

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** Our warmest greetings are extended to all visitors, guests and parish members who are participating in today's Divine Liturgy. What a joy it is to have you praying with us.

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT:** Observing the Truths proclaimed by the Nicene Creed. Providing Holy Sacraments to its Members and Community, offering Teachings to strengthen Members' beliefs, providing Social Opportunities for Fellowship and Enjoyment, providing Spiritual and Personal Counseling.

Sunday School is Cool



**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday School classes are offered at the pre-school, kindergarten and intermediate levels. Classes occur each Sunday from 10:00 am to 11:00 am in the lower level of the Cathedral. At 11:00 am, the children come into the Church to attend the balance of the Liturgy.



**UKRAINIAN SCHOOL:** Classes are each Sunday after the service. To enrol your children or grandchildren, please call the office at 604-876-4747. Parents are urged to bring their children to both Sunday and Ukrainian School.



**BAPTISM, WEDDINGS, MEMORIAL SERVICES, BLESSING OF HOMES, PASTORAL VISITS or SPIRITUAL COUNSELLING:** Please use the cards at the candle table to request a visit with Fr. Roman or call him directly to arrange a time for services, counselling or discussion 778-239- 6252.



**WE CARE:** We know that life is sometimes difficult. We are committed to the spiritual and moral care of the entire congregation. We help those who are confined at home or in the hospital, the bereaved and the lonely. To speak to or make an appointment with Father Roman please call 778-239-6252.

**MEMBERSHIP:** We warmly welcome all worshippers. We also encourage everyone to become a member. By doing this, you will support Holy Trinity Cathedral and also the Consistory of the UOCC and the Western Eparchy. Please feel free to approach the Priest or any member of the Executive Board to discuss membership and to obtain a copy of the Membership Application Form.

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS:** Brothers and Sisters! God calls us on Sunday to share our abundance with a thankful heart. It is a privilege to share and an honour to be fortunate enough to do so. St. Paul encourages us to continue to do so because, as we do so, we glorify God and others see the evidence of Christ. You may also, kindly, make your donations via our web site: [www.uocvancouver.com](http://www.uocvancouver.com)

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT:** Members and adherents of the Parish have many opportunities to become involved in the life of the Parish. Such volunteer participation is greatly encouraged and much appreciated. Indeed, our Parish functions through the efforts of our volunteers; their contributions form the basis of our Church organization and community life.

**BEQUESTS TO THE PARISH:** Thankfully, from time to time, the Parish has been the beneficiary of the generosity of deceased individuals who have remembered us in their wills. These bequests assist the parish greatly, particularly with renovations or development projects which require significant capital outlays. We urge you to consider bequests to charitable beneficiaries such as your church.



**PARKING** – Free parking is available to members and visitors on the east side of the church and under the Auditorium.

**AUDITORIUM RENTALS:** Please call 604-876-4747 or visit our website [www.uocvancouver.com](http://www.uocvancouver.com)

**SUNDAY BULLETIN** - If you have any announcements for the bulletin relating to Parish life, please submit them to Fr. Roman at [rttsaplan@yahoo.ca](mailto:rttsaplan@yahoo.ca) by no later than Thursday morning

**CHURCH ETIQUETTE**- Much of church etiquette is based on common sense and showing respect for God and others. Always remember that you are in church to worship God.

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## SUNDAY BULLETIN НЕДІЛЬНИЙ БЮЛЕТЕНЬ

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### WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

Reading of the Hours: 9:45 am

**DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 am**

### LIVE STREAM WORSHIP SERVICE

**EVERY SUNDAY 10:00 am**

You can watch the Sunday Liturgy live stream on our YouTube channel.

Go to [www.uocvancouver.com](http://www.uocvancouver.com) under the YouTube logo icon.



### SUNDAY BEFORE HOLY THEOPHANY

НЕДІЛЯ ПЕРЕД БОГОЯВЛЕННЯМ

Sunday, January 14, 2024

## John the Baptist Prepares the Way

In those days John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness and began preaching. His message was, “Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near. The prophet Isaiah was speaking about John when he said, “He is a voice shouting in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the LORD’s coming! Clear the road for him! John’s clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey. People from Jerusalem and from all of Judea and all over the Jordan Valley went out to see and hear John. And when they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River.’”<sup>7</sup> But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming to



watch him baptize,<sup>8</sup> he denounced them. “You brood of snakes!” he exclaimed. “Who warned you to flee the coming wrath? Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God. Don’t just say to each other, ‘We’re safe, for we are descendants of Abraham.’ That means nothing, for I tell you, God can create children of Abraham from these very stones. Even now the ax of God’s judgment is poised, ready to sever the roots of the trees. Yes, every tree that does not produce good fruit will be chopped down and thrown into the fire.”<sup>11</sup> “I baptize with<sup>9</sup> water those who repent of their sins and turn to God. But someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I’m not worthy even to be his slave and carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. He is ready to separate the chaff from the wheat with his winnowing fork. Then he will clean up the threshing area, gathering the wheat into his barn but burning the chaff with never-ending fire.”

### The Baptism of Jesus

Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. But John tried to talk him out of it. “I am the one who needs to be baptized by you, he said, “so why are you coming to me?” But Jesus said, “It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires. So John agreed to baptize him. After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy.” (Matthew 3: 1-16)

## TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



**WELCOME TO ALL** the guests and visitors who are in our city during the CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES and are praying with us today. May the Newborn Christ Bless you all with His Divine Graces. May He give us a new birth of ideas in our hearts so that we are able to be with Him throughout our lives and to obtain His Everlasting Kingdom.

**TODAY** - Our regular schedule of services. During the service, we pray for all the members and supporters in our Cathedral, that they may be blessed with good health and graced with happiness in the coming year.

**CANDLES:** Worshipers are welcome to place a candle for the health of others at the candelabra on the RIGHT side and in memory of loved ones on the LEFT side of the Altar. Candles may be obtained from the Elders at the entrance to the church.

**VENERATION OF THE CROSS:** Everyone is welcome to receive the blessing at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Everyone attending the service is cordially invited to join in Fellowship Coffee Hour, in the Auditorium, immediately following the Liturgy.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 at 1:00 PM in the MEZZANINE:** Discussion with Fr. Roman with question and answers. Topic: UNLOCKING THE DIVINE LITURGY. Please submit any of your questions in advance on the form provided in the entrance of the Church, or use the QR code provided to submit any of your question electronically.

## ОГОЛОШЕННЯ

**СЬОГОДНІ:** Сповідь в 9:00; Читання Годин 9:45; Божественна Літургія в 10:00 годині.



**КАВА ПІСЛЯ БОГОСЛУЖЕННЯ:** Всіх присутніх сьогодні на Літургії щиро запрошуємо до катедральної аудиторії на каву і солодке.

**ЧЕТВЕР 18 січня** - Навечір'я Богоявлення: 6:00 вечора Святова вечірня з Великим освячення води. Ми щиро вітаємо і запрошуємо всіх до святкування цього традиційного свята.

**ЙОРДАНСЬКЕ ОСВЯЧЕННЯ ДОМІВ:** Як звичайно в нашій традиції починається після свята Богоявлення. Просимо домовитись з отцем Романом після Богослуження або подзвоніть йому на число телефону 778-239-6252

**ВІТАЄМО ВСІХ ГОСТЕЙ ТА ПРИХОЖАН КАТЕДРИ ПРЕСВЯТОЇ ТРОЙЦІ! ПІСЛЯ БОЖЕСТВЕННОЇ ЛІТУРГІЇ ЩИРО ЗАПРОШУЄМО ВАС НА КАВУ**