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HOLY TRINITY UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Commemoration of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

John 17:1-13



Divine Liturgies:

Sundays: 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) & 11:15 a.m. (English)

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation: 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Baptisms & Funerals: By arrangement.

Marriages: By arrangement eight months in advance.

NOTE: Marriage preparation course required.

Confessions: 20 minutes before Sunday Divine Liturgies, or by appointment.

Pastor: Fr. Iryney Valyavka, OSBM

Assistant Pastor: Fr. Yosafat Oliynyk, OSBM

Parish Secretaries (part time): Lorraine Stoyko & Michelle Yakimetz

HOLY TRINITY PARISH OFFICE HOURS (Monday – Friday) 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Gratitude is a spiritual act

Listening to God's word, Christ's disciples from the early centuries of Christianity felt that gratitude was much more than just a matter of etiquette or a sign of good manners. Giving thanks, the ability of a person to thank the one from whom they received a gift, is a profound spiritual act. Gratitude changes a person, expands their heart, enables them to return to the source of the blessing, and thus receive much more than they did at first.

When a person thanks God for the gifts they have received, it is as if they are returning to the source, which wants to pour out even more gifts and blessings on them than it did at the beginning. They find their way to the One who constantly wants to give them gifts, who wants to give them not just one thing, but everything.

When we express our gratitude to someone, we are telling that person that we needed them. This is a kind of act of humility, because a proud person will never admit their dependence on someone else. Therefore, a grateful soul is capable of melting the hardest heart, while an ungrateful one can push anyone away.

“Eucharist” means ‘thanksgiving’

Prayer of thanksgiving, gratitude to God, is the highest form of Christian prayer. We often hear the word “Eucharist,” the communion of the Body and Blood of our Savior. “Eucharist” means “thanksgiving,” “gratitude.”

We have gathered for a common prayer of thanksgiving to the Lord. The thanksgiving to God expressed by the Church makes God's saving action present and makes man's ability to draw from the eternal source vividly present. The priest solemnly calls the people of God to this thanksgiving when he proclaims before the anaphora of the Liturgy: “Lift up your hearts! Let us give thanks to the Lord!” Here, before our eyes, Christ makes his sacrifice on the cross present in a bloodless way through the power and action of the Holy Spirit. He now wants to give us not only what he has for us, but also who he is for us; he wants to give us himself in his Body and Blood in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Therefore, in reality, gratitude to God saves a person, resurrects them, renews the

strength of those who are exhausted, and fills with life those who are dying.

Let gratitude become an integral part of your essence, character, and soul. And may your life always be filled with things for which you are so grateful.

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Upcoming Catering Work Bees – Volunteers Needed!

- **Tuesday, October 14th: Beet Processing Bee** at 9:00 a.m.
- **Tuesday, October 21st: Making Perohy** at 9:00 a.m.
- **Wed., October 29th: Perohy Supper.** Help is needed through the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Any amount of time you can put in is greatly needed to help this fundraising event be successful.
- **Monday, November 3rd: Catering County of Minburn event.** Signup sheets will be available soon.

Perohy for Sale:

To order, please call the Parish Office at 780-632-3433.

- **Potato & cheddar perohy and potato & cottage perohy**– \$7.00/dozen, packaged in bags of 5-dozen.

Volunteer Corner: *A huge thank you to all volunteers* who have assisted with the catering of recent events, such as the perohy supper, funeral dinners, and all work bees. Also, a huge thank you to those maintaining the grounds and undertaking the extensive fall cleanup.

Called to Be Holy Men's Conference – November 7-8

Join us **November 7-8** at **Holy Spirit Seminary**, 12909-113 Ave., Edmonton. Includes inspiring and engaging talks by Fr. Michael Winn and Brian Holdsworth on the theme of **“Self-Mastery for Self-Gift: What Is It, and Why Do We Need It?”** Experience a weekend filled with spiritual growth and connection through prayer, fellowship, and community.

Registration Deadline: October 30, 2025. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/Calledtobeholy25> or scan the QR code on the poster on the church bulletin board.

PARISH EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Daily Rosary is recited Monday-Friday in October.
Mornings: at 7:30 a.m. before the Divine Liturgy.
Evenings: at 7:00 p.m.*

*Please note: due to Study Days, there will be no morning
Rosary and no 8 AM Divine Liturgy on October 20 - 23.*

Saturday, October 11th:

- 5:00 p.m. - Divine Liturgy

Sunday, October 12th:

- 9:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian)
- 11:15 a.m. - Divine Liturgy (English)

Monday, October 13th: Thanksgiving Day

- 8:00 a.m. - Thanksgiving Divine Liturgy
- Parish Office closed.

Saturday, October 18th & 25th:

- 5:00 p.m. - Divine Liturgy

Sunday, October 19th & 26th:

- 9:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian)
- 11:15 a.m. - Divine Liturgy (English)

Wednesday, October 29th:

- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. - **Perohy Supper** in the Parish Hall.
Everyone is welcome!

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Knights of Columbus Brunch:

Sunday, October 26th from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
in the Parish Hall. Admission: \$10.00.

Everyone welcome!

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Liturgy Service at Senior's Homes:

Fri., October 17th: 10:00 a.m. at Century Park

Tue., October 28th: 10:00 a.m. at Vegreville Care Centre

Thu., October 30th: 10:00 a.m. at Vegreville Manor

(please note change of date).

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Parish Weekly Donations:

- Sunday Offerings - October 05: \$1,790.00

12 Жовтня: Пам'ять святих Отців Сьомого Собору

Воскресний Тропар, голос 1: Хоч запечатали камінь юдеї * і воїни стерегли пречисте тіло Твоє, * воскрес Ти, Спасе, на третій день, * даруючи життя світові. * Тому сили небесні взивали до Тебе, Життєдавче: * Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе, * слава царству Твоєму, * слава провидінню Твоєму, єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

Тропар Св. Отців, голос 8: Препрославлений ти, Христе Боже наш, що на землі Отців наших проявив світилами * і ними навів усіх нас на істинну віру. * Багатомилосердний, слава тобі!

Воскресний Кондак, голос 1: Воскрес Ти у славі як Бог із гробу * і світ з Собою воскресив; * людське єство Тебе, як Бога, оспівує і смерть щезла. * Адам же ликує, Владико, * і Єва нині, з узів визволившись, радіє, взиваючи: * Ти, Христе, Той, Хто всім подає воскресіння.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові:

Кондак Св. Отців, голос 6: Сину Божий, що неказанно засяяв із Отця * і від жінки народився у двох природах. * Оглядаючи тебе, ми не відрікаємося виду твого зображення, * але, побожно його намалювавши, вірно почитаємо. * Тому-то Церква, зберігаючи істинну віру, * цілує ікону твого втілення.

Нині і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Воскресний Богородичний, голос 6: Заступнице християн бездоганна, * Посереднице до Творця незамінна, * не погорди молінням грішних, але випередь, як Блага, з поміччю нам, * що вірно Тобі співаємо. * Поспіши на молитву і скоро прийди на моління, * заступаючи повсякчас, Богородице, тих, що Тебе почитають.

Прокімен, голос 4: Благословенний Ти, Господи, Боже
Отців наших, і хвальне, і прославлене ім'я Твоє
навіки.

Стих: Бо Ти праведний в усьому, що вчинив Ти нам.
(Дан. 3:26–27)

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навіки.

**До ЄВРЕЇВ Послання Святого Апостола Павла
Читання (13:7–16)**

Хор: Алилуя! Алилуя! Алилуя!

Стих: Бог Господь прорік, покликав землю від сходу
сонця до його заходу.

Хор: Алилуя! Алилуя! Алилуя!

Стих: Зберіть мені побожних, які над жертвою союз зо
мною учинили.

Хор: Алилуя! Алилуя! Алилуя!

Від ЙОАНА Святого Євангелія читання (17:1–13)

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес, * хваліте Його на
висотах. * Радуйтеся праведні, в Господі, * правим
належить похвала. * Алилуя! Алилуя! Алилуя!

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Sunday, October 12th: Commemoration of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Troparion, Tone 1: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans, * and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,* You arose, O Saviour, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!* Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

Holy Fathers Tropar, tone 8: Christ our God, You are glorified above all, * You established our Fathers as beacons on earth * and through them guided all of us to the true faith. * Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

Kontakion, Tone 1: You arose in glory from the tomb* and with Yourself You raise the world.* All humanity acclaims You as God.* and death has vanished.* Adam exults, O Master,* and Eve, redeemed from bondage now, cries out for joy:* “You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all.”

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Holy Fathers Kondak, tone 6: The Son who ineffably shone from the Father * was born two-fold of nature from a woman. * Beholding Him, we do not reject the image of His form; * but depicting it, we revere it faithfully. * Therefore the Church, holding the true faith, * kisses the icon of Christ’s becoming man.

Now and forever and ever. Amen.

Theotokion, Tone 6: Undaunted patroness of Christians,* O steadfast intermediary with the Creator,* turn not away from the suppliant voices of sinners,* but in your kindness come to help us who cry out to you in faith.* Be quick to intercede, make haste to plead,* for you are ever the patroness of those who honour you, O Mother of God.

Holy Fathers Prokimen, tone 4: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, * and praised and glorified is Your Name for ever.

Holy Fathers Verse: For You are righteous in everything * that you have done to us. (Dan. 3:26, 27)

Holy Fathers Prokimen, tone 4: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, * and praised and glorified is Your Name for ever.

A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews (13:7–16)

Faithful: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse: The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Faithful: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse: Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him. (Psalm 49:1,5)

Faithful: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A Reading of the Holy Gospel according to John (17:1–13)

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens,* praise Him in the highest.* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalms 184:1; 32:1)

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