



| OCTOBER, 2020  |        |                          |   |   |   |  | GREGORIAN |
|--|--------|--------------------------|---|---|---|--|-----------|
| SUNDAY   | MONDAY | TUESDAY                  | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY   |           |
| 04<br>Brandon: 9 am<br>Portage: 12 pm<br><br>18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost | 05     | 06<br><br>Apostle Thomas | 07<br>Brandon: 10 am<br>+ Fryderyk + Stefania<br>+ Leon Chodorowski<br>Offering: Chodorowski Family                   | 08<br>Brandon: 10 am<br>Health of Henry Sieklicki<br>Offering: Andrew Sieklicki | 09<br><br>Brandon: 10 am<br>Thanksgiving Service<br>Offering: Adolf & Henryka Chodorowski<br><br>Apostle James | 10<br>Brandon: 5 pm<br>+ Daren Tripp<br>Offering: Taylor Chodorowski           |           |
| 11<br>Brandon: 9 am<br>Portage: 12 pm<br><br>19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost | 12     | 13                       | 14<br>Brandon: 10 am<br>+ Janina + Alex Makuc<br>+ Maria Wlodarski<br>+ Wlad Solinski<br>Offering: Chodorowski Family | 15<br>Brandon: 10 am<br>Health of Henry Sieklicki<br>Offering: Andrew Sieklicki | 16<br><br>Brandon: 10 am<br>Intention of Dolores Tkachuk<br>Offering: Fr. Michael                              | 17<br>Brandon: 5 pm<br>Health of Henry Sieklicki<br>Offering: Andrew Sieklicki |           |

### *A God Who Cries For US*

Making his rounds in a local hospital, a chaplain encountered a man who had sustained minor injuries in an automobile accident. Although his injuries were not life-threatening, those of his wife and small child were more serious. The chaplain encouraged the man to have faith and trust in God to which the man angrily replied, "why should I?" "Look at what God has done to my wife and child," he continued, "how can I have faith in a God who does things like that."

The chaplain then told the man about a particular occasion when Jesus was passing through a strange town and came across a funeral procession of a young man. Jesus didn't know the young man or anyone in his family, but He was moved with pity when He saw the crying mother. "Imagine," the chaplain said, "the Lord

Himself was so moved by pity that He actually cried with the widow." Jesus then stopped the procession and raised the young man from the dead and gave him back to his mother. (Luke 7:11-16)

The chaplain concluded by asking the man if he really thought that a God who loves us so much that He actually cries for us is capable of causing bad things to happen to us. The same God who cries for us – and who died for us – will never abandon us in our most critical time of need.

As the chaplain was leaving the man's room, the doctor entered and told the man that his wife and child would be fine. From out in the hallway, the chaplain overheard the man say, "thank You, Jesus."

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Saint Thomas -- October 6th*

**WELCOME TO**  
**ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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**ROSARY AND CONFESSIONS**

One-half hour before Saturday and Sunday Liturgies.

**EMERGENCY**

Phone Fr. Michael at: Res: (204) 729-8056  
 Cell: (204) 729-7819

**DIVINE LITURGIES**

Wednesday - Friday - 9:00 AM  
 Saturday (English) - 5:00 PM  
 Sunday (Bilingual) - 9:00 AM

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>READER</u> | <u>USHERS</u>                 | <u>SACRISTAN</u> | <u>GREETER</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
|             | T. Yuriy      | S. Kachur / M. Sheeshka       | L. Makwaychuk    | S. Baranyk     |
|             | S. Sheeshka   | D. Federowich / D. Kostiw     | N. Zemliak       | L. Olisnevych  |
|             | B. MacKalski  | L. Halchyshak / A. Todosichuk | I. Dyakiv        | B. McKay       |
|             | H. Lazaruk    | R. Kuszak / B. McKay          | L. Makwaychuk    | O. Stevenson   |

**COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS:**

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|------------------|----|--------|
| Saturday, Sep 26 | \$ | 65.00  |
| Sunday, Sep 20   | \$ | 120.00 |
| Total            | \$ | 185.00 |
| Candles          | \$ | 11.00  |

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT - AUGUST, 2020**

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|----------------|----|----------|
| Total Credits: | \$ | 3,671.00 |
| Total Debits:  | \$ | 6,110.86 |

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020**

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

I doubt that the Lord cares much which honorable vocation you choose. But He does care if you love one another and serve one another.

- Russell M. Nelson

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**REPOSED IN THE LORD**

Fr. Leonard Ratushniak fell asleep in the Lord at the Holy Family Home in Winnipeg on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> after a valiant battle with cancer. God grant him eternal memory - Vichnaya Pam'yat.

**PRE-REGISTERING FOR LITURGICAL SERVICES**

When registering to attend on Saturday, Sunday or weekday services, please acquire a mask for this purpose. The social distancing rules will still apply. As per Directive #5 from Metropolitan Lawrence Huculak OSBM, effective 26 May 2020, "the faithful must sign-up through email or by calling the parish office/priest or other designated number, indicating their wish to attend a particular Divine Liturgy or other liturgical services." In view of this, anyone wishing to attend any service **MUST** pre-register by calling Fr. Michael or Dolores at 204-729-8056.

- Fr. Michael

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION (OCTOBER 2020)**

Prayer intention for evangelization - The Laity's Mission in the Church: We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity faithful, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

**POPE FRANCIS' OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION FOCUSES ON THE LAITY**

It is interesting to observe that by most estimations, the question of women assuming roles of "responsibility" in the Ukrainian Catholic Church is not that acute of a problem. We have women cantors, board members and even directors of Catholic schools, health care facilities and other institutions; they are parish council members, chairs of councils, financial officers. Certainly the Women's League or just women in general have long been seen as an invaluable blessing and the life-blood of parish life. Then, if the term "areas of responsibility" is viewed through a wider, less contemporarily secular, window... we must talk about motherhood, those that engage in the challenge of raising a family and maintaining a marriage. Then there are those that catechize, those that engage in fervent prayer and sacrifice for the good of the building-block of society – i.e. the family and for the building of the mission of the Church. The participation of lay-women in the UGCC? Actually, not

too shabby. However, as the Church ever needs to grow and Evangelize, yes, we certainly need to pray that more, many more, lay-persons, women included, will dedicate themselves to the mission of Christ's Church. [Especially, at this critical crossroad for western civilization that we are now trying to traverse.]

**K OF C INVITE ALL TO JOIN IN A NOVENA**

The Knights of Columbus invite all to join Catholics around the world in a Novena for the Cause of Life from October 4<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup>. Each day, you are invited to reflect on a unique quote from Pope Francis, pray a decade of the rosary and conclude with a prayer from St. John Paul II. Please see enclosed poster for further information.



**HUMOR**

A conference is a gathering of important people who singly can do nothing but together can decide that nothing can be done. (Fred Allen)

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The boss looked over the efficiency report on the new employee and added a few words of his own. "Hedges is a definite asset to the firm. She is efficient, discreet, energetic, creative and – best of all – she makes the other people in her department very nervous."

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According to the latest statistics, there are millions of people who aren't working. And there are plenty more if you count the ones with jobs.

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