

21st Sunday after Pentecost

21-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа.



Apostle and Evangelist Luke – Luke was born in Antioch of Syria where he practised medicine. He saw the Lord face to face in Jerusalem. Following Pentecost he became St. Paul's faithful companion and friend. He is the author of the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. He later preached the gospel in Italy, Dalmatia, Macedonia and Greece where he suffered martyrdom.

Sunday, October 18th, 2015



Daily Divine Liturgies

Monday, Oct. 19 ** * 9:00 a.m.
Div. Lit.: +Rita Kaskiw - family

Wednesday, Oct. 21 *** 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.: +Gillian Prystupa

Thursday, Oct. 22 *** 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.: God's peace in the world

Friday, Oct. 23 *** 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.: God's blessings & good health for Veronica & Carlos

Troparion, Tone 4: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel* the glorious news of the resurrection* and cast off the ancestral condemnation,* they proudly told the apostles:* “Death has been plundered!* Christ our God is risen,* granting to the world great mercy.”

Troparion, Tone 5: Let us praise in sacred hymns the celebrated Luke* herald of the acts of the apostles,* brightly shining author of the Good News of Christ,* scribe of things unwritten which he wrote for Christ’s Church.* He is a physician for the feeble,* healing nature’s ailments and the maladies of souls* and he prays unceasingly for all of us.

+Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 4: My Saviour and Deliverer from the grave* as God raised out of bondage the children of the earth* and shattered the gates of Hades;* and as Master, He rose on the third day.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 2: Let us praise a genuine preacher of piety, the godly Luke,* a star of the Church and eloquent speaker concerning ineffable mysteries.* For the Word who alone knows the human heart* chose him with the wise Paul to teach the gentiles.

Prokeimenon, Tone 4 - How great are Your works, O Lord * You have made all things in wisdom.

verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Prokeimenon, Tone 8 - Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their word unto the ends of the world.

Epistle: A reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Galatians (2:16-20:)



Brothers and Sisters, we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live,

but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Alleluia, Tone 4 - Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

verse: You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

verse: The heavens shall confess our wonders, O Lord, and Your truth in the church of the saints.

verse: God is glorified in the assembly of the saints.

Gospel: Luke 8:5-15

The Lord told this parable, “A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold.” As he said this, he called out, “Let anyone with ears to hear listen!” Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but to others I speak in parables, so that ‘looking they may not perceive, and listening they may not understand.’ “Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones on the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in a time of testing fall away. As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.

Communion Hymn - Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. (Psalm 148:1)

Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth,* and their word unto the ends of the world.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 18:5)



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*“If you think well of others, you will also speak well of others and to others. From the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. If your heart is full of love, you will speak of love.” **Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta***



Please Pray for health of ... Carlos Ch., Cory R., Sharon B., Sofia B., Verna H., Mike W., Kathleen B., Anne B., Walter G., Patricia U., Sophie S., Martin & Rose O., Yvette U., Lily-Ann S., Myron G., Peter D., Elizabeth P., Peter S., Ann M., and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the present time.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.



2015 World Mission Sunday – is designated for **today, Sunday, October 18th**. Envelopes for this special collection are available at the church entrance.

Dormition Parish Council Meeting – will take place tomorrow, **Monday, Oct. 19th** at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Bible Study – The Bible Timeline - will continue this coming **Tuesday, Oct. 20th** starting at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Come and join us!

Dormition Parish Round Table Knights of Columbus Meeting – will take place on **Wednesday, October 21st**, at **7:00 p.m.**



Next Parish Fundraiser – pre-Christmas Food Sale – will take place on Saturday, Dec. 5th. In preparation for this event we will make perogies on **Saturdays, Oct. 24th & Nov. 7th**. For more information, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870.

Children's Catechism – will continue next **Sunday, October 25th**.

Next Pastoral Address – will take place next **Sunday, Oct. 25th** after the 1st Divine liturgy at the parish hall.

Annual Fall Eparchial Clergy Conference – will take place in New Westminster from **Tuesday, Oct. 27th, to Thursday, Oct. 29th, 2015**.

The Living Rosary Campaign in Kelowna – would like to invite you to their special celebration on **Saturday, Oct. 31st** at Immaculate Conception parish. Confessions from 4:45-5:15p.m.; Mass starting at 5:30p.m.; and at 6:30 p.m. the Living Rosary, followed by candle light procession around the Church. Short reception to follow

at Charity Hall.

Dormition Parish Stewardship: Sunday, Oct. 11 - \$869.00

Daylight Saving Time – will end on **Sunday, Nov. 1st**. Please remember to adjust your clocks.



THE METROPOLITAN ANDREY SHEPTYTSKY INSTITUTE

“Leading from Tradition, Serving for the Future”

Reception & Fundraiser

Sunday, October 25th, 2015 * 2:00 – 4:00 pm**

Holy Eucharist Cathedral Hall

501-4th Avenue, New Westminster, BC, V3L 1S2

His Excellency Ken Nowakowski, Bishop of New Westminster, and the Directors of the Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute Foundation invite you to a special afternoon encounter with the Founder of the Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies (Saint Paul University, Ottawa), the Right Reverend Andriy Chirovsky, S.Th.D., Peter and Doris Kule Chair of Eastern Christian Theology and Spirituality.

Father Chirovsky hopes to share with you exciting new developments in the life of the Sheptytsky Institute and ask for your support. Food and refreshments will be provided.

Admission is free, but to secure a place for you at this very special reception please RSVP to confirm your attendance Bradley Letwin at bletwin@hotmail.com or phone (604) 839-1194 By October 20th, 2015



Laudato Si' by Pope Francis (continuation) –

V. A UNIVERSAL COMMUNION

89. The created things of this world are not free of ownership: “For they are yours, O Lord, who love the living” (Wis 11:26). This is the basis of our conviction that, as part of the universe, called into being by one Father, all of us are linked by unseen bonds and together form a kind of universal family, a sublime communion which fills us with a sacred, affectionate and humble respect. Here I would reiterate

that “God has joined us so closely to the world around us that we can feel the desertification of the soil almost as a physical ailment, and the extinction of a species as a painful disfigurement”.^[67]

90. This is not to put all living beings on the same level nor to deprive human beings of their unique worth and the tremendous responsibility it entails. Nor does it imply a divinization of the earth, which would prevent us from working on it and protecting it in its fragility. Such notions would end up creating new imbalances which would deflect us from the reality which challenges us.^[68] At times we see an obsession with denying any pre-eminence to the human person; more zeal is shown in protecting other species than in defending the dignity which all human beings share in equal measure. Certainly, we should be concerned lest other living beings be treated irresponsibly. But we should be particularly indignant at the enormous inequalities in our midst, whereby we continue to tolerate some considering themselves more worthy than others. We fail to see that some are mired in desperate and degrading poverty, with no way out, while others have not the faintest idea of what to do with their possessions, vainly showing off their supposed superiority and leaving behind them so much waste which, if it were the case everywhere, would destroy the planet. In practice, we continue to tolerate that some consider themselves more human than others, as if they had been born with greater rights.

91. A sense of deep communion with the rest of nature cannot be real if our hearts lack tenderness, compassion and concern for our fellow human beings. It is clearly inconsistent to combat trafficking in endangered species while remaining completely indifferent to human trafficking, unconcerned about the poor, or undertaking to destroy another human being deemed unwanted. This compromises the very meaning of our struggle for the sake of the environment. It is no coincidence that, in the canticle in which Saint Francis praises God for his creatures, he goes on to say: “Praised be you my Lord, through those who give pardon for your love”. Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society.

92. Moreover, when our hearts are authentically open to universal communion, this sense of fraternity excludes nothing and no one. It follows that our indifference or cruelty towards fellow creatures of this world sooner or later affects the treatment we mete out to other human beings. We have only one heart, and the same wretchedness which leads us to mistreat an animal will not be long in showing

itself in our relationships with other people. Every act of cruelty towards any creature is “contrary to human dignity”.[69] We can hardly consider ourselves to be fully loving if we disregard any aspect of reality: “Peace, justice and the preservation of creation are three absolutely interconnected themes, which cannot be separated and treated individually without once again falling into reductionism”.[70] Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which also unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river and mother earth.

VI. THE COMMON DESTINATION OF GOODS

93. Whether believers or not, we are agreed today that the earth is essentially a shared inheritance, whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone. For believers, this becomes a question of fidelity to the Creator, since God created the world for everyone. Hence every ecological approach needs to incorporate a social perspective which takes into account the fundamental rights of the poor and the underprivileged. The principle of the subordination of private property to the universal destination of goods, and thus the right of everyone to their use, is a golden rule of social conduct and “the first principle of the whole ethical and social order”.[71] The Christian tradition has never recognized the right to private property as absolute or inviolable, and has stressed the social purpose of all forms of private property. Saint John Paul II forcefully reaffirmed this teaching, stating that “God gave the earth to the whole human race for the sustenance of all its members, without excluding or favouring anyone”.[72] These are strong words. He noted that “a type of development which did not respect and promote human rights – personal and social, economic and political, including the rights of nations and of peoples – would not be really worthy of man”.[73] He clearly explained that “the Church does indeed defend the legitimate right to private property, but she also teaches no less clearly that there is always a social mortgage on all private property, in order that goods may serve the general purpose that God gave them”.[74] Consequently, he maintained, “it is not in accord with God’s plan that this gift be used in such a way that its benefits favour only a few”.[75] This calls into serious question the unjust habits of a part of humanity.[76]



Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

1. *You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome)*

to receive Communion);

2. *You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;*
3. *You attend Divine Services regularly;*
4. *Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;*
5. *You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water & medicine does not break the fast).*
6. *You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.*
7. *To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.*

If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.

*****A Reminder about appropriate reception of Holy Communion - when approaching to receive the Holy Eucharist, the faithful are reminded to open their mouth wide and tilt their head back. Also, please avoid licking the spoon. *****