

Parish Greetings

We extend a warm welcome to all our Parishioners and visitors and invite you for a time of fellowship in the church hall following the Liturgy. Today coffee will be served by the Women's League.

The Great Fast - Lent is a period of fasting, praying and doing good works. We cut down on the amount we eat and we do not eat meat on Wednesdays and Fridays. No meat or dairy products are eaten on the first day of Lent (March 3rd) and on Good Friday. We attend special services such as the Divine Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified and Parastas Services for the deceased. Those obliged to fast are from ages 14 to 59 yrs. Pregnant or nursing women and those on medications are exempt from fasting as well as those who work at hard labour. Please do not plan any musical entertainment during lent. If the Muslims can observe Ramadan, surely we Christians can observe these simple rules.

During the days of lent the Church gives us an opportunity to become more like Jesus, by spending more time in prayer, fasting and abstaining from certain foods, activities or habits that keep us from thinking about God; sharing what we have with those who have less or are in need.

Parish News

On the First Sunday of Lent (March 1st) which is called the Sunday of Orthodoxy, we ask the faithful to bring icons to the church to be blessed.

Forgiveness Vespers. Forgiveness Vespers will be held in Ukrainian and English on Sunday, February 23 at 6:00 pm. Lent begins at sundown on Sunday.

The Station of the Cross during Lent in Ukrainian every Sunday at 6:00pm.

Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy Will be celebrated throughout the Great Lent on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in English and on Fridays with Parastas Service for the Deceased, at 7:00 p.m. in Ukrainian.



**First day of Lent-Monday,
February 24, 2020**

Our Lenten Mission 2020 in Ukrainian this year will be conducted by Fr. Oleh Yuryk and in English by Fr. Roman Lobay

Sunday, March 1, 2020
6:00 pm Confession, 7:00 pm in Ukrainian

Monday, March 2, 2020
6:00 pm Confession, 7:00 pm in Ukrainian

Tuesday, March 3, 2020
6:00 pm Confession, 7:00 pm in Ukrainian

Monday, March 30, 2020
6:00 pm Confession, 7:00 pm in English

Tuesday, March 31, 2020
6:00 pm Confession, 7:00 pm in English

Wednesday April 1, 2020
6:00 pm Confession, 7:00 pm in English

Our St. Demetrius Donation Envelopes and Calendars for 2020 and 2019 Income Tax Receipts are available for pick up in the church office from Monday to Friday. **Please inform the church office if you have changed your address, telephone number or email address. Thank you!**

Applications for the Father John Tataryn Legacy Scholarship are now being accepted. The scholarship is for **\$5,000**. Please visit our parish website at www.Stdemetriuschurch.ca for



further information. **The application deadline is April 5, 2020.** Detailed instructions for applying are found in the application form.

Lent Reading Material. We have some very interesting booklets for Lent in our pamphlet rack such as "The healing Rosary", "Lent with the Saintes and Love", "My Lent Journey", "From suffering to Salvation".

Our Deepest Sympathies and Prayers to Family and Friends of Olive Yovorsky and Vira Pyrozak. May God grant them Eternal Memory.



Kitchen News



We will need help in the kitchen this coming Monday and Tuesday, and we will be selling Pyrohy and Borscht on Tuesday.

Parish Events

UCWLC. Annual General Meeting of the St. Demetrius UCWLC will be held in the Youth Room, February 23rd at 1 pm. Members and guests welcome.

Flea Market Meeting Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 10:00 am in the Choir Room. To better organize this event we need your help. This is a church event and everyone is welcome to volunteer. Hope to see you.

Attention all engaged couples! St. Demetrius Marriage Preparation classes will be taking place in the church hall February 28 to March 1, 2020. To register and for more information please email saintdmarriageprep@gmail.com or text 416-826-3021. We welcome all couples being married in April 2020-February 2021.



Concert of Artem Vedel's "All-Night Vigil" Saturday, Feb 29, 2020, 7:30 p.m. Presented by St. Demetrius Church Choir and Musicus Bortnianskii, Myron Maksymiw, conductor Admission by donation. St. Demetrius Church, 135 La Rose Ave., Weston. Special thanks to UCU for support.

Save the Dates

Spring Fashion Show May 3, 2020

Save the Date!

UCWLC St. Demetrius Branch
Invites you to their traditional
"Flowers of Spring Tea"
Sunday, March 22,
St. Demetrius Parish hall
9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Community Events

With the Blessing of the Apostolic Administrator for The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Toronto and Eastern Canada, Most Rev. Bryan Bayda, a Moleben and celebration banquet for Most Rev. Stephen Chmilar D.D. - Emeritus will be held at the Holy Dormition of the Mother of God, Ukrainian Catholic Church in Mississauga on Sunday, March 8th, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Following the prayer service, all are invited to the parish hall for a dinner of celebration and appreciation for Bishop Stephen. For tickets (100.00 per person) please call: 905-279-9387.

Open Your Heart to a compassionate assistance program supporting children of Ukrainian Fallen Soldiers. The project provides a stipend of \$200.00 to each child who lost a parent in the turmoil. The funds are delivered personally to each child through the services of MEEST Corp. For information call: Oksana Iwanusiw 416-708-2028 or Danusia Witiuk 416- 556-4645. Donors will receive receipts for taxable purposes.

Dear UCAF members and lovers of art and music, Ukrainian Canadian ART Foundation cordially invites you to the opening of the Group ART Exhibition Temptation **on Friday, February 21 from 7-9 pm** at the KUMF Gallery. Featured works by following prominent artists: Myron Levytsky, Jacques Hnizdovsky, Leo Mol, Hryhorij Kruk, Anatol Struver, Yaroslav, Kruszelnickij, Bohdan Holowacki, Vasyi Kondratiuk, Oleh Lesiuk, Oleh Nedoshytko, Roman Zuzuk, Ivan

Salevych and many others. The Exhibition will run until March 15, 2020.

The Ukrainian Youth Association of Canada is celebrating the 95th Anniversary of the organization's founding in Kyiv and kindly ask that you join us in a formal banquet and zabava to be held on Saturday, February 29, 2020, at the Ukrainian Cultural Centre of Taras Shevchenko, 482 Horner Ave. in Etobicoke, Ontario. For further information, please contact the office of the UYA of Canada at 416.537.2007 or via email ky-canada@cym.org.

February 23 – March 1, 2020

Sunday – Cheesefare and Forgiveness Sunday

8:30am (+p) Kateryna Moskowicz *Daughter*
(h) Bohdan-Jaromyr (Birthday)
Jaroslav Berlinh

10:00 am (h) Emily Howe *Betty, Eve, Norm*
(h) Levinia Gerelus *Friends*
(h) Olga O'Kurily *Pyrohy Group*
(+p) Kateryna Serbeniuk (1 Year)
Sonia Solomon

11:00 am **UCCC Divine Liturgy**

11:30 am (h) Iryna *Family*
(h) Sofia Dnistrian (18th Birthday)
Parents
(h) UCWLC St.Demetrius Branch
(+p) Dorka *Shymko Family*

6:00 pm Forgiveness Vespers Ukr-Eng

Monday

8:30 am (h) God's blessings for Lubomyr and Ivanka *Family*
(+p) Stefan Mlynaryk
G.E. Rozendaal

5:30 pm (+p) Halyna Biszko (40 Days)
Family

7:00 pm Canon of St. Andrew of Crete-Ukr. Tuesday

8:30 am (h) Lubov *Dzvinka Dovhanyk*
(+p) Nila (40 Days) *Sofia Lohinska*

5:30 pm (+p) Julian, Alexandra, Taras
Tania Kohut

7:00 pm Canon of St. Andrew of Crete-Ukr.

Wednesday

8:30 am (h) Alexandra (Birthday) *Daughter*
(h) Bill Lesyk (90th Birthday)
Joyce, Terrance, Lorri
(+p) His Beatitude Lubomir *Rypan*
Family

5:30 pm No Divine Liturgy

7:00 pm Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy in English

Thursday

8:30 am (+p) Nadia (5 Years)

5:30 pm Divine Liturgy

7:00 pm Canon of St. Andrew of Crete-Ukr.

Friday

8:30 am Thanking God for His Love and Grace for us all *Kravchenko Family*
(+p) Lesia Hwozdulych (40 Days)
Daughter Larysa

5:30 pm No Divine Liturgy

7:00 pm Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy with prayers for the Deceased in Ukr.

Saturday

8:30 am (+p) Ludmyla Dyczok-Bulka
Dyczok Family

5:00 pm Blessing of Icons
(+p) Volodymyr (8 Years) *Family*

Sunday – First Sunday of Lent and Blessing of Icons

8:30 am Divine Liturgy

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

11:00 am UCCC (+p) Julia Miskiv *Family*

11:30 am For the healing of soul body, gift of the Holy Spirit, God's blessings, love, care and graces for good and reverend life for Julia and Dave, Christina and Steve, Nick, Daniel, Olia, and for us all. *Kravchenko Family*
(+p) Barbara Kosar (40 Days) *Botiuk Family*

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross in Ukr.

“Life would be infinitely happier if we could only be born at the age of eighty and gradually approach eighteen.”

Mark Twain