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Ukrainian Catholic Church



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29th Sunday after Pentecost, Conception of Saint Anna

when she conceived the Blessed Virgin Mary;

Зачаття Святою Анною Пречистої Діви Марії – December 9th, 2018 A.D.

“We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love.

Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace.” - teaches Pope Francis

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 Shevchuk



“All the challenging circumstances of our life on earth – these are for us an invitation to active love, which is an expression of living faith!” - Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk

“The Vibrant Parish”

“Всі ці прикри явища нашого земного життя – це для нас запрошення до чинної любові, яка є виявом живої віри.”

- 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 and Sacramental celebrations during week:

Tue., Dec. 11th – 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy: **In memory and repose soul nephew John Paul and brother-in-law Richard**

(requested by Mrs. Marilyn Daulat)

Wed., Dec. 12th – 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy: **In memory and repose soul of Mrs. Irena Cichocka** (requested by Mr. Gregory Bulat)

- 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: **Sacrament of Confession**

- 7:00 pm: **Moleben to Emanuel**

Fri., Dec. 14th – 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy:

Thurs., Dec. 13th – 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy:

Saturday, Dec. 15th – 3:40 p.m. Lectio Divina / Bible Studies: (**Studies and Service in Penticton, BC**)

– 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners**

Sunday, Dec. 16th – 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (*in English language*)

- 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.** (*in English language*)

- 11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.** (*in Ukrainian language*)

Pastoral and Sacramental Ministry: **Baptisms:** by appointment. **Funerals and Memorials:** by appointment.

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

Liturgical Propers in English language:



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 4): Today the chains of barrenness are shattered, for having heard the prayer of Joachim and Anna, against all hope God has openly promised the birth of the Maiden of God, from whom the very infinite One will be born as a man, the One who commanded the angels to cry to her: rejoice, O full of grace, the Lord is with you.

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 forever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (tone 4): Today the whole world celebrates the conception by Anna, which was brought about by God Himself, for she has ineffably borne the one who will bear the Word.

Prokeimenon (tone 4): How great are Your works, O Lord You have made all things in wisdom. (*Psalm 103:1*)

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great. (*Psalm 103:24*)

Prokeimenon (tone 4): God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel. (*Psalm 67:36*)

Epistle: *A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians: (Col. 1:12-18, Gal. 4:22-31)*

Brothers and Sisters, giving thanks to the Father for having made you worthy to share the lot of the same saints in light. He rescued us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His Beloved Son. Through him we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creatures. In him everything in heaven and on earth was created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominations, principalities or powers; all were created through him, and for him. He is before all else that is. In him everything continues in being. It is he who is head of the body, the church; he who is the beginning, the first-born of the dead, so that primacy may be his in everything.



Brothers and Sisters, it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and the other by a free woman. One, the child of the slave, was born according to the flesh; the other, the child of the free woman, was born through the promise. Now this is an allegory: these women are two covenants. One woman, in fact, is Hagar, from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. But the other woman corresponds to the Jerusalem above; she is free, and she is our mother. For it is written, “Rejoice, you childless one, you who bear no children, burst into song and shout, you who endure no birth pangs; for the children of the desolate woman are more numerous than the children of the one who is married.” Now you, my friends, are children of the promise, like Isaac. But just as at that time the child who was born according to the flesh persecuted the child who was born according to the Spirit, so it is now also. But what does the scripture say? “Drive out the slave and her child; for the child of the slave will not share the inheritance with the child of the free woman.” So then, friends, we are children, not of the slave but of the free woman.

Alleluia (tone 4): Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice. (Ps. 44:5) You have loved justice and hated iniquity (Ps. 44:8). The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; He is their protector in time of trouble (Ps. 36:39). The Lord will help them and rescue them; He will deliver them from sinners and save them, for they hoped in Him. (Ps. 36:40)

Gospel: (*Luke 17:12-19; Luke 8:16-21*)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

The Lord said, “No one after lighting a lamp hides it under a jar, or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a lampstand, so that those who enter may see the light. For nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not become known and come to light. Then pay attention to how you listen; for to those who have, more will be given; and from those who do not have, even what they seem to have will be taken away.” Then his mother and his brothers came to him, but they could not reach him because of the crowd. And he was told, “Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you.” But he said to them, “My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it.”

Hymn to the Mother of God: O my soul, magnify the glorious conception of the Mother of God.

Irmos (tone 1): Let us the faithful magnify the Mother of God, wellspring ever-flowing and life-receiving, the light-bearing lamp of grace, the living temple and tabernacle all pure, even more spacious than heaven and earth.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. (Ps. 148:1) Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. (Ps. 32:1) *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

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.**



VIBRANT PARISH PRAYER: 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.

❖ **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.*



Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Тропар (глас 4): Світлу про воскресіння розповідь від ангела почувши і від прадідного засуду звільнившись, Господні учениці, радіючи, казали апостолам: Здолано смерть, воскрес Христос Бог, що дає світові велику милість.

Тропар (глас 4): Днесь узи бездітності розрішаються, Йоакима бо й Анну, вислухавши, Бог проти надії явно обіцює, що вони родитимуть Богодівицю, з якої сам родився неописаний, що, ставши чоловіком, ангелові повелів співати їй: Радуйся, благодатна. Господь з тобою.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

Кондак (глас 4): Спас і мій визволитель, як Бог, із гробу воскресив землян від узів і розбив брами адові та воскрес на третій день, як Владика. *І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.*

Кондак (глас 4): Празнує днесь вселенна зачаття Анни, що сталося від Бога, бо вона породила понад усяке слово ту, що родила Слово.

Прокімен (глас 4): Які величні діла Твої, Господи! Все премудрістю сотворив Ти (Пс. 103, 24).

Стих: Благослови, душе моя, Господа! Господи, Боже мій, Ти вельми великий (Пс. 103, 1)

Прокімен (глас 4): Дивний Бог у святих своїх, Бог Ізраїлів (Пс. 67, 36)

Апостол: *До Колосян та Галатів послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Кол. 1, 12-18, Гал. 4, 22-31)*

Браття і Сестри, дякуйте Богові й Отцеві, Який зробив вас гідними мати участь у спадкоємстві святих у світі, Який вирвав нас із влади тьми і переніс у царство Свого улюбленого Сина, в якому маємо відкуплення і прощення гріхів. Він образ невидимого Бога, первородний усього створіння, бо в Ньому все було створено, що на небі і що на землі, видиме і невидиме: чи то престоли, чи господьства, чи начала, чи власті, все було Ним і для Нього створене. Він раніш усього, і все існує в Ньому. Він також голова тіла, тобто Церкви. Він початок, первородний з мертвих, щоб у всьому мав першенство.



Браття і Сестри, Авраам мав двох синів: одного від рабині, а другого від вільної. Та той, що від рабині, народився за тілом, а той що від вільної – за обітницею. Це має інше значення: оті дві жінки – то два завіти; один з гори Синаю, що рабів родить, це – Агар; а гора Синай в Арабії і відповідає теперішньому Єрусалимові, що дійсно поневолений з дітьми своїми. А вишній Єрусалим – вільний, він мати всім нам. Написано бо: “Звеселися, неплодна, що не родиш! Викликуй, рада та весела, ти, що мук не знала, бо у покинутій більше дітей, ніж у тієї, що має чоловіка.” Ви ж, брати, як Ісаак, діти обітничі. Та як тоді, хто народився за тілом, гонив того, хто родився за духом, так і тепер. Тільки ж що Письмо каже: “Прожени рабиню та її сина, бо син рабині не успадкує з сином вільної.” Отак, брати, ми сини не рабині, а вільної.

Алилуя (глас 4): Натягни лук і наступай, і пануй істини ради, лагідности і справедливости (Пс. 44, 5). Ти полюбив правду і зненавидів беззаконня (Пс. 44, 8) Стих: Спасення праведним від Господа і оборонець він їм у часі скорби (Пс. 36, 39). І поможе їм Господь, і избавить їх, і забере їх від грішників, і спасе їх, бо повали на нього (Пс. 36, 40)

Свангеліє: (Лк. 17, 12-19; Лк. 8, 16-21)

У той час, коли Ісус входив в одне село, вийшло йому назустріч десять прокажених, що стояли здалека. Вони піднесли голос і казали: “Ісусе, Наставнику, змилуйся над нами!” Побачивши їх, він промовив: “Ідіть та покажіться священикам.” І сталось, як вони йшли, очистилися. Один же з них, побачивши, що видужав, повернувся, славлячи великим голосом Бога. І припав лицем до ніг Ісуса, почав йому дякувати. Він був самарянин. Озвався Ісус і каже: “Хіба не десять очистилось? Де ж дев’ять? І не знайшовся між ними, щоб повернутись, Богові хвалу воздати, ніхто інший, окрім цього чужинця?” І він сказав до нього: “Встань, іди: віра твоя спасла тебе.”

Сказав Господь: “Ніхто не засвічує світила, щоб його вкрити посудиною або поставити під ліжко, а, навпаки, його ставлять на свічнику, щоб ті, що входять, бачили світло. Нічого бо нема захованого, що б не стало явним, ані нічого тайного, що б не стало знаним і на яв не вийшло. Вважайте, отже, як слухаєте: бо хто має, тому дається; а хто не має, заберуть і те, що йому здається, нібито має.” Мати його й брати прийшли були до нього, та зачерез народ не могли до нього доступитись. Його повідомили: “Мати твоя і брати твої стоять надворі, хочуть побачитися з тобою.” Він же у відповідь сказав їм: “Мати моя і брати мої це ті, що слухають слово Боже й його виконують.”

Замість Достойно співаємо: Величай, душе моя, преславне зачаття Божої Матері.

Ірмос (глас 1): Життєприймаюче джерело, завжди текуче, світлоносний світильник благодаті, храм одушевлений, скинню пречисту, від небес до землі просторишу – Богородицю, вірні, величаємо.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес, хваліте Його на висотах (Пс. 148, 1). Радуйтеся, праведні, у Господі, правим належить похвала (Пс. 32, 1). **Алилуя** (х3).



Молитва Живої Парафії: Господи Ісусе Христе, Пастирю Добрий, як колись Ти пригорнув заблуканих овечок, 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 згоді, 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 славилось, 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! <<<<

Gratitudes to all our parishioners, guests, visitors and all people of the good will who by their kindness share time, volunteer and organize coffee and socials, make donations, organized, worked and attended our parish annual Christmas Food Sale Bazaar, helped to beautifully decorate and clean inside the church for Christmas, knowingly and unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully care and help our parish community, parishioners welcoming our guests and visitors, volunteered sharing time and care helping at the pierogies making work bees, cleaning and organizing, and with other parish projects and programs, looking after and graciously supporting our Christian, Catholic Church community! May the Almighty God bless and abundantly reward your time, care 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!”**

(A Prayer from the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom)

Every parishioner is personally responsible before God for our spiritual home-parish-church!

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mrs. Shely Zemlak on her birthday (Dec. 9th), Mark Fedorov on his birthday (Dec. 9th), Mr. Dominic Verhelst on his birthday (Dec. 12th), Mr. Kevin Hillman on his birthday (Dec. 14th), and to all those who celebrate their birthdays, heavenly patron’s /saint’s Saint Anna name-day, wedding anniversaries and any other special anniversaries this week – Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!



NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHIONERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS WHO HAVE JOINED US IN THIS DIVINE LITURGY. THANK YOU FOR PRAYING WITH US AT THE CHURCH TODAY! WISHING YOU A BLESSED, RESTFUL WEEKEND AND FRUITFUL, HEALTHY AND SAFE WEEK! EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO COME AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP AT THE CHURCH HALL TODAY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY TODAY!

- ❖ **Special collections to purchase Christmas Flowers** is organized on Sundays of Dec. 9th, and Dec. 16th, 2018 A.D.
- ❖ **CHRISTMAS CAROLLING:** All English and Ukrainian speaking parishioners wishing to participate at our parish Christmas carolling visitations, please contact Mrs. Olena Fedorov, Dob. Marichka or Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts
 - ❖ **7days Candle offering:** Please, continue to offer your prayers by lighting candles in your intentions at the church. 7 days candle (blue and red colours) offering is \$ 10
- ❖ **TAX RECEIPT:** To ensure that you receive a tax receipt for your church donations, please, make sure your name or registered with our parish envelope number is written at a special church donation envelope.
- ❖ **JOIN OUR CHOIR:** Do you enjoy singing? Please consider joining our Dormition Parish Choir and remember that we are looking for new members! Contact Mrs. Lesia Achtymichuk for more information and details.
- ❖ **PLEASE, REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:** yourselves, Most Reverend Bishop-Emeritus Severian Yakymyshyn, Lucy D., Janet F., Alex R., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Ray Saranchuk, Cameron V., Rose Ostopowich, Keyton A., Ric B., Rocio A., Kit C., Shirley C., Peter Dranchuk, Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Olga Kuzyk, Anthony and Victoria Huziak, George and Mary Dashkewytch, Olga Romanyshyn, Myron Stec, Kay Ilnitski, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Stanley and Roma Nowakowski (Bishop Ken's parents), Barbara and Vincent Pasternak, Dorothy Scott, Lorraine Turcotte, Dr. Nadia Popil, the Hillman Family, Ann Boitson, Sandra Shynkaryk, 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. **SPIRIT OF CHRISTIAN AWARENESS: Dear parishioners, if our brother / sister in Christ, who usually sits next to you, is not in the Church today, please phone him / her and ask how he / she is doing. Let him /her know that our parish community misses him / her very much!**

❖ *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.*

- ❖ **'KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS'** - as part of our parish fundraiser these special magnets are available for purchase at a donation of \$ 5.00. By placing on our cars, a magnet KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS, prepared by the Knights of Columbus, we evangelize silently and verbally through this wonderful symbol. In addition, by purchasing this magnet we also support our parish, since all money collected in our parish for these magnets are donated by the Knights of Columbus to our parish.



- ❖ **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.

- ❖ **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!



- ❖ **Annual Celebration of Saint Nicholas Day** will take place at our parish after the Divine Liturgy today, on **Sunday, Dec. 9th, 2018 A.D.**

❖ **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!



❖ **BE A STEWARD:** Have you ever wondered what more can you do to help our parish-church? 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! **Please, feel very welcome to participate in our church choir singing, reading of the Epistles and others inspiring Bible texts, holding the candles during the Gospels readings, processions, welcoming, parish cleaning, projects, etc.** **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** to help out with weekly cleaning in the church and organizing of coffee social after the Divine Liturgy on Sundays, work-bees, etc. If you can help out, please, let us know. Please, Contact Mr. Neil Lalach or Fr. Pavlo for more information. You will be amazed how "BEING" can make a difference at our spiritual, parish life!

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❖ **PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE AND UKRAINE:** Sept. 4th - 22nd, 2019, an unforgettable experience with Sr. Angelica SSMI, brother & sister pilgrims. For details and price call Mrs. Myrna Arychuk at **604 - 617 - 7200**

❖ **FAITHFUL GIVING** ... Please, 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, participating in different sport's tournaments, activities 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.** Remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish-church 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*)

❖ **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.

❖ **Rachel's Corner:** *"I am a sinner worthy of God's love and forgiveness and my own forgiveness. Jesus died to forgive me. How can I deny this? For my wrong, I have been able to grieve, and memorialize my babies. My burden was lifted, and my heart feels light again."* Testimonial

Would you like to have a confidential place where you could grieve your involvement in an abortion decision that left you with a burden in your heart that has affected you in so many ways? Come on a Rachel Retreat. They understand and can help you to let that burden go.

Healing after Abortion Ministry 250-762-2273 info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com or information and registration visit: www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, Facebook: **Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna Rachel's Vineyard Retreat:**

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through our Christmas Candle appeal. Since 2012 our Eparchy has been collecting funds to help underprivileged and orphaned children in Ukraine through our Christmas Candle appeal. Our fundraising program is part of a larger global appeal sponsored by Caritas Ukraine. We have had great momentum over the last few years raising over \$20,000 with support from our BC Parishes as well as Parishes in other Provinces and parts of the United States.

The appeal is once again taking place for the month of December and we encourage everyone to remember these children during the Christmas season with a voluntary donation. Please place your donation in an envelope marked Christmas Candle and include it with the Sunday collection at any Ukrainian Catholic Church in BC. Donations over \$20 are eligible to receive a tax receipt if requested and cheques can be made out to your Parish with Christmas Candle Project in the Memo.

We thank you for your past support and generosity and ask that you continue supporting this appeal as part of your Christmas tradition. Caritas is an organization that is supported and approved by His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk and His Excellency Bishop Ken Nowakowski. 100% of the proceeds go to Caritas Ukraine.

"I SAY TO YOU ARISE" - MARK 5:41

Immaculate Conception Advent Parish Mission

Given By:
Father John Paul Mary, MFVA
Employee Chaplain of the EWTN Alabama Facilities and EWTN's international studios and offices.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception :

Dec. 8 : 9:00 am Mass - Consecration Mass for MI and ICC feast day Mass.
Celebration to follow in hall.

Second Sunday of Advent:

December 8: Anticipated 5:30 pm Mass – Father John Paul Mary will give the homily

Dec 9: 9:00am Mass - Father John Paul Mary will give the homily
11:00am Mass - Father John Paul Mary will give the homily
5:30pm Mass-Father John Paul Mary will give the homily

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Dec 10: 8:00am Mass- Father John Paul Mary will give the homily.
5:30 pm Mass and Retreat will be from 6:15 pm to 7:00 pm). Reconciliation will follow after the evening session.

Dec 11: 8:00am Mass-Father John Paul Mary will give the homily.
5:30 pm Mass and Retreat will be from 6:15 pm to 7:00 pm . Reconciliation will follow after the evening session.

Dec 12: 8:00am Mass -Father John Paul Mary will give the homily.
5:30 pm - Eucharistic Healing Service. 6:15 pm - 7:15pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) Reconciliation to follow the Healing Service

Dec 13: 8:00am Mass
3:30 pm Communal Reconciliation Service with Priests from the Diocese of Nelson

- ❖ For more information, please contact the coordinators Dana Koren Lupynis or Natalia Lupynis at nweparchy.christmascandle@gmail.com and follow us on Facebook at Caritas "Christmas Candle / Різдвяна свічка" Campaign, sponsored by NWEparchy.

- ❖ **Please, share to Kelowna Food Bank.** A special box is located at the church vestibule.

Ideas to help to prepare for the Nativity of Jesus Christ

- Clean house together in preparation for the Nativity of Jesus Christ.
- Sing a well-known song together that speaks of the coming of the Messiah.
- Make an ornament for your family Christmas tree.
- Offer a prayer of thanks for someone who went out of their way to make your day better.
- Look at everything your family does to prepare for Christmas and how you can all share these tasks.
- As a family, go without snacks or even a meal. Contribute the money saved to a local soup kitchen or food pantry.

- Bake and decorate Christmas cookies as a family. Keep half and give the rest away.
- Donate a package of heavy-weight socks to your local homeless shelter.
- Locate Israel and Bethlehem on a globe or world map. Pray for peace in the land and continent of Jesus' birth.

Remember to Keep Christ in Christmas! The Real Reason for the Season!

- ❖ **Ukrainian Catholic Church interactive map:** as Christmas season is approaching some of you will be travelling and visiting your friends and families not only in Canada. So, we want to ensure that you can find a Ukrainian Catholic parish in different parts of the world. Please check out this interactive map of our parishes throughout the world where you can find parish near you: <http://map.ugcc.ua/>

2018-2019 CHRISTMAS SEASON SERVICES

24 December (Monday) – CHRISTMAS EVE / НАВЕЧІР'Я РІЗДВА (New, Gregorian Calendar)
3:30 PM – Great Compline Service followed by the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great,
Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil (**Service in Penticton, BC**)

9:00 PM – Great Compline Service followed by the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chryostom,
Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil (**Service in Kelowna, BC**)

25 December (Tuesday) – NATIVITY OF OUR LORD / РІЗДВО ХРИСТОВЕ
10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy; Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil

26 December (Wednesday) – Synaxis of the BVM / Собор Богородиці
10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy



27 December (Thursday) – First Martyr Stephen / Первомученика Стефана

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

31 December (Monday) – New Year's Eve

4:30 PM – Moleben: Thanksgiving for God's blessings and graces received in 2018

Blessed and Happy New 2019 Year!

**1 January (Tuesday) – The Circumcision of our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ;
Saint Basil the Great; New Year's Day;**

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy; Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil.

5 January (Saturday) – THEOPHANY/EPIPHANY EVE / НАВЕЧІР'Я БОГОЯВЛЕННЯ

4:00 PM – The Divine Liturgy followed by Great Blessing of Water and
Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil (**Service in Penticton, BC**)

6 January (Sunday) – FEAST OF THE THEOPHANY / БОГОЯВЛЕННЯ (ЙОРДАН)

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy; Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil. (**Service in Kelowna, BC**)

Great Blessing of Water followed by Theophany/Epiphany-Christmas Lunch, Caroling and Christian movie presentation.
(Theophany-Christmas lunch attending sign up list will be available at the church hall.)

7 January (Monday) – NATIVITY OF OUR LORD / РІЗДВО ХРИСТОВЕ (Old, Julian Calendar)

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy (*in Ukrainian language*);

Myrovania/Blessing with Holy Oil. (**Service in Kelowna, BC**)

(Theophany/Jordan Home Blessing and Pastoral Annual Visitations schedule sign up list to arrange the actual date between January 9th and January 31st, 2019 will be available at the entrance to the church and at the church hall.)

❖ **Bequests and Wills:** Leaving a bequest is a process of giving a donation through your will. It is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. It can be as small or as large a donation as you wish. It is important that you talk to your lawyer about the process.

In your kindness please remember Resurrection of Jesus Christ Ukrainian Catholic Parish in Penticton, BC and Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: "I give, devise, and bequeath to Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church at 1091 Coronation Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8 or to Resurrection of Jesus Christ Ukrainian Catholic Parish in Penticton, BC, the sum of \$_____ (or ____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the church/parish and it's needs and pastoral ministry."



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