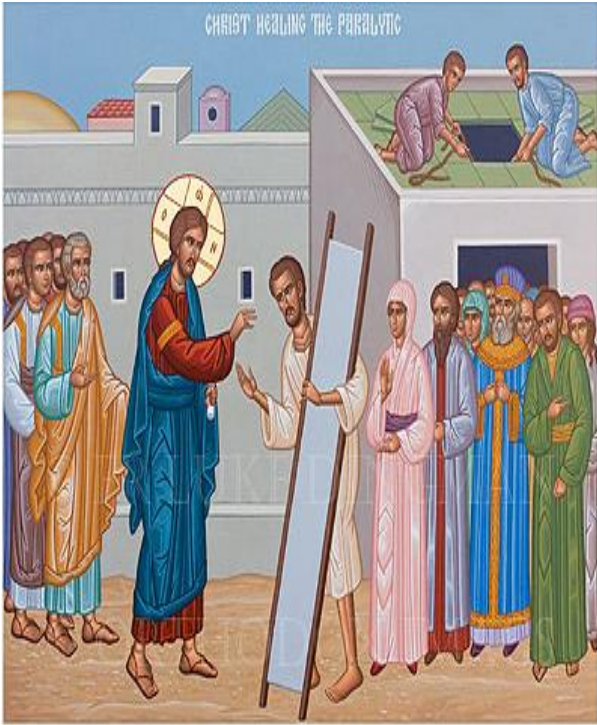


**Ukrainian Catholic Church
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**Українська Католицька Церква
Успення Пресвятої Богородиці**



2nd SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST / LENT - March 17th, 2019 A.D.

“Many human activities, good in themselves, are not good because of the motive for which they are done. For example, fasting, vigils, prayers, psalmology, acts of charity and hospitality are by nature good. But when performed for the sake of self - esteem (vainglory, self - glorification) they are not good. In everything we do, God searches out our purpose to see whether we do it for Him or for some other motive... quite clearly, He bestows blessings only when something is done for the right purpose. For God’s judgment looks not at the actions, but at the purpose behind them.”

– teaches Saint Maximus the Confessor

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 прикрі 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 this week:

Bible readings for 3rd week of the Great Fast/Lent:

Mon.: Genesis 6:9-22; Proverbs 8:1-22 & Isaiah 8:13-9:6 Tue.: Genesis 7:1-5; Proverbs 8:32-9:10 & Isaiah 9:8-10:4
Wed.: Genesis 7:6-9; Proverbs 9:12-18 & Isaiah 10:12-20 Thurs.: Genesis 7:11-8:3; Proverbs 10:1-22 & Isaiah 11:10-12:2
Fri.: Genesis 8:4-21; Proverbs 10:31-11:12 & Isaiah 13:2-13

Mon., March 18th, 2019 – 1:30 p.m. The Akaphystos in Honour of Suffering of Jesus Christ

Tue., Mar. 19th – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: for peaceful repose of the souls of Mary, Elizabeth, Emmett, Margaret & Angus Brady

Wed., Mar. 20th – 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts: for peaceful repose of the souls of Mary, Elizabeth, Emmett, Margaret & Angus Brady

Thurs., Mar. 21st – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God’s blessing for good health and well being to Annie O. (*requested by Robert*)

Friday, Mar. 22nd – 7:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross, followed by Sorokousty / Lenten Memorial Service for the deceased.

Saturday, March 23rd – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God’s blessing in good health to Mrs. Rose Ostopowich
(*requested by Rev. Fr. Joseph Ostopowich*)

– 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, March 24th – 8:15 a.m. Rosary:

– 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*)



Liturgical Propers in English language:

Tone 2, text from book *“The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom”*; pages 91-93

For the Sundays of Great Fast-Lent the Typicon prescribes the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great

Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Hebrews (Hebrews 1:10-2:3)

Brethren, Scripture says: “Lord, of old you established the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; all of them will grow old like a garment. You will roll them up like a cloak, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end.” To which of the angels has God ever said, “Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool?” Are they not all ministering spirits, sent to serve those who are to inherit salvation? In view of this, we must attend all the more to what we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels stood unchanged, and all transgression and disobedience received its due punishment, how shall we escape if we ignore a salvation as great as ours? Announced first by the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who had heard him.

Gospel: (Mark 2:1-12)

At that time, Jesus came back to Capernaum after a lapse of several days and word got around that he was at home. At that they began to gather in great numbers. There was no longer any room for them, even around the door.

While he was delivering God's word to them, some people arrived bringing a paralyzed man to him. The four who carried him were unable to bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they began to open up the roof over the spot where Jesus was. When they had made a hole, they let down the mat on which the paralytic was lying.

When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "My son, your sins are forgiven."

Now some of the scribes were sitting there asking themselves: "Why does the man talk in that way? He commits blasphemy! Who can forgive sins except God alone?"

Jesus was immediately aware of their reasoning, though they kept it to themselves, and he said to them: "Why do you harbour these thoughts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk again?' That you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" (he said to the paralyzed man), "I command you: Stand up! Pick up your mat and go home." The man stood and picked up his mat and went outside in the sight of everyone. They were awestruck; all gave praise to God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

Instead of "It is truly...": In you, Lady full of grace all creation rejoices, the world of angels and the human race. Sanctified temple, spiritual paradise, boast of virgins. God took flesh from you and became a child. He was God before the ages, He made your womb a throne and made it more encompassing than the heavens. In you, Lady full of grace all creation rejoices, glory be to you!

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.**

Having Suffered

Hav - ing suf - fered the pas - sion for us, O Je - sus Christ, —
Son of God, — have mer - cy, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 2, текст з книги "Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого"; сторінки 90-92

Апостол: До Євреїв Послання Святого Апостола Павла читання:(Євр. 1, 10-2 ,3)

Браття і сестри, Святе Писання говорить: «Ти, Господи, напочатку заснував землю і небеса – діло рук твоїх. Вони загинуть, ти ж перебуваєш; усі, мов одежа, постаріються. Ти їх, неначе одержину, згорнеш і, немов одежа, вони зміняться. Ти ж – той самий, і літа твої не скінчаться.» До кого з ангелів він коли мовив: «Сідай праворуч мене, доки не покладу твоїх ворогів підніжком під твої ноги?» Хіба ж не всі вони служební духи, що їх посилають до послуг тим, які мають успадкувати спасіння? Тому ми мусимо вважати дуже пильно на те, що почули, щоб, бува, нас не знесло з дороги. Бо коли слово, оголошене ангелами, було таке зобов'язуюче, що всякий його переступ і непослух приймав справедливу кару, то як утечемо ми, коли занедбаємо таке велике спасіння? Воно, спочатку проповідане Господом, було підтвержене нам тими, що його чули.

**Євангеліє:** (Mr. 2,1-12)

У той час коли прийшов Ісус до Капернауму, чутка пішла, що він у домі. І там зібралось стільки народу, що не було більш місця, навіть перед дверима; а він промовляв до них словом. І от прийшли до нього, несучи розслабленого; несли його четверо. А що із-за народу не могли донести до нього, розкрили стелю над місцем, де він був, й отвором спустили ліжко, на якому лежав розслаблений. Ісус, уздрівши їхню віру, до розслабленого й каже: "Сину, відпускаються тобі твої гріхи." А були й деякі книжники, що сиділи там та міркували собі: "І як може цей так говорити? Він богохульствує! Хто може прощати гріхи, крім одного лише Бога?" Ісус же, вмить збагнувши духом, що вони таке собі думають, до них і каже: "Чого таке ось намислюєте у ваших серцях? Що легше – сказати розслабленому: Відпускаються тобі гріхи, а чи сказати: Встань, візьми твоє ліжко й ходи?"

Замість "Достойно..." співаємо: Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, ангельський собор і чоловічеський рід, освящений храм і раю словесний, дівственна похвало, що із неї Бог воплотився і младенцем став – перед віками сущий Бог наш. Лоно бо твоє престолом сотворив і утробу твою просторішою небес учинив. Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, слава тобі.

Пре - тер - пі - вий, за нас стра - сти, І - су - се Хри - сте,
Pre - ter - pi - vyi, za nas stra - sty, I - su - se Khry - ste,
Си - ну Бо - жий, по - ми - луй, по - ми - луй, по - ми - луй нас!
Sy - nu Bo - zhyi, po - my - lui, po - my - lui, po - my - lui nas!

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, talents and treasures, volunteer and organize coffee-socials, make donations, knowingly and unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully care and help our parish community, parishioners welcoming our guests and visitors, help with preparing and making pyrohy, actively participate at different 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)



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

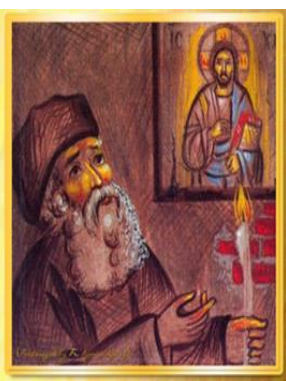
❖ May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mrs. Shannon Siebert on her birthday (March 21st), Mrs. Rose Ostopowich on her birthday (March 23rd), and all parishioners who celebrate their birthdays, heavenly patron's /saint's name-days, wedding 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 COFFE AND FELLOWSHIP AT THE CHURCH HALL FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY TODAY!

Wishing you and all your dear ones a blessed and spiritually enriching journey of the Great Fast / Lent!

WATCH YOUR **THOUGHTS**
FOR THEY BECOME WORDS
WATCH YOUR **WORDS**
FOR THEY BECOME ACTIONS
WATCH YOUR **ACTIONS**
FOR THEY BECOME HABITS
WATCH YOUR **HABITS**
FOR THEY BECOME CHARACTER
WATCH YOUR **CHARACTER**
FOR IT BECOMES YOUR DESTINY



❖ **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 Dashkewtych, Olga Romanyshyn, Myron Stec, Kay Ilnitski, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, Mykhailo Bodnar, Maria Pylypchuk, 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, Sandra Shynkaryk, John and Ann Bulych, Rosa Maria Santos, Anita N., Ron and Verna Shoemaker, Jonas and Anne, Alyssa and Adam, Mark and Asia, Karen Feniuk and all members of our parish family 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 or her know that our parish community misses this brother or sister at the church very much and prays for them daily!

❖ *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.*



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.



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 світлом 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

❖ **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.*

Pastoral and Sacramental Ministry:

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.

Reconciliation: on Sundays and Holy Days: before Liturgies and other days, by appointment. **Holy Communion:** for the sick, by appointment, any time **Holy Unction** (Anointing of the Sick): Those anticipating surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive anointing (by appointment, any time) **Funerals and Memorials:** by appointment.

* 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. *If you need to meet with the parish priest, please, call or email in advance to arrange time and a day.*



**Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster**

To the Faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster

10 March 2019

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We have now completed our first week of the Great Fast. Our Lenten journey towards the celebration of Easter-Pascha has begun - a blessed time of increased prayer, fasting and works of charity.

There are so many different forms of prayer: petition, praise, intercession, thanksgiving. But Lent is a special time to stand before our Heavenly Father as we are, acutely aware of our own sinfulness and inadequacy, yet mindful of His grace. This prayer of contrition, to judge oneself before the Lord, is, in fact, one of the meanings derived from the Hebrew word for prayer, *tefillah*. Whether together in community during liturgical prayer or privately in the depths of our heart, let us ask our Lord to heal us and to restore our relationship with Him.

Through the practice of Lenten Fasting we can curb and take charge of the desires of the flesh. We know that food is a gift and that is why we say a prayer of blessing before meals. But hunger is a gift as well, especially when we willfully deny ourselves nourishment or some pleasure. I remember when I was a young boy; my Mom would endlessly warn me not to eat candy or chocolate before supper because I would ruin my appetite. Sadly, more often than not, I did not heed her good advice, and would sneak a chocolate or a candy and then just as she warned, I didn't feel like eating the wonderful meal that she had prepared for the family. During Lent our physical hunger is a sign of spiritual hunger. Our empty stomach is an image of us emptying our hearts of self-centeredness, so that we can be filled by God. When we fast or abstain from certain foods, when we deny ourselves certain activities, we are not only preparing our bodily appetites for the Easter feast, but we are also preparing our spirit for the celebration of life everlasting, which He has already prepared for us.

The third element of our Lenten spiritual journey consists in almsgiving or performing acts of charity, the sharing of our time, talents or treasure with those in need wherever they may be--in our own family, our community and neighborhood, or in distant lands. Almsgiving helps us move beyond ourselves and focus on those who are less fortunate, our sisters and brothers in need. Jesus told us that whatever we do to the least among us, we do it unto Him.

I want to encourage you, Dear Sisters and Brothers, to take advantage of this special time of prayer, of fasting, of almsgiving, and invite us all, as members of the Eparchy of New Westminster, to common action. Each year during the Great Fast I have encouraged all to come together as one Eparchial family and support a particular cause. In past years we have supported Caritas Ukraine, the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv, etc. This year I would like to ask you to make a donation to CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA. Founded in 1908, Catholic Missions in Canada, at the time called "The Catholic Church Extension Society of Canada," has come to the aid of isolated missions across our country where a lack of resources makes it impossible to maintain a Catholic presence without outside financial help. In fact, Catholic Missions in Canada came to the financial aid of the first Ukrainian Catholic Bishop in Canada, Blessed Nykyta Budka, who arrived in Canada in 1912. Since that time our Ukrainian Catholic Church has benefited greatly from its financial support. Catholic Missions in Canada has been and continues to be one of our greatest benefactors. Without their help our Eparchy would have a very difficult time providing pastoral ministry to our faithful in British Columbia. Many of our parishes struggle to meet their financial obligations, perhaps to cover costs of property insurance or other running costs, Missions In Canada helps us make up these shortfalls. We receive funding from Catholic Missions in Canada for our annual Eparchial summer Camp, Camp Saint Volodymyr. They have supported the education and formation of some of our Eparchial Clergy. In fact, I am personally indebted to Catholic Missions in Canada. They supported my formation to the priesthood when I was a seminarian!

If I have succeeded in convincing you to make a generous donation this Lent to Catholic Missions in Canada, you can use the special envelopes that will be provided to you. For donations of \$20.00 or more you will also receive a charitable donation receipt. Our Eparchial collection will take place on Sunday 31 March. However, if you are not able to be in church that Sunday, you can use the envelope earlier or even later. All funds collected in the parishes will be forwarded to the Eparchial Chancery Offices and then sent to Catholic Missions in Canada as our Eparchial donation. We will report back to you, so that you can know how much we've collected this year.

Together as an Eparchial Family, let us make this Great Fast a special journey of prayer, fasting and generosity, ever mindful of the blessings of Pascha that await us!

With prayerful best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours in the Lord,
+Ken

❖ **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.

❖ **Panakhya Service (1st Year memorial service): for the repose of the soul of dear mother Mrs. Lily-Ann Sitter** (requested by Mrs. Marie Shandalla) will be celebrated after the 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (one, bi-lingual service), and at 10:30 a.m. a memorial lunch will be held at the parish hall on Sunday, April 7th, 2019 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! **Every parishioner is personally responsible before God for our spiritual home-parish-church!**

❖ **Volunteers help is needed to make cabbage-rolls starting at 8 a.m. on Saturday of March 23rd, 2019.** It is a good time to help our parish fundraisers and socialize together. More helpers come – easier and faster the work is done! Please, come to help!

Please, also mark your calendars to come and help at the following food making projects:

❖ **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 Mrs. Yvonne Crawford or Fr. Pavlo for more information. You will be amazed how "BEING" can make a difference at our spiritual, parish life!

❖ **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*)

❖ **Movie Night with Fr. Ron Dechant, OMI will be on Monday, March 18th @ 7:00 pm in St. Charles Garnier's Roman Catholic parish hall.** The movie is "**What Every Catholic Needs to Know About the Bible**". Discover the "Gospel Truth" about the Bible. An inspiring and enlightening presentation, that will empower you to share the essential truths about the Bible and its relationship to the Catholic Church with everyone.

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

❖ **Rachel's Corner:** "In the beginning I felt guilt and the burden that would not let me breathe nor be at peace. Then I began to experience the mercy and healing from God and now I feel that I have been set free from what had me tied down. It was an experience of healing." - *Testimonial*

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❖ **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT:** Many women and men who suffer from an abortion decision remain locked in their own internal prison afraid of anyone knowing their deep secret. Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats are a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat is a specific process designed to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. It is also an opportunity to release repressed feelings of shame, guilt, anger and grief. The weekend will help your soul find a voice, and transform the pain of the past into love and hope. Registrations are now being accepted for our April 5-7, 2019 retreat. Please contact Sue 250-762-2273, info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com Strict confidentiality assured.

❖ **CATECHISM OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH: CHRIST – OUR PASCHA**

2. The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

401: The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts accentuates two elements: the preparation of catechumens for Baptism, and the repentance of the faithful. During this Liturgy, the community prays for and instructs the catechumens. In the second half of Great Lent it adds petitions for “those about to be illumined.” These are the catechumens who will be baptized at that year’s celebration of Pascha. The first part of the Liturgy, Vespers with Old Testament readings, has a distinctly didactic character. The readings from the books of Genesis and Exodus present to the catechumens, as well as to the baptized, God’s providence and care for his Chosen People. The book of Proverbs, in turn, offers the teachings of Divine Wisdom for daily living. Through these readings of the Old Testament and the prayers of the Liturgy, the catechumens prepare for enlightenment in Baptism. A symbol of this preparation and reception of the light of God’s Word is the blessing with a candle and incense, accompanied by the words “The light of Christ enlightens all.” This is a sign of Christ who triumphs over darkness, a symbol of the coming light of Pascha, and the baptism of the catechumens into the Death and Resurrection of Christ.

402: The penitential character of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is seen in the singing of the verse “Let my prayer rise like incense before you,” which culminates with great prostrations. We also kneel during the solemn transfer of the Gifts from the Preparation Table to the Holy Table - the Gifts that are already the very Body and Blood of Christ. The penitential and fasting character of this Liturgy expresses the expectation of the paschal fullness. The reception of Holy Communion also strengthens the faithful spiritually as they walk the way of repentance and fasting.

❖ **Traditional, Delicious Ukrainian Food is available for sale at our parish:** Perogies – \$ 6.00 per dozen, Cabbage Rolls (and filled in with cooked rise) – \$ 6.00 per dozen, Borshch – \$ 7.00 per a jar, for more information, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870.

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