ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank You** we would like to express our sincerest gratitude to everyone for your Christmas greetings, prayers and lovely gifts. May God bless you for your generosity! Fr. Stepan, Yuliia & children
- TODAY Sobor Preparation after Divine Liturgy!
- **NEW** Our annual parish **Theophany Meal and Caroling** (Щедрий Вечір) will take place after 10:00AM/2:00PM Divine Liturgy on January 5th.
- Parish Council Meeting On Thursday Jan 2., after Divine Liturgy.
- "Christmas Candle" "Різдвяна свічка" Since 2012 our Eparchy has been collecting funds to help underprivileged and orphaned children in Ukraine through our Christmas Candle appeal. Our fundraising program, "Christmas Candle/Різдвяна свічка" is part of a larger global appeal sponsored by Caritas Ukraine. We have had great momentum over the last few years raising over \$20,000 with support from our BC parishes as well as parishes in other provinces and parts of the United States. The appeal is once again taking place for the month of December and we encourage everyone to remember these children during the Christmas season with a voluntary donation. Please place your donation in an envelope marked Christmas Candle and include it with the Sunday collection at any Ukrainian Catholic Church in BC. Donations over \$20 are eligible to receive a tax receipt if requested and cheques can be made out to your parish with Christmas Candle Project in the memo. We thank you for your past support and generosity and ask that you continue supporting this appeal as part of your Christmas tradition. Caritas is an organization that is supported and approved by His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk and His Excellency Bishop Ken Nowakowski. 100% of the proceeds go to Caritas Ukraine. For more information, please contact the coordinators Dana Koren Lupynis, Natalia Lupynis or Emelia Lupynis at nweparchy.christmascandle@gmail.com and follow us on Facebook at Caritas "Christmas Candle/Різдвяна свічка" Campaign, sponsored by NWEparchy.
- Please Pray for health of ... Romeo P., Wilf K., AnnMary J., Mary S., all the sick brothers and sisters in our families and our parish community. Please let Fr. Stepan know if you would like to add names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.
- If you would like to receive an e-mail version of our weekly parish bulletin, please send me an e-mail and I will add you to our list. dovhoshyiastepan@gmail.com
- SUNDAY COLLECTIONS (Vernon): Dec 22 \$440
- SUNDAY COLLECTIONS (Grindrod): Dec 22 \$230; Dec 24 \$165

St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK (VERNON): Dec 29 - Jan 5

SUNDAY	For the Parishioners of the St. Josaphat For the Parishioners of the Saints Peter and Paul	10:00 AM 2:00 PM
MONDAY	NO SERVICESS	*****
TUESDAY	Divine Liturgy for Fr. Stepan's intention	9:00 AM
WEDNESDAY	Divine Liturgy for Fr. Stepan's intention	9:00 AM
THURSDAY	Divine Liturgy for Fr. Stepan's intention	9:00 AM
FRIDAY	Divine Liturgy for Allen S.	9:00 AM
SATURDAY	+ Divine Liturgy for Les B.	9:00 AM
SUNDAY	For the Parishioners of the St. Josaphat For the Parishioners of the Saints Peter and Paul with Great Blessing of Water Vernon/Grindrod	10:00 AM 2:00 PM

WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY!

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Sunday after the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ DIVINE LITURGY PROPERS

Antiphon 1

I will confess You, Lord, with all my heart,* I will declare all Your wondrous deeds.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

In the council of the just and the congregation,* great are the works of the Lord, conforming to His will in every way.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

His work is filled with praise and majesty,* and His righteousness endures forever.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God,* O Saviour, save us.

Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

Antiphon 3

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Saviour.

Son of God, born of a Virgin, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

Son of God, born of a Virgin, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord, and the great king over all the earth.

Son of God, born of a Virgin, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Entrance: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Son of God, born of a Virgin, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Troparion, *Tone 4:* Your Nativity, O Christ our God,* made the light of knowledge dawn on the world:* through it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a star* to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness,* and to know that You, the Dawn from on the high.* Glory to You, O Lord.

Troparion, Tone 2: O Joseph, announce to David, the ancestor of God, the news of the miracle:* You saw a virgin giving birth.* With the shepherds, you gave praise and with the Magi you worshipped;* they too were warned by an angel.* Pray to Christ our God to save our souls.

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

Kontakion, Tone 3: Today the divine David is filled with gladness;* Joseph along with James offers praises* for having received a crown through their kinship with Christ they rejoice* and sing of the One who inexpressibly was born on earth,* crying out, "O Gracious One, save those who worship You."

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Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 3: The Virgin today gives birth to Him who is above all being;* the earth offers the cave to Him whom no one can approach;* Angel with shepherds give Him glory,* while Magi make their way with a star,* for to us is born a little Child – the pre-eternal God.

Prokeimenon: God is wonderful in His saints,* the God of Israel.verse: In the churches bless God, the Lord from the fountains of Israel. (Psalm 67:36,27)

Epistle: A Reading from Saint Paul's letter to the Galatians (Gal 1:11-19)

Brothers and Sisters, I want you to know that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother.

Alleluia: Lord, remember David and all his meekness. *verse:* How he swore an oath to the Lord, and vowed to the God of Jacob. (Psalm 131:1,2)

Hymn to the Mother of God: O my soul, magnify Christ the King born in a manger.

A strange and glorious mystery do I behold:* the cave is heaven;* the Virgin, the throne of the cherubim;* the manger, a dwelling place* in which is laid Christ, the God Whom nothing can contain.* Singing His praises, we magnify Him.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest (Psalm 148:1).* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous (Psalm 32:1).* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Instead of "Blessed is He who comes...", of "We have seen the true light..." "May our mouths..." and "Blessed be the Name..." we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today,* for Christ is born of a Virgin.