



**Dormition of the Mother of God
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Українська Католицька Церква
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17th Sunday after Pentecost, PROTECTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

Blessed Bishop Martyr Nykyta Budka

the First Ukrainian Catholic Eparch of Canada - October 1st, 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.

The Woman, in today's Gospel reading, who is pictured pestering Jesus to no end was a Canaanite, a non-Jew. To the Jewish people of the time, non-Jews, the gentiles, were often referred to as dogs. Someone who had no inheritance to their promised land, someone who worshipped foreign idols, and as a result, someone of whom Jews never associated with. This woman, we are told, had a daughter who was troubled by a demon; one who was terribly ill. Her own doctors could not cure her, and after all else fails, turns to Jesus as a last resort and asks Him to cure her daughter.

How many of us personally approach God as a stranger, like this woman, turning to the Son of God Jesus Christ only when all else seems helpless.

"...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 in English language:



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 4): Today we believers radiantly celebrate,* flooded in light by your coming to us, O Mother of God;* beholding your pure image,* we say with contrition:* shelter us with your precious protection* and deliver us from every evil,* entreating Your Son, Christ our God, to save our souls.

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.

Theotokion (tone 3): Today the Virgin stands before us in the church* and together with the choir of saints invisibly prays to God for us.* Angels are worshiping with hierarchs,* Apostles exult with prophets,* for the Mother of God prays on our behalf to the eternal God.

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

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

Prokeimenon (tone 3): My soul magnifies the Lord,* and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour. (Lk. 1, 46)

Epistle: *A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians: (2 Cor. 6:16 - 7:1)*

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God, just as God has said: "I will dwell with them and walk among them. I will be their God and they shall be my people. Therefore, 'Come out from among them and separate yourselves from them,' says the Lord; 'and touch nothing unclean. I will welcome you and be a father to you and you will be my sons and daughters,' says the Lord Almighty."



Since we have these promises, beloved, let us purify ourselves from every defilement of flesh and spirit, and in the fear of God strive to fulfill our consecration perfectly.

Alleluia (tone 8): **Verse:** Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour. (Ps. 95, 1).

Verse: Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms. (Ps. 95, 2).

Verse: Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear (Ps 45, 11).

Verse: The rich among the people shall entreat your countenance. (Psalm 45:13)

Gospel: (Mt. 15:21-28)

At that time, Jesus: withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. It happened that a Canaanite woman living in that locality presented herself, crying out to him, "Lord, Son of David, have pity on me! My daughter is terribly troubled by a demon." He gave her no word of response. His disciples came up and began to entreat him, "Get rid of her. She keeps shouting after us." "My mission is only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel," Jesus replied. She came forward then and did him homage with the plea, "Help me, Lord!" But he answered, "It is not right to take the food of sons and daughters and throw it to the dogs." "Please, Lord," she insisted, "even the dogs eat the leavings that fall from their masters' tables." Jesus then said in reply, "Woman, you have great faith! Your wish will come to pass." That very moment her daughter got better.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. (Ps. 148, 1). Alleluia (3x)



Liturgical Propers in Ukrainian language:

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 4): Днесь, благовірні люди, світло празнуємо,* отінювані твоїм, Богомати, пришестям,* і, спозираючи на твій пречистий образ, покірно мовимо:* Покрий нас чесним твоїм покровом* і ізбав нас від усякого зла,* молячи Сина твого, Христа Бога нашого, спасти душі наші.

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.

Богородичний (глас 3): Діва днесь предстоїть у церкві* і з ликами святих невидимо за нас молиться Богу.* Ангели з архиєреями поклоняються,* апостоли з пророками ликують,* бо ради нас молить Богородиця прівічного Бога!

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 3): Величає душа моя Господа* і возрадувався дух мій у Бозі, Спасі моїм. (Лк. 1, 46)

Апостол: *До Коринтян другого послання Святого Апостола Павла читання:* (2 Кор. 6, 16 - 7, 1)

Браття і Сестри, ми бо храм Бога живого, як сам Бог сказав був: 'Я поселюся в них, і (посеред них) буду ходити. Буду їхнім Богом, вони ж будуть моїм народом. Тож вийдіть з-поміж них і відлучіться, – каже Господь. Нечистого не дотикайтесь, і я вас прийму. Я буду вам Отцем, ви ж будете мені синами та дочками – каже Господь Вседержитель.' Маючи ж такі обітниці, о любі, очистьмо себе від усякої скверни тіла і духа, довершуючи наше освячення в Божому острасі.

Алилуя (глас 8):

Стих: Прийдіте, радісно заспіваймо Господеві, воскликнім Богу, Спасителеві нашому. (Пс. 95, 1).

Стих: Прийдімо з похвалами перед обличчя Його, і псалмами воскликнім Йому. (Пс. 95, 2).

Стих: Слухай, дочко, і споглянь, і прихили вухо твоє (Пс 45, 11).

Стих: Лицю твоєму помоляться багаті народи (Пс 45, 13).

Євангеліє: (Мт. 15, 21-28)

Того часу ввійшов Ісус у сторони тирські та сидонські. Коли це жінка ханаанянка вийшла з цих околиць і почала кричати: "Змилуйся надо мною, Господи, Сину Давида! Біс мучить мою дочку страшенно." Він же не озвався до неї і словом. Тут приступили його учні й почали його просити: "Відпусти її, бо вона кричить за нами." А він у відповідь промовив: "Я посланий лише до загублених овець дому Ізраїля." Та ж підійшла і, вклонившись йому в ноги, каже: "Господи, допоможи мені!" Він відповів їй: "Не личить брати хліб у дітей і кидати щенятам." А вона каже: "Так, Господи! Але й щенята їдять кришки, що падають зо столу в панів їхніх." Тоді відповів їй Ісус: "О жінко, велика твоя віра! Хай тобі буде, як бажаєш." І видужала її дочка від тієї години.

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



Молитва Живої Парафії:

Господи Ісусе Христе, Пастирю Добрий, як колись Ти пригорнув заблуканих овець, щоб вони пізнали Твій голос і були Твоїм стадом, так і сьогодні глянь ласкаво з небесних висот на нашу парафію та зішли на неї Твого Святого Духа, щоб вона була місцем пізнання радості Доброї Новини. Скріплюй нас Твоєю присутністю та єдною нас кожночасно в молитві. Даруй нам духа служіння ближньому, щоб у нашій парафії кожний міг зустріти Тебе, милостивого Бога. Благослови наш духовний провід Твоєю мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єдною нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були Твоєю спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті,

щоб славилося, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.



THANK YOU VERY MUCH! ЩИРО ВАМ ДЯКУЄМО!

* 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! **May the Almighty God bless and reward your time and care!**

“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!” (A Prayer from the 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!



NEWS and 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 A BLESSED, RESTFUL WEEKEND AND FRUITFUL, HEALTHY AND SAFE WEEK! EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO COME AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH COFFE AND FELLOWSHIP AT THE CHURCH HALL TODAY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY TODAY!

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., Janet F., Alex R., Kathleen B., William S., Lawrence S., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Fr. Edward E., Lily-Ann S., Mary D., Pauline P., Ray S., Cameron V., Rose O., Keyton A., Ric B., Shirley C., Peter D., Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Yvette U., Ann W., 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.
- **CATECHISM ANNOUNCEMENT:** *"And they were bringing to Him also the infants, in order that He may be touching them; but after the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Himself and said, Let*

alone the little children to come to Me, and cease hindering them; for of such is the kingdom of God.” (Matthew 19:14) We are happy to welcome all children to our Dormition of the Mother of God parish catechism program. We want your children to learn more about their orthodox faith in the Catholic Church, sacred scripture, feast days, icons, singing and religious practices and customs of the Ukrainian Catholic Church. If you have any questions, please, do not hesitate to contact Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts (tel.: 250-860-7295) or Mrs. Marilyn Daulat (tel.: 250-801-7538). With the help of God, we are starting our parish Catechism classes for children today on Sunday, October 1st, 2017 A.D.

- **A SPECIAL REQUEST:** After each Divine Liturgy and every church service, please, keep silence in the House of the Lord as some of the faithful are still praying at the church. As well, please, do not forget close all Liturgy and/or hymnbooks and return them to their proper place. Also, please do not leave any church bulletins or any other material in the pews. Let each of us do our part to be true stewards of our parish church by helping to keep the church building clean and neat. Thank you very much!

● **EPARCHY OF NEW WESTMINSTER VIBRANT PARISH APPEAL SHARE YOUR HEART**

“...We need your urgent and immediate support to guarantee the viability of our Eparchy for future generations of your children and grandchildren. We want to ensure the survival of pastoral services including the celebration of the sacraments in the Ukrainian Catholic tradition, such as Divine Liturgies, Baptism, Marriages, Funerals and the great Feasts, which means so much to us...” **+Ken**

(Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster)

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- **Life Chain Annual Life Chain** is at the corner of Harvey/ HWY 97 & Gordon Drive from **2:00 – 3:30 p.m. in Kelowna, BC today on Sunday of Oct. 1st, 2017 A.D.** Please, come and join us in this very important manifestation of our Christian faith!



Life Chain is a peaceful witness of pro-Life Canadians standing for one hour praying for our country, for an end to abortion and against the implementation of euthanasia and assisted suicide. It is a visual statement of solidarity in support of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. We can truly make a difference by being not afraid to witness Christianity and dignity of every human person TOGETHER!

- **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!
- **Glasses Prescription Box for Ukraine** is placed and located at the left side by the entrance to the parish hall. Please, feel free to participate in and support this important project.
- **Red Beets donations:** If you have extra red beets, please, feel free to donate to our parish kitchen in support parish bake sales fundraising project.
- **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)
- **The Monthly totals of Sundays’ monetary donations in September 2017 were:** \$ 2,112.00 collected in envelopes, and \$ 238.05 in loose cash.

- 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 and Holy Days. 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 supportive and 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*)

**Bread
and Salt**

**CELEBRATING THE HISTORY OF
UKRAINIANS IN CANADA**

Oct 12, 2017 to Jan 27, 2018
Monday to Saturday | 10am to 5pm
 Okanagan Heritage Museum, 470 Queensway Ave.

Explore the exhibition and experience one of our workshops!

Bread and Salt Grand Opening | Oct 21, 2-4pm
 Bread and Salt is a travelling exhibition celebrating Ukrainian Canadian culture. The grand opening will include special Ukrainian dances and a fashion show. Everyone is welcome.

Ukrainian Egg Decorating Workshop | Nov 4, 10am-12pm
 Learn tips and techniques to decorate your own Ukrainian egg.
 \$15 per person | Must register prior to event.

Ukrainian Christmas Bread Workshop | Dec 9, 10am-12pm
 Learn how to make Ukrainian Christmas bread, and taste the final product!
 \$15 per person | Must register prior to event.





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- BOX FOR USED CHURCH BULLETINS** – since our Sunday bulletins contain Sacred Scripture readings & icons, they need to be disposed of properly/respectfully after use. Please do not throw them into the garbage but recycle them after shredding if possible. In order to assist with this request, we have provided a special box for used bulletins at the church entrance.



BE A STEWARD: Have you ever wondered what more can you do to help our parish? Here are some suggestions: Steward of property security; Steward of grounds cleaning; Steward of cleaning church; Steward of church linen; Steward of outreach; Steward of caring; Steward of prayer; Steward of service. Quite often, our homebound or senior members, once active in their younger years, want to find purpose in their senior years. It’s not only about doing but about “BEING” present to others!

* **50th PARISH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN SURREY, BC:**

The parish will be holding the Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Parish on Saturday, October 21st at 5:00 PM

– Banquet (5 STAR CATERING SUNRISE BANQUET & CONFERENCE CENTRE at 5640 188 Str.); Sunday, October 22 - Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am. For tickets, please contact Mr. Lawrence Kotylak or Rev. Fr. Andrii Chornenkyy If you would like to submit some photos or other materials for 50th Anniversary Celebration, please use the following e-mail address: 50holycross@gmail.com



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PROTECTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The miraculous appearance of the Mother of God occurred in the midtenth century in Constantinople, in the Blachernae church where her robe, veil, and part of her belt were preserved after being transferred from Palestine in the 5th c. On Sunday, October 1, during the All Night Vigil, when the church was overflowing with those at prayer, the Fool-for-Christ Saint Andrew, at the fourth hour, lifted up his eyes towards the heavens and beheld our most Holy Lady Theotokos coming through the air, resplendent with heavenly light and surrounded by an assembly of the Saints. Saint John the Baptist and the holy Apostle John the Theologian accompanied the Queen of Heaven.

On bended knees the Most Holy Virgin tearfully prayed for Christians for a long time. Then, coming near the Bishop's Throne, she continued her prayer.

After completing her prayer she took her veil and spread it over the people praying in church, protecting them from enemies both visible and invisible. The Most Holy Lady Theotokos was resplendent with heavenly glory, and the protecting veil in her hands gleamed "more than the rays of the sun." Saint Andrew gazed trembling at the miraculous vision and he asked his disciple, the blessed Epiphanius standing beside him, "Do you see, brother, the Holy Theotokos, praying for all the world?" Epiphanius answered, "I do see, holy Father, and I am in awe." The Ever-Blessed Mother of God implored the Lord Jesus Christ to accept the prayers of all the people calling on His Most Holy Name, and to respond speedily to her intercession, "O Heavenly King, accept all those who pray to You and call on my name for help. Do not let them go away from my icon unheard." Saints Andrew and Epiphanius were worthy to see the Mother of God at prayer, and "for a long time observed the Protecting Veil spread over the people and shining with flashes of glory. As long as the Most Holy Theotokos was there, the Protecting Veil was also visible, but with her departure it also became invisible.

After taking it with her, she left behind the grace of her visitation." At the Blachernae church, the memory of the miraculous appearance of the Mother of God was remembered. In the fourteenth century, the Slavic pilgrim and clerk Alexander, saw in the church an icon of the Most Holy Theotokos praying for the world, depicting Saint Andrew in contemplation of her. The Primary Chronicle of Saint Nestor reflects that the protective intercession of the Mother of God was needed because an attack of a large pagan Kyivan fleet under the leadership of Askole and Dir. The feast celebrates the divine destruction of the fleet which threatened Constantinople itself, sometime in the years 864-867 or on June 18, 860. Ironically, this Feast is considered important by the Slavic Churches but not by the Greeks. The Primary Chronicle of Saint Nestor also notes the miraculous deliverance followed an all-night Vigil and the dipping of the garment of the Mother of God into the waters of the sea at the Blachernae church, but does not mention Saints Andrew and Epiphanius and their vision of the Mother of God at prayer. These latter elements, and the beginnings of

the celebrating of the Feast of the Protection, seem to postdate Saint Nestor and the Chronicle. A further historical complication might be noted under (October 2) dating Saint Andrew's death to the year 936. The year of death might not be quite reliable, or the assertion that he survived to a ripe old age after the vision of his youth, or that his vision involved some later pagan Russian raid which met with the same fate. The suggestion that Saint Andrew was a Slav (or a Scythian according to other sources, such as S. V. Bulgakov) is interesting, but not necessarily accurate.

The extent of Slavic expansion and repopulation into Greece is the topic of scholarly disputes. In the PROLOGUE, a Slavonic book of the twelfth century, a description of the establishment of the special Feast marking this event states, "For when we heard, we realized how wondrous and merciful was the vision... and it transpired that Your holy Protection should not remain without festal celebration, O Ever-Blessed One!" Therefore, in the festal celebration of the Protection of the Mother of God, the Church sings, "With the choirs of the Angels, O Sovereign Lady, with the venerable and glorious prophets, with the First-Ranked Apostles and with the Hieromartyrs and Hierarchs, pray for us sinners, glorifying the Feast of your Protection in the Rus' Land." Moreover, it would seem that Saint Andrew, contemplating the miraculous vision was a Slav, was taken captive, and became the slave of the local inhabitant of Constantinople named Theognostus.



Liturgical celebrations during week:

- Tuesday, Oct. 3th, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Peaceful repose of the souls of Mary, Elizabeth, Emmett, Margaret and Angus Brady**
- Wednesday, Oct. 4th, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Peaceful repose of the souls of Mary, Elizabeth, Emmett, Margaret and Angus Brady**
- Thursday, Oct. 5th, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Peaceful repose of the souls of Mary, Elizabeth, Emmett, Margaret and Angus Brady**
- Friday, Oct. 6th, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Peaceful repose of the souls of Mary, Elizabeth, Emmett, Margaret and Angus Brady**
- Saturday, October 7th, 2017 – 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.**
(Service in Penticton, BC)
- Sunday, October 8th, 2017 – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.** (in English)
– 11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.** (in Ukrainian)

* 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 and Sacramental Ministry: **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 Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts in advance to arrange time and a day.

***Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:** You are a member of the Catholic Church (faithful of the Orthodox churches are very 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.**