



# The Way Of The CROSS

Holy Cross Parish Bulletin

March 6, 2011

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

**Cheese-fare Sunday, Sunday of Forgiveness.** Commemoration of the expulsion of Adam and Eve from Paradise. Ven. Timothy of Symbola (795). St. Eustace, Archbishop of Antioch (337). St. George, Bishop of Amastris on the Black Sea (ca. 805).

## ORDER OF SERVICE:

### Troparion and Kontakion

**Tone 8:** You descended from on high, O Merciful One. / You accepted the three-day burial / to free us from our passions. // Our life and resurrection; O Lord, Glory to You.

**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.

**Glory...Both now...**

**Tone 6:** O Master, Guide to wisdom, / Giver of prudent counsel, Instructor of the foolish and Champion of the poor: / Make my heart steadfast by granting it understanding. / O Word of the Father, grant me words, / for behold, I shall not stop my lips from crying out to You: O merciful One, // I am fallen, have mercy on me in Your compassion.

### The Epistle

**Reader:** The Prokimenon in the **8th Tone:** Pray and give glory to the Lord our God.

**Choir:** Pray and give glory to the Lord our God.

**Reader:** In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

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**Reader: The Reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Romans [Romans 13:11-14:4]**

**Reader:** Alleluia in the **6th Tone:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Choir:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Reader:** It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High.

**Choir:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Reader:** To declare Your mercy in the morning and Your truth by night.

**Choir:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Gospel:** [Matthew 6:14-21]

**Communion Verse:** Praise the Lord in the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Romans 13:11-14:4 (Sunday Epistle)

11. This is necessary because you know the times—that it's time for you to wake up from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we became believers.

12. The night is almost over, and the day is near. Let us therefore put aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

13. Let us behave decently, as people who live in the light of day. No wild parties, drunkenness, sexual immorality, promiscuity, rivalry, or jealousy!

14. Instead, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not obey your flesh and its desires.

1. Accept the person who is weak in faith, but not for the purpose of arguing over differences of opinion.

2. One person believes that he can eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables.

3. The person who eats must not despise the person who does not eat,

and the person who does not eat must not criticize the person who eats, for God has accepted him.

4. Who are you to criticize someone else's servant? His own Lord will determine whether he stands or falls. And stand he will, because God is able to make him stand.

### Matthew 6:14-21 (Sunday Gospel)

14. For if you forgive people their offenses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.

15. But if you do not forgive people their offenses, your Father will not forgive your offenses."

16. "Whenever you fast, don't be gloomy like the hypocrites. For they put on sad faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have their full reward!

17. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face,

18. so that your fasting will not be noticed by others but by your Father who sees in secret. And your Father who is in secret will reward you."

19. "Stop storing up treasures for yourselves on earth, where moths and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal.

20. But keep on storing up treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moths and rust do not destroy and where thieves do not break in and steal.

21. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**VESPERS:** Every Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

### DIVINE LITURGY:

March 6: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  
March 13: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  
March 20: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  
March 27: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

March 7: **Beginning of the Great Fast.** We are called to abstain from meat, egg, and dairy products. We replace these things with prayer and alms giving.

Financial Report Jan. 11	
<b>Income</b>	<b>1657.15</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>2362.86</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>-\$705.71</b>

<b>Building Fund</b>
Goal — \$25,000
Collected —
\$10802.97

### Fund Raising

**Prayer for Needs:** Dustin, Lucinda, Oksana, Stella, Zenovia, Sandy & Dave, Lorraine, Danny

**Prayer for Sick:** Georgina, , Dustin, Chuck, Frank, Elsie, Lyle

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

### GOD GRANT MANY YEARS: February

Birthdays: Liam (6)

Anniversaries:

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:** March 15, 7:00 p.m., Kitzul residence

**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. **Fundraising:** Mom's pantry products. Orders in by March 13. Get your valuables ready and priced for a Garage Sale this spring. May 19-21, March and April are perogy months. Get your orders into Sylvia K.
2. **2011 Cerebral Palsy Stationary Bike Race.** **Our very own Alexander Ptashnik will be** one of the cyclist at this year's bike race. Anyone wishing to sponsor him please let Sylvia and Dennis Ptashnik know at church or e-mail them with the amount and a tax receipt will be issued.
3. We will be celebrating the Holy Sacrament of Baptism and Chrismation for the servant of God, Mason Lowing this coming Sunday, March 6, after the Divine Liturgy. All are invited to stay afterwards and celebrate this joyous event in the life of Mason and his family.
4. **Forgiveness Vespers, March 6.** This year all the parishes of the Winnipeg Deanery are invited to celebrate this beautiful and humbling service together at the Holy Trinity Metropolitan Cathedral at 6:00 p.m.
5. **Sunday of Orthodoxy, March 13, 6:00 p.m.** Holy Trinity Metropolitan Cathedral. All children are to bring an icon to participate in the procession of the holy icons.

Our Parish is housed at St. Andrew's College on the University of Manitoba Campus. Address: 29 Dysart Road, Winnipeg, MB, R3T 2M7.

St Eustathius the Archbishop of Antioch  
Commemorated on March 3

Saint Eustathius, Archbishop of Antioch (323-331) was born in Side, Pamphylia in 324. He was Bishop of Beroea (modern Aleppo), and enjoyed the love and esteem of the people, and at the request of his flock he was elevated by the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council (325) to the See of Antioch.

St Eustathius was a learned theologian, and was also distinguished by his broad knowledge in secular sciences. When the heresy of Arius began to spread in the East (Arianism denied the consubstantiality of the Son of God with the Father), St Eustathius struggled zealously for the purity of the Orthodox Faith through his words and his writings.

The First Ecumenical Council was convened in the year 325 by the holy God-crowned Emperor Constantine the Great (306-337). The first to preside over this Council was St Eustathius. The Council condemned the heretical teachings of Arius and incorporated the Orthodox confession into the Symbol of Faith (the Nicene Creed).

But the mad Arius, as St Eustathius called him, refused to renounce his errors. He and those who shared his opinion were excommunicated from the Church by the Council. Among the bishops who signed the Nicene Symbol of Faith were some who sympathized with the heresy of Arius, but signed the Acts of the Council through fear of excommunication.

After the Council, his enemies plotted against St Eustathius. With great cunning they gained his consent to convene a local Council at Antioch. Having bribed a certain profligate woman, they persuaded her to appear at the Council with an infant at her breast, and falsely declare that St Eustathius was the father of the infant.

The Arians declared St Eustathius deposed, violating the Apostolic Rule that accusations against the clergy must be substantiated by two witnesses. Without a trial he was sent off into exile in Thrace. But the lie was soon unmasked: the woman repented after falling grievously ill. She summoned the clergy, and in the presence of many people, she confessed her sin.

St Constantine the Great died around this time, and his son Constantius (337-361), who shared the heretical views of Arius and favored the Arian bishops, succeeded his father on the throne. Even in exile, St Eustathius struggled for Orthodoxy with the same zeal. He died in exile, in the city of Philippi or Trajanopolis, in the year 337.

If you are a guest to our parish and wish to partake of the Holy Eucharist, please inform Father Evan of you intention, to discuss receiving the sacrament. If you are a guest and non-Orthodox please understand that you may not partake of the Holy Eucharist. You are more than welcome to come forward at the end of the Divine Liturgy and venerate the Cross and receive a piece of the Antidoron.

**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.**