

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

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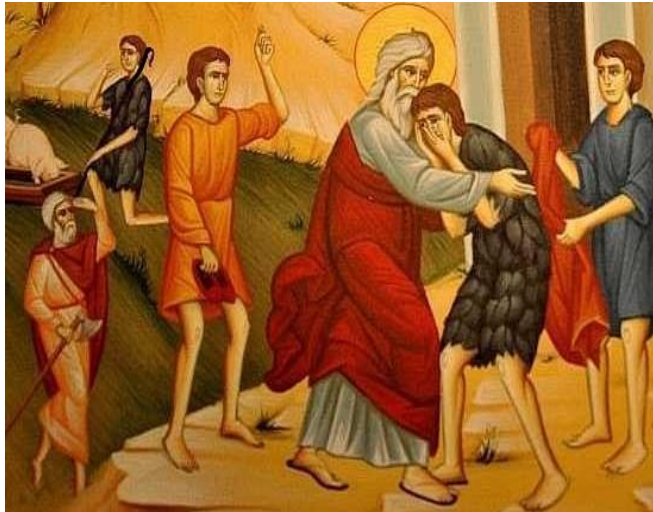


**Українська Католицька Церква
Успення Пресвятої Богородиці**

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Sunday of The Prodigal Son, Неділя про Блудного Сина – February 9th, 2020 A. D.



“Church does not exist for people without faults, but for sinners in need of God’s mercy!”

– The Holy Father Pope Francis I 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 Віку!

Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky!

Christ Is among us! - He Is and Will Be!

Liturgical and Sacramental Celebrations during this week:

Tue., Feb. 11th – **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy at the Funeral Day: *repose of the souls of Mr. Peter Dranchuk*

(requested by The Dranchuk and The Family)

Wed., Feb. 12th – **9:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *repose of the soul of Mrs. Larissa Fearn*

(40th Day Memorial Service requested by the Family)

Thurs., Feb. 13th - **9:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God’s blessings in for good health for Mr. Lawrence and Mrs. Ping Beaton*

Fri., Feb. 14th - **9:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *for the intentions of Mr. John Gilbride’s family and friends* (requested by Mr. John Gilbride)

Sat., Feb. 15th - **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 16th - **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.

Liturgical Propers in English language:

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

Epistle: A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians: (1 Cor. 6:12-20)

Brothers and Sisters: “Everything is lawful for me” – but that does not mean that everything is good for me. “Everything is lawful for me” – but I will not let myself be enslaved by anything. “Food is for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will do away with them both in the end” – but the body is not for immorality; it is for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body. God, who raised up the Lord, will raise us also by his power.

Do you not see that your bodies are members of Christ? Would you have me take Christ’s members and make them the members of a prostitute? God forbid! Can you not see that the man who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? Scripture says, “The two shall become one flesh.” But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun lewd conduct. Every other sin a man commits is outside his body, but the fornicator sins against his own body. You must know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is within – the Spirit you have received from God. You are not your own. You have been purchased, and at a price. So glorify God in your body.

Gospel: (Luke 15:11-32)

Jesus told this parable: “A man had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the estate that is coming to me.’ So the father divided up the property.

Some days later this younger son collected all his belongings and went off to a distant land, where he squandered his money on dissolute living. After he had spent everything, a great famine broke out in that country and he was in dire need. So he attached himself to one of the propertied class of the place, who sent him to his farm to take care of the pigs. He longed to fill his belly with the

husks that were fodder for the pigs, but no one made a move to give him anything. Coming to his senses at last, he said: 'How many hired hands at my father's place have more than enough to eat, while here I am starving! I will break away and return to my father, and say to him, Father, I have sinned against God and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son. Treat me like one of your hired hands.' With that he set off for his father's house.

While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him and was deeply moved. He ran out to meet him, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. The son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against God and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son." The father said to his servants: "Quick! Bring out the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet. Take the fatted calf and kill it. Let us eat and celebrate because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life. He was lost and is found." Then the celebration began.

"Meanwhile the elder son was out on the land. As he neared the house on his way home, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked him the reason for the dancing and the music. The servant answered, 'Your brother is home, and your father has killed the fatted calf because he has him back in good health.' The son grew angry at this and would not go in; but his father came out and began to plead with him. "He said to his father in reply: 'For years now I have slaved for you. I never disobeyed one of your orders, yet you never gave me so much as a kid goat to celebrate with my friends. Then, when this son of yours returns after having gone through your property with loose women, you kill the fatted calf for him."

'My son,' replied the father, 'you are with me always, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice! This brother of yours was dead, and has come back to life. He was lost, and is found.'

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

Апостол: До Коринтян Першого Послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (1 Кор. 6, 12-20)

Браття і Сестри, «Все мені можна», та не все корисне. «Все мені можна», та я не дам нічому заволодіти надо мною. «Їжа для живота, і живіт для їжі!» Бог же одне і друге ж не для розпусти, але для Господа, і Господь для тіла. Бог же і Господа був воскресив – та й нас воскресить своєю силою. Хіба не знаєте, що тіла ваші – члени Христові? Узявши, отже, члени Христові, – зроблю їх членами блудниці? Хай так не буде! Чи не знаєте, що той, хто пристає до блудниці, є з нею одним тілом? Бо «будуть, – каже, – двоє одним тілом.» Хто ж пристає до Господа, є одним духом. Утікайте від розпусти! Усякий гріх, що його чинить людина, є поза її тілом; а хто чинить розпусту, грішить супроти власного тіла. Хіба ж не знаєте, що ваше тіло – храм Святого Духа, який живе у вас? Його ви маєте від Бога, тож уже не належите до себе самих. Ви бо куплені високою ціною! Тож прославляйте Бога у вашому тілі!



Євангеліє: (Лк 15, 11-32)

Сказав Господь притчу оцю: "В одного чоловіка було два сини. Молодший з них сказав батькові: Тату, дай мені ту частину маєтку, що мені припадає. І батько розділив між ними свій маєток. Кілька днів потім, молодший, зібравши все, подався у край далекий і там розтратив свій маєток, живши розпусно. І от як він усе прогайнував, настав великий голод у тім краю, і він почав бідувати. Пішов він і найнявся до одного з мешканців того краю, і той послав його на своє поле пасти свині. І він бажав би був наповнити живіт світ стручками, що їх їли свині, та й тих ніхто не давав йому.

Опам'ятавшись, він сказав до себе: Скільки то наймитів у мого батька мають подостатком хліба, а я тут з голоду конаю. Встану та й піду до батька мого і скажу йому: Отче, я прогрішився проти неба й проти тебе! Я недостойний більше зватися твоїм сином. Прийми мене як одного з твоїх наймитів. І встав він і пішов до батька свого. І як він був іще далеко, побачив його батько його й, змилосердившись, побіг, на ший йому кинувся і поцілував його. Тут син сказав до нього: Отче, я прогрішився проти неба й проти тебе. Я недостойний більше зватися твоїм сином. А батько кликнув до слуг своїх: Притьмом принесіть найкращу одіж, одягніть його, дайте йому на руку перстень і сандалі на ноги. Та приведіть годоване теля і заріжте, і їймо, веселімся, бо цей мій син був мертвий, і ожив, пропав був, і знайшовся. І вони заходились веселитися. А старший його син був у полі; коли ж він, повертаючись, наблизився до дому, почув музику й танці. Покликав він одного із слуг і спитав, що воно таке було б. Той же сказав йому: Брат твій повернувся, і твій батько зарівав годоване теля, бо знайшов його живим-здоровим. Рознівався той і не хотів увітти.

І вийшов тоді батько й почав його просити. А той озвався до батька: Ось стільки років служу тобі й ніколи не переступив ні однієї заповіді твоєї, і ти не дав мені ніколи козенятя, щоб з друзями спілкуватися. Коли повернувся цей син твій, що проїв твій маєток з блудницями, ти зарівав для нього годоване теля. Батько ж сказав до нього: Ти завжди при мені, дитино, і все моє – твоє. А веселитись і радіти треба було, бо оцей брат твій був мертвий і ожив, пропав був і знайшовся."

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

ЩИРО ВАМ ДЯКУЄМО!

On behalf of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster and myself, we would like thank all who took part in our global fundraising program, "**Christmas Candle/Різдвяна свічка**", for Caritas Ukraine. Because of all your generous donations, we were able to help needy, disadvantaged, disabled and orphaned children in Ukraine. This year we raised **\$2463**, bringing us to a total of **\$24,953** collected for Caritas Ukraine since our appeal started in 2012. Щиро дякуємо всім тим що взяли участь і нехай Бог благословить Вас. Thank You and God Bless - Dana Koren Lupynis. For more information, please contact Dana Koren Lupynis, Natalia Lupynis or Emelia Lupynis at nweparchy.christmascandle@gmail.com and follow us on Facebook at Caritas "Christmas Candle/Різдвяна свічка" Campaign, sponsored by NWEparchy.

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 guests and visitors, prayerfully participate at the church services, actively participate at different parish projects and programs: shared their ideas, prayed and

attended Eparchial Sobor (Okanagan Deanery/Regional meeting in Kamloops, BC on February 8th), attended the funeral of Mrs. Bulych and organized lunch, cleaning at the parish, making cabbage-rolls, 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. 2nd) Divine Liturgy donation was \$ 181.00
- Dormition of The Mother of God Parish in Kelowna: Sunday (Feb. 2nd) Divine Liturgies donation was \$ 1,173.00

“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. Iris Proskow on her birthday (Feb. 9th), Mrs. Shelley Verhelst on her birthday (Feb. 11th), Mrs. Valerie Zuk on her birthday (Feb. 12th), Marichka Fedorov on her birthday (Feb. 12th), Joelle Lalach on her birthday (Feb. 15th), and to all those parishioners who celebrate their birthdays, heavenly patron's /saint's name-days, wedding anniversaries, Christmas time, Theophany and Jordan celebrations 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 CHURCH 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, Anthony Huziak, 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.

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.

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 Fanytych for more information and details.

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 згоді, щоб ми були Твоєю спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилася, 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 Dranchuk family, relatives and friends! **May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place our brother-parishioner Mr. Peter Dranchuk Sr.'s soul in the place where all the saints abide, and may his memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers! – Vichnaya Pamyat'!**

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 thoughtful! 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 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!**



Knights of Columbus invite you to join them at their 46th annual service club banquet (Brotherhood Banquet) on Wednesday, February 12th, 2020 at the Rutland Centennial Hall (180 Rutland Road North). The evening will start with dinner at 6:30 pm followed by introduction of dignitaries and entertainment. Cost of \$ 20.00 per (payable at the door). Everyone welcome. For more information call Victor at 250-860-7612

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.

✚ SAINT VALENTINE CELEBRATION-ZABAVA / PARISH SOCIAL: an evening of dance, fun, and socializing at our Ukrainian Cultural Centre/ parish hall **on Saturday, February 15th, 2020 A.D.** Welcome everyone at 5 pm, Potluck Supper at 6 pm, Tickets \$ 5 per person (all donations will be going to support our church), Children FREE. Everyone is welcome!

✚ 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 hallway 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 organizations 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 responsibilities 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 deposited 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 approved financial transactions. He/She presents at the AGM the statements of income and expences, as well as the balance sheet, for the calendar year as prepared by him or her or, where necessary, by an independent accounting firm.

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 deposited 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 Comeettes such as: Liturgical, Pastoral, Educational, Youth Ministry, Maintance, Kitchen, Social, Public Relations.

✚ Rachel's Corner: "... May your heart never be haunted by ghost structures of old damage. May you come to accept your longing as divine urgency. May you know the urgency with which God longs for you."

- John O'Donohue

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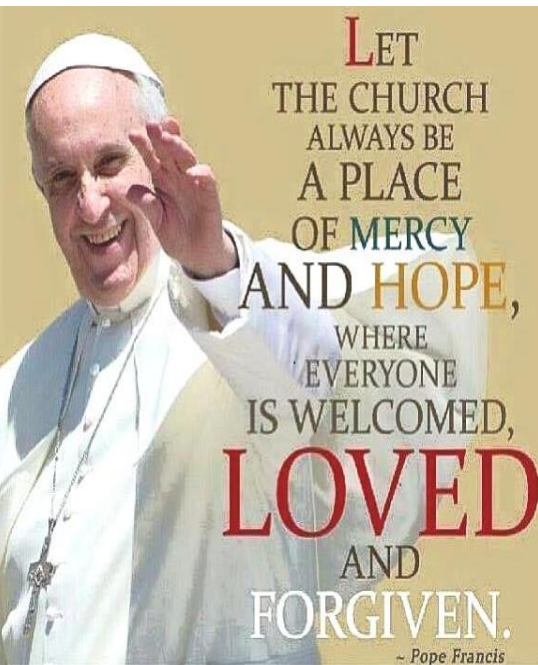
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Pope: God's kingdom is for the poor in spirit, not the proud of heart

by Junno Arocho Esteves on Feb 5, 2020 A.D. for CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

People who recognize and embrace their spiritual poverty will inherit the kingdom of God, not those who place their trust in the comforts of this world, Pope Francis said.



The rise and fall of powerful governments and kingdoms throughout history are a lesson that no matter what wealth, power and comfort one has, “the wealth of this world disappears,” the pope said Feb. 5 during his weekly general audience.

“Our elders would teach us that our burial shroud doesn’t have pockets. It’s true. I’ve never seen a moving van behind a funeral procession. Nobody can take anything with them. Those riches remain here,” he said.

Continuing a series of talks on the Eight Beatitudes, the pope reflected on Jesus’ “paradoxical proclamation, ‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.’”

The spiritual poverty Jesus speaks about, the pope explained, refers to “those who are and feel poor, who are beggars in the depths of their being.”

“How many times have we been told otherwise! ‘You have to be something; you have to be somebody; you have to make a name for yourself,’” he said. “This is what gives rise to loneliness and unhappiness. If I must be ‘someone,’ I am in competition with others and I live in obsessive concern for my ego.”

Often, he added, people don’t accept the truth of that beatitude because it impedes them from achieving fame and fortune, and no matter how hard they try, they always “remain radically incomplete and vulnerable.”

“There is no makeup that can cover this vulnerability. Every one of us is vulnerable within,” the pope said.

Pride, he continued, also can impede a person from being humble or admitting a mistake and asking for forgiveness.

A “proud person can’t do it, they can’t say ‘sorry,’ they are always right. They are not poor,” the pope said.

“Why is it difficult to ask forgiveness?” he asked. “Because it humiliates our hypocritical image. And yet, to live trying to hide one’s shortcomings is exhausting and distressing.”

Francis said that in the first beatitude, Jesus teaches that being poor “is an occasion of grace,” and he shows “us the way out of this fatigue.”

“We are given the right to be poor in spirit, because this is the way of the kingdom of God,” he said.

True power, the pope said, doesn’t come from accumulating wealth, fame or status but rather from following the example of Christ, who gave his life for all men and women.

“This is true power: The power of brotherhood, the power of charity, the power of love, the power of humility,” Francis said.

“This is what Christ did; in this lies true freedom.”

The one who has the power of humility, of service, of brotherhood is free. At the service of this freedom lies the poverty praised by the beatitudes.”

Internet source: <https://cruxnow.com/cns/2020/02/pope-gods-kingdom-is-for-the-poor-in-spirit-not-the-proud-of-heart/>

Pope urges Christians to think about what they say in the Our Father

To pray the Lord’s Prayer and believe what one is reciting takes real courage, Pope Francis said.

One must be bold “to truly believe that God is the father who accompanies me, forgives me, gives me bread, is attentive to everything I ask,” Francis said in a filmed conversation about the Our Father.

The Italian bishops’ television station, TV2000, is set to begin airing a nine-part series Oct. 25 featuring Francis’s conversation with Father Marco Pozza, an Italian prison chaplain and theologian. A long trailer for the program was released Oct. 18.

The original idea for the project was that Pozza would explain the Our Father phrase by phrase and discuss its meaning and implications with a handful of famous Italians from the world of culture and entertainment.

But, the priest told reporters at a news conference, when he told one of the prisoners in Padua about it, the man said, “If he knew about it, Pope Francis would participate, too.”

“At first, I didn’t take it that seriously,” Pozza said, “but then I wrote to the pope.” A few days later the pope phoned him and the project was transformed.

In the program’s trailer, Francis ponders whether most people who recite the Our Father really believe any of it.

“We say that we are Christians, that we have a father, but we live - I won’t say like animals - but like people who don’t believe either in God or in humanity,” the pope says. Not only do people act as if they have no faith, but “we live not in love, but in hatred, competition and wars.”

Francis asked if believers really could say that God's name is "hallowed" in "Christians who battle each other for power" or who "don't care for their own children?"

Christians pray the Lord's Prayer and do so together - saying "our" even when they pray alone - because they know the effort required truly to believe and to try again each day to demonstrate their belief, the pope said. "That is why it is so beautiful to pray together, because we help each other to try."

In addition to the television program, Francis's conversation with Pozza will be published as a book, which will be released in Italian in late November.

In the preface, the pope writes that Jesus gave his disciples the Lord's Prayer not simply as a formula for addressing God, but also so they would learn how to live as God's children and as brothers and sisters to one another.

"Jesus shows us what it means to be loved by the Father and reveals to us that the Father wants to pour out on us the same love that from eternity he has had for his son," the pope said. "I hope that each one of us, as we say, 'Our Father ...,' increasingly discover that we are loved, forgiven and bathed by the dew of the Holy Spirit so that we in turn are able to love and forgive every brother and every sister."

Presented by Cindy Wooden for <https://cruxnow.com/vatican/2017/10/20/pope-urges-christians-think-say-father/?fbclid=IwAR1xIN-LZal4z7AyatyvfgMk7HbjL9g792J8w9RicCPgyOPocz5YREwqljg>

Parish Mission: The Fullness of Purpose

7:00 pm Monday, Feb. 24 & Tuesday, Feb. 25 at ICC Kelowna

Could there be more to our faith experience than what we have come to know? Dynamic speaker and author Ken Yasinski will be leading a two day parish mission at Immaculate Conception Church in Kelowna to lead us into Lent. The Parish Mission is designed for **adults, teens and Confirmation candidates** to help answer life's most meaningful questions: Why have I been created? Where is Joy found? Does my Catholic faith matter? This mission is Catholicism in everyday simple language that will make relevant the timeless truths of our faith. Come be inspired to live your full potential in life. A free-will offering will be taken each evening. Want a free introductory talk by Ken? Text the word **FREETALK** to **1-855-969-5300**.

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Saturday

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Door open @ 5:00 pm
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Tickets: \$ 5 per person, children free
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Welcome friends and families



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