

Ukrainian Orthodox Church of St. George

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NEWSLETTER

May 2009

Message from the President

After a rather intense April month of food preparations for our Easter Bake Sale and spiritual preparation to welcome the joyous Pascha, May is now rewarding us with warm weather and an abundance of bursting colours for our past labour.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped us with the food preparation, the linen preparation and the decoration of the Shroud "Планиця". Below is a pictorial presentation of different services in April captured by Christo Pandelidis. Thank you Christo for being there to record them.

Сердечно Вам Дякую

Ludmilla Weaver

Parish News

Baptism and Chrismation

Saint George Ukrainian Orthodox Church is pleased to welcome **Lynne Garneau** and **Peter Jaquemin** as full members in The Holy Orthodox Faith. Lynne will receive the Holy Sacraments of Holy Baptism and Chrismation, and Peter will receive Holy Chrismation. They will be married at Saint George Ukrainian Orthodox Church in June. After many months of prayer, discernment and instruction they will receive full grace of the Holy Spirit in these sacraments during the Paschal Season. We welcome them into our parish family and pray that The Lord our God will keep them and grant them many happy years!

In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we just learned of the untimely passing away of **Beverley Davis**, beloved mother of Valarie Bakowski and son Barry Davis, mother-in-law to

Robert Bakowski and darling Babcha to her grandchildren in Victoria, Ann and John. She died peacefully in the early morning of April 27th with Val and Bob by her side. We extend our prayers and deepest sympathy to her family during this difficult period of grieving.

Funeral Services for Beverly begin on Wednesday April 29, with the Panakhida at McCall Brothers Funeral Home at 1400 Vancouver Street in Victoria at 7 p.m. The Funeral will be held at Saint George Ukrainian Orthodox Church on Thursday April 30 at 10 am. Burial will be immediately after the funeral at Royal Oak Cemetery.

The family requests that any donations or gifts they would like to make in Beverly's memory be directed to the Victoria Hospice Society.

Memory Eternal! Вічна Память!

Past Services

Veneration of the Cross (Неділя Христопоклінна) Service



Kay Ostapovich keeping a watchful eye on Sophia Kearney and Roxalana Sembaliuk

Palm Sunday Service (Вербна Неділя)



Our oldest member, Elena Demchenko with the blessed pussy willows

Procession on Holy Friday (Велика П'ятниця)



Paschal Divine Liturgy



Christ is Risen! Христос Воскрес!

Upcoming Events

Next Service

I wish to draw your attention to our next Divine Liturgy, on May 10th. It will be a combination of three celebrations: our Khram (Patron Saint's Day), Mother's Day, and our oldest member's 95th birthday celebration. You are cordially invited to come honour and celebrate these three important days with us.

Rummage Sale

Please note that the date for our upcoming Rummage Sale has been changed to Saturday, 16 May 2009. Keep us in mind as you are doing your Spring-cleaning, but please be mindful that the items you donate are clean and fit for selling. Items can be dropped off at the church on Thursday, 14 May and Friday, 15 May. If you can give me a hand in sorting

and pricing I would be most grateful. You could contact **Ludmilla Weaver** at 250-598-3552.

Church Clean Up - Can You Help?

One of the best ways of getting to know each other and bond as a church community is to work together for a good cause. With this in mind, we are appealing for volunteers to help us clean the church upstairs, the hall downstairs and do a bit of gardening. You can stay as little or as long as you can. The “bonding session” will take place on Saturday, June 6th, starting at 9 am. Lunch is on us! Please let either Betty Faryna or Ludmilla Weaver know if you are coming. Hope to see you there.

Services in Victoria May

Sunday 10 May Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
(Khrum - Mother’s Day - 95th Birthday Celebration for Elena Demchenko)

Sunday 24 May Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

The next Executive Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, 21st May 2009.

