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DIVINE LITURGY:

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) **SUNDAY** 10:30 a.m. (English)

SATURDAY : 4:00 pm (English)

Confession:

Baptisms & Marriages:

Visitations & Anointing of the Sick:

Before Divine Liturgies 9:00 am and 10:30 am on Sundays or anytime upon request.

By prior arrangement (at least 1 year before the marriage date), through the parish office.

Please notify the office if a member of your family is in need of a visit.

February 7, 2016

Epistle Epistle: **1 Timothy 5:15-17** Pg.491

Gospel: **Luke 18:35-43** Pg.186

Proprs for the Divine Liturgy: tone 3

Prayer Intentions (Feb. 8 – Feb.14)

Monday		No Divine Liturgy
Tuesday	9:00 am	+Kathleen Oshanyk – Adeline Lalonde
Wednesday		No Divine Liturgy
Thursday		No Divine Liturgy
Friday		Divine Liturgy
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	English Divine Liturgy
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Стрітєння
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Feast of the Encounter of Our Lord Jesus Christ

This year Easter according to the Gregorian calendar will be celebrated on March 27, 2016. Easter according to the Julian calendar will be celebrated on May 1, 2016. For those who celebrate Easter on the March 27, this coming Wednesday we begin Great Lent.

Ash Wednesday – will begin on February 10th, 2016 – Gregorian Calendar

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. . . . Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. (2 Corinthians 5:20; 6:2).

Now. Today. This very moment. This is a time of unfathomable grace and favor from heaven. Believe it or not, Ash Wednesday is not meant to be a day for focusing on our sinfulness. No, it's an opportunity to focus on heaven. True, Paul is exhorting us to be reconciled to God—but not in the sense of a command so much as in the sense of a joyful invitation. Right now, God's favor is upon us, and he is inviting us to come and receive his grace.

God has never stopped pursuing us. Throughout Israel's history, he was always at his people's side, offering them his mercy, his wisdom, and his protection. All they had to do was turn to him. When they did, miracles flowed. And when they turned away, trouble ensued—but he was always there, calling them back through his prophets. Finally, when the time was ripe, he sent his Son to redeem the whole world and to be with us always.

Today, try to recall the many times when God has reached out to you in the past. Maybe just one line in a homily struck you with renewed force. Or perhaps a friend called you just when you needed someone to talk with. Each of these is an invitation from God for you to come to know him better. And today is another one of those opportunities.

“Now” is the time of God’s favor. It’s a never-ending “now,” an invitation that lasts until the end of time. As you read these words, God is calling you and asking you to open your heart. If you feel blocked by past failures or sins, today is the day to let go of them and believe that his love can overcome anything!

“Lord, I believe that nothing can overpower your love and mercy. Help me to accept that love this Lent. I want to be reconciled with you!”

What can you do this Lent so that you become more aware of the times God is inviting you to come to him? How might the traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving help you to spot the Holy Spirit working in your everyday life? How might receiving the Eucharist more often or going to confession help?

Special Concert
FEBRUARY 14 @ 3PM St.Mary’s Church
40 Notre Dame Ave

LVIVSKY MUZYKY *is one of the best Ukrainian bands. Their repertoire includes traditional and contemporary songs.*

Come with your family and friends to enjoy a special afternoon of wonderful music and support this talented popular group from Ukraine!

Tickets are \$15 each. Available at Ukrainian Centre 705-673-7404 or St.Mary’s Church 705-675-8244. Refreshments included.



WORKSHOP: A varenyky workshop will be held on Tuesday, February 9th. All volunteers are welcome and appreciated!

BLESSING HOMES - – will continue this week.

ALTAR BOY DALMATIC SPECIAL DONATIONS: As our church needs new dalmatics for the altar boys to wear when helping with Divine Liturgy, eight new dalmatics, “*Mother of God blue*, and also *gold*,” have been ordered. The estimated cost for all the dalmatics will be \$4000.00. If you are interested in helping out by making a special donation towards this project, we would greatly appreciate it. May God Bless you and your family abundantly for your generosity!

Is It Time To Move? We are accepting new applications for residency at the Ukrainian Seniors' Centre. Please call for further information 673-7404.

COME JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN PLAY BINGO

Saturday, February 13, 2016

St. Mary's Church Hall

Doors Open at 11:30 am

Admission \$10.00 Includes one bingo card

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Purchase Extra Cards - \$1 each

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Господи, даруй мир Свій людям Твоїм.

Господи, даруй людям Твоїм Духа Свого Святого, щоб Він зігривав серця їхні любов'ю Твоєю і наставляв їх на всяку істину й добро.

Господи, даруй їм благодать Твою, щоб вони в мирі і любові пізнали Тебе, і полюбили, і сказали подібно до апостолів на Таворі: «Добре нам, Господи, бути з Тобою». Зігрій засмучені серця людей; щоб вони в радості славили Тебе, забувши про земні скорботи.

Утішителю Благий, зі сльозами прошу Тебе: утіш скорботні душі людей Твоїх. Дай всім народам Твоїм пізнати любов Твою і солодкість Духа Святого, щоб забули люди земне горе, зреклися всього поганого і пригорнулися до Тебе з любов'ю, і щоб жили в мирі, творячи волю Твою на славу Твою. Амінь.

Господи Милостивий, дай благодать Твою всім народам землі, щоб пізнали Тебе Духом Твоїм Святим.

Молитва преподобного Силуана Афонського за мир всього світу.

Thinking about death illuminates life Pope Francis - The Faith is the greatest inheritance we can leave

The day's first reading tells the story of the death of King David. “In every life there is an ending,” the Pope said. This is a thought “that is not pleasing to us,” that we always pass over, but “it is an everyday reality.” Thinking about death is “a light that illuminates life” and “a reality that we should always have before us”:

“In one of the Wednesday audiences there was among those who were sick a very old sister, but with face of peace, a luminous countenance: ‘But how old are you, sister?’ With a smile she said, ‘Eighty-three, but I am

finishing my course in this life, to begin another with the Lord, because I have pancreatic cancer.’ And so, in peace, that woman had lived her consecrated life with great intensity. She did not fear death: ‘I am finishing my course of life, to begin another.’ It is a passage. These things do us good.”

Faith, the most beautiful inheritance

David ruled over Israel for 40 years, the Pope noted. Before dying, David exhorted his son Solomon to observe the Law of the Lord. David had sinned often in life, but had learned to ask for forgiveness – and the Church calls him holy, “a sinner, but a Saint!” Now, at the point of death, David left to his son “the most beautiful and greatest inheritance a man or a woman can leave to their children: He left them the faith”:

“When a will is made, people say, ‘I leave this to one person, this to another, to another person I leave this.’ Yes, that’s fine, but the most beautiful inheritance, the greatest inheritance a man, a woman, can leave to their children is the faith. And David remembered the promises of God, he remembers his own faith in them, and he reminds his son of them, leaving the faith as an inheritance. When in the ceremony of Baptism we give the parents the lighted candle, the light of the faith, we are saying to them, ‘Preserve it, make it grow in your son and in your daughter, and leave it to them as an inheritance.’ Leaving the faith as an inheritance – this is what David teaches us. And he died, simply, like any man. But he knew well what to leave to his son, and what was the best inheritance he could leave: not the kingdom, but the faith!”

God is faithful; He is a Father who never disappoints

We would do well to ask ourselves a question, the Pope concluded: “What is the inheritance I will leave with my life?”

“Will I leave the inheritance of a man, a woman of faith? Will I leave this inheritance to my children? Let us ask two things of the Lord: to not be afraid of this final step, like the sister at the Wednesday audience (‘I am ending my course, but beginning another’), not being afraid. And the second thing, that with our life, we might all be able to leave, as the better inheritance, the faith, faith in this faithful God, this God who is always close to us, this God who is a Father, and who never disappoints.”

ST. MARY’S FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION February 15-2016 Noon-

4pm: Celebration!! Come out to Villa Maria with your friends and family and enjoy the afternoon playing hockey, tobogganing, staying warm by the fire! If you have a ski-doo bring it out and take a spin. This is a Pot Luck event! Bring your favorite dish to share! Hope to see you all there! BBQ available if you need.



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