

# UCFSASK NEWSLETTER

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Glory Be to Jesus Christ. Glory Be Forever: We prayerfully hope that you are well and coping with the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. This is our 3<sup>rd</sup> UCFSask Newsletter and is here to inform Parishioners of the Eparchy of Saskatoon with the various happenings and activities in the Foundation and within our Eparchy. This edition will deal with the following topics:

## "SHARE THE SPIRIT" 50/50 LOTTERY DRAW

The Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan (UCFSASK) will again be conducting the "Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery Draw. (*Lottery License - #LR21-0081*). The draw date will be made on Friday, December 3, 2:00pm at the Foundation's Office at 214 Avenue M S, Saskatoon SK.

Complete and detailed information concerning the lottery and your lottery tickets are enclosed with this newsletter.

Please consider the purchase of the "Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery Ticket. We thank you graciously and humbly ask for your support. The winner of the 2020 "Share the Spirit – 50/50 Lottery draw won \$\$32,900 (2019 - \$29,220; 2018 - \$29,440). For more information on the Lottery, please contact the Foundation office at (306) 653-0138, ext. 223 (collect).

#### 2021 ANNUAL EPARCHIAL APPEAL

The 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal initiative is now complete. The success of the Appeal would not have been possible if it were not for the hard work, effort, and commitment of many people. We are grateful for the very generous support to the Annual Eparchial Appeal by the many Parish Families. A *HUGE THANK YOU* to everyone for your contribution and support.

The total funds raised in the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal was \$149,170. The amount rebated to Parishes that exceeded their goal totaled \$1,297.50 under the Parish Rebate Program. The Eparchy will receive \$129,170 that will be allocated towards the following Eparchial Ministries that were identified as recipients of this support. The Foundation will be allocated \$20,000 as part of the financial goals identified at the onset of the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal to offset the expenses incurred in conducting the 2021 Annual Eparchial Appeal.

INITIATIVES/PROGRAMS FUNDED BY THE APPEAL	ALLOCATION
Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre	\$56,161
Family and Life Office Ministry	\$22,464
Youth and Young Adult Ministry	\$ 8,424
St. Matthew Clergy Society	\$19,656
Bishop Roborecki Foundation	\$11,232
Eparchial Communications Office	\$11,232
TOTAL AMOUNT TO THE EPARCHY OF SAKATOON	\$129,170

In 2021, the participation rate of the family units in the Eparchy who contributed to the Annual Eparchial Appeal was 25%, as compared to 22% in 2019, 22% in 2018, 22% in 2017, 30% in 2016 and 33% in 2015. The Annual Eparchial Appeal was not conducted in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you, again, for your generous support, and we hope that we can call on you again to be just as abundant, both in time and talent, during the 2022 Annual Eparchial Appeal. We will continue to stand together in faith and hope for our Church.

#### GRANT FUND PROGRAM

The Ukrainian Catholic Foundation (UCFSask) will once again will consider applications for grants from Parishes/Missions and eligible Eparchial Organizations under the auspices of the Eparchy of Saskatoon for projects/initiatives that align with the Foundation's mission and purpose, which is to promote and enhance the cultural, social, educational and spiritual initiatives, policies, and objectives of the Eparchy among Ukrainian Catholics in the Province of Saskatchewan. The total amount available for distribution from the grant fund this year will be \$57,700.00

Parishes/Missions or Eparchial Organizations wishing to apply for a grant should complete and submit their "grant application form", to the Foundation Office by 5:00pm November 15, 2021. Distributions will be made by December 31, 2021.

For further information concerning the UCFSask Grant Fund and how to apply for this grant, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.ucfsask.org">www.ucfsask.org</a>, and click on the "GRANT" tab, or contact the UCFSask office at: (306) 653-0138, ext 223 or email at admin@ucfsask.org.

### HERE AND THERE TIDBITS

- Parish Families have an opportunity to make a lasting difference in our faith community where spiritual growth for all is nurtured by leaving a legacy gift to the Foundation. There are many options available to Parish Families to leave a legacy gift. If you wish to discuss this matter or are interested in receiving more information concerning legacy giving options, please call the Foundation Office at (306-653-0138, EXT 223) or email at admin.ucfsask.org.
- As we are approaching the end of 2021, if you are seeking ways to reduce your taxable income for 2021, or just want to donate to a worthy cause, lease consider a donation to the Ukrainian Catholic Foundation of Saskatchewan. We would be most grateful to receive your donation through our website <a href="www.ucfsask.org">www.ucfsask.org</a>. Here are the ways you can choose to donate:

□Once on the webpage, click on the "Donate" button and proceed accordingly

□ If you prefer to send a cheque please make it payable to the *Ukrainian Catholic Foundation*, 214 Avenue M South, Saskatoon SK, S7M 2K4



 $\square$ Or you may scan the QR Code

to donate using your mobile device.

Even if you are not seeking ways to reduce your income tax, the Foundation would still be most grateful for your gift. A charitable receipt for income tax purposes will be issued in early 2021.

## **EPARCHIAL MINISTRIES**

In each of our newsletters, we will take the opportunity to provide you with information on the various Eparchial Ministries and Eparchial Organizations. In this issue, we would like to highlight the **UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTRE**.

Under the direction of Sr. Marijka Konderewicz, SSMI, Sr. Bonita Komarnicki, SSMI and Sr. Georgia Shchavii, SSMI, the objectives of the Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre include the following:

- Education of Adults and Children in the Faith of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church.
- Support of Catechists as they spread the Word of God to every level of learner.
- Promotion of Byzantine Rite literature and resources to engage the learner.

Some of the Program offered through the Ukrainian Catholic Religious Education Centre are:

- Eparchial Faith Formation Program: This is a two-year program designed to instill in the participant the basics of Eastern Catholic Theology, Liturgy and Prayer. The Programs are in Saskatoon, Yorkton and Regina. We also provide on-going formation for Alumni.
- Bible Study by Fr. Gregory on Tuesday nights: This year is Acts of the Apostles via WebEx, call or email our Office to join.
- Support and Pastoral Care: We offer Trained Spiritual Direction to anyone who seeks to go deeper in the spiritual journey.
- Catechist Formation and Support: Providing Formation through the "Catechist Connection" and ongoing personal support to Catechists.
- Lending Library and Bookstore: Our Lending Library is in the process of being Catalogued and being put online. The bookstore is a hive of activity with Children's books and books for Adults.

These are some of the best loved Programs. If you have any questions or would like more information about any of these programs, please contact the Sisters at: (306)652-1718 or (306)380-8509 or email: rel.ed@sasktel.net . We are happy to come to visit your parish, catechists or Adult Faith Class.