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Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church



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8th Sunday after Pentecost,

SAINT VOLODYMYR THE GREAT PRINCE OF

KYIVAN RUS' - July 15th, 2018 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 Shevchuk

We do not have to possess great talents and power to serve Jesus Christ and proclaim His Gospel/Good News evangelizing the world around us today. We serve Him daily with what we have and who we are. The miracle that happened in today's gospel happened because a small boy offered to Jesus the one thing that he had: five loaves of bread and two fish. And because of that small gesture, more than five thousand of people were fed and even twelve baskets of the fragments remaining were gathered up after everybody ate.

Just imagine, if all of us were able to use that what we have and personally step in and actively pray and work by making our country, society, this parish, neighbourhood, our home or work place just that much better! Unfortunately, most people will ironically and pessimistically say: "But I am only one person. What can one person do? Nobody asked my

help. I will let other people work. I do not really belong here, I just come here from time to time. I prefer to quickly run away or stay a side and observe, and later to complain or judge if something was not done "right". Why do we allow these temptations to keep us from giving and sharing of ourselves with the church family? Why do we personally let Satan and all his evil discouragement to come, stay, enslave and control our life by ignoring Jesus Christ and His Divine call to love, care and share? Remember that among thousands of people who were in the crowd, it was only one person, a small boy, who brought to Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ that which he needed to perform a miracle!

"...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 and Sacramental celebrations during this week:

Monday, July 16th - 1:00 p.m. Moleben to Saint Mother Theresa of Calcuta

Saturday, July 21st - 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all parishioners (Service in Penticton, BC)

Sunday, July 22nd, 2018 - 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all parishioners. (Eng./Ukr.)

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:

Tone 7, text from book "*The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*"; pages 103-105

Epistle: *A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians: (1 Cor 1:10-18)*

Brothers and Sisters, I beg you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to agree in what you say. Let there be no factions; rather, be united in mind and judgment. I have been informed, my brethren, by certain members of Chloe's household that you are quarreling among yourselves. This is what I mean: One of you will say, "I belong to Paul," another, "I belong to Apollos," still another, "Cephas has my allegiance," and the fourth,

"I belong to Christ," Has Christ, then, been divided into parts? Was it Paul who was crucified for you? Was it in Paul's name that you were baptized? Thank God, I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so there are none who can say that you were baptized in my name. Oh, and I baptized the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I am not aware of having baptized anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel – not with wordy "wisdom," however, lest the cross of Christ be rendered void of its meaning!



Gospel: (Matthew 14:14-22)

At that time, Jesus saw a large crowd, his heart was moved with pity, and he cured their sick. As evening drew on, his disciples came to him with the suggestion: "This is a deserted place and it is already late. Dismiss the crowds so that they may go to the villages and buy some food for themselves." Jesus said to them: "There is no need for them to disperse. Give them something to eat yourselves." "We have nothing here," they replied, "but five loaves and a couple of fish." "Bring them here," he said. Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves and two fish, looked up to heaven, blessed and broke them and gave the loaves to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the people. All those present ate their fill. The fragments remaining, when gathered up, filled twelve baskets. Those who ate were about five thousand, not counting women and children.

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:



Глас 7, текст "Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого"; сторінки 102-104

Апостол: До Коринтян першого послання св. Апостола Павла читання: (Кор. 1, 10-18)

Браття і Сестри, благаю вас ім'ям Господа нашого Ісуса Христа, щоб ви всі те саме говорили; щоб не було розколів поміж вами, але щоб були поєднані в однім розумінні й у одній думці. Я бо довідався про вас, мої брати, від людей Хлої, що між вами є суперечки. Кажу ж про те, що кожен з вас говорить: «Я – Павлів, а я – Аполлосів, а я – Кифин, а я – Христов.» Чи ж Христос розділюється? Хіба Павло був розп'ятий за вас? Або хіба в Павлове ім'я ви христилися? Дякую Богові, що я нікого з вас не охристити, крім Криспа та Гая, щоб не сказав хтось, що ви були охрищені в моє ім'я. Охристити я теж дим Стефана; а більш не знаю, чи христити я когось іншого. Христос же послав мене не христити, а благовістити, і то не мудрістю слова, щоб хрест Христа не став безуспішним. Бо слово про хрест – глупота тим, що погибають, а для нас, що спасаємося, сила Божя.



Євангеліє: (Мт 14,14-22)

У той час, вийшовши, Ісус побачив силу народу і змилосердився над ними та вигоїв їхніх недужих. Якже настав вечір, підійшли до нього його учні й кажуть: “Пусте це місце та й час минув уже. Відпусти людей, нехай ідуть по селах та куплять собі поживи.” А Ісус сказав їм: “Не треба їм відходити: дайте ви їм їсти.” Вони ж мовлять до нього: “Ми маємо тут тільки п'ять хлібів і дві риби.” Тоді він каже: “Принесіть мені їх сюди.” І, звелівши народові посідати на траві, взяв п'ять хлібів і дві риби, підвів очі до неба, поблагословив і розламав ті хліби, і дав учням, а учні – людям. Всі їли до насити й назбирали куснів, що zostалися, дванадцять кошів повних. Тих же, що їли, було яких п'ять тисяч чоловіків, окрім жінок та дітей. І зараз же спонукав учнів увійти до човна й переплисти на той бік раніше від нього, тим часом як він відпущав народ.



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 єднай 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 дїбр для розбудови Твого царства. Єднай 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 дїл, 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, knowingly and unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully care and help our parish community, welcomed His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Ken Nowakowski the Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster and newly ordained Reverend Deacon Andriy Malysh this past Sunday, attended church services during the week, volunteered sharing time and care helping at the coffee-socials, cleaning and organizing, cutting parish lawn and

helping at other parish projects, 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)

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

❖ **May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation** in many, happy and blessed years of life to our Eparch Most Reverend Bishop Ken Nowakowski as he celebrates his 11th Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination (July 24th), Mr. Wesley and Mrs. Monica Schaumleffel on their 3rd wedding anniversary (July 11th), Mrs. Yulia Lynova on her birthday (July 11th), Mr. Chris and Mrs. Gale Billinton on their wedding anniversary (July 16th), Mr. Bill Wilson on his birthday (July 18th), Mrs. Diana Wilson on her birthday (July 20th), Jacob Verhelst on his birthday (July 22nd), Mr. Lawrence and Mrs. Judy Syryk on their 49th wedding anniversary (July 26th), and to all who celebrate their birthdays, heavenly patron's name-days of Saint Princess Olga, Saint Prince Volodymyr and Saint Prophet Elias, wedding anniversaries and any other special anniversaries this week and in the month of July – Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **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 COFFEE-SOCIAL AT THE CHURCH HALL TODAY.**

❖ 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, Fr. Mark Fesniak., Lucy D., Janet F., Alex R., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Fr. Edward Ewanko., Ray Saranchuk, Cameron V., Rose Ostopowich, Keyton A., Ric B., Shirley C., Peter Dranchuk, Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Olga Kuzyk, Antholy and Victoria Huziak, George and Mary Dashkewytch, Carlos Chernesky, Olga Romanyshyn, Kalyna Kociuba, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Stanley and Roma Nowakowski (Bishop Ken's parents), Barbara and Vincent Pasternak, Dorothy Scott, Lorraine Turcotte, 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!

❖ **Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts and his family will be away on vacation from July 17th to August 9th, 2018.** Rev. Fr. Stepan Dovhoshyia will be substituting. In case of emergency, please, call Saint Pius Xth Roman Catholic Church or Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC.

❖ **Blessings of cars and other motor-vehicles will be held following the Divine Liturgy today!**

- ❖ Please, see our parish **May 2018 Financial Statement** presented at the church vestibule and parish hall.
- ❖ **Please, share to Kelowna Food Bank.** A special box is located at the entrance to the church.
- ❖ **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.



❖ **Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church Praznyk/Feast Day and 70th Parish Anniversary will be celebrated on Saturday, August 18th, 2018 A.D.**

The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 3:00 p.m. Banquet/Reception to follow at the church hall. (Clergy and Religious – FREE, Adults - \$30, Youth (age 12-18) - \$15, Children (11 years of age under) - FREE). Please, let us know about your participation.

Please RSVP - call or email one of the following contacts if you plan to attend:

Mrs. Ann Boitson - Tel.: 250-763-2419, Email: wboitson@shaw.ca

Mrs. Mary Cacchioni - Tel.: 250-765-3419, Email: marycacchioni@gmail.com

Dormition Parish office - Tel.: 250-860-7295,

Email: dormitionkelowna@gmail.com

Please, reserve your tickets by no later that Sunday, August 5th, 2018.

We are looking forward to pray, welcome and share the blessings and joy of this wonderful parish celebration with all of you!

Traditional and Very Delicious Ukrainian Food is available for sale at our parish: Perogies – \$ 6.00 per dozen, Cabbage Rolls – \$ 6.00 per dozen uncooked, Borshch – \$ 7.00 per a jar, Pies – \$ 9.00. For more information, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870.



❖ **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!

❖ **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.

CAMP SAINTVOLODYMYR on August 19-26, 2018 A.D.

If you are between the ages of 7-15 this is a summer must do! Camp St. Volodymyr is a great opportunity for campers to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Campers will learn about the Ukrainian language and culture along with games, hikes, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and much more!

Come join us August 19-26, 2018 in celebrating our 35th year of offering camp to children in our Eparchy! Register today and use the promo code **July 2018** to get \$50 off your registration. Register online using Eventbrite. Search “Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2018.”

For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com.

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CAMP: **DONATE Food:** We are always happy to accept food donations of fresh fruits and vegetables, breakfast items; cereal, syrup, pancake mix, jam, Nutella, lunch items; chicken soup, Kraft dinner, cheese, drinks; juice boxes, powdered drinks, brownie/cake mixes, Jello, snack bars, cookies or treats. Gift certificates to Superstore and Costco are also welcomed. **DONATE Monetarily:** Each year the Eparchy sponsors several children to attend. You can help send a deserving child to camp through your donations. Donation can be made through the Eparchy or online at our Eventbrite page. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$25 or more.

Visit our website: www.nweparchy.ca

- ❖ **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! **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!

- ❖ **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.



❖ **Sunday Coffee Co-ordinators:**

- July 15: Dana Bodnar & Marilyn Daulet
 July 22: Maria Karolcik & Sofia Sookochoff
 July 29: **PLEASE, Help.....**
 August 5: **PLEASE, Help.....**
 August 12: Sandra Vedress & Nadia Pobran
 August 19: **PLEASE, Help.....**
 August 26: **PLEASE, Help.....**

Rachel's Corner: *"This retreat helped me so much. I needed that. I was able to let things go in confidence, where I might have held back otherwise. . . . What a gift from God to have this available to us. I felt so relieved. - Testimony*

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and find the relief you need.

"Because I kept silent, my bones wasted away; I groaned all day long.... my strength withered as in dry summer heat. Then I declared my sin to you; my guilt I did not hide. I said, 'I confess my transgression to the LORD,' and you took away the guilt of my sin."
 - Psalm 32:3-5

Have you been aching inside for a very long time with the pain your abortion decision caused? Does it feel like it has penetrated every fiber of your being and every relationship in your life? Our Lord is inviting you to tell Him the story and allow Him to remove the guilt you are carrying that weighs you down. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and let him show you His merciful love. **Healing after Abortion Ministry 250-762-2273** info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com or information and registration visit: www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, Facebook: **Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna** Strict confidentiality assured.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: Our next retreat, for anyone suffering from an abortion experience, will take place October 12, 2018. It is not too early to register. Please contact us at info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, 250-762-2273. Strict confidence assured.

- ❖ **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*)

Write a letter to a Prisoner of Conscience: Pavlo Hryb

Pavlo is turning 20 on 1 July in a Russian SIZO [remand prison]. We can write to him! [cf infra for the address].

Russia's FSB (the new KGB) are preventing imprisoned Ukrainian student Pavlo Hryb from receiving vital medication, despite being fully informed of the rare blood circulation disease which the young man suffers from and the grave risk to his life posed by lack of proper medical care. Hryb has also not been passed any letters from Ukraine at all, with the ensuing information vacuum presumably part of a policy aimed at breaking the lad as the beginning of his 'trial' in Rostov looms on 2 July.

Ihor Hryb told Radio Svoboda back in April that psychological pressure on his son had intensified since the beginning of 2018, with this even extending to restricting the food products that his mother tried to have passed to him. On June 4, it was reported that the Russian financial authorities had even blocked transfer of money aimed at ensuring that Hryb could buy basic items in the prison shop, These would include drinking water and healthier food products which Pavlo's condition make absolutely essential. His father explains that any build-up of acid in the stomach increases the danger of haemorrhaging, which would occur in conditions where literally nobody was competent to help the young man. The medical specialist in Ukraine who has been treating Hryb since childhood, has stressed that his patient needs a portosystemic bypass as part of his treatment. He had been scheduled to have such an operation in September last year, but had by then been abducted and taken illegally to Russia.

It is likely that the FSB had no idea about Hryb's state of health when they intercepted conversations between the then 19-year-old student and a 17-year-old Russian girl in her last year at school, and decided to use her to abduct Hryb from Belarus. They do, however, now know, as does the European Court of Human Rights which has ordered Russia to provide information about Hryb's state of health, and to allow Ukrainian doctors to examine him.

Russia has ignored Strasbourg and is effectively falsifying the medical records in order to not acknowledge a problem, with this directly placing the young man's life in jeopardy. His mother has been prevented from seeing him and, since independent doctors have not been admitted, there is no medical assessment of his state of health. As his lawyer Marina Dubrovina notes, there cannot have failed to be a deterioration given the lack of medication and proper food demanded by his medical condition.

She asks anybody who can to come to the court hearings in Rostov. These should begin in two or three weeks, hopefully in an open court, after the closed preliminary hearing on 2 July.

Abduction: Hryb, then a 19-year-old first-year student in the Philosophy Faculty of the Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, disappeared on August 24, 2017, after going to Gomel, in Belarus to meet the above-mentioned 17-year-old whom he had met on the Internet. His father sounded the alarm almost immediately, although Russia's FSB took 13 days to admit that the young man was in Russian custody in a Krasnodar SIZO [remand prison]. Russia has since fiddled the date, claiming that the young man was 'arrested' in Russia's Smolensk on August 25.

Had Hryb really been on the international wanted list, as his father was told by the Belarusian border guards, he should have been detained at the Ukrainian – Belarusian border, with proper procedure set in motion. Instead, he passed into Belarus with no difficulty, and was seized by unidentified individuals who pushed him into a car. He could not have crossed from Belarus into Russia without the Belarusian side being at least aware what was happening, since this was assuredly against the young Ukrainian's will.

The young girl told Ukrainian journalists after it became clear that Pavlo had been abducted, that she had been threatened with prosecution herself by the FSB if she didn't cooperate by tricking Hryb.

The FSB are claiming that Hryb encouraged the 17-year-old schoolgirl to plant a self-made explosive device in a school on June 30, 2017. He is supposed to have done this by Skype from March 27 to April 13, 2017. There are no records of those Skype conversations, but there are of the later correspondence between the two adolescents. From a month after the alleged mention of a plan to commit an act of terrorism, there is not one word about it. Not before the alleged date chosen, not on the day, nor afterwards. Nothing at all to back the FSB's claim.

The FSB themselves, who claim to have discovered this plan, did not say or do anything. Yet on July 4, they allegedly launched a criminal investigation, with this involving a search of the young Russian girl's flat. By July 28, the FSB had designated Hryb as the 'accused' in this story, and they then set about intimidating the young girl into persuading Pavlo to meet her in Belarus.

It seems likely that the FSB have used their total access to the VKontakte social network, and are now fabricating 'terrorism charges' against Hryb based solely on private correspondence on social media. None of this ever went beyond empty talk between two very young people, one of whom was underage at the time. As Dubrovina stresses,

there is no 'crime' as such, merely adolescent chat, with this doubtless the reason why the FSB has put so much pressure on Hryb, Although the 'trials of Oleg Sentsov, Oleksandr Kolchenko, Stanislav Klykh and others have shown that Russian courts provide the sentences required of them, however gross the falsification, the FSB uses any means, however illegitimate to extract 'confessions' and thus ensure fast-track and low-publicity convictions.

We can write to Pavlo: Use the Russian version of his name (Pavel) in any letters. Avoid either politics or mention of the 'case'. Letters need to be in Russian. You could copy the letter below, perhaps adding a picture or photo. His birthday is 1 July, but belated greetings will still mean a lot to him!

Address: [In Russian language]

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С днем рождения!

[translation] Russia, Rostov on the Don, 31 Bolshaya Sadovaya St., SIZO 4 Hryb, Pavel Igorevich (b. 1998):

[Hi. I wish you good health, courage and patience and hope that you will soon return home. I'm sorry that this letter is so short – it's hard for me to write in Russian., but we're all thinking about you!] Happy Birthday!

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