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Services for the week of Jan. 12, 2020 Monday (13) Hermolaus & Strantonicus, Martyrs

Tuesday (14) Leave taking of Theophany

Divine Liturgy, 8:30 a.m.

Intention: Virginia Kubicko Offered by:Mary Horvat

Wednesday (15) Paul and John, Venerables

No Services

Rosary, 6 p.m.

Thursday (16) Veneration of the Chains of Peter

Great Vespers, 7 p.m.

Friday (17) Anthony the Great, Venerable

Divine Liturgy, 8:30 a.m.

Intention: Anne Marie Heusenkveld Offered by: Sue & Nancy Hlebasko

Saturday (18) Athanasius & Cyril, Archbishops

Great Vespers (w/ confessions), 5:30 p.m. Sunday (19) Matins 8:30 am; Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Luncheon/Reflection by Fr. John Behr, 12-3 p.m. Intention: Parishioners of St. Mary Parish

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory to Him Forever!

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Saturday: Sunday: Vespers, 5:30 p.m. Matins, 8:30 a.m. Liturgy, 9:30 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday after Vespers, 9 am Sunday, or by appointment

> Sacraments: Contact Parish Office

Served by: Fr. Andrew Summerson, S.Th.D.,

Administrator Deacon Timothy Woods, M.M.

Parish Pastoral Council: Rose Baranko, Laura Ieraci, Lisa McEnery, Jeff Seeger, Jennifer Woods, Christopher Woods

Parish Finance Council:

Peter Baranko, Leslie Flores, Laura Ieraci, Peter McEnery, Paul Kuss, Donna Tang, Victoria Cox McCullough



Monthly Parish Rosary January 13, 6 pm, in the church

Parish Pastoral Council Wednesday, January 15, 7 p.m.



"Encountering Christ: The Incarnation Today"

Fr. John Behr is a British Orthodox priest and theologian. He is regarded as one of the most important contemporary voices in historical theology today. Join us Sunday, January 19, during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, as he teaches us how to encounter Christ from the perspective of the Fathers of the Church. A luncheon will take place at 12 p.m. and the talk will be from 1-3 p.m.

Our Lady Searcher for the Lost Novena Jan 28-Feb 5

St. Mary parish will pray a Novena to Our Lady Searcher for the Lost, beginning January 28. Each day of the Novena will include the Rosary and Moleben. More information for each day of the Novena can be found on the January 2020 calendar and in upcoming bulletins.

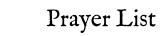
Financial Peace University

St. Mary Parish will offer Financial Peace University again in the new year. Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts will teach you how to beat debt and build wealth! St. Mary's will offer Financial Peace University in the rectory, starting Sunday, January 26, at a reduced cost of \$89. To sign -up for the nine-week course, go to: fpu.com/1106188. For info, contact Laura leraci at lauraieraci@yahoo.ca.

Lent 2020: The Jesus Prayer

Christ spent 40 days in the desert. Lent is the 40-day desert experience to bring us in union with Him. During the Great Fast in the new year, learn the Byzantine tradition of the Jesus Prayer, the prayer of the heart. St. Mary's will offer the office of the Jesus Prayer during the week and before all services. In addition, online classes on prayer will be held. Stay tuned to learn how to pray without ceasing (1 Thess 5:16)!

The Byzantine Catholic Church is one of the 23 Churches of the Catholic Communion. We are Eastern Orthodox in our faith, theology, spirituality, and liturgical expression, but enjoy the fullness of communion with the Pope of Rome. We welcome Catholics in good standing and Orthodox—with permission from their pastor—to participate in the Holy Eucharist.



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<u>Please pray for:</u>

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PARISH FAMILY

Rose Arendas, Paul Bednar, John Beno, Arlene Bartko, John Bartko, Helen Brown, Ann Rose Chicvara, Robert Clark, Lori Davis, Mary Guiden, Mary Hric, , Luke Jarman, Katherine Jorkon, Barbara Jupin, Joyce Kane, James Kuss, Ann Mantich, Marlene Mantich, Irene Mateja, Janet Mateyko, Jeanette Stolarz, Lisa Sulich, John Yurkanin, Michael Yurkanin, Stacia Yurkanin.

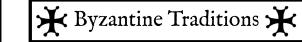
RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Joy Armstrong, Blythe Baranko, Stephanie Baranko, Dillon Buenrostro, Greg Canner, Fr. Michael Evanick, Patsy Hale, Jon Kalena, Rose Kovach, Joan McEnery, Margaret Myers, Millie Myers, Mary Ochs, Wanda Onesko, Sophie Peterson, Rose Rodish, Ruth Sandidge, Jack Strisko, Margaret Sutcliffe, Betty Woods, Milton Woods.



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House Blessings

Per our custom, the priest visits every home in the parish between Theophany and the Sunday of Zacchaeus (12 weeks before Pascha), blessing each home with newly – sanctified Jordan Water. This tradition invites us to sanctify our homes and families as little churches and outposts of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Preparation for the blessing involves having everyone who lives in the home gathered and "unplugged". The blessing begins in the family prayer space, or family dining space. The symbols of Theophany—Light and Water—are represented by a candle (ready to be lit) and newly sanctified Jordan Water (provided by the priest if none is available).

The three parts of the blessing ritual are:

- A prayer recalling Jesus' baptism and his gift of salvation to the house of Zacchaeus (Luke 19: 1-10)
- The sprinkling of rooms with Jordan Water, accompanied by the singing of the Troparion of Theophany
- A blessing of the family with Jordan Water.

Father's goal is to bless all the houses with the new Jordan Water this year. Please call the rectory for a time...or he will call you!

Adapted from "Faith Formation for All Ages," Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel