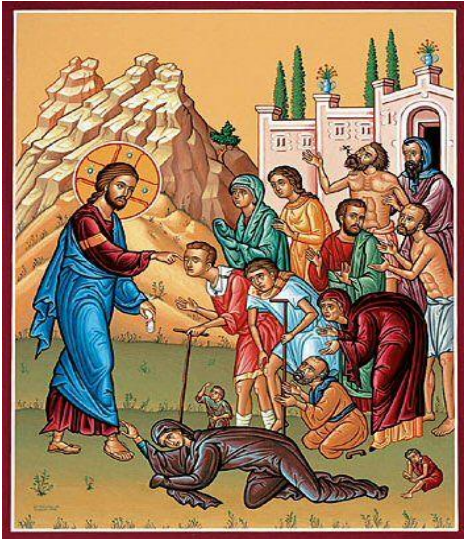


**Dormition of The Mother of God
Ukrainian Catholic Church**



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7th SUNDAY after PENTECOST
7^{MA} НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ ЗІСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО ДУХА
July 11th, 2021 A.D.

“All human persons – all of us – are important in God’s eyes!”

– teaches, guides and reminds us all His Holiness Pope Francis 1st today

Christian Greetings: *Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!*
Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky! Слава Ісусу Хресту! – Слава на Віку!
Christ is among us! – He is and will be!

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

Prayer During the Coronavirus Outbreak:

Lord, Our God,
We thank you for the life that is your gift,
For the providence that sustains us,
And for your wisdom that directs the course of our days.
The threat of an infection of coronavirus is upon us today.
This disease causes fear among us and has claimed lives.
We humbly beg you, loving Lord,
Dispel our fear and deliver us from this and other diseases.
Heal those who are afflicted and stop the spread of the virus.
Strengthen us in charity to care for one another.
For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify
You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.
Amen.

Молитва у Часі Спалаху Коронавірусу:

Господи, Боже наш,
Дякуємо Тобі за життя, яке є Твоїм даром,
За провидіння, яке нас підтримує,
І за Твою мудрість, яка спрямовує хід наших днів.
Сьогодні перед нами загроза зараження коронавірусом.
Ця хвороба викликає страх серед нас і забирає життя.
Ми смиренно просимо Тебе, люблячого Господа,
Розвій наш страх і позбав нас від цієї та усіх інших хвороб.
Вилікуй тих, хто страждає, і зупини поширення вірусу.
Зміцнюй нас у благодаті, щоб ми дбали одні про одних.
Бо Ти - Бог милосердя, доброти та любові, і ми прославляємо
Тебе Отця, Сина і Святого Духа, нині, і повсякчас і на віки вічні.
АМІНЬ.

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. In case of emergency phone (250) 299-7249. If you would like to come to Confession, meet with the parish priest individually at the church or parish office, receive spiritual care and support via telephone or internet, want him to visit you, your relative or friend at their home, hospital or care homes, please, call or email the pastor in advance to arrange time and a day.

Liturgical Propers in English language:

. **Tone 6**, text from book “*The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*”; pages 101-103

Epistle: *A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans: (Romans 15:1-7)*

Brothers and Sisters, we who are strong in faith should be patient with the scruples of those whose faith is weak; we must not be selfish. Each should please his neighbor as to do him good by building up his spirit. Thus, in accord with Scripture, Christ did not please, himself: “The reproaches they uttered against you fell on me.” Everything written before our time was written for our instruction, that we might derive hope from the lessons of patience and the words of encouragement, in the Scriptures. May God, the source of all patience and encouragement, enable you to live in perfect harmony with one another according to the spirit of Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and voice you may glorify God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accept one another, then, as Christ accepted you, for the glory of God.

Gospel: *(Matthew 9:27-35)*

At that time as Jesus moved on from there, two blind men came after him crying out, “Son of David, have pity on us!” When he got to the house, the blind men caught up with him. Jesus said to them, “Are you confident I can do this?” “Yes, Lord,” they told him. At that he touched their eyes and said, “Because of your faith it shall be done to you”; and they recovered their sight. Then Jesus warned them sternly, “See to it that no one knows of this.” But they went off and spread word of him through the whole area. As they were leaving, suddenly some people brought him a mute who was possessed by a demon. Once the demon was expelled the mute began to speak, to the great surprise of the crowds. “Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel!” they exclaimed. But the Pharisees were saying, “He casts out demons through the prince of demons.” Jesus continued his tour of all the towns and villages. He taught in their synagogues, he proclaimed the good news of God’s reign, and he cured every sickness and disease.

earth to forgive sins” – he then said to the paralyzed man – “Stand up! Roll up your mat, and go home.” The man stood up and went toward his home. At the sight, a feeling of awe came over the crowd, and they praised God for giving such authority to men.

At the conclusion of every Divine Liturgy, we say an additional prayer for peace in Ukraine, and healing of the World 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.

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 6, текст з книги "*Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого*"; стт. 100-102

Апостол: До Римлян послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Рм. 15,1-7)

Браття і Сестри, ми, сильні, мусимо нести немочі безсильних, а не собі догоджати. Кожний із нас нехай намагається догодити ближньому: на добро, для збудування. Бо й Христос не собі догоджав, а як написано: «Зневаги тих, що тебе зневажають, упали на мене.» Все бо, що було написано давніше, написано нам на науку, щоб ми мали надію через терпеливість й утіху, про які нас Письмо навчає. Бог же терпеливості й утіхи, за прикладом Христа Ісуса, нехай дасть вам, щоб ви між собою однаково думали за Христом Ісусом; щоб ви однодушно, одними устами славили Бога й Отця Господа нашого Ісуса Христа. Тому приймайте один одного, як і Христос прийняв вас у Божу славу.




Євангеліє: (Мт. 9, 27-35)

У той час, як Ісус відходив звідти, слідом за ним пустилися два сліпці й кричали: "Помилуй нас, сину Давидів!" І коли він увійшов до хати, сліпці приступили до нього, а він спитав їх: "Чи віруєте, що я можу це зробити?" – "Так, Господи!" – кажуть йому ті. Тоді він доторкнувся до їхніх очей, мовивши: "Нехай вам станеться за вашою вірою!" І відкрились їхні очі. Ісус же суворо наказав їм: "Глядіть, щоб ніхто не знав про це." Та ті, вийшовши, розголосили про нього чутку по всій країні. А як вони виходили, приведено до нього німого, що був біснுவатий. Коли ж він вигнав біса, німий почав говорити, і люди дивувалися, кажучи: "Ніколи щось таке не об'являлося в Ізраїлі!" Фарисеї ж говорили: "Він виганяє бісів князем бісівським!" Ісус обходив усі міста і села, навчаючи в їхніх синагогах, проповідуючи Євангелію царства та вигоюючи всяку хворобу й недугу.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

ЩИРО ВАМ ДЯКУЄМО!

 **Gratitudes to all our parishioners, guests, visitors and all Christian people of the good will** who by their kindness share time, talents and treasures, every person who knowingly or unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully make donations, care and help our parish community in various ways and projects inside and outside our parish by keeping and sharing their Christian love, unity by looking after and graciously supporting our Christian, Catholic Church communities!

DONATIONS! Amid Covid-19 outbreak causing these difficult and challenging times we continue to rely on your generosity! **Please continue to support our parish financially by e-transfer** (it is a direct deposit, no security question is needed) via dormitiontransfer2020@gmail.com or mailing a cheque payable to **Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church** 1091 Coronation Ave., Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8 Thank you for your support and care at this uneasy time for us all.

"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!

ЩИРО ВАС ВІТАЄМО!



May The Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Ms. Stefanie Holick on her birthday (July 11th), Mrs. Yulia Lynova on her birthday (July 11th), Mr. Wesley and Mrs. Monica Schaumleffel on their wedding anniversary (July 11th), Nicholas Tomashevskyy on his birthday (July 15th), Mr. Chris and Mrs. Gale Billinton on their wedding anniversary (July 16th), and to all our parishioners and family members and to all Christians celebrating their heavenly patron's name days, and any other special anniversaries this week Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita / Many Blessed Years of Life!

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

LIVE STREAMING of church services from Dormition of the Mother of God

Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kelowna, B.C.: <https://www.facebook.com/dormitionkelowna.parish.5>

You can also view 24 / 7 many inspiring videos, articles, pictures, etc. are regularly published by the pastor. Please visit our parish Facebook page: *DormitionKelowna Parish*: <https://www.facebook.com/dormitionkelowna.parish.5>

 Please also welcome to visit our Cathedral Facebook page for live-stream videos of the liturgical services at Holy Eucharist Cathedral: <https://www.facebook.com/holyeucharistcathedral/>

Your spiritual father-pastor is praying privately for all of you daily! Please pray for one another and especially for those who are ill, suffering be being affected by wildfires and other disasters, following Covid-19 Pandemic safety plan, participate via facebook streamings and other on-line church services, stay healthy and safe!

Let us be responsible to ensure that we all stay safe and healthy.

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/restrictions?utm_campaign=20201118_GCPE_AM_COVID_1_NOTIFICATION_BCGOV_BCGOV_EN_BC_NOTIFICATION#social-gatherings

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US BY PRAYING TO THE ALMIGHTY GOD AT THE CHURCH AND ON-LINE! Wishing you and all your dear ones to be guided by the Holy Spirit, blessed with joy, peace, good health, unity, and Christian love today and always!

Daily Liturgical and Sacramental Services celebrated during this week:

Sunday, July 11th at **8:15 a.m.** Rosary: (church services in Kelowna, BC)

at **9:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends.* (in English)

11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends.* (in Ukrainian)

Monday, July 12th at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy:

Tuesday, July 13th **NO SERVICES.** Please respect your pastor's day-off today.

Wedn., July 14th at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy:

The Communion of Saints

The Church on earth is called the Church Militant, because of its ceaseless struggle with its three enemies, the world, the flesh, and the devil.

The souls in purgatory form the Church Suffering, because they are still expiating their sins in the cleansing fire.

The blessed in Heaven are called the Church Triumphant, because they have already secured their victory.

All the members of the communion of saints have a share in the spiritual goods of the Catholic Church, and can help one another by their prayers and other good works.



Thursday, July 15th at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy:

Friday, July 16th at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy:

Saturday, July 17th at **4:00 p.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends.* (church services in Penticton, BC)

Sunday, July 18th at **8:15 a.m.** Rosary: (church services in Kelowna, BC) at **9:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends*(in Eng. and Ukr.)

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: Most Reverend Bishop-

Emeritus Severian Yakymyshyn, Lucy D., Janet F., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Ray Saranchuk, Cameron V., Rose Ostopowich, Keyton A., Keyton A., Dylan A., Torin S., Sabre S. Ryder M., Kit C., Shirley C., Olga Kuzyk, George Dashkewtych, Olga Romanyshyn, Kay Ilnitski, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, Maria Pylypchuk, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Roma Nowakowski, 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, Marilyn Daulat and Family, Shelley Zemliak, Ron Horon, Adeline Sorochuk and all members of our parochial 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, 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, use & hurt us; and all people who have asked us pray for them. Please, also in your kindness keep praying those daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Remember to ask for special blessings to all Christian families and yourselves! **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:** 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.



Devotional Services to Blessed Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky: Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm (CDT), Live-Streaming on the YouTube Shrine Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Og0D2DhlpU> Website: Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine: <https://bvmartyrshrine.com/>



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 Твоею 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 Твоею 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 Твоею 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.



Please be aware and remember that your help is always appreciated, and we still need more parishioners to volunteer!
Thank you for your support and care at this uneasy Covid-19 Pandemic time for us all.

“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)

✚ On behalf of our church family, assurance of our prayers and deepest sympathy are to relatives and friends of Mrs. Ann Wyshynsky! **May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place our faithful sister-parishioner Mrs. Ann Wyshynsky's soul in the place where all the saints abide, and may her memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers! – Vichnaya Pamyat'!**

✚ **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 HELP IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED:** to help out with weekly cleaning in the church, cutting the grass and maintaining the lawn, 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.**

✚ **YOUR PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND RESPECT OF OTHERS:** 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. In consideration of other Christians, please do not leave any items 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 safe and clean. Thank you very much for your understanding, help and care!

✚ **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**

✚ **Traditional and Very Delicious Ukrainian Food is available for sale at our parish:** Kovbasa / Garlic Sausage - \$ 10.00 per 1-pound ring, Pie - \$ 9.00. If you need more information or to place your order, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870 or Olena Fedorov at 778-821-0759.

✚ **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, possitive and generous!**

✚ **Rachel's Corner:** *“I feel closer to my wife than I have in a long time. I feel like I have had, through Rachel's Vineyard, the chance to see things from her perspective and discover grief and - emotions in myself that I didn't even know were there.”* - Testimonial

Locked doors in our hearts are opened on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, and we discover that what we thought was hidden and untouchable, is what God can heal so we can be free again. Freedom to grieve our decision and loss, and freedom to come alive again.

Join men and women on a Rachel Retreat of healing. www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com Like us on Facebook: [Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna](https://www.facebook.com/Rachel's-Vineyard-Kelowna)

✚ **Bequests and Wills:** Leaving a bequest is a process of giving a donation through your will. It is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. It can be as small or as large a donation as you wish. It is important that you talk to your lawyer about the process. In your kindness, please remember Resurrection of Jesus Christ Ukrainian Catholic Parish in Penticton, BC and Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: "I give, devise, and bequeath to Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church at 1091 Coronation Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8 or to Resurrection of Jesus Christ Ukrainian Catholic Parish in Penticton, BC, the sum of \$____ (or ____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the church/parish and it's needs and pastoral ministry."

Healing

Pope Francis 11.02.18 Angelus, St Peter's Square 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B World Day of the Sick [Mark 1: 40-45](http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/francesco/angelus-angelus/20180211-angelus-st-peters-square.html)
Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

On these Sundays, the Gospel according to Mark presents to us [Jesus](#) who [heals](#) sick people of every kind. In this context, the World Day of the Sick fits well. It is observed today, 11 February, Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Lourdes. For this reason, with our heart's gaze directed toward the Grotto of Massabielle, let us contemplate Jesus as the true physician of bodies and souls, whom God the Father sent into the world to heal humanity, marked by sin and by its consequences.

Today's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 1:40-45) presents to us the healing of a man afflicted with leprosy, a disease that in the Old Testament was considered a grave impurity and required the leper to be separated from the community: they lived in isolation. His condition was truly pitiful, because the mind-set of the time made him feel unclean even before God, and not only before mankind. Even before God. Therefore the leper of the Gospel beseeches Jesus with these words: "If you will, you can make me clean" (v. 40).

Upon hearing this, Jesus feels pity (cf. v. 41). It is very important to pay attention to this inner resonance of Jesus, as we did at length during the Jubilee of Mercy. We cannot understand the works of Christ, we cannot understand Christ himself, if we do not enter his compassionate and merciful heart. And this is what spurs him to stretch out his hand to that man afflicted with leprosy, to touch him and say to him: "I will; be clean" (v. 40). The most shocking fact is that Jesus touches the leper, because that was absolutely prohibited by Mosaic law. Touching a leper meant being infected even inside, in the spirit, that is, becoming unclean. But in this case the influence flows not from the leper to Jesus so as to transfer the contagion, but actually from Jesus to the leper so as to grant him purification. In this healing, apart from Jesus' compassion and mercy, we admire his audacity. He is concerned neither about the contagion nor about the rules, but is moved only by the will to free that man from the curse that burdens him.

Brothers and sisters, no disease is a cause of impurity: disease certainly involves the whole person, but in no way does it impair or impede his or her relationship with God. On the contrary, a sick person can be even more united with God. Instead, sin: that yes, is what makes us unclean! Selfishness, arrogance, entering the world of corruption: these are diseases of the heart from which we need to be purified by turning to Jesus like the leper: "If you will, you can make me clean!".

And now, let us observe a moment of silence, and each of us — all of you, me, everyone — can think about our own heart, look within ourselves, and see our own impurities, our own sins. And may each of us, in silence, but with the voice of our heart, say to Jesus: "If you will, you can make me clean". Let us all do so in silence.

"If you will, you can make me clean". "If you will, you can make me clean".

And each time we approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation with a contrite heart, the Lord also repeats to us: "I will; be clean!". How much joy there is in this! In this way the leprosy of sin is overcome; we return to joyfully experience our filial relationship with God and we are fully readmitted into the community.

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, our Immaculate Mother, let us ask the Lord, who brought wellbeing to the sick, to heal even our inner wounds with his infinite mercy, and thus give us back hope and peace of heart.



Pope Francis 07.2.19 [Holy Mass Santa Marta](#) [Mark 6: 7-13](#)

The Gospel tells of how Jesus sends his disciples into the world to bring healing, just as He Himself came into the world to heal. To heal the root of sin in us, the original sin.

Healing is a bit like creating from anew. Jesus recreated us from the root and then allowed us to move forward with his teaching, with his doctrine, a doctrine that heals. But, the first requisite is that there be conversion. Conversion is the first step of healing in the sense that it opens the heart so that the Word of God may enter. If someone is sick and refuses to go to the doctor he will not be healed.

As Christians, we may do many good things, but if our hearts are closed, it's only a façade.

In order to proclaim so that people may convert, one requires authority that comes from being like Jesus. In the Gospel Jesus instructs the Apostles to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick - no food, no sack, no money in their belts. In essence, poverty.

The apostle must be a pastor who does not seek sheep's milk, who does not seek sheep's wool. As expressed by Saint Augustine the shepherd who seeks milk seeks money, and the shepherd who seeks wool likes to dress with vanity.

I invite Christians to follow a path of poverty, humility, meekness. Jesus told the Apostles "Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet", but do so with meekness and humility.

If an apostle, an envoy, one of us goes, with his nose in the air, believing himself superior to the others or because of self-interest looking for some human interest he will never heal anyone, he will never succeed in opening anyone's heart, because his word will have no authority. After having exhorted to conversion, the Twelve drove out many demons and they could do so because they had the authority to say "This is a demon! This is a sin."

This authority is not the authority of someone who speaks down to people, but of someone who is interested in people. Demons flee before humility, before the power of Christ's name with which the apostle carries out his mission, because demons cannot bear that sins be healed.

The Apostles also anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. The anointing is the caress of God, so all apostles must learn this wisdom of God's caresses.

All Christians can bring healing, not only priests and bishops: "each of us has the power to heal his brother or sister."

We all need to be healed, and we can all heal others if we are humble and meek: with a good word, with patience, with a glance.

Internet source: [Healing - Pope Francis Homilies](#)



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Pastoral Message to the Ukrainian Catholic Faithful

Dear Ukrainian Catholic Faithful,

Слава Ісусу Христу!
Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Many of us were saddened earlier this week when we learned that the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Parish, Calgary, had been vandalized by individuals acting on their own – not once but twice, alongside many other Roman Catholic parishes throughout Calgary.

While the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada never ran Residential Schools, we can relate to the pain and suffering that our Indigenous brothers and sisters are enduring in the recent recovery of the graves of hundreds of children found in several cemeteries in western Canada.

The Ukrainian community readily acknowledges that if it were not for the help of the Indigenous Peoples, our ancestors would not have survived those first harsh winters in the late 1890s when Ukrainian immigration to Canada began, nor what medicines to use, nor how to navigate the land. The story of the meeting of our two peoples is most recently told in song and dance in the 2018 Ukrainian Shumka Dancers' *Ancestors and Elders* production, a story of strength and sacred bond among peoples.

Dear faithful, the Indigenous Peoples in Canada now need our prayers, support and action as they seek truth and reconciliation regarding the tragedy of Residential Schools. If for no other reason, we can relate to their suffering and loss for we too know suffering and loss. Millions of our people were starved to death under the Soviet Communist Regime in the Holodomor Genocide of 1932-1933. In Canada, during World War I, thousands of our people were taken away from their families, stripped of all their possessions, and held in some 24 internment camps as enemy aliens, some whose burial sites are still unknown. And since 2014, some 13,000 have died and 30,000 wounded in the "forgotten war" in eastern Ukraine at the hands of Russian aggressors.

Dear parishioners of Assumption Parish, Calgary, I share in the hurt and pain caused you by the recent vandalism at your holy place of worship, and I pray that words of peace and reconciliation prevail over criminal acts of vandalism and hate.

Dear faithful, but now, above all, it is a time to listen attentively to our Indigenous brothers and sisters, no matter how painful the reality of Residential Schools. They must speak. We must listen. Only then will truth be told, and heard, with the hope of reconciliation and a strengthening of the bond of our two peoples.

God bless

Bishop David



"Tell me your enemy, and I will tell you what you are.
Tell me your hatred, and I will tell you your character. Do you hate religion? Then your conscience bothers you. Do you hate the wealthy? Then you are avaricious, and you want to be wealthy. Do you hate sin? Then you love God.
Do you hate your hate, your selfishness, your quick temper, your wickedness? Then you are a good soul."

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

UCCLA condemns hate crimes against Ukrainian churches in Canada

For immediate release (Ottawa, July 2, 2021)

The Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association (www.uccla.ca) condemns the recent vandalism of two Ukrainian Catholic churches in Canada and wants these incidents to be investigated as hate crimes.

Overnight, between June 30 and July 1, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church in Calgary [was vandalized](#) with spray paint, and the property defaced, including a memorial plaque commemorating Canada's first national internment operations.

And, on June 18, [it was reported that](#) a 100-year-old Ukrainian Catholic Church in Fisher Branch, in Manitoba's Interlake region, was vandalized; windows were smashed and numerous items within the church were damaged.

"What happened to indigenous peoples as a result of the residential school system is appalling and we support their efforts to secure a recognition for what they suffered," said Roman Zakaluzny, chairman of UCCLA. "But to desecrate churches and frighten their peaceful congregants is appalling and must be investigated as a hate crime against an identifiable group, specifically Ukrainian Canadians. Those responsible for this vandalism are obviously ignorant - the Ukrainian Catholic Church is independent of the Roman Catholic Church and no parish of our Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada was ever involved in the creation, management, or functioning of any of the residential schools in this country."

"The [UCCLF](#) placed more than 100 plaques across Canada, like the one defaced in Calgary, to commemorate Canada's first national internment operations of 1914-1920, whose victims were mainly Ukrainians and other Europeans. The systemic racism our community suffered resulted in thousands of innocents being jailed, then forced to do heavy labour for the benefit of their jailers, all across Canada. The irony is that this plaque, memorializing this dark chapter in Canada's history, was also defaced, by those whose appreciation of the history of this country seems rather prubland."

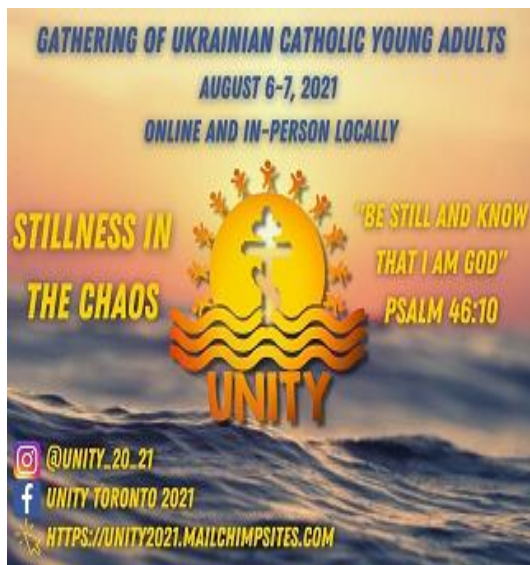
"The Ukrainian Canadian community wants the federal government to help restore the burial sites of all the victims of Canada's first national internment operations. An internee cemetery established at Spirit Lake, in Quebec's Abitibi region, by Ottawa's men, holds the remains of at least 16 internees, including children, although the whereabouts of at least one child, Nellie Manko, remain uncertain. Despite [repeated requests](#) from the Ukrainian Canadian community for government assistance in restoring, properly marking, and hallowing this unique historical site, no action has been taken. Why should this internee cemetery be forgotten? This internee cemetery is rapidly deteriorating and will soon vanish into boreal forest. That is unacceptable.

"Now that a [\\$27-million](#) federal fund has been established to locate, restore, and properly commemorate burial places where those innocent of any wrongdoing were buried, the UCCLA is again asking the federal Heritage Minister, the Honourable Steven Guilbeault, to address our concerns with respect to the Spirit Lake internee cemetery, to ensure that this site is properly protected and the remains of those buried there are not lost to indifference, ignorance, or prejudice. Ukrainian Canadian victims of unjust federal policies and decisions are no less worthy of being remembered than those who suffered similar indignities, regardless of 'race, creed or colour.'"

For more information about UCCLA, please email media@uccla.ca, or visit: www.uccla.ca [Our Twitter](#) [Our Facebook](#)

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The Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association (L'Association ukrainienne-canadienne des droits civils) is a non-partisan, voluntary, non-profit research and educational organization committed to the articulation and promotion of the Ukrainian Canadian community's interests and to the defence of the civil liberties and human rights of Ukrainians in Canada and elsewhere.



Young Adults Gathering – Unity 2021

Stillness In The Chaos

August 6 – Saturday August 7, 2021

<https://eeparchy.com/2021/06/30/young-adults-gathering-unity-2021/>

This past year has been incredibly difficult for so many, and this topic is more important than ever.

We will have sessions on:

Mental health, Having a relationship with God, What it means to be Ukrainian Catholic, The Divine Liturgy, Theology of the body and dating, Wellness of Body, Mind and Spirit, Evangelism and the leadership of Jesus Christ, and Catholicism and non-traditional families.

Unity 2021 will be offered **ONLINE**, and all sessions will be held over Zoom. There is **NO COST** to attend this event.

[Register Now](#)

Unity is a national gathering of Ukrainian Catholic young adults (18 to 35 years old) to further understand, embrace and celebrate the Ukrainian Catholic faith through prayer, education, and fellowship. Unity promotes and strengthens Christian religious life and social outreach traditionally through faith-based activities and workshops. Unity has been held across Canada since 1996, with hundreds of young adults from across the country being enriched by the experience. This meaningful weekend offers spiritual guidance, community service, and opportunities to deepen one's faith through catechetical enrichment.

This year Unity will be held online on Friday, August 6, 2021 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm (EST) and Saturday, August 7, 2021 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm (EST). Should Covid-19 restrictions be lifted in person events may be held in each eparchy. Unity will feature Key Note speakers, breakout sessions, a Bishops' panel and fellowship.

Unity is being hosted by the Eparchy of Toronto and Eastern Canada and planned by a committee made up of members involved in Youth and Young Adult Ministry from across Canada.

Registration opens on Sunday, June 6, 2021 and closes Monday, August 2, 2021.

1. **New Youth Catechism:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DhbAVqiP4W4&t=9s>
2. **Катехизм для молоді «Ми йдемо з Христом»: у чому його значення? | "Відкрита Церква": Катехизм для молоді «Ми йдемо з Христом»: у чому його значення? | "Відкрита Церква" - YouTube**

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СУБОТА, 17 ЛИПНЯ

17:30 – Зустріч молоді з Блаженнішим Патріархом Святославом
19:00 – Вечірня (Каплиця біля парафіяльної церкви)
20:00 – Архисрейська Божественна Літургія (Каплиця біля парафіяльної церкви)
23:00 – Молебен до Богородиці. (площа біля Собору)
00:00 – Освячення води
00:30 – Хресна Дорога
00:30 – Початок чування молоді (Каплиця біля парафіяльної церкви)
00:30 – Нічні чування (Собор, підземна церква, надбрамна церква та церква Пресвятої Євхаристії)

НЕДІЛЯ, 18 ЛИПНЯ

07:00 – Утреня (Собор)
08:30 – Похід владик і священників від Собору до подіуму на чудотворному місці. Привітання владик
09:00 – Архисрейська Божественна Літургія. Освячення води та релігійної атрибутики
11:30 – Божественна Літургія (Каплиця біля парафіяльної церкви)
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