Death cannot be an *escape* from or a *negation* of life. Therefore, suicide the conscious and willful taking of one's own life is a grave sin, and the Church condemns it. Many social, psychological and other factors can lead a person to suicide, but the chief causes are hopelessness, loss of the meaning of life, rejection of God's mercy, and despair. "A person does not have the right to dispose of his own life. Like a soldier who does not have the right to abandon his assigned post, when he leaves it willfully, is considered a deserter; in the same way, a deserter is one who abandons his responsibilities and the post at which he was placed by God's providence."

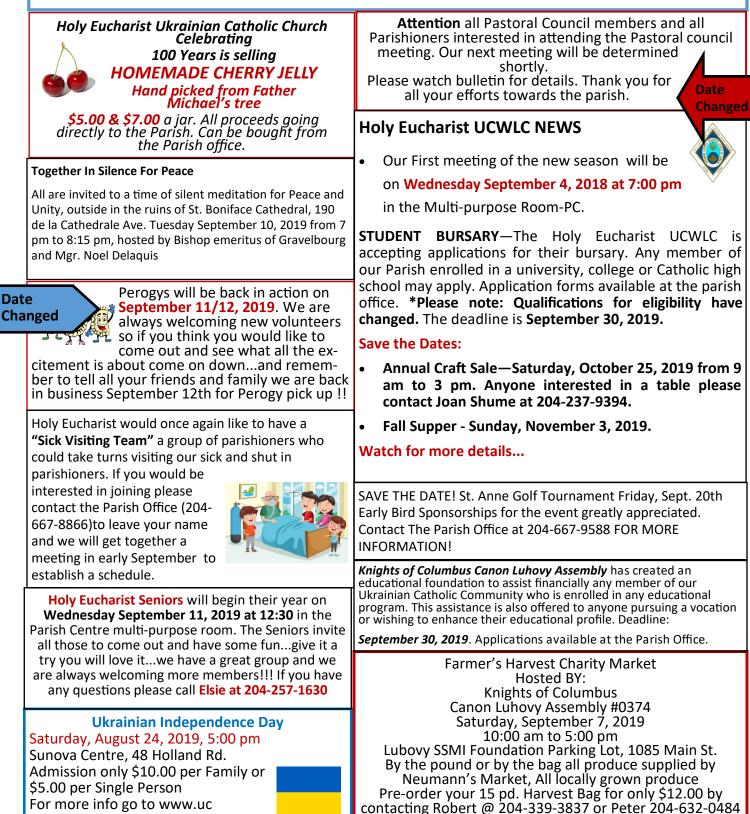
Understanding "Suffering"....

463 Already in the Old Testament, those afflicted by illness recognized their finitude (that is, the limits of their existence) and reflected on how physical illness was related to sin. At the same time the sickness and suffering of the righteous person was able to become **an occasion for expressing hope in the Lord and faithfulness to hi**m (e.g. Job, Tobit). In illness, people turned to the Lord, seeking healing from him and confessing their sins before him (see Ps 6:3, 8; Ps 102[103]). In the New Testament, through his suffering and life-giving death, **Jesus gives our suffering a new meaning**: joined to his sufferings they become a means of purification and a path of salvation for ourselves and others.



Visiting our Parish? Just stepped in? Checking us out? Came with friends or family? That's great! **We are happy to have you with us** today! **Listen**, if you have questions or need help or just want to know more about us or want to join us formally just ask the person **beside you** and/or speak with our **Pastor**, **Fr Michael** and/or contact the **Parish Office**. **204-667-8866**.

STUDENT BURSARY—The Holy Eucharist UCWLC is accepting applications for their bursary. Any member of our Parish enrolled in a university, college or Catholic high school may apply. Application forms available at the parish office. ***Please note: Qualifications for eligibility have changed.** The deadline is **September 30, 2019.**



Sched	ule of Litur	gies - Розпорядок Бо	огослужінь		
Date Epistle/Gospel Reading	Time	Service	Intention / Information		
Sunday, August 25 11th Sunday after Pentecost;	8:00 am	Служба Божа	Health and Blessings for John & Oksana Petryshyn and Family		
Cor. 9: 2-12 Matthew 18: 23-35	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy	For all Parishioners		
Monday, August 26 Adrian & Natalia; 2 Cor. 5:10-15; Mark 1: 9-15	9:00 am	- Divine Liturgy	God's blessing for Natalia and her family **Office Closed—Parish Centre will be open**		
Tuesday, August 27 Venerable Pimen; 2 Cor. 5:15-21; Mark 1:16-22	9:00 am	- Divine Liturgy	For the health of Alice Lapka		
Wednesday, August 28 Saint Augustine; 2 Cor. 6:11-16; Mark 1:23-28	9:00 am	- Divine Liturgy	For Metropolitan Lawrence (ordained priest 44 years ago in 1977)		
Thursday, August 29 Beheading of John the Baptist; Acts. 13:25-32; Mark 6: 14-30	9:00 am	-Divine Liturgy	God bless our teachers and students with courage and enthusiasm as they prepare for a new school year!		
Friday, August 30 Saint Alexander; 2 Cor. 7:10-16; Matthew 2:18-22	9:00 am	- Divine Liturgy	Blessings for Alexandra Manzura and her family and friends		
Saturday, August 31 Deposition of the Cincture of the Mother of God; Heb. 9:1-7; Luke 10:38-42; 11: 27-28	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy	40 Days for +Leonard Rybak, by the Family		
Sunday, September 1 NEW ECCLESIASTICAL YEAR;	8:00 am	Служба Божа	For all Parishioners		
Cor. 15: 1-11 Matthew 19: 16-26	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy	God, bless us with a successful and prosperous Parish year!		

PLEASE DO THIS! Please VISIT - Your visit will not only be MUCH APPRECIATED, it is, in fact, a corporal "Act of Mercy" 'Visiting the Sick one of the works of mercy found in the teaching of Christ'

<u>At Home or in Hospital</u>: Mary Schurko, Alice Lapka, Steve Romas, Len Lazaruk, Ollie Kowalski, Ollie Kostiuk, Mary Kozubniak, Julian Cherniak, <u>St. Joseph's Residence</u>: Mary Ruta <u>Maples Personal Care Home</u>: Joe Ewanochko

 Holy Family:
 Ollie Smerek, Mary Horbal, Irene Omeniuk, Bill Simcoe, Helen Babiniec, Jennie Huchko,

 Anne Wach, Fr. V. Yakowchuk, Sandra Rychlicki
 River East Personal Care Home: Liz Simcoe

 Middle Church:
 Olga Hnatiuk, Margaret Sawchuk
 Seven Oaks Hospital: Tony Hendricks

 Call a priest (204-996-1310) for a Pastoral or Sacramental visit for yourself
 or family member, friend, or a fellow parishioner!

