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**20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY after PENTECOST**

**Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council (787 A.D.)**

**20<sup>та</sup> НЕДІЛЯ після ЗІСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО ДУХА**

**October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 A.D.**



**“Caring for our little ones and for our elders is a choice for civilization. And also, for the future, because the little ones, the children, the young people will carry society forward by their strength, their youth, and the elderly people will carry it forward by their wisdom, their memory, which they must give to us all!”**

– teaches, reminds, and strongly emphasises Pope Francis 1<sup>st</sup> today

**Christian Greetings: Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!**

**Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky! Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віку!**

**Christ is among us! – He is and will be!**

**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 смирено 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:**

**Troparion** (Tone 3): Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted great mercy to the world.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.**

**Troparion** (Tone 8): Christ our God, You are glorified above all, You established our fathers as beacons on earth and through them guided all of us to the true faith. Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

**Now and for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Kontakion** (Tone 6): The Son who ineffably shone from the Father was born two-fold of nature from a woman. Beholding Him, we do not reject the image of His form; but depicting it, we revere it faithfully. Therefore, the Church, holding the true faith, kisses the icon of Christ's becoming man.

**Prokimenon** (tone 4): Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name for ever (Dn. 3:26).

**Verse:** For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us. (Dn 3:27)

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**ДЕ ЗГОДА В РОДИНІ**

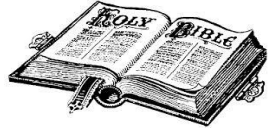
Де згода в родині, де мир і тишина,  
Щасливі там люди, блаженна сторона.  
Іх Бог благословляє, добро їм посилає,  
І з ними ввік живе.



**Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Hebrews: (Heb. 13:7-16)**

Brothers and Sisters remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you; consider how their lives ended, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good to have our hearts strengthened by the grace of God and do not by foods which are useless to those who take them as a standard for living. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. The bodies of the animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sin offering are burned outside the camp. Therefore, Jesus died outside the gate, to sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us go to him outside the camp, bearing the insult which he bore. For here we have no lasting city; we are seeking one which is to come. Through him let us continually offer God a sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips which acknowledge his name. Do not neglect good deeds and generosity; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.



**Alleluia** (Tone 3): The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you (Ps 19:2). They called on the Lord and He heard them. (Ps 98:6) Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him (Ps 49:5).

**Gospel: (Jn. 17:1-13)**

At the time Jesus, looked up to heaven and said: 'Father, the hour has come! Give glory to your Son that your Son may give glory you, inasmuch as you have given him authority over all people, that he may bestow eternal life on those you gave him. (Eternal life is this: to know you, the only true God, and him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ.) I have given you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. Do you now, Father, give me glory at your side, a glory I had with you before the world existed. I have made your name known to those you gave me out of the world. These men you gave me were yours; they have kept your word. Now they realize that all that you gave me comes from you. I entrusted to them the message you entrusted to me, and they received it. They have known that in truth I came from you, they have believed it was you who sent me. For these I pray – not for the world but for these you have given me, for they are really yours. (Just as all that belongs to me is yours, so all that belongs to you is mine.) It is in them that I have been glorified.

I am in the world no more, but these are in the world as I come to you. O Father most holy, protect them with your name which you have given me (that they may be one, even as we are one). As long as I was with them, I guarded them with your name which you gave me. I kept careful watch, and not one of them was lost, none but him who was destined to be lost – in fulfillment of Scripture. Now, however, I come to you; I say all this while I am still in the world that they may share my joy completely."

**Communion Verses:** Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest (Ps 148:1). Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous (Ps 32:1). Alleluia! (3x)

**At the conclusion of every Divine Liturgy, we say an additional prayer for peace in Canada and 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:**

**Тропар** (глас 3): Нехай веселяться небесні, нехай радується земляни, бо показав владу рукою Своєю Господь, Він смертю смерть подолав, первістоком з-поміж мертвих став, визволив нас із глибин аду, і подав світові велику милість.

**Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.**

**Тропар** (глас 8): Препрославлений Ти, Христе Боже наш, світила на землі – отців наших оснував Ти і ними до істинної віри всіх нас направив Ти. Багатомилосердний, слава Тобі.

**І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.**

**Кондак** (глас 6): Ти – із Отця несказанно возсіявший Син – з жени родився подвійний єством. Його видячи, не відрікаємося виду зображення але його, благочесно написавши, вірне почитаємо. І ради того Церква, держачи істинну віру, цілує ікону вочоловічення Христового.

**Прокімен** (глас 4): Благословен еси, Господи, Боже отців наших, і хвальне, і прославлене ім'я твоє на віки (Дан. 3, 26).

Стих: Бо праведний еси в усьому, що сотворив Ти нам. (Дан. 3:26-27)

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**Апостол: До Євреїв послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Євр. 13,7-16)**

Браття та Сестри, пам'ятайте про наставників ваших, які звіщали вам слово Боже, і дивлячись уважно на кінець їхнього життя, наслідуйте їхню віру. Ісус Христос учора й сьогодні – той самий навіки. Не піддавайтесь різним та чужим наукам: воно бо добре укріпити серце благодаттю, не стравами, які не принесли ніякої користі тим, що віддавалися їм. Є у нас жертovníк, з якого не мають права їсти ті, що при наметі служать. Бо котрих звірят кров архиерей заносить у святиню за гріхи, тих м'ясо палиться за табором. Тому й Ісус, щоб освятити народ власною своєю кров'ю, страждав поза містом. Тож виходьмо до нього за табір, несучи нарузу його, бо ми не маємо тут постійного міста, а майбутнього шукаєм. Через нього принесім завжди Богові жертву хвали, тобто плід уст, які визнають його ім'я. Добродійства та взаємної допомоги не забувайте: такі бо жертви Богові приємні.



**Апостол** (Глас 3): Вислухає тебе Господь у день печалі, захистить тебе ім'я Бога Якова (Пс. 19, 2). Призивали Господа і він вислухав їх (Пс. 98, 6). Зберіть Йому преподобних Його, що заповідують завіт Його в жертвах (Пс. 49, 5).

**Євангеліє: (Ів. 17, 1-13)**


В той час Ісус, підвівши очі свої до неба, проказав: «Отче, прийшла година! Прослав свого Сина, щоб Син твій тебе прославив, згідно з владою, що її ти дав йому над усяким тілом: дарувати життя вічне тим, яких ти передав йому. А вічне життя у тому, щоб вони спізнали тебе, єдиного, істинного Бога, і тобою посланого – Ісуса Христа. Я тебе на землі прославив, виконавши те діло, яке ти дав мені до виконання. Тепер же прослав мене, Отче, у себе – славою тією, що її я мав у тебе перед тим, як постав світ! Я об'явив твоє ім'я людям, яких ти від сени передав мені. Вони були твої, ти ж передав мені їх, і зберегли вони слово твоє. Нині збагнули вони, що все, тобою дане мені – від тебе; слова бо, тобою мені дані, я їм дав, і сприйняли вони їх, і справді збагнули, що від тебе я вийшов, і увірували, що ти мене послав. Молю ж за них: не за світ молю, лише за тих, яких ти передав мені, бо вони – твої. І все моє – твоє, твоє ж – моє, і в них я прославився. Я

вже більш не у світі, а вони у світі, і я до тебе йду. Отче Святий! Заради імени твого бережи їх, тих, що їх ти мені передав, щоб були одно, як ми! Бувши з ними у світі, я беріг їх у твоє ім'я; тих, яких ти передав мені, я їх стеріг, і ніхто з них не пропав, лише син загибелі, щоб збулося Писання. Тепер же іду до тебе, і кажу те, у світі бувши, щоб вони раділи моїх мали у собі вщерть.

**Причасний:** Хваліте Господа з небес, хваліте Його на висотах (Пс. 148, 1). Радуйтеся, праведні, у Господі, правим належить похвала (Пс. 32, 1). Алілуя (х3).

**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, help to clean inside and outside our church building, and 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, respect and unity in Christ 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](mailto: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 Mrs. Virginia Pisiso on her birthday (Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Peter and Mrs. Diana Bihun on their wedding anniversary (Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>), Mrs. Martha Holick on her birthday (Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>), Sofia Gudz on her birthday (Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Lorne and Mrs. Gloria Dudych on their wedding anniversary (Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>), Rev. Fr. Andriy and Dob. Krystyna Werbowy on their wedding anniversary (Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>), and to every person celebrating Thanksgiving Day, birthdays, name days / heavenly patron's feastdays and any other special anniversaries this week Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita / Many Blessed Years of Life!

**NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:**



 **SUNDAY CATECHISM SCHOOL:** *"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, tradition, singing and religious practices and customs of the Ukrainian Catholic Church. *"We will start catechism classes this Sunday, September 19 for ages 4 to 12. Older children are very welcome to volunteer their help with the younger children and their efforts will be recognized and rewarded. Each class will start after Communion during the English Liturgy and end just before the beginning of the Ukrainian Liturgy. We will be following protocols similar to those used in our elementary schools. Individual snacks and learning materials will be provided. We are looking forward to meeting our parish children and providing a safe, fun, and interesting experience in learning about our Catholic faith. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Marilyn Daulat at [marilyn\\_daulat@hotmail.com](mailto:marilyn_daulat@hotmail.com) or call at 250-801-7538. Z Bohom! Marilyn Daulat"* If you have any questions, please, do not hesitate to contact our parish catechism teacher Mrs. Marilyn Daulat or pastor Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts.

**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 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](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, October 10<sup>th</sup> at **8:15 a.m.** Rosary: (**Services in Kelowna, BC**)  
 at **9:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *Thanksgiving to The Almighty God for all His visible and invisible graces and blessings upon all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends* (Eng./Ukr.)  
 Thanksgiving celebration and FATIMA film presentation
- Tue., Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *Repose of the soul of Mr. John and Mrs. Luba Chernesky* (requested by Mrs. Veronica Chernesky and The Family)
- Wed., Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *Repose of the soul of Metropolitan Stefan Sulyk* (requested by Mrs. Lidia Devonshire and The Family)
- Thurs., Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for Mrs. Lidia Devonshire and The Family* (requested by Mrs. Lidia Devonshire and The Family)  
 at **7:00 p.m.** Acathistos to The Blessed Virgin Mary  
 and Christian Video Presentation with Reflections "WHY GOD?"
- Fri., Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *Repose of the soul of Mr. Andrey Paul Muzyka* (requested by Mrs. Martha Holick and The Family)
- Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at **3:40 p. m.** Lectio Divina / Bible Studies: (**Bible Studies and Church Services in Penticton, BC**)  
 at **4:00 p.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends.*  
 Following the Divine Liturgy will be **BLESSING OF THE GRAVES at the Lakeview Cemetery in Penticton, BC**
- Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at **8:15 a.m.** Rosary: (**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.)  
 at **11:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends* (in Ukrainian)  
**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES at 4:30 p.m. at the Kelowna Memorial Park Cemetery.**

### Anonymous Person's Thanksgiving Prayer:

*"Even though I clutch my blanket and growl when the alarm rings, thank you, Lord, that I can hear. There are many who are deaf. Even though I keep my eyes closed against the morning light as long as possible, thank you, Lord, that I can see. Many are blind. Even though I huddle in my bed and put off rising, thank you, Lord, that I have the strength to rise. There are many who are bedridden.*

*Even though the first hour of my day is hectic, when socks are lost, toast is burned and tempers are short, my children are so loud, thank you, Lord, for having a family. There are so many who are lonely.*

*Even though our breakfast table never looks like the pictures in the magazines and the menu is at times unbalanced, thank you, Lord, for the food we have. There are so many who are hungry.*

*Even though the routine of my job often is monotonous, thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to work. There are so many who have no job.*

*Even though I grumble and bemoan my fate from day to day and wish my circumstances were not so modest, thank you, Lord, for life. Amen.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:** Lucy D., Janet F., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Ray Saranchuk, Cameron V., Rose Ostopowich, Alix W., Keyton A., Shelley M., Kathleen S., Chelsea M., Carmella M., Bernard M., Darrin M., Kit C., Shirley C., Olga Kuzyk, George Dashkewytch, 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, Joseph Stetch, Rosa Maria Santos, Anita N., Ron and Verna Shoemaker, Jonas and Anne, Alyssa and Adam, Mark and Asia, Karen Feniuk, Volodymyr Melnyk, Shelley Zemliak, Ron Horon, Adeline Sorochuk, Taras Hryb, relatives of The Burachok Family, 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.

**✚ 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! ***Please always remember that we come together to the church to glorify Lord Our God and spiritually grow as a Christian community and church as house of prayer helps us during our temporal life journey.***

**✚ 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.



**МОЛИТА 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 згоді, 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.

**✚** On behalf of our church family, assurance of our prayers and deepest sympathy are to Mrs. Martha Holick and The Family, relatives and friends! **May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place our brother in Christ Mr. Andrew Paul Muzyka's soul in the place where all the saints abide, and may his memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers! – Vichnaya Pamyat'!**

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

**✚** On behalf of our church family, assurance of our prayers and deepest sympathy are to Ms. Oksana Makovych, her Family members, relatives and friends! **May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place our brother in Christ Mr. Andriy Andrukhiv's soul in the place where all the saints abide, and may his memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers! – Vichnaya Pamyat'!**

**✚** **Our Parish Hall / Ukrainian Catholic Centre is rented.** Please be aware, respect, cooperate and understand that no one during the church services and after the church services is allowed in the hall during this time. We must rent the hall to the organizations and raise funds to help our parish church pay bills and other operation expences.

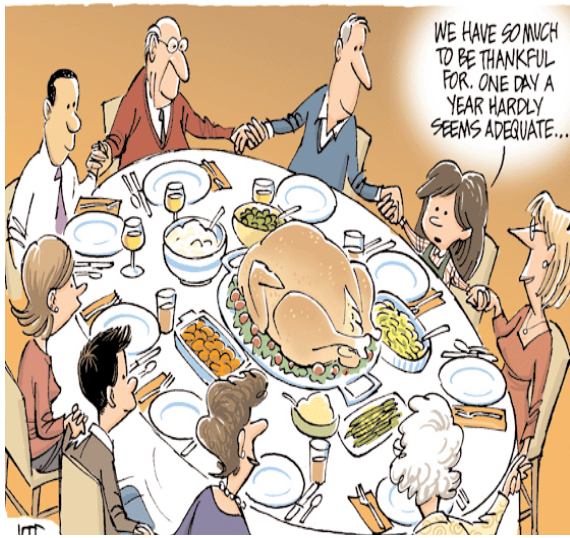
**✚** **If you wish to help or have any questions, suggestions, ideas about our parish community life, please, contact our parish executive council chairperson Mrs. Yvonne Crawford.** Email: [Donoharmclinic@gmail.com](mailto:Donoharmclinic@gmail.com) or phone: 250-212-4899

**✚** **Cantoring Workshop!** On Saturday, October 23, Dr. Melanie Turgeon and Dr. Joy Berg will teach a worship workshop. The eastern (cantoring) component is from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and the topic is: Increase Your Repertoire: Learn new carols, new hymns and new versions for various parts of the Divine Liturgy. This workshop will take place on Zoom. Register by midnight Oct. 21 at: [Kingsu.ca/worshipmatters](http://Kingsu.ca/worshipmatters) (\$15 fee). For more information e-mail: [melanie.turgeon@kingsu.ca](mailto:melanie.turgeon@kingsu.ca)

**✚** **JOIN OUR CHURCH CHOIR:** Do you enjoy singing? Please consider joining our Dormition Parish Choir and remember that we are looking for new members! Contact Mrs. Lesia Achtymichuk for more information and details.



**✚** **Traditional and Very Delicious Ukrainian Food is available for sale at our parish:** Kovbasa / Garlic Sausage - \$ 10.00 per 1-pound ring, Cabbage Rolls – \$ 7.00 per dozen. Pie - \$ 9.00. If you need more information or to place your order, please contact Mrs. Alice Pelechaty at 250-763-4870 or Mrs. Olena Fedorov at 778-821-0759.



✚ **Thanksgiving Day will be celebrated** at our parish in Kelowna, BC on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 A.D. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated **at 9:00 a.m.** Potluck will be held after church service today. If you have any questions, suggestions and wish to help please contact Mrs. Lydia Pfof or Mrs. Olena Fedorov at 778-821-0759. We are looking forward to praying, welcoming and sharing the blessings and joy of this wonderful parish celebration following Covid-19 pandemic safety with you dear brothers and sisters in Christ!

✚ **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](http://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!**

✚ **Volunteers' help is needed to make pierogies starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday of Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 A.D.** Following Covid-19 protocols we help our parish fundraisers. Please come and help!



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## Pope Francis reminds people about great importance to be Thankful

13.10.19 Holy Mass and Canonization of the Blesseds, Saint Peter's Square  
 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C Luke 17: 11-19



"Your faith has saved you" (Lk 17:19). This is the climax of today's Gospel, which reflects the journey of faith. There are three steps in this journey of faith. We see them in the actions of the lepers whom Jesus heals. They cry out, they walk and they give thanks.

First, they cry out. The lepers were in a dreadful situation, not only because of a disease that, widespread even today, needs to be battled with unremitting effort, but also because of their exclusion from society. At the time of Jesus, lepers were considered unclean and, as such, had to be isolated and kept apart (cf. Lev 13:46). We see that when they approach Jesus, they "kept their distance" (Lk 17:12). Even though their condition kept them apart, the Gospel tells us that they "called out" (v. 13) and pleaded with Jesus. They did not let themselves be paralyzed because they were shunned

by society; they cried out to God, who excludes no one. We see how distances are shortened, how loneliness is overcome: by not closing in on ourselves and our own problems, by not thinking about how others judge us, but rather by crying out to the Lord, for the Lord hears the cry of those who find themselves alone.

Like those lepers, we too need healing, each one of us. We need to be healed of our lack of confidence in ourselves, in life, in the future; we need to be healed of our fears and the vices that enslave us, of our introversion, our addictions and our attachment to games, money, television, mobile phones, to what other people think. The Lord sets our hearts free and heals them if only we ask him, only if we say to him: "Lord, I believe you can heal me. Dear Jesus, heal me from being caught up in myself. Free me from evil and

fear". The lepers are the first people, in this Gospel, who called on the name of Jesus. Later, a blind man and a crucified thief would do so: all of them needy people calling on the name of Jesus, which means: "God saves". They call God by name, directly and spontaneously. To call someone by name is a sign of confidence, and it pleases the Lord. That is how faith grows, through confident, trusting prayer. Prayer in which we bring to Jesus who we really are, with open hearts, without attempting to mask our sufferings. Each day, let us invoke with confidence the name of Jesus: "God saves". Let us repeat it: that is prayer, to say "Jesus" is to pray. And prayer is essential! Indeed, prayer is the door of faith; prayer is medicine for the heart.

The second word is to walk. It is the second stage. In today's brief Gospel, there are several verbs of motion. It is quite striking is that the lepers are not healed as they stand before Jesus; it is only afterwards, as they were walking. The Gospel tells us that: "As they went, they were made clean" (v. 14). They were healed by going up to Jerusalem, that is, while walking uphill. On the journey of life, purification takes place along the way, a way that is often uphill since it leads to the heights. Faith calls for journey, a "going out" from ourselves, and it can work wonders if we abandon our comforting certainties, if we leave our safe harbours and our cosy nests. Faith increases by giving, and grows by taking risks. Faith advances when we make our way equipped with trust in God. Faith advances with humble and practical steps, like the steps of the lepers or those of Naaman who went down to bathe in the river Jordan (cf. 2 Kings 5:14-17). The same is true for us. We advance in faith by showing humble and practical love, exercising patience each day, and praying constantly to Jesus as we keep pressing forward on our way.

There is a further interesting aspect to the journey of the lepers: they move together. The Gospel tells us that, "as they went, they were made clean" (v. 14). The verbs are in the plural. Faith means also walking together, never alone. Once healed, however, nine of them go off on their own way, and only one turns back to offer thanks. Jesus then expresses his astonishment: "The others, where are they?" (v. 17). It is as if he asks the only one who returned to account for the other nine. It is the task of us, who celebrate the Eucharist as an act of thanksgiving, to take care of those who have stopped walking, those who have lost their way. We are called to be guardians of our distant brothers and sisters, all of us! We are to intercede for them; we are responsible for them, to account for them, to keep them close to heart. Do you want to grow in faith? You, who are here today, do you want to grow in faith? Then take care of a distant brother, a faraway sister.

To cry out. To walk. And to give thanks. This is the final step. Only to the one who thanked him did Jesus say: "Your faith has saved you" (v. 19). It made you both safe, and sound. We see from this that the ultimate goal is not health or wellness, but the encounter with Jesus. Salvation is not drinking a glass of water to keep fit; it is going to the source, which is Jesus. He alone frees us from evil and heals our hearts. Only an encounter with him can save, can make life full and beautiful. Whenever we meet Jesus, the word "thanks" comes immediately to our lips, because we have discovered the most important thing in life, which is not to receive a grace or resolve a problem, but to embrace the Lord of life. And this is the most important thing in life: to embrace the Lord of life.

It is impressive to see how the man who was healed, a Samaritan, expresses his joy with his entire being: he praises God in a loud voice, he prostrates himself, and he gives thanks (cf. vv. 15-16). The culmination of the journey of faith is to live a life of continual thanksgiving. Let us ask ourselves: do we, as people of faith, live each day as a burden, or as an act of praise? Are we closed in on ourselves, waiting to ask another blessing, or do we find our joy in giving thanks? When we express our gratitude, the Father's heart is moved and he pours out the Holy Spirit upon us. To give thanks is not a question of good manners or etiquette; it is a question of faith. A grateful heart is one that remains young. To say "Thank you, Lord" when we wake up, throughout the day and before going to bed: that is the best way to keep our hearts young, because hearts can grow old and be spoilt. This also holds true for families, and between spouses. Remember to say thank you. Those words are the simplest and most effective of all.

To cry out. To walk. To give thanks. Today we give thanks to the Lord for our new Saints. They walked by faith and now we invoke their intercession. Three of them were religious women; they show us that the consecrated life is a journey of love at the existential peripheries of the world. Saint Marguerite Bays, on the other hand, was a seamstress; she speaks to us of the power of simple prayer, enduring patience and silent self-giving. That is how the Lord made the splendour of Easter radiate in her life, in her humbleness. Such is the holiness of daily life, which Saint John Henry Newman described in these words: "The Christian has a deep, silent, hidden peace, which the world sees not... The Christian is cheerful, easy, kind, gentle, courteous, candid, unassuming; has no pretence...

with so little that is unusual or striking in his bearing, that he may easily be taken at first sight for an ordinary man” (Parochial and Plain Sermons, V, 5).

Let us ask to be like that, “kindly lights” amid the encircling gloom. Jesus, “stay with me, and then I shall begin to shine as Thou shinest: so to shine as to be a light to others” (Meditations on Christian Doctrine, VII, 3). Amen.

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