

28th Sunday after Pentecost.

28-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа.

The Holy Martyr James of Persia – James' friendship with the king of Persia led him to abandon Christianity for paganism. His wife and mother urged James to repent and return to Christ. This he did at the price of martyrdom. [*St. Philip's Fast – Пилупівка*]

Sunday, November 27th, 2016

Daily Divine Liturgies this week

Tuesday, Nov. 29 *** 9:00 a.m. Div. Lit.:
Special Intention

Wednesday, Nov. 30 ** 9:00 a.m. Div.
Lit.:+Martin Ostopowich (1st Anniversary)
- family



Thursday, Dec. 1 *** 9:00 a.m. *Moleben to the
Emmanuel*

Saturday, Dec. 3 ** St. Philip's Fast Mission (in
Ukrainian): **3:00 p.m.** beginning of Confessions/Сповідь

4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy/Божественна Літургія

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Epistle: *A reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:12-16*



Brothers and Sisters, As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

Gospel: *Luke 18:18-27*

At that time, a certain ruler asked Jesus, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honour your father and mother.'" He replied, "I have kept all these since my youth." When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "There is still one thing lacking. Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." But when he heard this, he became sad; for he was very rich. Jesus looked at him and said, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" He replied, "What is impossible for mortals is possible for God."

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

"Frequent Confessions allows us to know not only our faults and offenses, but also our weaknesses and inclinations to sin. Through the grace of the Mystery of Repentance, the Christian overcomes sins and the tendency to sin. This grace also raises up the Christian after a fall, and strengthens him or her in the virtues. The fruits of repentance are good works, almsgiving,

purity of heart, and sacrificial love. The gift of the Mystery of Repentance is forgiveness from God and reconciliation with him: “[Give] thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins” (Col 1:12-14). Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church - “Christ Our Pascha” #455

A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!



time.

Please Pray for health of ... William Sh., Dianne L., Pat S., Lily-Ann S., Kathleen B., Mary D., Nick L., Pauline P., Ray S., Nick K., Helen H., Cameron V., Rose O., Roman D., Bonny H., Ric B., Shirley C., Sofia B., Peter D., Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Yvette U., Peter S., and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the present

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, as well as if you would like a name removed from the list.

Mnohaya Lita! – very special God's blessings to anyone among our parishioners and their families who celebrated their birthday, name-day, wedding anniversary and any other special anniversary during **the month of November.**

Congratulations! Многая Літа! – to Mr. & Mrs. Andriy & Lesia Tomashevskyy and their children on the joyful occasion of the birth of Michael Stephen Tomashevsky. May God bless you all.

Thank you to all our Volunteers – Дякуємо – our thanks to everyone who helped this past week in preparation for our Christmas Food Sale and all the work on the church premises. May God continue to bless you!



Today, Sunday, Nov. 27 & next Sunday, Dec. 4th we will celebrate only one bilingual Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

Children's Catechism Program – will continue today, Sunday, Nov. 27th after the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

Volunteers for Sunday Coffee Clean-ups – Sunday, Nov. 27th: Irene P.

Please continue putting your name on the calendar posted in the church hall. Thank you to everyone who is willing to help with this project. God bless you.



The 83rd Anniversary of the Holodomor – Famine Genocide of 1932-33 – today, Sunday Nov. 27th we will celebrate a special Panakhyda service after the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. We express our gratitude to **Dr. Nadia Popil** for preparing a special pamphlet for this occasion. **Дякуємо!**

Історична довідка: Український голодомор 1932-1933 років визнано злочином проти людства. Голод був наслідком не лише збільшення примусових хлібозаготівель у той період, але повного вилучення продовольства у всіх регіонах СРСР, населення яких на 2/3 і більше складали українці. Терор голодом, депортації, індивідуальні масові репресії були спрямовані проти України як національної республіки. Протягом ХХ століття Україна пережила три голодомори: 1921-1923 років, 1932-1933 років, 1946-1947 років, але другий був найбільш масовим і жорстоким. За даними істориків, протягом 1932-33 років жертвами голоду, що виник унаслідок адміністративних заходів радянської влади, в Україні, за різними оцінками, стали від 7 до 10 млн. людей. Це означає, що в ті трагічні роки Україна втратила від 10 до 25% свого населення, втрачаючи по 25 тисяч осіб за день, по тисячі – за годину, по 17 – щохвилини. Як стверджують фахівці, якби Україна не пережила Голодомору, її населення нині було б удвічі більшим – до 100 млн. осіб.

2016 Grey Cup Game gathering – will take place today **Sunday, Nov. 27th**. As in previous years, our Brother Knights of Columbus are organizing this parish social event. The main meal for the gathering will be chili on a bun. All those planning to attend please bring salad or goodies. There will be a half time special program and board game with profits designated towards 'Nicholas Day'. We will be gathering around 3:00 p.m.



Choir Practice –in preparation for our Christmas services we will be holding our choir practices on Tuesdays. The first practice is to take place this coming **Tuesday, Nov. 29th** at 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation at Roman Catholic Parishes – Fr. Andrzej will be assisting RC clergy with the Sacrament of Confession for St. Joseph's

students this coming Tuesday, Nov. 29th.

“Epic” - early Church history – Adult Catechism - will continue this coming Friday, Dec. 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Please come and join us!



Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting - for St. Pius X Parish Council # 7359— meeting will take place on **Thursday, Dec. 1st** at Columbus Villa at 7:30 p.m..

Reconciliation Services & St. Philip’s Fast Parish Mission - Our guest priest will be **Fr. Pavlo Myts**, Administrator of Holy Trinity parish in Kamloops. **Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016.** – Mission talk in Ukrainian. Sacrament of Reconciliation starts at 3:00 p.m. followed by Sunday Divine Liturgy at 4:00 p.m.



Sunday, Dec. 4th – Mission talk in English. Sacrament of Reconciliation starts at 8:00 a.m. followed by Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

Parish Social Gathering – it was suggested at our Post-Sobor meeting on Sunday, Oct. 16th that we have a social event for our seniors on a weekday. In response that that request, we are looking for your suggestions as to the format for such a gathering. Please place your suggestions in the box provided at the church entrance.

2016 Last perogy bee – will take place this coming **Saturday, Dec. 3rd**. Please join us anytime starting at 8:00 a.m.. **Thank you!**

Next Parish Fundraiser – Christmas Food Sale – will take place on **Thursday, Dec. 8th** (pre-sale – 4-7 pm.) & **Saturday, Dec. 10th** (sale - 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.). For more information, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870.

2016 “St. Nicholas Day” Celebration – will take place on **Sunday, Dec. 18th**. There will be one bilingual Divine Liturgy on that day at 9:00 a.m.

“Christmas Candle” - “Різдвяна свічка” - Since 2012 our Eparchy of New Westminster has been collecting funds to help disadvantaged and orphaned children in Ukraine through our Christmas Candle appeal. Our fundraising program is part of a larger global appeal sponsored by Caritas Ukraine. Candles are available for purchase at all the Ukrainian Catholic Parishes in BC for a minimum donation of \$5.00 per candle.

“Keep Christ in Christmas Car Magnet” – as part of our parish fundraiser these special magnets are available for purchase at a minimum donation of \$5.00.

Parish Photo Album – are you a person who enjoys scrapbooking? We are looking for a parishioner who would like to keep our parish events up-dated. For more details, please talk to Mrs. Marika Cacchioni (250-765-3419).

Our websites & email: www.dormition.ca or www.kelowna.nweparchy.ca;

www.nweparchy.ca Email: fr.wasylenko@gmail.com

Merciful Like the Father – Dormition Parish Social Project – the 2016 “Coffee” proceeds is designated for the support of St. Joseph’s new school building fundraising campaign. On Sunday Nov. 13 we collected \$ 52.30. Thank you for your support.



Food Bank Donations – Thank you for your kind and generous donations! Please keep them coming – Christmas is less than a month away and always a busy time for the food bank.

Shoe Bank Canada – we have now one more way to help those less fortunate. If you have shoes that just collect dust at your place, please consider donating them. Dormition Parish is now an official drop-off location for Shoe Bank Canada. We are collecting gently used shoes (the main stipulation being good soles), and at this time of year, the emphasis is on winter footwear for adults and youth. The shoes will be donated to local people in need.

Sunday Divine Liturgies – our present regular Sunday schedule consists of three Divine Liturgies: Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Sunday at 9:00 a.m. (English) and Sunday 11:00 a.m. (Ukrainian). If there is a special event taking place, for example Praznyks at other parishes, there will be only one bilingual Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

Special Petition – *“We also pray to be blessed with generous hearts to contribute to our Bishop’s initiatives and programs, such as: the support of parishes, the education of parishioners, and the formation of seminarians, Lord hear us and have mercy.”*

Dormition Parish Stewardship: Sunday, Nov. 20th - \$872.00.



Drugs a 'new form of slavery', Pope Francis says - By Elise Harris

Drug addiction is a contemporary form of slavery, Pope Francis lamented Thursday, emphasizing that a rehabilitation which restores victims' joy and dignity is much needed.

“Drugs are a wound in our society. A wound that traps many people in the networks. They are victims have lost their freedom to fall into slavery; slavery of a dependency we can call ‘chemistry,’” the Pope said Nov. 24.

It’s certain, he said, that drugs consist “of a new form of slavery, like many others that plague man today and society in general.”

Pope Francis spoke to participants in a Nov. 23-24 workshop organized by the Pontifical Academy for the Sciences titled “Workshop on Narcotics: Problems and Solutions of this Global Issue.”

The two-day gathering focused on the history of drug use and the current global situation, the global impact of the drug trade, methods of prevention such as education, and the risks of medicinal and recreational drug use.

Francis has spoken out against the drug trade frequently, naming it as a primary cause of greed and corruption contributing to the disintegration of society.

In his speech to workshop participants, the Pope noted that there is no “single cause” that leads to drug use, but that the factors are many, and often involve the absence of family, social pressures, propaganda from traffickers, and the desire to have new experiences.

Each person addicted to drugs brings with them “a different personal history which must be heard, understood, loved and, as soon as possible, healed and purified,” he said, cautioning attendees not to fall into “the injustice of classifying the drug addict as if they were an object or a broken mess.”

“The dignity of the person is what we have come to encounter,” he said, noting that the high numbers of addicts isn’t surprising given the wide range of opportunities available to achieve a superficial happiness.

However, rather than bringing satisfaction, this ephemeral satisfaction “in the end becomes a venom, corrodes, corrupts and kills,” he said. “The person is destroyed and, with them, everything around them.”

Pope Francis stressed the importance of knowing the full scope of the drug problem, “which is essentially destructive,” above all in terms of the vast production of drugs and the system of distribution.

The cartel networks “enable the death of a person,” he said, noting that it is not necessarily physical death, but “psychological death, social death” in the “discarding of a person.”

Distribution systems, even more than production, represent “an important part of organized crime,” Francis said, explaining that a key challenge is knowing how to find a way to monitor the different circuits of money laundering and corruption, because “they are united.”

The only way to do this, he said, is to trace the line that runs from a small-scale drug market up to “the most sophisticated forms of laundering that nest in financial capital and in the banks which are dedicated to the laundering of dirty money.”

Francis recalled the story of a judge he knew in Argentina who had several thousand kilometers of border territory under his jurisdiction. As soon as this judge began

working seriously to eradicate the problem, he got a letter in the mail with a photo of his family saying nothing more than “your son goes to this school, your wife does this.”

When you one begins to search and climb up through the distribution networks, “one finds that word of five letters: mafia,” the Pope said, because just as in the distribution the one who is a slave to drugs is killed, “so too whoever wants to destroy this slavery is killed.”

In order to curb the demand for drugs, Pope Francis said strong efforts are needed, coupled by extensive programs aimed at promoting health, family support and education, which he said “is fundamental.”

“Integral human formation is the priority” because it gives people the ability and means of knowing how to discern, so that when the moment comes, “they can discard the different offers and help others.”

This type of formation is particularly important for the vulnerable in society, such as children and youth, he said, noting that it’s also valuable for families and others who suffer from various forms of marginalization.

However, the Pope lamented that the problem of drug prevention as a program “is always slowed down by a thousand and a factor of the ineptitude of governments: by a sector of the government here, there or there.”

Drug prevention programs “are almost non-existent,” he said, adding that once the problem of drugs has advanced and settled into society, “it’s very difficult” to overcome.

Rehabilitation of the victims was also something brought up by the Pope, which he said is a priority in terms of restoring to the victims the joy and dignity they had lost. While it might not be assured by the state or its legislation, “recovery will be difficult and the victims could be re-victimized,” he said.

Pope Francis closed his speech by encouraging attendees to continue their work and “to realize, within your own possibilities, the happy initiatives you have undertaken in the service of those who suffer most in this field of war.”

“The fight is difficult,” he said, noting that whenever one “gives face” and begins to work seriously, they run the same risk as the judge from Argentina, of getting “a little card with some insinuation.”

However, he stressed that despite the risks, “we are defending the human family, defending the youth, children...It’s not a matter of momentary discipline, it’s a thing that is projected forward.”



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. ****

Vibrant Parish Appeal – please continue to support this very important and ongoing project that is happening in our Eparchy.

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+Ken (Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster)

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