

**Dormition of the Mother of God
Ukrainian Catholic Church**

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**Українська Католицька Церква
Успення Пресвятої Богородиці**



25th Sunday after Pentecost - December 1st, 2019 A.D.

“Jesus’ love goes before us, His look anticipates our needs. He can see beyond appearances, beyond sin, beyond failures and unworthiness. He sees beyond our rank in society. He sees beyond this, to our dignity as sons and daughters, a dignity at times sullied by sin, but one which endures in the depth of our soul.” – teaches Pope Francis I

**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!
Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віку!
Slava Isusu Chrystu! - Slava na Viky! Christ is among us! - He is and will be!**



Liturgical and Sacramental Celebrations:

- Mon., Dec. 2nd - 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *repose of the souls of Jim and Lucille Cullen*
- 6:30 p.m. Moleben to the Emmanuel and Bible studies
- Wed., Dec. 4th - 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *repose of the souls of Jim and Lucille Cullen*
- Thurs., Dec. 5th - 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *repose of the souls of Jim and Lucille Cullen*
- 7:00 p.m. Vespers
- Fri., Dec. 6th (**Saint Nicholas Feastday**) - 10:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God’s blessings for parishioners, family members and friends*
- 5:30 p.m. Moleben to the Emmanuel
- Sat., Dec. 7th - 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *repose of the souls of Jim and Lucille Cullen*
- 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession
- 7:00 p.m. Vespers
- Sunday, Dec. 8th - 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (**Services in Kelowna, BC**)
- 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God’s blessings for all parishioners, families, guests and visitors* (in English language)
- 11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God’s blessings for all parishioners, families, guests and visitors* (in Ukrainian language)
- 2:40 p.m. Lectio Divina Bible Studies (**Service in Penticton, BC**)
- 3:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God’s blessings for all parishioners, families, guests and visitors*

Please contact Fr. Pavlo if you want to have the Divine Liturgies celebrated in your special intentions, such as: In Thanksgiving for Favours Received, the Infirm, General Intentions, Repose of the Deceased, Help of the Holy Spirit, for the Travelers, Students, Workers, etc. If you would like to meet with the parish priest at the church or parish office, or want him to visit you, your relative or friend at their home, hospital or care home, please, call or email the pastor in advance to arrange time and a day.



Liturgical Propers in English language:

Tone 8, text from book “*The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*”; pages 105-107

Epistle: A reading from the *Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians*: (Eph. 4:1-6)

Brothers and Sisters, I plead with you, then, as a prisoner for the Lord, to live a life worthy of the calling you have received, with perfect humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another lovingly. Make every effort to preserve the unity which has the Spirit as its origin and peace as its binding force. There is but one body and one Spirit, just as there is but one hope given all of you by your call. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all, and works through all, and is in all.

Gospel: (Lk. 10: 25-37)

At that time a lawyer stood up to pose Jesus, this problem: "Teacher, what must I do to inherit everlasting life?" Jesus answered him: "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He replied: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." Jesus said, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you shall live."

But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied: "There was a man going down from Jerusalem to Jericho who fell prey to robbers. They stripped him, beat him, and then went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road; he saw him but continued on. Likewise, there was a Levite who came the same way; he saw him and went on. But a Samaritan who was journeying along came on him and was moved to pity at the sight. He approached him and dressed his wounds, pouring in oil and wine. He then hoisted him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, where he cared for him. The next day he took out two silver pieces and gave them to the innkeeper with the request: 'Look after him, and if there is any further expense, I will repay you on my way back.'

"Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the man who fell in with the robbers?" The answer came, "The one who treated him with compassion." Jesus said to him, "Then go and do the same."

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 8, текст "Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого"; сторінки 104-106

**Апостол: До Ефесян послання Святого Апостола Павла читання:** (Еф. 4, 1-6)

Браття і Сестри, благодаю вас я, Господній в'язень, поводитися достойно покликання, яким вас візвано, в повноті покорі й лагідности, з довготерпеливістю, терплячи один одного в любові, стараючися зберігати єдність духа зв'язком миру. Одне бо тіло, один дух, і в одній надії вашого покликання, яким ви були візвані. Один Господь, одна віра, одне хрещення. Один Бог і Отець усіх, що над усіма й через усіх і в усіх.

Євангеліє: (Лк. 10, 25-37)

У той час приступив до Ісуса один законовчитель, щоб його випробувати, та й каже: "Учителю, що мені робити, щоб вічне життя осягнути?" А Ісус мовив до нього: "В законі що написано? Як там читаєш?" Озвався той і каже: "Люби Господа, Бога твого, всім серцем твоїм, усією твоєю душею і всією силою твоєю і всією думкою твоєю; а ближнього твого, як себе самого." "Ти добре відповів", сказав (Ісус), "роби це й будеш жити." Та той, бажаючи себе самого виправдати, каже до Ісуса: "А хто мій ближній?" Мовив тоді Ісус, кажучи: "Один чоловік спускався з Єрусалиму до Єрихону й потрапив розбійникам, що його обдерли й побили тяжко та й пішли геть, зоставивши пізмертвого. Випадком ішов якийсь священник тією дорогою; побачив він його й, збочивши, пройшов мимо. Так само й левіт прийшов на те місце, глянув на нього й пройшов мимо. Але один самарянин, що був у дорозі, зненацька надійшов (на нього) й, побачивши його, змилосердився. Він приступив до нього, перев'язав йому рани, полив їх оливою і вином; потім посадив його на власну скотину, привів до заїзду й доглянув за ним. На другий день він вийняв два динари, дав їх господареві й мовив: Доглядай за ним, і те, що витратиш на нього більше, я заплачу тобі, коли повернуся. Хто з оцих трьох, на твою думку, був ближнім тому, що потрапив розбійникам у руки?" Він відповів: "Той, хто вчинив над ним милосердя." Тоді Ісус сказав до нього: "Іди і ти роби так само."

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.**

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, all who helped to make pierogies, cook borsch and bake pies; organized, shared delicious meal and attended Grey Cup Party-Social; every person who knowingly and unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully make donations, care and help our parish community to share unity by keeping and sharing missionary spirit, parishioners welcoming our guests and visitors, prayerfully participate at the church services, 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!

- Holy Resurrection Parish in Penticton: Sunday (Nov. 24th) Divine Liturgy donation was \$365.00
- Dormition of The Mother of God Parish in Kelowna: Sunday (Nov. 24th) Divine Liturgy donation was \$750.00

"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. Marilyn Daulat her birthday (Dec. 1st), Dob. Krystyna Werbowy her birthday (Dec. 3rd), Mr. John and Mrs. Manda Hill on their wedding anniversary (Dec. 3rd), Dr. Nadia Popil her birthday (Dec. 6th), and all our parishioners and family members who celebrate their birthdays, Saint Andrew and Saint Nicholas and other heavenly patron's /saint's name-days, wedding anniversaries and any other special anniversaries this week – Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!

**NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR PARISHIONERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS WHO HAVE JOINED US IN THIS DIVINE LITURGY. THANK YOU FOR PRAYERFUL PRESENCE AND FULLFILLING GOD'S COMANDMENT BY COMING TO THE CHUCH: EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO COME AND ATTEND CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AT THE CHURCH HALL TODAY!

Wishing you and all your dear ones to be guided by the Holy Spirit, blessed with joy, peace and Christian love always!

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., Danny M, Jordan M., Kit C., Shirley C.,

Peter Dranchuk, Olga Kuzyk, Anthony Huziak, George and Mary Dashkewytch, Olga Romanyshyn, Myron Stec, Kay Ilnitcki, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, Maria Pylypchuk, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Stanley and Roma Nowakowski (Bishop Ken's parents), Barbara and Vincent Pasternak, Lorraine Turcotte, Dr. Nadia Popil, the Hillman Family, John and Ann Bulych, Joseph Stetch, Rosa Maria Santos, Anita N., Ron and Verna Shoemaker, Jonas and Anne, Alyssa and Adam, Mark and Asia, Karen Feniuk, Volodymyr Melnyk, Leonard Proskow 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; your spiritual fathers, 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 or 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 his or her 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.**

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.

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 Твою 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 Твою мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єдною нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були Твою спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом евангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилася, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.



Bible Studies: 'Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible' (session two: EARLY WORLD. Genesis 1-11) at the parish hall starting 7 pm on Monday, Dec. 2nd, 2019 A.D.

If you wish to help or have any questions, suggestions, ideas about our parish community life, please, contact our parish executive council chairperson Mrs. Yvonne Crawford. Email: Donoharmclinic@gmail.com or phone: 250-212-4899

TAX RECEIPTS: 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.

✚ **Church decoration to celebrate Christmas:** Every person, who is willing to help to decorate our parish for Christmas and New Year's and Theophany celebrations, please, come to the church at 11 am on Thursday, Dec. 5th, 2019 A.D.

✚ **CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE.** All adults, English and Ukrainian speaking parishioners wishing to participate at our parish Christmas theatrical performance please contact Mrs. Olena Fedorov or Dob. Mariia Myts.

✚ **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!***

✚ **NOTE:** If you wish to place your message or announcement into our weekly parish bulletin, please sent it by email to dormitionkelowna@gmail.com ***by no later than 3:00 pm on Thursday.***

✚ **Volunteers help is needed to make cabbage-rolls starting at 8 a.m. on Sat. of Dec. 7th, 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!

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

✚ **CATECHISM ANNOUNCEMENT:** *"And they were bringing to Him also the infants, in order that He may be touching them; but after the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Himself and said, Let alone the little children to come to Me, and cease hindering them; for of such is the kingdom of God."* (Matthew 19:14) We are happy to welcome all children to our Dormition of the Mother of God parish catechism program. We want your children to learn more about their orthodox faith in the Catholic Church, sacred scripture, feast days, icons, singing and religious practices and customs of the Ukrainian Catholic Church. If you have any questions, or wish to volunteer and help, please, do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Marilyn Daulat or Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts.

✚ **UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE PARISH SCHOOL:** If you want your child or grandchild to learn Ukrainian language during this 2019-2020 school year – please, contact Mrs. Olena Fedorov or Dobr. Mariia Myts.



✚ **Saint Pius X Pancake Breakfast** – The next Knights of Columbus #7359 Pancake Breakfast is **Dec. 8th**. Please bring your family and friends and join us for one of the best breakfasts in Kelowna. Breakfast is served from 8 AM to 12:30 PM. Includes your choice of fried eggs, scrambled eggs, toast, pancakes, hash browns, beans, ham, sausage, fruit, coffee, tea and juice.

✚ **Holly Resurrection Ukrainian Catholic Parish Christmas dinner and social on Sunday, December 8th, 2019 A.D in Penticton, BC.** Please, bring \$20 gift exchange when you come.

✚ **Movie "Mary of Nazareth" with Rev. Fr. Ron Dechant, OMI will be on Monday, Dec. 9th, @ 7:00 pm in the hall of Saint Charles Garnier Roman Catholic Church.** The life story of the Virgin Mary is followed from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus, capturing the essence of her profound faith and trust in God.



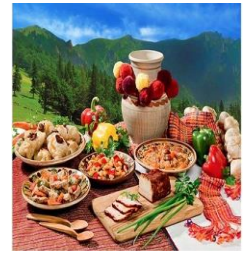
✚ **'KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS'** - as part of our parish fundraiser these special magnets are available for purchase at a donation of \$ 5.00. By placing on our cars, a magnet KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS, prepared by the Knights of Columbus, we evangelize silently and verbally through this wonderful Christian 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.

✚ **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, positive and generous!**



Traditional and Very Delicious Ukrainian Food is available for sale at our parish: Perogies – \$ 6.00 per dozen, Cabbage-Rolls cooked and uncooked – \$ 6.00 per dozen. For more information, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at (250) 763-4870 or Mrs. Olena Fedorov at (778) 821-0759



Rachel's Corner: *I am so happy I have been able to receive Communion after so many years! I am not more than God to not forgive myself and I need to learn to see myself as God does.” -Testimonial*



Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and let God show you how He sees you, loves you and wants to restore you to the person He created you to be. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for healing. Come join us on a Rachel's Vineyard retreat for spiritual and emotional healing. www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com

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**Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster**

To The Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy
serving in the Eparchy of New Westminster

27 November 2019

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Very Reverend and Reverend Fathers,

Every four or five years, the Patriarch of our Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church announces a Patriarchal Sobor, or it could also be called a Patriarchal (meaning worldwide) Assembly. These Sobors/Assemblies always follow a theme. In the past we have had Sobors on the themes of “The Vibrant Parish” (held in Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine in 2015), “Monastic and Religious Professed Life” (held in Prudentopolis, Brazil in 2011), and “The Youth” (held near Kyiv in 2007). Prior to the Patriarchal Sobor, each Eparchy is mandated to hold its own Sobor to discuss certain questions related to the Patriarchal Sobor, and then, based on these discussions, make recommendations to the organizing committee of the Patriarchal Sobor to bring into the discussion of the Patriarchal Sobor.

In 2020, the Patriarchal Assembly-Sobor (including the bishops, clergy, religious and faithful of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church from all continents) will gather for its VII session in Lviv, Ukraine, August 26-29. This is a very important event in the life of our Church, as the Patriarchal Assembly-Sobor is not only an advisory body for the Head of the Church and the Synod of Bishops, but also expresses the fullness and unity of all the members of our Church.

The theme of the VII Patriarchal Assembly-Sobor in 2020 is “Emigration, settlements and the global unity of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church.” The main motto is: “The Church is with you always and everywhere.” As mentioned in the post-synodal Pastoral letter of this year on Communion and Unity in the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church, “Our Church is no longer a local reality, limited to a particular territory or pastoral context. Today she is at the same time global and particular, Ukrainian and multi-national.” The VII Patriarchal Assembly-Sobor aims to broadly analyze the challenges which stand before the global Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church, to help us find the best ways to “gather those who have been dispersed,” and to grow in the communion of our autonomous Church. Therefore, its chief task is a common search for mechanisms to build our unity at the parish, eparchial/exarchial, metropolitan and global levels.

Each of our Eparchies is to hold a pre-Patriarchal Sobor meeting. Given that our Eparchy covers a huge territory, and that it might be difficult for all of our parishes to actively participate in an Eparchial pre-Patriarchal Sobor meeting, we will hold a few regional meetings.

1. The North (our parish in Prince George): on Thursday, January 9, 2020.

6:30 p.m.	Welcome and moleben to the Holy Spirit in the Church
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Discussion on the questions previously submitted to you for discussion at the parish level (see below)
8:30 p.m.	Refreshments

2. The Interior (our parishes in Kamloops, Kelowna, Penticton, Vernon and Grindrod): Saturday, February 8, 2020 at our parish in Kamloops.

10:30 a.m.	Welcome and moleben to the Holy Spirit in the Church
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Discussion on the questions previously submitted to you for discussion at the parish level (see below)
1:00 p.m.	Lunch, followed by departures

3. Vancouver Island (our parishes in Victoria and Nanaimo): Saturday, February 15, 2020 at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Nanaimo.

11:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Discussion on the questions previously submitted to you for discussion at the parish level (see below)

4. Greater-Vancouver (our parishes in Vancouver, New Westminister, Surrey and Richmond): Saturday, February 22, 2020 at Holy Cross Parish in Surrey.

10:30 a.m.	Welcome and moleben to the Holy Spirit in the Church
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Discussion on the questions previously submitted to you for discussion at the parish level (see below)
1:00 pm.	Lunch, followed by departures

At these regional meetings, I would like to request that each parish be represented by 3 delegates plus their parish priest. Of course, other parish members who would like to attend and provide their input also are invited to the meeting in their area. Please confirm to me one week prior to your regional meeting the exact number of persons who will be attending including yourself. This will allow us to have any printed materials prepared in advanced ready and also to insure that we are able to provide those present with hospitality (food, refreshments, etc.).

In order to assist you in preparing for these regional meetings, please discuss the following questions at the parish level. This may be done either on a formal basis or even informally.

Question 1: Connecting with our heritage – Why have you remained or what has led you to become a Ukrainian Greek Catholic? What aspects of UGCC's spiritual heritage and history, or cultural heritage and history, are especially important to you?

Question 2: Engaging with our present – Why are you a Ukrainian Greek Catholic today? Which spiritual practices or cultural practices are important to your engagement with your faith today? Do you know the faith stories of the other people in your parish?

Question 3: Ideas for our future – How can the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church’s expression of our Christian faith continue to remain important in your life, in the life of your community, and for our future generations?

I will be joined at these regional meetings by Fr. Andriy Malysh, our parish priest in Surrey and also an advisor to the Patriarch who will be one of our delegates to the Patriarchal Sobor, and Mrs. Christine Riek, a parishioner of our Cathedral parish in New Westminster.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns or need further clarification.

With prayerful best wishes,



+ Ken
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“Christmas Candle” - “Різдвяна свічка”

“Christmas Candle” - “Різдвяна Свічка” - since 2012 our Eparchy has been collecting funds to help underprivileged and orphaned children in Ukraine through our Christmas Candle appeal. Our fundraising program, “Christmas Candle/Різдвяна свічка” 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.

For more information, please contact

the coordinators Dana Koren Lupynis, Natalia Lupynis or Emelia Lupynis at nweparchy.christmascandle@gmail.com and follow us on Facebook at

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