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**St. Vladimir Prince of Kiev
Orthodox Church**

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Archdiocese of Canada (OCA)**

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Forgiveness Sunday

Saturday February 21th
6pm **Vigil**

Sunday February 22th
**Forgiveness Sunday
(Cheesefare Sunday)**
10am **Divine Liturgy**
1pm **Forgiveness Vespers**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday February 23-26th
6pm **Compline and Canon**

Wednesday February 25th
10am **Presanctified Liturgy**

Saturday February 28th
10am **Divine Liturgy (St. Theodore)**
followed by **Panikhida**

+Forgiveness Sunday and Great Lent

Why is it that the Church wants us to begin the Lenten season with forgiveness and reconciliation? These questions are in order because for too many people Lent means primarily, and almost exclusively, a change of diet, the compliance

with ecclesiastical regulations concerning fasting. They understand fasting as an end in itself, as a “good deed” required by God and carrying in itself its merit and its reward. But the Church spares no effort in revealing to us that fasting is but a means, one among many, towards a higher goal: the spiritual renewal of man, his return to God, true repentance and, therefore, true reconciliation. The Church spares no effort in warning us against a hypocritical and pharisaic fasting, against the reduction of religion to mere external obligations.

-Excerpt from Fr. Alexander Schmemmann on [The Beginning of Great Lent](#)

+Encyclical on the Beginning of Great Lent

You can Metropolitan Tikhon’s message here: <https://www.oca.org/holy-synod/statements/his-beatitude-metropolitan-tikhon/beginning-of-great-lent-2026>

+Great Vespers Of Orthodoxy

March 1st is the Sunday of Orthodoxy. It is customary for Orthodox parishes to concelebrate Great Vespers on that day. This year we have been invited to St George’s Greek Orthodox Church

(<https://maps.app.goo.gl/mG3Ja8uTAkgtBR4n7>) from 5-6 pm. Following the service, we will have sweets and coffee for all that will attend.

+Thank you to all that stayed for the AGM. This is an important part of our parish life.

+There are a lot of services the first week of Lent. Trying to attend at least one,

or as many services as possible will help us to start our spiritual journey on the right foot. May the Lord reward you all for your efforts and struggles.

+There are a few more copies of Tending the Garden of Our Hearts in the bookstore. The book is excellent for families or individuals.

+Tax receipts went out by e-mail on Tuesday, February 3rd. If you donated this past calendar year, you should have received one. If not please check your spam/junk folder and then contact Benjamin von Bredow (treasurer@halifaxorthodox.org) if you still cannot find it.

+Fasting

If you have questions about fasting for Lent, please speak to a priest.

+Cape Breton Liturgies

- Saturday, April 18th, 10:30am

+Upcoming Events

- Parish Cleaning Day - Saturday March 21st, 9am to 1pm
- Choir Practice - Thursday, March 26, 6pm
- Choir Practice - Tuesday, March 31, 6pm

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Прощёное воскресенье

Суббота, 21 февраля

18:00 — Всенощное бдение

Воскресенье, 22 февраля

**Прощёное воскресенье
(Сыропустная неделя)**

10:00 — **Божественная литургия**

13:00 — **Вечерня с чином прощения**

Понедельник, вторник, среда, четверг, 23–26 февраля

18:00 — **Великое повечерие и канон**

Среда, 25 февраля

10:00 — **Литургия Преждеосвященных Даров**

Суббота, 28 февраля

10:00 — **Божественная литургия (св. Феодора)**
затем **Панихида**

+Прощёное воскресенье и Великий пост

Почему Церковь хочет, чтобы мы начинали великопостный период с прощения и примирения? Эти вопросы уместны, потому что для слишком многих людей пост означает прежде всего и почти исключительно изменение питания, соблюдение церковных предписаний о посте. Они понимают пост как цель сама по себе, как «доброе дело», требуемое Богом и имеющее само в себе свою заслугу и награду. Но Церковь не жалеет усилий, чтобы открыть нам: пост — лишь средство, одно из многих, ведущих к более высокой цели — духовному обновлению человека, его возвращению к Богу, истинному покаянию и, следовательно, подлинному примирению. Церковь неустанно предупреждает нас против лицемерного и фарисейского поста, против сведения религии к одним лишь внешним обязанностям.

-Отрывок из о. Александра Шмемана «[О начале Великого поста](#)»

+Послание на начало Великого поста

Послание митрополита Тихона можно прочитать

здесь: <https://www.oca.org/holy-synod/statements/his-beatitude-metropolitan-tikhon/beginning-of-great-lent-2026>

+Великая вечерня Недели Торжества Православия

1 марта — Неделя Торжества Православия. По обычаю православные приходы совершают в этот день совместную Великую вечерню. В этом году мы приглашены в греческий православный храм святого Георгия

(<https://maps.app.goo.gl/mG3Ja8uTAKqtBR4n7>) с 17:00 до 18:00. После службы для всех присутствующих будут предложены сладости и кофе

+Спасибо всем, кто остался на ежегодное общее собрание (AGM). Это важная часть жизни нашего прихода.

+В первую неделю поста много богослужений. Старайтесь посетить хотя бы одно или как можно больше служб — это поможет нам правильно начать наш духовный путь. Да воздаст вам Господь за ваши труды и подвиги.

+В книжной лавке осталось ещё несколько экземпляров книги Tending the Garden of Our Hearts «Возделывая сад наших сердец» . Эта книга отлично подходит для семей и отдельных читателей.

+Налоговые квитанции

Налоговые квитанции были разосланы по электронной почте во вторник, 3 февраля. Если вы делали пожертвования в прошлом календарном году, вы должны были получить такую квитанцию. Если вы её не нашли, пожалуйста, проверьте папку спам/нежелательная почта, а затем свяжитесь с Бенджамином фон Бредоу (treasurer@halifaxorthodox.org), если вы всё ещё не можете её найти.

+Пост

Если у вас есть вопросы о посте в период Великого поста, пожалуйста, обратитесь к священнику.

+Богослужения в Кейп-Бретоне

- Суббота, 18 апреля, 10:30

+Предстоящие мероприятия

- День уборки прихода — суббота, 21 марта, с 9:00 до 13:00

- Спевка — Четверг, 26 марта, с 18:00
- Спевка — Вторник, 31 марта, с 18:00

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