



UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

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Reader/Cantor: Allan Pawluk and Len Matiowsky • **Choir Director:** Jan Michalyshyn

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Great Martyr Catherine

Sunday, 24 November, 2024

Epistle Reading: Gal. 6: 11-18 • *Gospel:* Luke 13: 10-17

SUNDAY SERVICES:

Sunday, 24 November, 2024 – BILINGUAL

Sunday, 1 December, 2024 – ENGLISH

Sunday, 8 December, 2024 – BILINGUAL

Sunday, 15 December, 2024 – ENGLISH

Sunday, 22 December, 2024 – BILINGUAL

Wednesday, 25 December, 2024 - BILINGUAL

Sunday, 29 December, 2024 – ENGLISH

Confession is available on Sunday morning starting at 9:15 AM. It is recommended that members of All Saints attend confession at least once every four (4) months.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Dobrodyika Maria, Helen,

Rev. Frs. Olexander, Eugene, Olga, Chelsey, Olga S., Roy, Anna,

Linda, Michael, Marilyn, Jason, Leona, Bob, Wayne, Barbara and Joanne, Larry and Darlene

PRAYER OFFERINGS: If you would like someone to be mentioned in prayer, submit their names by email, directly to Fr. Charles chancellorbaxter@uocc.ca , Fr. Deacon Thomas - thechaputs@shaw.ca or allsaintsuoc@mymts.net , or inform one of the church elders.

PALAMAR SCHEDULE

Sunday, 24 November, 2024 – William

Sunday, 1 December, 2024 – Oleg/Wayne

Sunday, 8 December, 2024 – Ted

Sunday, 15 December, 2024 – Oleg

Sunday, 22 December, 2024 – William

Sunday, 29 December, 2024 – Oleg/Wayne

The care and maintenance of our property remains a priority. If you are unable to attend church, please continue to support us with your offerings. All Saints accepts Interac E-transfers for donations in addition to cheques or cash. Please submit e-transfers to allsaintsuoc@mymts.net

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school classes are now in session. To register your children or learn more about this year's program, please contact Khyrystyna Los at tsoma.khyrystyna@yahoo.com or Demi Kuzyk-Bernier at demikb@shaw.ca

SUBMISSION TO THE MEDIA MANAGER

If you need anything posted online or have information or images to share contact

Brenda at (431) 334-7762

LET'S CELEBRATE!

If you or your family are celebrating a major life event such as a birth, birthday, anniversary, retirement, etc., please notify Fr. Deacon Thomas at thechaputs@shaw.ca so a note of congratulations can be included in our bulletin. We look forward to sharing in your joy.

Do You Have an Item for Our Bulletin? Please contact Deacon Thomas via email at thechaputs@shaw.ca or allsaintsuoc@mymts.net

COMING EVENTS:

Perogy production this weekend:

Perogy preparation Friday November 22 at 5:00 pm. Need 12-15 people.

Perogy production Saturday November 23 at 9:00 am. Need whole bunch of people.

The Saint Nicholas concert will take place Sunday December 8, 2024 right after fellowship lunch.

Malanka Tickets will be available for sale next week. Date is January 18, 2025 Band is Dennis

Nykoliation Band. Catering by Ludwick. **Cocktails at 5:00 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm. Adults \$70 Youth 12-6 \$35 Children 5 and under free.**

FALL SUPPER AND DANCE

All Saints' fall supper and dance was a huge success with a record profit of \$11,132.85 for the church.

We are extremely grateful to all the volunteers who helped in food preparation, the grouping of prizes, hall setup/decoration, ticket sales, and cleanup. Special thanks to the Kitchen Crew who prepared and served the meal. We are also grateful for Emil Kowal's leadership which was instrumental to the event's success. Our vibrant church community stands out brightly in the Transcona area and we should all be proud. Emil's and our volunteers' collective efforts made this event the success that it was. Well done!

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH? If you're unable to make the trip on your own, we would be pleased to provide you with transport. Contact us at allsaintsuoc@mymts.net and we'll arrange a ride for you.

Christmas Caroling Returns!

The choir from the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints is delighted to announce that they will once again bring Christmas greetings to the homes of our parishioners on the afternoon of Boxing Day, Thursday, December 26th, 2024.

A sign-up sheet will be available during coffee hour over the next five Sundays, ensuring that no one is forgotten. If you would like the carollers to visit your home, please be sure to add your name and address.

While donations to the church are welcome, they are not required.

Our All Saints carollers simply wish to share the joy and warmth of the Christmas season with everyone in our parish.

Let's make this Christmas truly special with the beautiful tradition of caroling!

CHRISTMAS CHEER BOARD AND OTHER HAMPERS:

Please consider donating a breakfast hamper for the children at the Plessis Resource Center to utilize during the Christmas break from school.

Each hamper should include:

Pancake mix

Syrup

1 jar Cheez whiz , or peanut butter, or jam

1 loaf bread

1 litre of juice

1 canned fruit

Last year All Saints provided 20 of these breakfast hampers which was very appreciated by the recipients and the Plessis resource Center. Partial hampers or individual items are welcome and we will make up the hampers to deliver to them

We have committed to providing a Christmas Hamper to a recent Ukrainian immigrant family this year. There are the mom and dad and 8 children - will have further details (ie ages of children etc) of how you can help coming up.

Also, a reminder of our food box for the Transcona Food Bank. Their most urgent needs this month are:

Pork and beans, Alphaghetti or other canned pastas, Canned meat or fish, Cereal
Canned fruit, Canned soup. The donations are taken to the food bank once a month.

Thank you for your generosity in helping our neighbors.

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UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES:

Are you interested in learning to speak Ukrainian? Interested in improving upon what you know? Under the leadership of parishioner, Viktoriia Borysova, All Saints will begin offering conversational Ukrainian classes at All Saints this fall. Viktoriia is a qualified teacher who recently arrived from Ukraine and is excited to support learners who want to develop or improve their ability to speak Ukrainian. A sign-up sheet will be circulated during After-Service Coffee Fellowship on Sunday, 29 September, but you can also voice your interest in this program by emailing us at allsaintsuoc@mymts.net or by calling Len Matiowsky at (431) 668-8335. Start date will be in October but a specific date, and time will be determined from parishioner responses. For more information, email your questions to allsaintsuoc@mymts.net or call Len at (431) 668-8335.

CHECK US OUT!

All Saints website, Facebook page, and Instagram has a great deal of information waiting for you at your fingertips! *All Saints news and information can be accessed at:*

Church Website: <https://www.allsaintsuoc.ca/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/allsaintsuoc/>

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DIVINE LITURGY LIVE STREAMS CAN BE FOUND AT THESE WEBSITES:

Live stream from **Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints**, Winnipeg, MB @ 10:00

<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/live>

Live stream from **Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral**, Winnipeg, MB

@ 6:30 am <https://www.facebook.com/HTUOMC/>

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 4

Great Martyr Catherine



The Holy Great Martyr Katherine was the daughter of Konstos, the governor of Alexandria, Egypt during the reign of Emperor Maximian (305-313). Living in the capital, the center of Hellenistic knowledge, and possessed of a rare beauty and intellect, Katherine received an excellent education, studying the works of the greatest philosophers and teachers of antiquity. Young men from the most worthy families of the empire sought the hand of the beautiful Katherine, but she was not interested in any of them. She told her parents that she would enter into marriage only with someone who surpassed her in nobility, wealth, comeliness and wisdom.

Katherine's mother, a secret Christian, sent her to her own Spiritual Father, a saintly Elder living in a cave outside the city, for advice. After listening to Katherine, the Elder said that he knew of someone who surpassed her in everything. "His countenance is more radiant than the shining of the sun, and all of creation is governed by His wisdom. His riches are given to all the nations of the world, yet they never diminish. His compassion is unequalled."

This description of the Heavenly Bridegroom produced an ardent desire in the soul of the holy maiden to see Him. "If you do as I tell you," said the monk, "you will gaze upon the countenance of this illustrious man." In parting, the Elder gave Katherine an icon of the Theotokos with the Divine Child on Her arm and told her to pray with faith to the Queen of Heaven, the Mother of the Heavenly Bridegroom, and she would hear Katherine and grant her heart's desire.

Katherine prayed all night and was permitted to see the Most Holy Virgin, Who said to her Divine Son, "Behold Thy handmaiden Katherine, how fair and virtuous she is." But the Child turned His face away from her saying, "No, she is ugly and unbelieving. She is a foolish pauper, and I cannot bear to look at her until she forsakes her impiety."

Katherine returned again to the Elder deeply saddened, and told him what she had seen in the dream. He received her, instructed her in the faith of Christ, admonished her to preserve her purity and integrity and to pray unceasingly. She then received the Mystery of Holy Baptism from him. Again Saint Katherine had a vision of the Most Holy Theotokos with her Child. Now the Lord looked at her tenderly and gave her a beautiful ring, a wondrous token of her betrothal to the Heavenly Bridegroom (this ring is still on her hand).

At that time Emperor Maximian was in Alexandria for a pagan festival. Therefore, the celebration was especially splendid and crowded. The cries of the sacrificial animals, the smoke and the smell of the sacrifices, the endless blaze of fires, and the bustling crowds at the arenas defiled the city of Alexandria. Human victims also were brought, the confessors of Christ, who would not deny Him under torture. They were condemned to death in the fire. Katherine's love for the Christian martyrs, and her fervent desire to ease their sufferings, compelled her to speak to the pagan priest and to Emperor Maximian.

Introducing herself, the Saint confessed her faith in the One True God, and exposed the errors of the pagans. The beauty of the maiden captivated the Emperor. In order to convince her of the superiority of pagan wisdom, the Emperor ordered fifty of the most learned philosophers and rhetoricians of the Empire to dispute with her, but the Saint got the better of the wise men, so that they came to believe in Christ themselves. Saint Katherine made the Sign of the Cross over the martyrs, and they bravely accepted death for Christ and were burnt alive by order of the Emperor.

Unable to persuade the Saint, Maximian tried to entice her with the promise of riches and fame. Hearing her angry refusal, the Emperor ordered his men to subject the Saint to terrible tortures, and then throw her in prison. The Empress Augusta, who had heard much about the Saint, wanted to see her. She prevailed upon the military commander Porphyrios to accompany her to the prison with a detachment of soldiers. The Empress

was impressed by Katherine's strong spirit, and her face was radiant with divine grace. The holy martyr explained the Christian Faith to them, and they were converted to Christ.

On the following day, they again brought the martyr to the judgment court where, under the threat of being broken on the wheel, she was urged to renounce the Christian Faith and to offer sacrifice to the "gods." The Saint steadfastly confessed Christ and she was taken to be tortured on four wheels with sharp iron spikes, but an Angel smashed the instruments of execution, which shattered into pieces with many pagans standing nearby.

After seeing this miracle, the Empress Augusta and the imperial courtier Porphyrios and 200 soldiers confessed their faith in Christ before everyone, and they were beheaded. Maximian tried again to entice the holy martyr, offering to marry her, and again he was refused. Saint Katherine remained faithful to her heavenly Bridegroom Christ, and after praying to Him, she laid her head on the block beneath the executioner's sword.

The relics of Saint Katherine were taken by the Angels to Mount Sinai. In the VI century, the venerable head and left hand of the holy martyr were found through a revelation and transferred with honor to the newly-constructed church of the Monastery on Mount Sinai, built by the holy Emperor Justinian (November 14).

Saint Katherine is called upon for relief and assistance during a difficult childbirth. Pilgrims to her monastery on Mount Sinai are given souvenir rings as a remembrance of their visit

Слава Ісусу Христу! Slava Isousou Christou! Glory to Jesus Christ!

Слава Навіки! Slava Na Veeky! Glory Forever!