

St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church

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The "Priest's Page"

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19th Sunday after Pentecost (Sermon on the Mount)

Luke 6, 31-36

And the Lord spoke these words.

"And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

Saint Luke in relating Jesus' words which are similar in content to the *Sermon on the Mount* (Matt. 5-7) but not as extensive. Our Saviour brings a radical change of the law, that is: instead of hate toward your enemies, He brings a new law: *the law of love towards your enemies*. This is a completion to the law of the Ten Commandments. Jesus urges us to "just as you would want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise" (Luke 6:31). The Kingdom of God calls us to be *merciful* to all people. We need to stop *judging* people because our human judgement is not *merciful*. We should not *condemn* people, because condemnation causes us to *move away from mercy*. We must *forgive*, for forgiveness only comes from the *heart*. We must be abundantly *giving*, because only then can we *receive* from God in the same manner.

May God grant all of us the power to love.

The Boian Ladies Club Annual Drive-by Perogy Supper Fundraiser is October 21st!



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\$20.00/order

You MUST preorder no later than October 17.

Please contact Jocelyn at 780 208-7787 and Jamie at 780 208-7789 to place your order.

Boian Church Website

Check out the Boian Church website! From your browser, insert <u>boianchurch.ca</u> to reach it. Suggestions for the site are welcome and should be directed to Peggy Soprovich at <u>soprovich@digitalweb.net</u>.

Schedule of Services (Please refrain from attending church services if you or your family have any covid symptoms.)

October 2 Divine Liturgy begins at 10:00 a.m.

October 16 Divine Liturgy begins at 10:00 a.m.

Memorials/Funerals

A six month memorial service was held on Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022 for Constantin Marcu.

A seven year memorial service was held on Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022 for Cornelia Popa.



John N. Toma fell asleep in the Lord on Wednesday September 14, 2022. Funeral services were held on Thursday, September 22, 2022 at Boian and internment was held at the Birth of the Virgin Mary Romanian Orthodox Church, Hairy Hill.

George Demchuk fell asleep in the Lord on Monday, September 19, 2022. Funeral services were held at Sts. Constantine and Elena Romanian Orthodox Church, Edmonton on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 and internment was held at Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Edmonton. George and Pearl had just celebrated their 75th Wedding Anniversary on Wednesday August 31, 2022

May the Lord Rest their souls and may He number them amongst the righteous!

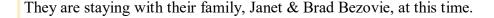
Dumnezeu să-i ierte și să-i numere cu drepții!

Anniversary and Birthday Greetings

We extend best wishes to all parishioners celebrating a birthday or anniversary during the month of October.

Welcome!

We would like to welcome Mariana, Anastasiia and Arsen Hryskiv to our community. They arrived on September 21, coming to Canada temporarily due to the current war in Ukraine.





Membership (Stewardship) at Boian Church

We continue to ask the readers of The Priest's Page to support with prayers and donations the mission of Saint Mary's. By supporting, you also carry on the precious legacy left to us by those pioneers who brought the faith, traditions, and helped open the land of this great province. Any amount is welcomed. You may send your membership or donation to:

St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church, Boian, P.O. Box 14, Willingdon, Alberta T0B 4R0









