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SUNDAY OF THE FEARFUL JUDGMENT: MEAT-FARE SUNDAY – February 16th, 2020 A. D.

"Compassion for others opens the gates of eternity. To bend down on the needy to serve them is to make an antechamber for paradise!"

 The Holy Father Pope Francis I reminds about Final Judgement and teaches all of us today

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



Christian Greetings: Glory to Jesus Christ! - Glory to Him Forever! Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віки! Slava Isusu Chrystu! - Slava na Viky! Christ Is among us! - He Is and Will Be!

Liturgical and Sacramental Celebrations during week:

Mon., Feb. 17th - 6:30 p.m. Moleben to Merciful Christ: God's blessing, love, strenght and unity in all our Christian Families

- 7:00 p.m. Bible Studies: session four: EGYPT AND EXODUS, DESERT WANDERINGS:

Learning to to trust God. For your homework and personal prepartion:

please, read the Books of the Bible: Exodus 3 -

Numbers 25.

Tue., Feb. 18th – 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy at the Funeral Day: repose of the souls of Mr. Anthony Huziak

(requested by The Huziak Family)

Thurs., Feb. 20th - 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: for the healing intentions her son Kevin Cachia (requested by Mrs. Mary Cachia)

Fri., Feb. 21st - 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: repose of the soul of Bill Kallal

Sat., Feb. 22nd - 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

Sunday, February 23rd - 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Service in Kelowna, BC)

- 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all parishioners (in English)
- 11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all parishioners (in Ukrainian)

Please contact Fr. Pavlo if you want to have the Divine Liturgies celebrated in your special 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.



Tone 3rd, text from book "The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom"; pages 93-95 Epistle: A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians: (1 Cor. 8:8 - 9:2)

Brothers and Sisters, now food does not bring us closer to God. We suffer no loss through failing to eat, and we gain no favor by eating. Take care, however, lest in exercising your right you become an occasion of sin to the weak. If someone sees you, with your "knowledge." reclining at table in the temple of an idol. may not his conscience in its weak state be influenced to the point that he eats the idol-offering? Because of your "knowledge" the weak one perishes, that brother for whom Christ died. When you sin thus against your brothers and wound their weak consciences, you are sinning against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to sin I will never eat meat again, so that I may not be an occasion of sin to him. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? And are you not my work in the Lord? Although I may not be an apostle for others, I certainly am one of you. You are the very seal of apostolate in the Lord.



Gospel: (Matthew 25:31-46)

The Lord said: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels of heaven, he will sit upon his royal throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. Then he will separate them into two groups, as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. The sheep he will place on his right hand, the goats on his left. The king will say to those on his right: 'Come. You are my Father's blessing! Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me. I was ill and you comforted me, in prison and you came to visit me.' Then the just will



ask him: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you or see you thirsty and give you drink? When did we welcome you away from home or clothe you in your nakedness? When did we visit you when you were ill or in prison?" The king will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.' "Then he will say to those on his left: 'Out of my sight, you condemned, into that everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels! I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink. I was away from home and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing. I was ill and in prison and you did not come to comfort me.' Then they in turn will ask: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or away from home or naked or ill or in prison and not attend you in your needs?' He will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you neglected to do it to one of these least ones, you neglected to do it to me.' These will go off to eternal punishment and the just to eternal life."

At the conclusion of every Divine Liturgy we say an additional prayer for Peace in Ukraine until the end of the war: 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.

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 3, текст з книги "Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого": сторінки 92-94

Апостол: До Коринтян Першого Послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (1 Кор. 8. 8- 9. 2)

Браття і Сестри, страва не зближує нас до Бога: коли не їмо, не втрачаємо нічого, ані коли їмо, не набуваємо нічого. Але глядіть, щоб оця ваша свобода не стала причиною падіння для слабких. Бо коли хтось побачить тебе, що маєш знання, як ти у капищі сів за стіл, то чи ж його сумління, бувши слабке, не буде заохочене їсти ідольські жертви? Таким то чином твоє знання погубить немічного брата, за якого Христос помер. Грішивши так проти братів і ранивши їх слабовите сумління, ви грішите проти Христа. Тому, якщо страва призводить брата мого до гріха, повік не буду їсти м'яса, щоб не спокушувати мого брата. Хіба я не вільний? Хіба я не апостол? Хіба я Ісуса, Господа нашого, не бачив? Хіба ви не моє діло у Господі? Коли іншим я не апостол, то бодай вам, бо ви, у Господі, є достовірним доказом мого апостольства.

Євангеліє: *(Мт. 25, 31-46)*

Сказав Господь: "Якже прийде Син Чоловічий у своїй славі, й ангели всі з ним, тоді він сяде на престолі своєї слави. І зберуться перед ним усі народи, і він відлучить їх одних від одних, як пастух відлучує овець від козлів; і поставить овець праворуч себе, а козлів ліворуч. Тоді цар скаже тим, що праворуч нього: Прийдіть, благословенні Отия мого, візьміть у спадщину Царство, що було приготоване вам від створення світу. Бо я голодував, і ви дали мені їсти: мав спрагу, і ви мене напоїли; чужинцем був, і ви мене прийняли; нагий, і ви мене одягли; хворий, і ви навідались до мене; у тюрмі був, і ви прийшли до мене. Тоді озвуться праведні до нього: Господи, коли ми бачили тебе голодним і нагодували, спрагненим і напоїли? Коли ми бачили тебе чужинцем і прийняли, або нагим і одягнули? Коли ми бачили тебе недужим чи в тюрмі й прийшли до тебе? А цар, відповідаючи їм, скаже: Істинно кажу вам: усе, що ви зробили одному з моїх братів найменших — ви мені зробили.

Тоді скаже й тим, що ліворуч: Ідіть від мене геть, прокляті, в вогонь вічний, приготований дияволові й ангелам його; бо голодував я, і ви не дали мені їсти; мав спрагу, і ви мене не напоїли; був чужинцем, і ви мене не прийняли; нагим, і ви мене не одягнули; недужим і в тюрмі, і не навідались до мене. Тоді озвуться і ті, кажучи: Господи, коли ми бачили тебе голодним або спраглим, чужинцем або нагим, недужим або в тюрмі, і тобі не послужили? А він відповість їм: Істинно кажу вам: те, чого ви не зробили одному з моїх братів найменших — мені також ви того не зробили. І підуть ті на вічну кару, а праведники – на життя вічне."

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, 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 quests and visitors, prayerfully participate at the church services, actively participate at different parish projects and programs: shared their ideas, fixed and replaced curtants at the parish kitchen, attended the funeral of Mr. Dranchuk and organized lunch, organized and attended Zabava celebration, 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 (Feb. 9th) Divine Liturgy donation was \$ 126.00
- Dormition of The Mother of God Parish in Kelowna: Sunday (Feb. 9th) Divine Liturgies donation was \$ 617.00

"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 Mr. Brian and Mrs. Iryna Posthumus on their 10th wedding anniversary (Feb. 13th), Lindsay Lalach on her birthday (Feb. 17th), Nicholas Lalach Jr. on his birthday (Feb. 18th), Antonina Voytovych on her birthday (Feb. 20th), and to all those parishioners who celebrate their birthdays, heavely 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. YOU FAITHFULLY FULFILLED GOD'S COMMANDMENT AND YOUR CHRISTIAN OBLIGATION.

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING WITH US AT THE CHUCH TODAY! EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO COME AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH FELLOWSHIP AT THE CHURCH HALL AFTER THE SERVICES 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., Danny M, Jordan M., Kit C., Shirley C., Olga Kuzyk, George and Mary Dashkewytch, Olga Romanyshyn, Myron Stec, Kay Ilnitski, 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 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, Marilyn Daulat and Family, Shelley Zemliak, and all members of our parish family and those who are not able to join actively in our community, your families, relatives, friends and neighbours; 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, those who love us and those who hate us, 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 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 дібр 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 діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилося, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

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!

On behalf of our church family, assurance of our prayers and deepest sympathy are to The Huziak family, relatives and friends! May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place our brother-parishioner Mr. Anthony Huziak's soul in the place where all the saints abide, and may his memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers! – Vichnaya Pamyat'!

■ Bible Studies: 'Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible' (session four: EGYPT AND EXODUS, DESERT WANDERINGS: Learning to to trust God. For your homework and personal prepartion: please, read the Books of the Bible: Exodus 3 – Numbers 25) at the parish hall at 7 pm on Mon., Feb. 17^{th.}, 2020 A.D.

JOIN OUR PARISH CHOIR: Do you enjoy singing church and folk songs? Please consider joining our Dormition Parish Choir and remember that we are looking for new members! Contact Mrs. Lesia Achtymichuk and Mrs. Vlasta Fantych for more information and details.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, Holy Eucharist Cathedral parish would like to invite you on February 29, 2020 to a farewell reception for Bishop Ken that will begin with Divine Liturgy at 11:00 AM with reception to follow. Let us take this opportunity to celebrate Bishop Ken's new appointment as Bishop of the Holy Family of London Eparchy and most importantly his 12 years of dedicated service, enthusiastic leadership and prayerful ministry in the Eparchy of New Westminster.

★ Traditional Delicious Ukrainian Food is available for sale at our parish: Perogies cooked and frozen – \$ 7.00 per dozen, Cabbage Rolls cooked – \$ 7.00 per dozen. If you need more information, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870 or Mrs. Olena Fedorov at 778-821-0759.

Volunteers for Sunday coffee socials and clean-ups are needed − please put your name on the calendar posted in the church hall. **It is not fare and it is not right that the same couple of parishioners always organize and do all the cleaning all the time.** If you can help out, please, be responsible and thougtful!

Your help by volunteering is truly appreciated! **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.

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

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 tornaments, 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, possitive and generous!

Knights of Columbus Breakfast Schedule: 1st Sunday: Corpus Christi & Immaculate Conception. 2nd Sunday: St. Pius X. 3rd Sunday: Our Lady of Lourdes. Last Sunday of the month: St. Charles Garnier. Everyone is welcome!

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! NOTE: If you wish to place your message or announcement into our weekly parish bulletin, please sent it by email to the office at dormitionkelowna@gmail.com by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday.

2020 Annual Parish General Meeting will take place on Sunday, March 8th, 2020 A.D. after the 9:00 am Divine Liturgy On that day there will be only one bilingual Divine Liturgy.

We are now preparing for the election of the new Parish Council for the year 2020 – 2021 A.D.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, we are inviting and encouraging parishioners (especially all our wise and experienced senior-parishioners) to volunteer and help Mr. Rolli Cacchioni to form the Nominating Committee and suggest candidates for replacement

council. Until nomination committee finalized suggestions for candidates may be placed in the Suggestion Box located in our church vestebule or personally passed to Council Chairperson Mrs. Yvonne Crawford or pastor Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts.

Position of our Parish Council Officer is a blessing and wonderful opportunity to show your talents, knowledge, experience and care serving the best to the Almighty God in our spiritual, Christian family of the Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC!

Parish Constitution states saying: 'The Parish Council must be representative of the faithful of the parish and of the various parish-related ogranizations that exist within its boundaries. Potential members of the Parish Council should have certain basic qualifications such as a keen desire to help, as well the ability to listen, reflect, and express themselves with care.' (Chapter III, Article 1, Sections 1 and 2)

Descriptions of responsabilities and ministry (cf. Chapter III, Articles 2, 3, 4, 5,) of each officer-member of the parish council are:

Chairperson of the Parish Council is elected at the Annual General Meeting. He/She is responsible for drawing up the agenda; calling for, directing and charing parish council meetings; seeing that the program of activities decided upon and ratified by the pastor are implemented; is a signing officer, an ex-officio member of all parish committees. He/She prepares the chairperson's report for presentation at the AGM.

Vice-Chairperson is elected at the Annual General Meeting. He/She is presiding at the all Parish Council Meetings in the absence of the Chairperson; carrying out such duties as are assigned by the Parish Council, the Chairperson or Pastor.

Recording Secretary is elected at the Annual General Meeting. He/She is keeping the minutes of all Parish Council Meetings; together with the Pastor and the Chairperson signs the adopted minutes of the Council.

Financial Secretary is elected at the Annual General Meeting. He/She is monitoring all funds received by the parish and ensure that all such funds are doposited in the parish bank account; keeping accurate records of all income and expenditures; keeps in in order and preserves documents, records and books of parish finances. He/She is a signing officer, together with the pastor, for property

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Treasurer is elected at the Annual General Meeting. He/She is greatly helping the financial secretary to monitore all funds received by the parish and ensure that all such funds are doposited in the parish bank account; keeping accurate records of all income and expenditures (paying all invoices-bills and reimbursments); keeps in in order and

preserves documents, records and books of parish finances. He/She is a signing officer, together with the pastor, for property approved financial transactions.

It is also very important to have active and carrying representatives (a leader and helpers) at different Parish Comeettees such as: Liturgical, Pastoral, Educational, Youth Ministry, Maintance, Kitchen, Social, Public Relations.

Rachel's Corner: www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273 Like us on Facebook: Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

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CATECHISM OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH "CHRIST - OUR PASCHA" teaches us today:

The Second Coming of Christ in Glory. Divine Judgment

Nº 248: Christ teaches: "I do not judge anyone who hears my words and does not keep them, for I came not to judge the world but to save the world. The one who rejects me and does not receive my word has a judge; on the last day the word that I have spoken will serve as judge" (Jn. 12:47-48). The Judgment of God is this: "The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil" (Jn. 3:19). This judgment has already begun and is now; and the standard for judgment is faith in Christ: "Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God" (Jn. 3:18). Judgment depends upon faith and works of love: "As you did to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it ... [or] did not do it to me" (Mt. 25:40-45, rsv-ce).



Nº 249: The Judgment of God began with the Incarnation of Christ (see Jn.1:9-13) and shall be fulfilled at his glorious second coming (see Mt. 25:31). However, "about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mt. 24:36). This Judgment will be fearful to all evildoers (see Mt. 7:23); but for the righteous, it shall be a blessing (see Mt. 25:34).

№ 250: If a person has fallen asleep in God, having repented of all sins, but has not yet achieved spiritual maturity—the fullness of life in Christ—then that person enters the kingdom of God "as through fire" (1 Cor. 3:15). After death, such a person is still in need of spiritual healing and cleansing of all stain, in order to dwell "in a place of light ... where there is no pain, sorrow, or mourning." (Trebnyk, Rite of Burial for a Layperson, Prayer of the ekteny for the deceased.) In the Church, this healing condition of the dead is

referred to as "purgatory." (Council of Florence, Bull Laetentur caeli [Let the Heavens Rejoice] (July 6, 1439); See also Catechism of the Catholic Church, № 1030.)

«Every fair and God-beloved soul, once it has been set free from the bonds of the body, departs hence, and immediately enjoys a sense and perception of the blessings which await it, inasmuch as that which darkened it has been purged away, or laid aside—I know not how else to term it. It then feels a wondrous pleasure and exultation, and goes rejoicing to meet its Lord.» (Gregory the Theologian, Oration 7, 21: PG 35, 781.)

For this reason, the Church prays for the departed: «Let us then give them aid and perform commemorations for them. For if the children of Job were purged by the sacrifice of their father, why do you doubt that when we too offer for the departed, some consolation arises to them? Since God is wont to grant the petitions of those who ask for others.» (John Chrysostom, Homilies on 1 Corinthians, 41, 8: PG 61, 361.)

Nº 251: Being unrepentant until death results in the tragic reality of hell. The fire of hell signifies an unrepentant person's inability to accept God's love. "The Word of God is light, which illumines the minds of the faithful; but at the same time, it is also the fire of judgment, which consumes those, who ... abide in the night-darkness of this life." (Maximus the Confessor, Questions to Thalassium, 39, 3: PG 90, 392.)

Hell is not so much the punishment of God as it is the condition voluntarily chosen by the person. It is in this state, the soul shall be found to be outside the order, and connection, and harmony in which it was created by God ... Not harmonizing with itself in the purposefulness of its rational movements, it will experience the chastisement and torture that arises from warring with itself, and feel punished by its own disordered condition. (*Origen*, *On the Principles*, *I I*, 10, 5: PG 11, 257.)

"When You will come on earth, O God, in glory, and the universe will tremble, the river of fire will be flowing before the seat of judgement, and the books will be opened and all secrets disclosed, then deliver me from the unquenchable fire, and count me worthy to stand at Your right hand, O Judge who are most just."

— Kontakion of the Fearful Judgement Sunday

Pope Francis: What matters in the end is how well we loved

Pope Francis said that when the Final Judgment comes, what will matter most is how much we loved God and others, especially

through daily, concrete acts of charity toward those most in need.

"At the end of our life we will be judged on love, that is, on our concrete commitment to love and serve Jesus in the least of our brothers and the needy," the Pope said Nov. 26.

"Jesus will come at the end of time to judge all the nations, but he (also) comes to us every day, in so many ways, and asks us to welcome him."

Pope Francis spoke to around 30,000 people gathered in St. Peter's Square before leading the Angelus prayer. Celebrating the Solemnity of Christ the King, the Pope offered a reflection on the Last Judgment and Jesus' "criteria" for entering the Kingdom of Heaven.

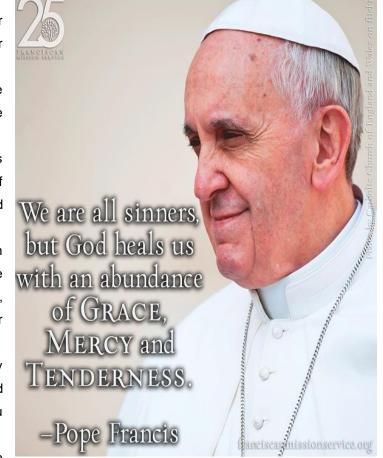
He explained how at the second coming, when Jesus appears "in divine glory," he will summon all of humanity to him, separating the righteous from the unrighteous. And to the righteous he will say: "Come, blessed of my Father, receive as inheritance the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world."

This is because: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you dressed me, sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to see me."

Francis noted how when Jesus speaks about the Final Judgment to

his disciples, the men are surprised by his words, because they don't remember meeting Jesus, let alone helping him in this way. So Jesus explains what he meant: "All you did to one of these the least of my brothers, you did to me."

"This word never ceases to hit us," Pope Francis said, "because it reveals to what extent God's love comes to us: to the point of being identified with us, but not when we are well, when we are healthy and happy, no, but when we are in need."



In this way Jesus reveals "the decisive criterion of his judgment," the Pope said, which is "concrete love for the neighbor in distress."

We should ask the Virgin Mary to help us to not only meet Jesus in his Word and in the Eucharist, he continued, but "at the same time in the brothers and sisters suffering from hunger, illness, oppression, and injustice."

"May our hearts welcome him into our life today, for we are welcomed by him into the eternity of his Kingdom of Light and Peace."

After the Angelus Pope Francis expressed his sorrow for the attack on a mosque in Sinai, Egypt on Nov. 24 which killed more than 230 people and wounded hundreds more.

"I continue to pray for the many victims, for the wounded and for the whole community, so severely affected. God frees us from these tragedies and sustains the efforts of all those who work for peace, concord, and coexistence," he said. Just as those people were praying at the time of the attack, he then asked for a moment of silent prayer for those affected by the attack.

The Pope also recalled the beatification of Bl. Catalina de María Rodríguez, founder of the Congregation of Hermanas Esclavas of Corazón de Jesús, in Argentina on Saturday. She lived in the 19th century and was first married. But when she became widowed she decided to consecrate herself to God and dedicate herself "to the spiritual and material care of the poorest and most vulnerable women." "We praise the Lord for this 'passionate woman of the Heart of Jesus and of humanity," he said.

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Remember the final judgement, Pope Francis says at Mass for recently deceased bishops

Pope Francis urged Catholics to meditate on the final judgement at a Mass offered Monday for the souls of cardinals and bishops who died within the past year. "Saint Ignatius suggests, before making an important decision, to imagine oneself before God at the end of days," Pope Francis said in his homily in St. Peter's Basilica Nov. 4. "Every life choice confronted with that perspective is well oriented, because it is closer to the resurrection, which is the meaning and purpose of life," the pope said.

Pope Francis then quoted St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises: "Considering how I will find myself on the day of judgement, think how I would have decided about the present thing, and the rule I would like to have kept then, take it now." The Mass, celebrated at the Altar of the Chair, was offered for the repose of the souls of 13 cardinals and 147 bishops who died between Oct. 2018-19.

Among them is American Cardinal William Levada, former prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith, Cuban Cardinal Jaime Ortega, Belgian Cardinal Godfried Danneels, and Bishop Robert Morlino of Madison. There were 24 American bishops among the dead. "Compassion for others opens the gates of eternity. To bend down on the needy to serve them is to make an antechamber for paradise," Pope Francis said in his homily.

"If indeed, as St. Paul reminds us, 'charity will never end,' then it is precisely the bridge that connects heaven and earth," he said.

Pope Francis recommended examining oneself with the reflection: "Do I live 'by going to the Lord' or revolving around myself?" He said that this question can be asked of one's work at the office and interactions with others.

"In the people I met, did I involve Jesus, did I bring them to Him in prayer? Or did I do everything while remaining in my thoughts, only rejoicing in what was good for me and complaining about what was wrong with me?" he questioned.

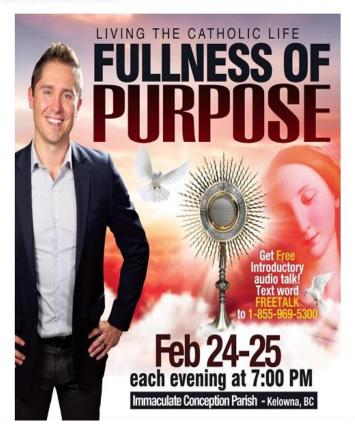
The pope suggested further questions for self-reflection: "Do I let myself be moved by the situation of someone in need? Can I cry for those who suffer? Do I pray for those whom nobody think of? Do I help someone who has nothing to give me back?"

"These are questions of life, questions of resurrection," he said.

Pope Francis said that reflecting on the last judgement can help one "to make choices that have the flavor of eternity, the taste of love." "Among the many voices of the world that make us lose our sense of existence, let us tune in to the will of Jesus, risen and alive: let us make today what we live at the dawn of the resurrection," the pope said.

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