#### Слава Ісусу Христу!

#### Слава на віки!

#### 5.11.2017

22-а неділя після Зіслання св. Духа (г.5) – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (tone 5) св. апостола Якова – holy apostle James Galatians. 6:11-18 & Luke 16:19-31.

#### **Glory to Jesus Christ!**

### **Glory forever!**

Our parish this week

Цього тижня в нашій парафії

НИНІ: Панахида +Марія Бандура (40-ий день)

7.11.2017 (Tuesday) св. апостола Луки/holy apostle Luke

10:00 а.m. Божественна св. Літургія/Divine Liturgy (+Кирило Антипович Васильчук – 40-ий день)

8.11.2017 (Wednesday) 1 р.т. Клюб Зустріч/ Seniors' Meeting

9.1.2017 (Thursday) 7:00 p.m. Проба хору/ Choir practice

10.1.2017 (Friday) 10:00 а.т. Божественна св. Літургія/Divine Liturgy

Панахида +Марія і Яків

6 p.m. Peeling of Potatoes

7 р.m. Вервиця/Rosary

11.1.2017 (Saturday) 9:00 a.m. Pyrohy making (packing on Sunday @ 9 a.m.)

Молімся за наших хворих парафіян – Please pray for our parishioners who are ill

Join us @ our practice English table!



Ваші пожертви при каві будуть призначені на закуп нових гойдалок для дівчат інтернату в Петриках! Your coffee donation after Liturgy will go towards buying new swings for the girls of the Petryky internat!

# **UPCOMING** ПІДХОДИТЬ

6.11.2017 @ 7 p.m. Kitchener Public Library (Central branch) "Louie Palu Front Towards Enemy". Join us for an evening that examines how we view conflict through photography in the post 9/11 era with award winning documentary photographer Louie Palu. Louie will be sharing insights into his new book Front Towards Enemy which is the result of covering the frontline for 5-years in Afghanistan, his short film Road Through War, which is a journey along the frontlines in Ukraine and his 10 year long project exploring Washington DC from 2007-2017 as a view of the American home front during the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

13.11.2017 @ 6:30 p.m. В нашій залі буде висвітлений новий фільм з України: про життя св. пам. блаж. Патріарха Йосифа від 1945-1963. We will be showing a new documentary film from Ukraine about the life of His Beatitude Patriarch Josyf, of blessed memory, between 1945-1963.

Вступ за добровільними датками. Free will donations are requested.

# Happy Birthday!

#### Многая літа!

Вітаємо парафіян котрі цього тижня відзначують день народження. Greetings and best wishes to all our parishioners who celebrate their birthday this week: Svitlana Somyk (Levytsky) (5<sup>th</sup>), Iryna Savchuk (7<sup>th</sup>), and Katrina Luka (7<sup>th</sup>).

# Щире спасибі всім жертводавцям

Oct. 92: Regular: \$ 747.

Church in Ukraine: \$20.

Accessibility/Renovation: \$ 5.

Memorial donations: +Raisa (\$50. Accessibility Tamara & Danny Walaga) +Kateryna Tataryn (\$25. Accessibility Julie Dniprenko)

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# Remembering Metropolitan Andrei Sheptytsky (1865-1944)



By Father Bohdan Lukie CSsR (1998)

I remember when the Jewish visitor came to Roblin, Manitoba and when he told me about a modern-day Moses. Ours, and his!

The year was 1959. The place was St. Vladimir's College, a minor seminary, run by the Redemptorist Fathers. I was in Grade 11. With 49 other students, I listened to this Jewish Ukrainian speak. **He praised one of the greatest European prelates of this century, Metropolitan Andrei Sheptytsky**, who headed the Ukrainian Catholic Church for nearly 50 years until his death on Nov. 1, 1944.

I had never heard of Sheptytsky before. I was just a farm kid from Grandview, Manitoba. And yet here was **Kurt Lewin**, a **Holocaust survivor**, a **Haganah commander during the siege of Jerusalem**, an **Israeli Army officer**, the **great-grandson of Isaac Schmelkes** -- a rabbi of Lviv still revered by orthodox Jewry as a spiritual and intellectual giant -- telling me about his Ukrainian saviour!

Lewin told us that we, as future priests of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, should know what our Metropolitan had done for the Jews of Ukrainian Galicia under Nazi occupation. He spoke about how his own life was saved when the Metropolitan gave him shelter in Lviv's St. George's Cathedral, how the Metropolitan, who stood resolutely in favour of Ukraine's independence and shared in the general euphoria of liberation from the Soviets, nevertheless kept a critical vigilance toward German rule.

In February 1942, he even dared to lodge a protest against the destruction of the Galician Jewish community with Himmler himself. The Nazi who delivered Himmler's response bluntly told the Metropolitan that if it were not for his age, he would have been shot for meddling in matters which should not concern him. The Metropolitan saw things differently. . . He soon mobilized a Christian opposition to Nazi rule in western Ukraine. He let the Vatican know what was happening, . . , he wrote to Pope Pius XII alerting him to the "almost diabolical" nature of the German regime. A few days later he repeated that condemnation in a letter to Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, Prefect of the Congregation of Eastern Churches.

He also encouraged Christian resistance. Working with his brother, Klymentii, leader of Lviv's Studite monks, the Metropolitan gathered together a small army of nuns and priests who would risk their own lives in clandestine rescue and sanctuary operations. False baptismal certificates were arranged for no less than 200 Jewish children, who were then smuggled to monasteries, orphanages, and convent schools in and around Lviv. All of these children's lives were saved, 15 in the Metropolitan's own residence. This at a time when sheltering Jews was a criminal offense punishable by death.

Rabbi Dr. David Kahane also survived thanks to the Metropolitan's intervention. Later he drew up a list of over 240 Ukrainian Catholic priests who saved Jews. This good rabbi noted that his list was not exhaustive. **Thousands of Jewish Ukrainian lives were saved at the Metropolitan's command.** And all remember how, in November 1942, Sheptytsky issued what was to become his best-known pastoral letter, "Thou Shalt Not Kill." His message on the sanctity of human life was a clear condemnation of genocide.

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As Lewin has observed, even Yad Vashem, dedicated to keeping alive the memory of the Holocaust, "seems to have difficulty in recognizing the man's compassion and assistance extended to the Jewish community in his diocese at the time of its martyrdom and destruction." To this day Sheptytsky is not honoured in Israel. Of late there has been much debate about whether the Catholic Church did enough to save Jews during the Nazi terror. There can be no doubt that Sheptytsky did, acting as a leader of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, as a Ukrainian patriot, and as a man of rare intellect and spirituality. If he had been discovered, he would have been martyred, joining the many millions of other Ukrainian victims of the Holocaust.

NOTE: In 2014, Ukrainian Chief Rabbi Yakkov Dov Bleich declared "Sheptytsky saved many worlds and his actions are a lesson for us all."