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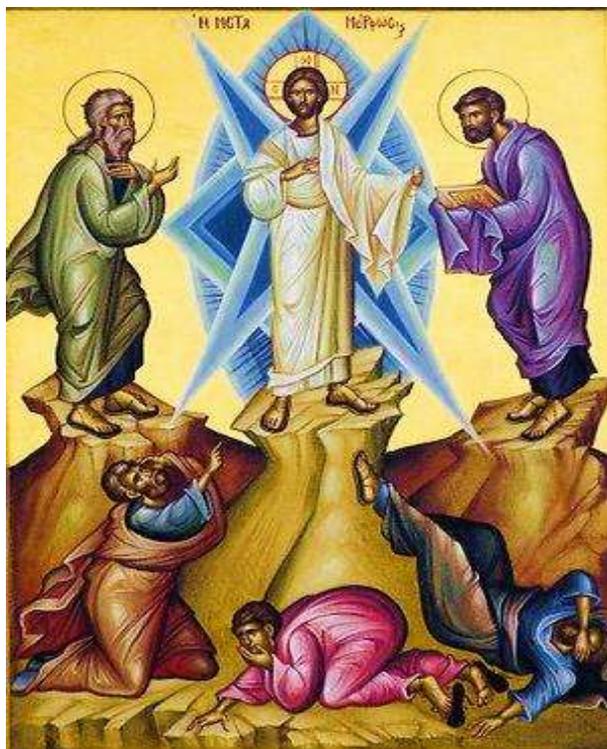
9th Sunday after Pentecost

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST – August 6th, 2017 A.D.

THE VIBRANT PARISH - A PLACE TO ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST: Through the Word, the Holy Mysteries & Prayer, Serving One's Neighbour, Leadership,

Fostering & Serving Unity and Missionary Spirit – Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude Sviatoslav

O Lord Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, as you once gathered lost sheep that they might hear Your voice and be your flock, so also today graciously look down from heaven upon our parish community, and send down on it your Holy Spirit, that it might be a place to receive the joy of Your Good News. Strengthen us with your presence, and always gather us together in prayer. Grant us the spirit of serving others, so that in our parish all might encounter You, the merciful God. Bless our spiritual leaders with Your wisdom, and inspire us to generously give of our time, talents and treasure for the building up of Your Kingdom. Unite us in peace and harmony, as befits Your community of love. Instill in us a missionary spirit, and let our parish community shine with the light of the Gospel, with prayer and good works, inviting all to share in the divine life, so that Your Name, O Saviour, may be praised, together with Your eternal Father, and your most-holy, good and life-giving Spirit. Amen.



When we were baptized, Christ manifests His power and glory by sending the Holy Spirit upon us and we became transfigured from a pagan to a child of God, and those same words ring out to us via orthodox teaching of Catholic Church through the centuries until today

... “Listen to Him”. - *Matthew 17:1-9*

“...Open the doors of your hearts and your homes to Christ, allow His Holy Spirit to transform you, purify and strengthen you in God's love!” - *Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk “The Vibrant Parish”*

“...Відчиніть двері своїх душ і домівок Христові, дозвольте Його Святому Духові вас перемінити, очистити і скріпити Божою любов'ю!” - *Пастирський Лист Блаженнішого Святослава Шевчука “Жива Парафія”*

Christian Greetings:

Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!
Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky!
Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віку!
Christ is among us! – He is and will be!

Liturgical Propers:

First Antiphon

Verse 1: Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing now to His name, give glory to His praise (*Ps 65:2*).

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

Verse 2: The voice of Your thunder was in the whirlwind; Your lightning lit up the world (*Ps 76:19*).

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

Verse 3: You have clothed Yourself in praise and splendour; You robe Yourself in light as with a cloak (*Ps 103:1-2*).

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

... Only-Begotten Son...

Third Antiphon

*We sing the usual Third Antiphon, but with the festal refrain: **Son of God, transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.***

Troparion (Tone 8): You came down from on high, O Merciful One and accepted three days of burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory be to You.

Troparion (Tone 7): You were transfigured on the mount, O Christ God, showing Your glory to Your disciples as much as they could bear. Make Your eternal light shine also on us who are sinners, through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Giver of Light, glory to You!

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

Kontakion (Tone 8): When You rose from the tomb, You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your resurrection, and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead O most merciful One.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (Tone 7): You were transfigured on the mount, O Christ God, and Your disciples saw Your glory as much as they could; that when they saw You crucified they might know that You suffered willingly, and might proclaim to the world that You are truly the brightness of the Father.

Prokimenon (tone 8): Pray and give praise to the Lord our God (Ps 75:12).

Verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel (Ps.75:2).

Prokimenon (tone 8): Pray and give praise to the Lord our God (Ps 75:12).

Epistle (for Sunday): *A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians: (1 Cor. 3:9-17)*

Brethren, (Apollos and I) are God's co-workers, while you are his cultivation, his building. Thanks to the favor God showed me I laid a foundation as a wise master-builder might do, and now someone else is building upon it. Everyone, however, must be careful how he builds. No one can lay a foundation other than the one that has been laid, namely Jesus Christ. If different ones build on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay or straw, the work of each will be made clear. The Day will disclose it. That day will make its appearance with fire, and fire will test the quality of each man's work. If the building a man has raised on this foundation still stands, he will receive his recompense; if a man's building burns, he will suffer loss. He himself will be saved, but only as one fleeing through fire. Are you not aware that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, and you are that temple.

Epistle (for Transfiguration of ICXP): *A reading of the 2nd Epistle of Saint Peter (2 Peter 1:10-19)*

Brethren, be all the more eager to make your call and election firm, for, in doing so, you will never stumble. For, in this way, entry into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ will be richly provided for you. Therefore, I will always remind you of these things, even though you already know them and are established in the truth you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this "tent," to stir you up by a reminder, since I know that I will soon have to put it aside, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has shown me. I shall also make every effort to enable you always to remember these things after my departure. We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory, "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain. Moreover, we possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable. You will do well to be attentive to it, as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

Alleluia (Tone 8): Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour (Ps 94:1). Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms (Ps 94:2).

Gospel (for Sunday): (Mt. 14:22-34)

At that time while dismissing the crowds, Jesus insisted that his disciples get into the boat and precede him to the other side. When he had sent them away, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray, remaining there alone as evening drew on. Meanwhile the boat, already several hundred yards out from shore, was being tossed about in the waves raised by strong headwinds. At about three in the morning, he came walking toward them on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. "It is a ghost!" they said, and in their fear they began to cry out. Jesus hastened to reassure them: "Get hold of yourselves! It is I. Do not be afraid!" Peter spoke up and said, "Lord, if it is really you, tell me to come to you across the water." "Come!" he said. So Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water, moving toward Jesus. But when he perceived how strong the wind was, becoming frightened, he began to sink and cried out,

“Lord, save me!” Jesus at one stretched out his hand and caught him. “How little faith you have!” he exclaimed. “Why did you falter?” Once they had climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat showed him reverence, declaring, “Beyond doubt you are the Son of God!” After making the crossing they reached the shore at Gennesaret.

Gospel (for Transfiguration of ICXP): (Matthew 17:1-9)

At that time Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Instead of “It is truly...”: O my soul, magnify the Lord transfigured on the mountain.

Imos (Tone 4): Your giving birth was revealed as incorrupt; for it was God who came forth from your womb; He appeared on earth in the flesh, and made His dwelling among us. Thus, O Mother of God, all of us magnify you.

Communion Verses: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest (Ps 148:1). We will walk in the light of Your face, O Lord, and rejoice in Your name forever (Ps 88:16-17). Alleluia! (x3)



Тропар (глас 8): З висоти зійшов Ти, Милосердний, і триденне погребення прийняв Ти, щоб нас звільнити від страждань. Життя і воскресіння наше, Господи, слава Тобі.

Тропар (глас 7): Переобразився ти на горі, Христе Боже, показавши ученикам твоїм славу твою, скільки змогли. Нехай засяє і нам, грішним, світло твоє повсякчасне, молитвами Богородиці, Світлодавче, слава тобі.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

Кондак (глас 8): Коли Ти воскрес із гробу, то й померлих підняв, і Адама воскресив; радіє Єва воскресінням Твоїм і кінці світу прославляють Твоє з мертвих воскресіння, Багатомилостивий.

І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Кондак (глас 7): На горі переобразився Ти і, скільки змогли, ученики твої славу твою, Христе Боже, виділи, щоб, коли побачать, як Тебе розпинають, страждання зрозуміли добровільне, а світові проповідять, що Ти еси воістину Отче сяяння.

Прокімен (глас 8): Помоліться і хвалу віддайте Господеві, Богу нашому (Пс. 75, 12).

Стих: Відомий Бог у Юдеї, в Ізраїлі велике ім'я Його (Пс 75,2).

Прокімен (глас 8): Помоліться і хвалу віддайте Господеві, Богу нашому (Пс. 75, 12).

ДО КОРИНТЯН ПЕРШЕ ПОСЛАННЯ СВ. АПОСТОЛА ПАВЛА ЧИТАННЯ (Кор. 3, 9-17):

Браття і Сестри, ми бо співробітники Божі, ви – Божа нива, Божа будівля. За благодаттю Божою, даною мені, я, мов мудрий будівничий, поклав основу, а інший на ній буде. Нехай же кожний вважає, як він буде. Іншої бо основи ніхто не може покласти, крім покладеної, якою є Ісус Христос. Коли ж хтось на цій основі буде з золота, срібла, самоцвітів, дерева, сіна, соломи, – кожного діло стане явне; день бо Господній зробить його явним; бо він відкривається в огні, і вогонь випробує діло кожного, яке воно. І коли чиєсь діло, що його він збудував, устоїться, той прийме нагороду; а коли чиєсь діло згорить, то він зазнає шкоди; однак він сам спасеться, але наче крізь вогонь. Хіба не знаєте, що ви – храм Божий, і що Дух Божий у вас перебуває? Коли хтось зруйнує храм Божий, Бог зруйнує того, бо храм Божий святий, а ним є ви.

Алилуя (глас 8): Прийдімо з похвалами пере обличчя Його, і псалмами воскликнім Йому (Пс. 94, 1). Хваліте Господа з небес, хваліте Його на висотах (Пс. 94, 2).

Євангеліє: (Мт. 14, 22-34)

У той час Ісус зараз же спонукав учнів увійти до човна й переплисти на той бік раніше від нього, тим часом як він відпускав народ. І коли відпустив народ, пішов на гору помолитися насамоті. Як звечоріло, він був там сам один. Човен уже був посеред моря і його кидали хвилі, бо вітер був супротивний. О четвертій сторожі ночі (Ісус) прийшов до них, ступаючи морем. Учні, побачивши, що він іде морем, жахнулись. “То привид!” – заговорили й закричали з переляку. Та Ісус тієї ж миті мовив до них: “Заспокойтесь, – це я, не страхайтесь!” Аж тут Петро озвався до нього й каже: “Господи, коли це ти, повели мені підійти водою до тебе!” “Підійди!” – сказав Ісус. І

вийшов Петро з човна, почав іти по воді і підійшов до Ісуса; але, побачивши, що вітер сильний, злякався, почав потопати й крикнув: “Господи, рятуй мене!” Ісус же притьмом простягнув руку, вхопив його і мовив до нього: “Маловіре; чого засумнівався?” І як увійшли до човна, вітер ущух. А тоді ті, що були в човні, вклонилися йому до ніг, кажучи: “Ти істинно – Син Божий!” І перепливши, прибули в землю генезаретську.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах (Пс 148,1). Алилуя (х3).

Our Eparch, Bishop Ken is requesting that at the conclusion of every Divine Liturgy we say an additional prayer for Peace in Ukraine until the end of the war. For peace in Ukraine, let us pray: Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be ...

GRATITUDE

* Thank you to all who celebrated my 65th jubilee as a Sister with your prayers, presence and gifts/ donations for orphans in Ukraine. What a wonderful celebration you made it. Bless you, Sr. Angelica and all Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate!

* Big thanks to everyone who donated and participated in our parish parking lot marking and painting lines project. God bless and reward your time and care!

* Thanks to Rev. Fr. Andrzej Wasylanko for substituting for Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts during his 10 days vacation time.

* to all our parishioners, guests, visitors and all people of the good will who by their kindness share time, make donations, knowingly and unknowingly for many people thoughtfully care and help our parish, attend services during the week, share time and work at the parish projects, look after and graciously support our Christian, Catholic parish community! Sincerest thank you very much! May the Almighty God generously bless and reward your care, time and generosity! **“Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us!”** (Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom)

CONGRATULATIONS

May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to all who celebrate their birthdays, name-days, wedding anniversaries and any other special anniversaries this week – Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR PARISHIONERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS WHO HAVE JOINED US IN THIS DIVINE LITURGY. THANK YOU FOR PRAYING WITH US AT THE CHUCH TODAY! WISHING YOU AND ALL YOUR DEAR ONES A RESTFUL WEEKEND AND BLESSED WEEK!

Special Petitions:

* Lord watch over your people in British Columbia who have had to flee their homes, send your Holy Spirit to comfort those who have lost their homes and business. Protect those who are battling the fires and give strength to them and all who are providing comfort to those in need, Lord hear us and have mercy!

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

* We also pray for the people of Ukraine, that with the help of the Holy Spirit, they may obtain social peace, political harmony and economic stability: Lord, hear us and have mercy.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: yourselves, Most Reverend Bishop-Emeritus Severian Yakymyshyn, Mike B. Lucy D., Edward H., Sofia B., Alex R., Kathleen B., William S., Fr. Jeffery S., Hedi M., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Fr. Edward E., Lily-Ann S., Mary D., Pauline P., Ray S., Cameron V., Rose O., Ric B., Shirley C., Peter D., Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Yvette U., Orest Kociuba, Kalyna Kociuba, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Stanley and Roma Nowakowski (Bishop Ken’s parents), Rose Ostopowich, all members of our parish and those who are not able to join actively in our community, your families, relatives, friends; governments and armed forces, especially the shut-in or those in the hospitals, traveling, working or studying, nursing and senior homes, those seeking God’s answer to their prayers or those rejoicing with God’s answer; those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries; those called to their eternal reward and for the family they leave behind; widows and widowers, orphans, homeless and all people who have asked us pray for them. Please, also in your kindness keep praying daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Remember to ask for special blessings to all Christian families! **REMINDER** for families of individuals, who are admitted to hospital - If you or a family member is admitted to hospital and you wish to have a priest visit, please be sure to have someone call our parish rectory office to make this request. Your pastor may have no other way of knowing that you are in hospital, as privacy legislation.

On behalf of our parish family, I would like to express the deepest sympathy to Mr. Peter Dranchuk, his family, relatives and friends! **May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place Mrs. Eleonore Dranchuk's soul in the place where all of the saints abide and may her memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers – Vichnaya Pamyat'/ Eternal Memory!**

Blessing of fruits, vegetables and berries, distributing of the blessed bread and Myrovania/blessing with the Holy Oil will be after the Divine Liturgy in our church today.

Prayer for the Blessing of First-Fruits, Vegetables and Berries

Priest: Let us pray to the Lord.

Faithful: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: O Lord Jesus Christ, God of God, Who said to Your disciples: "Whatever you ask when you pray, believe that you shall receive, and it shall come to you". We humbly beseech You, bless and sanctify these first-fruits, vegetables and berries which Your faithful servants have brought today to Your holy church. May they be an effective medicine for those who are sick and ailing, as well as a protection against the assaults of the enemy for those who keep them in their homes. May all those who partake of them enjoy the fullness of Your goodness and blessing. For You, are our true nourishment and the Giver of all good things, and we give glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever, and ever.

Faithful: Amen.

Priest: These first-fruits, vegetables and berries are blessed by the sprinkling of this holy water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Faithful: Amen.

Chancery Office Eparchy of New Westminster

To the Reverend Clergy & Lay Faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster

20 July 2017

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Friends,

Many of neighbours, our brothers and sisters in British Columbia are suffering due to the many large forest fires ravaging the province. We would like to show our solidarity and compassion for our fellow British Columbians.

During our Divine Liturgies I would like us to pray in a special way for those who are suffering and for those who are fighting the fires and comforting those who have lost their homes or have had to leave their homes.

"Lord watch over your people in British Columbia who have had to flee their homes, send your Holy Spirit to comfort those who have lost their homes and business. Protect those who are battling the fires and give strength to them and all who are providing comfort to those in need, Lord hear us and have mercy!"

If you have not already done so would also encourage you as individuals to donate to help.

1. Donate to the Canadian Red Cross online It's easy and ensures your contribution is put to best use. Go to the Red Cross: B.C. Fires Appeal donation page to get started.

[https://donate.redcross.ca/ea-action/action?](https://donate.redcross.ca/ea-action/action?ea.client.id=1951&ea.campaign.id=74010&_ga=2.222490975.535125083.1499724841-9480967.1499724841)

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2. Text **'FIRES'** to 45678

By far the easiest way to give; when you text, a \$10 Canadian Red Cross donation will be added onto your next cellphone bill. Don't forget to reply "YES" when they ask to confirm your contribution.

Please check with your local charities and regional district office regarding volunteering, providing food, shelter, or donations.

May our Blessed Mother of God intervened for those suffering and for those providing relief to those who need it the most.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain,
Sincerely yours in Christ,



On Friday, July 7th, a fire swept through the Ashcroft Indian Band destroying 12 homes. These homes were insured but the owners did not have content insurance. The fire came so quickly the band members were evacuated without a chance to gather anything.

Their greatest need right now is clothing. If you would like to donate clothing, they are in need of men's, women's, and children's clothing, all sizes.

Ms. Leah Blain, from Sts. Peter and Paul parish in Grindrod, will be going to Ashcroft in the next few weeks and can deliver donations. This is her family's reserve and her brother, Greg Blain, is the chief. For more information please call Ms. Leah Blain at [250-832-3067](tel:250-832-3067).

* **Dormition/Assumption Fast** – Aug. 1st- Aug. 14th, 2017 A.D.

* **Our Parish Praznyk/Feast Day will be celebrated on Sunday, August 20th, 2017 A.D.** The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. Potluck Reception/Banquet to follow. Please phone or send an email to our parish office if you plan to attend. There is no cost for the luncheon but donations are accepted. We are looking forward to pray, welcome and share the blessings and joy of this wonderful our annual parish feastday celebration with all of you!

* **Volunteers for Sunday coffee socials and clean-ups are needed** – please continue putting your name on the calendar posted in the church hall. If you can help out, please, let us know. Your help is truly appreciated!

* **Our Parish Maintenance Project** – looking at the most urgent needs of the parish property, the Parish Council agreed that repair and painting church windows will need to be done this summer. Thank you generosity of three of our parishioners we have collected \$300 (\$200 & \$100 for church windows). Very soon we will have quotes available for this project. We will be relying on parishioners' generous donations to pay for parish projects. Thank you for your generosity. God bless and reward you time and care!

* **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** Oct. 12-24, 2017 Walk in the footsteps of Jesus; an unforgettable experience with Rev. Fr. Joe Ostapowich, Sr. Angelica SSMI, brother & sister pilgrims. For details and price call Mrs. Myrna Arychuk at [604 - 617 - 7200](tel:604-617-7200)

* **FAITHFUL GIVING** Remember that we never take a day off or a vacation from God, or from our obligation to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays. When traveling, working or studying, please, make sure you check out the service schedule for the area churches at our eparchial website: www.nweparchy.ca and attend the Divine Liturgy. Please remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish is not. Expenses continue as they do throughout the year. Please, remain consistent in your gifts to parish. Your weekly Sunday offering is important to our financial well-being. If you are away, we appreciate it when you forward your "make-up" donations. The financial stability of the parish counts on regular Sunday contributions. Please, continue to be generous!

"Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us!" (*Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*)

* **Mr. Jeff Cavins** (an American Catholic evangelist, author, and biblical scholar) **will be coming to Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church (60 - First St. SE) in Salmon Arm, BC on Tuesday, August 8th, 2017 A.D.** He is giving a talk at 6:30 p.m. on the New Evangelization through the family. Everyone is welcome. Coffee and desserts will follow during a social time in the parish hall. Please RSVP to kelouillette@gmail.com

* **Please, mark your calendar and encourage you children and grandchildren to attend Eparchial Camp Saint Volodymyr 2017 on August 20-27, 2017.** The purpose of camp is to provide an opportunity for youth to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Children will experience Ukrainian language and culture during camp along with games, religious activities, hikes, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and other summer camp activities. Camp offers a wide range of activities for campers aged 7-15 (as of December 31, 2017). Registration will be available online via Eventbrite "Camp Saint Volodymyr BC 2017." The registration for our Eparchial summer camp is now OPEN!

To register follow the link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/camp-st-volodymyr-bc-2017-tickets-32623288133?aff=utm_source%3Dweb_email%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dnew_event_email&utm_term=eventurl_text You can also access the link through our camp's website csv.nweparchy.ca.

WAYS TO HELP VOLUNTEER Camp Saint Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. If you are interested in helping at this year's camp as a counsellor, chef, arts & crafts or cultural coordinator please contact Jennifer.

Applications forms for counsellors are due May 15, 2017. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal records check and must sign the camp code of conduct. For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com. Visit our webpage via www.nweparchy.ca DONATE: We are always happy to accept food donations of vegetables, fruits, cereals, and treats for children such as cakes, cookies, as well as monetary donations. Tax receipts can be issued with donations of \$25 or more.

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+Ken (Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster)

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**Pope Francis at Audience:
Remember the day of your Baptism**

Pope Francis on Wednesday resumed his General Audiences, after they were suspended during the month of July for a summer break.

The Holy Father once more took up the theme of Christian Hope, focusing on the Sacrament of Baptism, the Gateway of Hope.

In his catechesis, Pope Francis spoke about several aspects of the Baptismal liturgy. The older form of Baptism anticipated catechumens making the first part of their profession of faith turned to the west. After rejecting Satan, they turned to the apse, toward the east, where the sun rises, and professed their faith in God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

In our times, the Pope said, we have lost our fascination with this rite; we have lost our “sensitivity to the language of the cosmos.” But we have retained the significance of the rite: To be a Christian means “to look to the light, to continue to make the profession of faith in the light, even when the world is wrapped up in the night and in darkness”:

Christians, he said, are not exempt from darkness. “They do not live outside the world, but through the grace of Christ received in Baptism, they are men and women who are ‘oriented’: they do not believe in darkness, but in the brightness of the day; they do not succumb to the night, but hope in the dawn; they are not defeated by death, but are yearning to rise again; they are not bent down by evil, because they trust always in the infinite possibilities of goodness. And this is our Christian hope.”

The Pope also looked at the symbolism of the gift of a candle during the Baptism ceremony. The candle is lit from the Paschal candle, and recalls the Easter vigil liturgy when the light goes out from the Paschal candle to all the individual candles, and the whole Church is illuminated. The life of the Church, the Pope said – using a strong expression – is a kind of “contamination” by the light of Christ, which is spread from one to another. “The more of the light of Jesus that we have as Christians, the more of the light of Jesus there is in the life of the Church, and the more the Church lives.”

Finally, Pope Francis gave the faithful a kind of “homework assignment.” He asked those present to remember the day of their Baptism, “which is the date of your rebirth, it is the date of the light, it is the date in which...we were contaminated by the light of Christ.”

“What a grace it is,” the Holy Father said in conclusion, “when a Christian truly becomes a ‘Christopher’,” a “bearer of Christ” in the world. “If we would be faithful to our Baptism, we would spread the light of hope – Baptism is the beginning of hope, that hope of God – and we would pass on to future generations reasons for life.”

Source: Vatican Radio, <http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-francis-at-audience-remember-the-day-of-your>

Liturgical celebrations during week:

Tue., Aug. 8th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Rest of the soul of Serio Bezze**

Wed., Aug. 9th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Rest of the soul of Dale Scherer**

Thurs., Aug. 10th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Rest of the soul of Petronilla Pedrotti**

Friday, Aug. 11th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Rest of the soul of Vincent and Teresa Marino**

Saturday, August 12th, 2017 – 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God’s blessings**

for all parishioners. (*Service in Penticton, BC*)

Sunday, August 13th, 2017 – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all parishioners. (Eng./Ukr.)

* Please, contact Fr. Pavlo if you want to have the Divine Liturgies celebrated in your special (such as: In thanksgiving for favours received, the Infirm, General Intentions, the Deceased, Help of the Holy Spirit, for the Travelers, etc.) intentions.

Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments: **Reconciliation:** on Sundays and Holy Days: before Liturgies and other days, by appointment. **Holy Communion:** for the sick, by appointment, any time. **Baptisms:** by appointment. **Marriages:** six months' notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made. **Funerals and Memorials:** by appointment. **Holy Unction** (Anointing of the Sick): Those anticipating surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive anointing or to **meet with parish priest, please call or email**

Fr. Pavlo in advance to arrange a time and a day. ***Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:** You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Holy 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 and 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 very welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.**