



The Way Of The CROSS

Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE MISSION OF THE UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF CANADA LOCATED IN SOUTH WINNIPEG

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Apostle Matthias (ca. 63). Martyr Anthony of Alexandria. St. Psoes of Egypt (IV). Martyrs Julian, Marcian, John, James, Alexius, Demetrius, Photius, Peter, Leontius, Mary the patrician and others of Constantinople (730).

ORDER OF SERVICE:

Troparion and Kontakion

Tone 4: When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Your Resurrection, / they cast away the ancestral curse / and with gladness told the apostles: / Death is overthrown. Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy.

Tone 1: O Lord, save Your People, / and bless Your inheritance! / Grant victory to Orthodox Christians over their adversaries, // and by Your Cross preserve Your Commonwealth.

Tone 3: O holy Apostle Matthias, / entreat the merciful God, // that He grant unto our souls remission of transgressions.

Glory...

Tone 4: My Saviour and Redeemer arose from the tomb as God / and delivered the earthborn from bondage. / He ahs shattered the gates of Hades / and as Master, // He has risen on the third day.

Both now...

Tone 4: Thy luminous sound which hath gone forth like the sun into all the earth / doth enlighten the Church of the nations with grace, // O wondrous Apostle Matthias.

The Epistle

Reader: The Prokimenon in the **4th Tone:** How marvelous are Your works, O Lord. In wisdom You have made them all.

Choir: How marvelous are Your works, O Lord. In wisdom You have made them all.

Reader: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, You are very great.

Choir: How marvelous are Your works, O Lord. How marvelous are Your works, O Lord.

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Reader: The Reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians [I Corinthians 16:13-24]

Reader: Alleluia in the **4th Tone:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Reader: Bend your bow and proceed prosperously, and be king because of truth, meekness, and righteousness.

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Reader: You have loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Gospel: [Matthew 21:33-42]

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

I Corinthians 16:13-24 (Sunday Epistle)

13. Remain alert. Keep standing firm in your faith. Keep on being courageous and strong.

14. Everything you do should be done in love.

15. Now I urge you, brothers-for you know that the members of the family of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to serving the saints-

16. to submit yourselves to people like these and to anyone else who shares their labor and hard work.

17. I am glad that Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus came here, because they have supplied what was lacking from you.

18. They refreshed my spirit-and yours, too. Therefore, appreciate men like that.

19. The churches in Asia greet you. Aquila and Prisca and the church in their house greet you warmly in the Lord.

20. All the brothers greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

21. I, Paul, am writing this greeting with my own hand.

22. If anyone doesn't love the Lord, let him be condemned! May our Lord come!

23. May the grace of the Lord Jesus be with you!

24. My love is with all of you in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 21:33-42 (Sunday Gospel)

33. "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a wall around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenant farmers and went abroad.

34. When harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenant farmers to collect his produce.

35. But the farmers took his servants and beat one, killed another, and attacked another with stones.

36. Again, he sent other servants to them, a greater number than the first, but the tenant farmers treated them the same way.

37. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.'

38. But when the tenant farmers saw his son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come on, let's kill him and get his inheritance!'

39. So they grabbed him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

40. Now when the owner of the vineyard returns, what will he do to those farmers?"

41. They said to him, "He will put those horrible men to a horrible death. Then he will lease the vineyard to other farmers who will give him his produce at harvest time."

42. Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?"

Instead of "It is truly meet..." we chant the Irmos of the 9th Ode of the First Canon of the feast, Forth Tone:

Refrain: Magnify, O my soul, the Lord transfigured on Tabor.

Irmos: Thy birthgiving was undefiled: / God came forth from thy womb, / and He appeared upon earth / wearing flesh and made His dwelling among men; // therefore we all magnify thee, O Theotokos.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

VESPERS: Will resume in the fall.

DIVINE LITURGY:

August 4: No Divine Liturgy
August 8: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
August 15: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
August 22: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
August 29: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Financial Report July 10

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| Income | 1602.85 |
| Expenses | 3365.83 |
| Net | -\$1762.98 |

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| Building Fund |
| Goal — \$25,000 |
| Collected — |
| \$10452.76 |

Fund Raising

Prayer for Needs: Anna Maria, Dustin, Lucinda, Sophia, Oksana,

Prayer for Sick: Georgina, , Dustin, Chuck, Frank, Elsie, Shelby

Prayer for the souls of those who have fallen asleep in the Lord:

GOD GRANT MANY YEARS: August

Birthdays: Fr. Bohdan (5), Lucinda (5)

Anniversaries: Sylvia and Lyle

OUR PARISH REQUIRES YOUR REGULAR DONATIONS FOR ITS ONGOING SUPPORT. ANY DONATION YOU CAN GIVE EITHER FOR THE OPERATION OR FOR THE BUILDING FUND WILL BE GRATEFULLY APPRECIATED.

REMEMBER THAT YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS AS WELL AS ANY FINANCIAL GIFT AND VOLUNTEER TIME YOU CAN GIVE. **THE COLLECTION BASKET FOR DONATIONS IS LOCATED ON THE BACK CORNER TABLE.**

MEETINGS and STUFF

Holy Cross Parish Council:

Adult Ed. Class: Postponed

3rd Sunday of Month: Bring a canned good donation to Church.

WELCOME to all our guests who came to worship with us today IN THE FAITH OF THE APOSTLES THAT HAS BEEN PRESERVED UNCHANGED AND IS ETERNAL. May God save you for your prayers.

- Check out our Lending Library: **New Kid's album of Icon Cards are now available.**
- Let's not forget about our Food Bank Donations and 'Pennies from Heaven'.
- If you are working at your computer, turn on Ancient Faith Radio at: <http://ancientfaith.com>
- **Parish is selling Prayer Ropes and Beeswax Candles** as a fundraiser. Great for your devotional needs. See Sandy

Hand your prayer request to Subdeacon Dennis or to one of the Acolytes before the service and he will bring it to the priest.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **Holy Cross has pens for sale. 2 for a loonie.** An amazing deal. They make excellent stocking stuffers. Just remember to remind people to remove the pens from their stockings before they put the stockings on, because that would just be uncomfortable.
2. **HOLY CROSS WEB SITE.** Holy Cross has revamped it's website. The web address is still the same, but the site has been transformed into a really cool looking blog site.
3. With the blessing of His Eminence Archbishop Yuriy, Metropolitan-Nominate, all Ukrainian Orthodox faithful are asked to commemorate **the first annual Canadian National Day of Remembrance for the victims of European Communism and Nazism on Monday, August 23rd.** Such a commemoration has been organized for the Ukrainian Orthodox faithful of Winnipeg at **St. Mary Protectress Ukrainian Orthodox Sobor on Monday, August 23rd @ 7:00 p.m.**

Apostle Matthias of the Seventy Commemorated on August 22

The Holy Apostle Matthias was born at Bethlehem of the Tribe of Judah. From his early childhood he studied the Law of God under the guidance of St Simeon the God-Receiver (February 3).

When the Lord Jesus Christ revealed Himself to the world, St Matthias believed in Him as the Messiah, followed constantly after Him and was numbered among the Seventy Apostles.

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bles, whom the Lord "sent them two by two before His face" (Luke 10:1).

After the Ascension of the Savior, St Matthias was chosen by lot to replace Judas Iscariot as one of the Twelve Apostles (Acts 1:15-26). After the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle Matthias preached the Gospel at Jerusalem and in Judea together with the other Apostles (Acts 6:2, 8:14). From Jerusalem he went with the Apostles Peter and Andrew to Syrian Antioch, and was in the Cappadocian city of Tiana and Sinope. Here the Apostle Matthias was locked into prison, from which he was miraculously freed by St Andrew the First-Called.

The Apostle Matthias journeyed after this to Amasea, a city on the shore of the sea. During a three year journey of the Apostle Andrew, St Matthias was with him at Edessa and Sebaste. According to Church Tradition, he was preaching at Pontine Ethiopia (presently Western Georgia) and Macedonia. He was frequently subjected to deadly peril, but the Lord preserved him to preach the Gospel.

Once, pagans forced the saint to drink a poison potion. He drank it, and not only did he himself remain unharmed, but he also healed other prisoners who had been blinded by the potion. When St Matthias left the prison, the pagans searched for him in vain, for he had become invisible to them. Another time, when the pagans had become enraged intending to kill the Apostle, the earth opened up and engulfed them.

The Apostle Matthias returned to Judea and did not cease to enlighten his countrymen with the light of Christ's teachings. He worked great miracles in the Name of the Lord Jesus and he converted a great many to faith in Christ.

The Jewish High Priest Ananias hated Christ and earlier had commanded the Apostle James, Brother of the Lord, to be flung down from the heights of the Temple, and now he ordered that the Apostle Matthias be arrested and brought for judgment before the Sanhedrin at Jerusalem.

The impious Ananias uttered a speech in which he blasphemously slandered the Lord. Using the prophecies of the Old Testament, the Apostle Matthias demonstrated that Jesus Christ is the True God, the promised Messiah, the Son of God, Consubstantial and Coeternal with God the Father. After these words the Apostle Matthias was sentenced to death by the Sanhedrin and stoned.

When St Matthias was already dead, the Jews, to hide their malefaction, cut off his head as an enemy of Caesar. (According to several historians, the Apostle Matthias was crucified, and indicate that he instead died at Colchis.) The Apostle Matthias received the martyr's crown of glory in the year 63.

The true Orthodox way of thought has always been historical, has always included the past, but has never been enslaved by it. The strength of the Church is not in the past, present, or future, but in Christ.