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5th Sunday of The Great Fast / 5th Неділя Великого Посту Commemoration of Our Venerable Mother Saint Mary of Egypt April 3rd, 2022 A.D.

"In the Church, the God we encounter is not a merciless judge but is like the Father in the Gospel parable. You may be like the son who left home, who sank to the depths, farthest from the Gospel. When you have the strength to say, 'I want to come home,' you will find the door open. God will come to meet you because He is always waiting for you – God is always waiting for you!"

– Pope Francis 1st reminds all people in the World 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 was, He is and He always 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

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! Your pastor has thoughtfully prepared this church letter/bulletin for you to pray, read, spiritual growth and as Christians to evangelizing daily by responsibly and honestly sharing with other people the Good News/Gospel of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ!

Bible readings for 6th week of the Great Fast/Lent: Monday: Genesis 27:1-41; Proverbs 19:16-25; Isaiah 48:17-49:4
Tue.: Gen. 31:3-16; Prov. 21:3-21 & Is. 49:6-10 Wed.: Gen. 43:26-45:16; Prov. 21:23-22:4 & Is. 58:1-11
Thur.: Gen. 46:1-7; Prov. 23:15-24:5 & Is. 65:8-16 Fri.: Gen. 49:33-50:26; Prov. 31:8-31 & Is. 66:10-24

Daily Liturgical and Sacramental Services celebrated during this week:

Sunday, April 3rd (Services in Kelowna, BC) **The Great Fast / Lenten Mission by Rev. Fr. Sebastian Puthenpura**
(Confession starts at 8:00 a.m.)

at 8:15 a.m. Rosary:

at 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends* (Eng./Ukr.)
Panakhyda /Remembrance service for all people who have died during war in Ukraine

Mon., April 4th at 6:15 p.m: Stations of the Cross / Хресна Дорога

Tue., April 5th at 9:00 a.m The Divine Liturgy: *For peace in Ukraine*

at 7:00 p.m: Akathistos to Our Suffering Lord Jesus Christ: *For peace in Ukraine*

Wed., April 6th at 9:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts: *For peace in Ukraine*

at 7:00 p.m: Stations of the Cross / Хресна Дорога

Thurs., April 7th at 9:00 a.m The Divine Liturgy: *For peace in Ukraine*

at 1:00 p.m: Akathistos to Our Suffering Lord Jesus Christ: *For peace in Ukraine*

Fri., April 8th at 9:00 a.m. Sorokousty/Memorial Service for All Deceased

at 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession

at 3:30 p.m: Stations of the Cross / Хресна Дорога

Saturday, April 9th (Bible Studies and Church Services in Penticton, BC) at 3:40 p.m. Lectio Divina / Bible Studies:

at 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends.*

Panakhyda /Remembrance service for all people who have died during war in Ukraine

Blessing of willow branches and Myrovannia/Blessing with the Holy Oil

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

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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 bless your home with annual traditional and pastoral Jordan Water blessings visiting you, your relatives or friends at their home, hospital or care homes, call or email the pastor in advance to arrange time and a day.

Liturgical propers in English language:

For the Sundays of Great Fast-Lent the Typicon prescribes the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great

Tone 4, pages 95-97



Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Hebrews (Hebrews 9:11-14)

Brothers and Sisters, when Christ came as high priest of the good things which have come to be, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation. He entered, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, and achieved eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal spirit offered himself up unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God!

Gospel: (Mark 10:32-45)

At that time, Jesus took the twelve aside once more, he began to tell them what was going to happen to him. "We are on our way up to Jerusalem, where the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes. They will condemn him to death and hand him over to the Gentiles, who will mock him and spit at him, flog him, and finally kill him. But three days later he will rise."

Zabedee's sons, James and John, approached him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to grant our request." "What is it?" he asked. They replied, "See to it that we sit, one at your right and the other at your left, when you come into your glory." Jesus told them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup I shall drink or be baptized in the same bath of pain as I?" "We can," they told him. Jesus said in response, "From the cup I drink of you shall drink; the bath I am immersed in you shall share. But as for sitting at my right or my left, that is not mine to give; it is for those to whom it has been reserved." The other ten, on hearing this, became indignant at James and John.

Jesus called them together and said to them: "You know how among the Gentiles those who seem to exercise authority lord it over them; their great ones make their importance felt. It cannot be like that with you. Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest; whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all. The Son of Man has not come to be served but to serve – to give his life in ransom for the many."

Instead of "It is truly...": In you, Lady full of grace all creation rejoices, the world of angels and the human race. Sanctified temple, spiritual paradise, boast of virgins. God took flesh from you and became a child. He was God before the ages, He made your womb a throne and made it more encompassing than the heavens. In you, Lady full of grace all creation rejoices, glory be to you!

At the conclusion of every Divine Liturgy, we say an additional prayer for peace in Ukraine until the end of the war and for peace in the World: **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.**

Having Suffered



Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 4, сторінки 94-96; Служиться Божественна Літургія св. Василія Великого.

Апостол: До Євреїв Послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Євр. 9,11-14)

Браття і Сестри, Христос же, з'явившись як архиерей майбутніх благ, через більший і досконаліший намет, що зроблений не людською рукою, тобто не земної будови, – і не з кров'ю козлів та телят, але з власною кров'ю, – увійшов, раз назавжди у святиню і знайшов вічне відкуплення. Бо коли кров волів і козлів та попел із телиці, як покropить нечистих, освячує, даючи їм чистоту тіла, то скільки більше кров Христа, – який Духом вічним приніс себе самого Богові непорочним, – очистить наше сумління від мертвих діл, на служіння Богові живому!

Євангеліє: (Мр. 10, 32-45)

У той час взяв Ісус дванадцятьох і почав їм говорити, що має статися з ним: "Оце йдемо в Єрусалим, і Син Чоловічий буде виданий первосвященникам та книжникам, і засудять його на смерть, і видадуть його поганам; і насміхатимуться з нього, плюватимуть на нього, бичуватимуть його й уб'ють, він же по трьох днях воскресне." Яків же та Йоан, сини Заведєя, підходять до нього та й кажуть йому: "Учителю, хочемо, щоб ти нам зробив те, чого попросим." Він же їм відповів: "Що хочете, щоб я зробив вам?" "Зволь нам, – ті йому кажуть, – щоб ми сиділи: один праворуч, другий ліворуч від тебе у твоїй славі." Ісус же сказав їм: "Не знаєте, чого просите. Чи можете пити чашу, яку я п'ю, і христитися хрищенням, яким я хрищуся?" Ті йому відповіли: "Можемо." Ісус сказав їм: "Чашу, яку я п'ю, питимете, і хрищенням, яким я хрищуся, христитиметесь. Сидіти ж праворуч від мене чи ліворуч, – не моя річ вам дати, а кому приготовано." Почули про те десятеро, тож обурились на Якова та Йоана. Тоді Ісус прикликав їх і сказав їм: "Ви знаєте, що ті, яких вважають князями народів, верховодять ними, а їхні вельможі тискають їх. Не так воно хай буде між вами, але хто з-між вас хоче стати великим, хай буде вам слугою, і хто з-між вас хоче бути першим, хай буде рабом усіх. Бо й Син Чоловічий прийшов не на те, щоб йому служити, лише щоб служити й віддати своє життя як викуп за багатьох."



Замість "Достойно..." співаємо: Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, ангельський собор і чоловічеський рід, освящений храм і раю словесний, дівственна похвало, що із неї Бог воплотився і младенцем став – перед віками суцїй Бог наш. Лоно бо твоє престолом сотворив і утробу твою просторішою небес учинив. Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, слава тобі.



Gratitude 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 to every person who knowingly or unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully make donations, volunteered by helping our parish community and via our Christian church in various ways supporting Ukraine at the time of war and projects inside and as Christian missionaries reaching outside our parish to very challenging and unpeaceful World today 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 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)



AID FOR UKRAINE - please donate to the “Aid for Ukraine”. All donations will be directed to regional organizations in Ukraine, who support all people in need including refugees fleeing their homes to other parts of Ukraine. The funds will be forwarded to [Caritas Ukraine](#), a charitable organization with over 20 offices in Ukraine. They supply aid by accessing and delivering food, shelter, medical supplies and providing spiritual and psychological support for those in need. A generous family has pledged to match all donations in support of humanitarian aid in Ukraine up to \$500,000. Help us meet this goal. Make cheques payable to **Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church** 1091 Coronation Ave., Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8 with memo ‘**Aid for Ukraine**’. You can also donate cash or via e-transfer to (email dormitiontransfer2020@gmail.com address). By putting your generous donation in cash or cheque, please remember to write your name, address, amount of your donation, memo ‘**Aid for Ukraine**’, parish registration number (if you are a registered parishioner) on a church donation envelope located at the church vestibule. Please donate generously!

1. Ukrainian Catholic parishes of the Eparchy of New Westminster accept any donation to Aid Ukraine from parishioners and all caring about Ukraine people. These donations will be deposited in church bank account as usual and then a cheque with the memo Aid to Ukraine will be sent to the Eparchy. The Parish will send a list of donors with mailing addresses and donation amounts to us and we will forward the list to Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) along with the money and they will issue donation receipts to the donors.
2. Alternatively, you can send donations directly to CNEWA with a list of donors and also send the list to the Eparchy for tracking purposes. Memo on cheque Aid to Ukraine.
3. Another way to donate to Caritas Ukraine is directly through our partner Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA Ottawa) website: [CNEWA Canada](#). Your monetary donations will be eligible for matching up to \$500,000. And it is possible for someone to donate directly to CNEWA via their website: <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/> Donors can send their [donation directly to CNEWA](#).

We are asking everyone to follow these very important procedures to make sure none of us jeopardize our Charitable Status. Reminder all cheques require the memo states Aid to Ukraine.

To stay informed on the greatest need and the developing humanitarian efforts, visit CNEWA's website (cnewa.org/ca). Individuals can also donate directly to [CNEWA](#).

- “Aid for Ukraine” collected at the parish money will be sent to the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster, then the Eparchy will be sending money to our partner Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA Ottawa), every two weeks.
- CNEWA will be sending money for Caritas Ukraine

The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster is responding to the humanitarian crisis. Donating thru the parish is a meaningful way for the Catholic Church / parish community as a Christian parish family respond to the call to carry on the ministry entrusted by The Son of God Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to the Church. Going thru the parish can reinforce that not only individuals but the parish community united together has a responsibility to care for those at time of war and in need in Ukraine today!



EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE PEOPLE IN UKRAINE

Daily Breaking News of Russian Federation Aggression, military attacks and causing War in Ukraine today, thousands of people are killed and wounded, millions of people saving their human lives left their homes, hiding in bomb shelters, forced to become refugees, ... All these tragic and life-threatening, dangerous daily attacks of the enemy highlight the need for an emergency humanitarian response on our part towards the purchase of food, water, basic

hygiene, medicine, psychological support, shelter, evacuation, protection, and so on and on. Can you help your brothers and sisters in need as Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ asks each and everyone of you to?

Parishes are invited to take up an emergency humanitarian collection to aid the people in Ukraine. The donated funds are to be sent to the Pastoral Centre, who in turn will forward them to our partner Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA Ottawa), who are coordinating humanitarian relief efforts with Caritas Ukraine.

The Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada has partnered with the Catholic Near East Welfare Association in Canada (CNEWA) to provide immediate humanitarian support for the people of Ukraine. With the threat of further invasion by Russia, the already 8-year war in Ukraine has placed several million people in desperate need for food, shelter, medical attention, and more. Will you help your brother and sister in need? Please pray. Stay informed. Donate. <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/>
https://www.catholicregister.org/item/34002-caritas-prepared-should-tanks-roll?mc_cid=839560d5dd&mc_eid=995513d2e2



CONGRATULATIONS!

ЩИРО ВАС БИТАЄМО!

May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to and to all Christians during this very important spiritual journey of the Great Fast / Lent, Mrs. Lilia Mykhnevych on her birthday (April 1st), Katya Posthumus on her birthday (April 8th), and all celebrating their birthdays, heavenly patron's name-days, wedding anniversaries, and any other special anniversaries this week Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita / Many Blessed Years of Life!

EVERY PERSON WHO HAVE JOINED US IN DIVINE LITURGY AT THE CHURCH AND ON-LINE TODAY.

THANK YOU FOR HONOURING THE ALMIGHTY GOD BY PRAYING AND CELEBRATING AS CHRISTIANS:

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

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. Children learn more about their Christian orthodox faith in the Catholic Church, sacred scripture, feast days, icons, tradition, singing and religious practices and customs of the Ukrainian Catholic Church. 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.:

Please join our Christian prayerful community at <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

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Your spiritual father-pastor is praying for all of you daily! Please pray for one another and especially for those who are ill, suffering or being affected by disasters, war in Ukraine! Let us always be co-responsible to ensure that we are all well.

For your attention the [new requirements by the Provincial Health Officer](#) from March 10th, 2022 A.D.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restrictions#worship-services> Starting March 11, 2022 at 12:01 am, because of B.C.'s lowered hospitalization and transmission rates, these activities can return to normal:

On April 8, 2022 at 12:01 am, further restrictions will be lifted:

Proof of vaccination will no longer be required to access businesses, events and services

Individual businesses and event organizers can choose to continue requiring proof of vaccination for entry

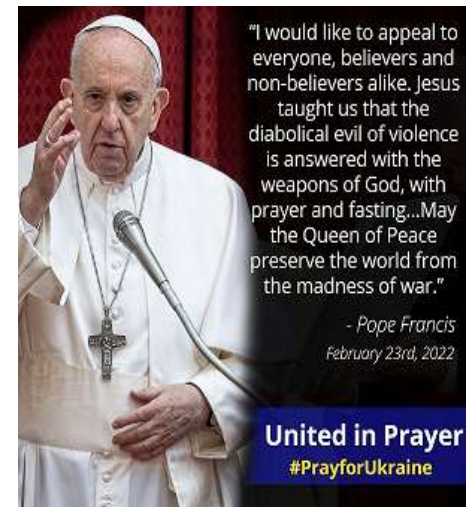
Proof of vaccination is still required for federally regulated travel, like air travel

Businesses will no longer need a COVID-19 safety plan. They must follow communicable disease guidance from WorkSafeBC

Proof of vaccination will no longer be required for post-secondary student housing.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: Lucy D., Janet F., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Ray Saranchuk, Cameron V., Rose Ostopowich, Keyton A., Shelley M., Kathleen S., Chelsea M., Carmella M., Bernard M., Darrin M., Kit C., Shirley C., Olga Kuzyk, George Dashkewytch, Kay Ilnitski, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, Maria Pylypchuk, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Roma Nowakowski, Barbara and Vincent Pasternak, 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, relatives of The Burachok Family, Aretta Manion and The Family, Daniella-Daryna Tomashevskaya and The Family, Shane Bettin, Patricia Sawadsky, Robert Emery, Karen W., Victor P., for peace in the World, for all people defending Ukraine and all refugees at the time of war, Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts and The Family, and all members of our Christian 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 at the church-house of prayer to the Lord Our Almighty and Omnipresent God, please do not leave any items in the pews. Always love, pray and be respectful toward other people! 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.**

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, church singing, projects, welcoming and reaching toward other people, etc. **VOLUNTEERS HELP IS ALWAYS NEEDED AND TRULY APPRECIATED:** to help out with weekly cleaning in the church inside and outside, security, maintenance, receiving donations for Aid to Ukraine (during the week from 8 am to 8 pm everyday), welcoming visitors, 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.**



Greatest man in history,
had no servants yet they
called him Master. Had no
degree yet they called him
Teacher. Had no
medicines yet they called
him Healer. He had no
army, yet kings feared
Him. He won no military
battles, yet He conquered
the world. He committed
no crime, yet they
crucified Him. He was
buried in a tomb, yet He
lives today.
His name is Jesus

Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!

Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віку!

Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I do pray and hope that you and all your dear ones are healthy and safe by having a blessed week.

As you know, yesterday on Sunday of March 27th we held our congregation's annual general meeting. During the meeting we spent considerable time on the important task of nominations and elections of the Church Council. I am pleased to communicate to you the names of our new Church executive council:

Members of the Parish Executive Council and Comettes 2022-2023 A.D.:

Chairman: Mr. Michael Hinz

Vice Chairwoman: Mrs. Naomi Lindstein

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Gloria Dudych

Treasurer: Mrs. Lydia Pfob

Financial Secretary: Mr. Michael Rawluk

Our Church Committees:

Educational Youth and Children Ministry: Mrs. Marilyn Daulat,

Mrs. Gerlind Weiss-Hinz

Kitchen Committee: Mrs. Olena Fedorov, Mrs. Alice Pelechaty, Mrs. Lydia Pfob,

Mr. Edward Kaskiw

Social Ministry: Ms. Marie Shandalla, Mrs. Lydia Gudz-Zagaliuk

We Stand with Ukraine / Aid for Ukraine and Ukrainian Refugees Committee:

Ms. Mariya Melnyk, Mr. Oleh and Mrs. Uliana Kotsur, Ms. Oksana Makovych, Mr. Roman and Mrs. Lilia Mykhnevych.

Church Maintenance Committee: Mr. Edward Kaskiw, Mr. Harvey Lalach, Mr. Ronald Pfob, Mr. Andriy Tomashevskyy, Mr. Roman Mykhnevych, Mrs. Oleh Kotsur.

Altar Servers Committee: Mr. Eldon Hnylycia, Mr. Leo Brazeau, Mr. Andriy Tomashevskyy,

Church singing: Mrs. Lesia Achrymichuk, Mr. Andriy Tomashevskyy.

It is also very important, positive, vibrant and vital for our Christian community-family to have active and carrying representatives (a leader and helpers) at different Parish Committees such as: Liturgical, Church Singing, Knights of Columbus, Lay Ministry of Pastoral / Spiritual Care, Educational, Children Ministry, Youth Ministry, Senior Ministry, Decoration / Beautification, Maintenance, Kitchen, Welcoming/ Social / Public Relations with Connection to Other Churches and Local Organizations, Aid for Ukraine and Refugees Committee, Parish Property (Church Hall and Parking Lot) Rental, Cleaning Committee, etc.

I am delighted to have this wonderful group of talented and energetic parishioners supporting me and the Parish community. I believe that our new Council will bring a fresh and vibrant approach to resolving the challenges facing our church. I am confident that with the help of the new Council, we will create a welcoming environment for our parishioners, and newcomers!

We all are very welcome to belong to Christian Family worshipping God and spiritually growing every day! Your Christian prayers, love, care, personal volunteering, time, donations and any kind of help are always truly appreciated!

May Our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, angels and all the saints bless and help all people in Ukraine, Canada and the whole World who are in need of His Divine loving care in a very challenging and unpeaceful World today!

With pastoral blessings, prayers and gratitude sincerely Yours in Jesus Christ,

Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts / о. Павло Миць

PASTOR

Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever! Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віки! Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky!

✚ **Our Parish Executive Council Meeting** is at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 4th, 2022 A.D. Any parishioner/member of our church community who wishes to participate at the meeting as a listener and share Christian ideas at the meeting is also very welcome!

✚ **If you wish to help or have any questions, suggestions, ideas about our Christian community life, please, contact our parish executive council chairperson Mr. Michael Hinz.** Email: m-e-hinz@web.de or phone: (250) 404-0569

✚ **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 Achrymichuk 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.



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 Твоєю присутністю та єдною нас кожночасно в молитві. Даруй нам духа служіння ближньому, щоб у нашій парафії кожний міг зустріти Тебе, милостивого Бога. Благослови наш духовний провід Твоєю мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єдною нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були 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 славлюся, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

Fundraiser at St. John Vianney Roman Catholic Church (Penticton, BC) for Ukraine on Friday of April 8th, we will be having a fundraiser for the people of Ukraine. Fr. Sylvester has invited Fr. Pavlo and his family to come. Many in our community already know Fr. Pavlo - the Ukrainian priest who serves the Ukrainian community here in Penticton. He will share with us how the war in Ukraine has affected his mum, his family and his people in the Ukraine. Please let's come out to support him and his family. He will be coming with his wife, son and daughter. The evening will start at 5:45 pm with soup and bun to raise some funds for them. Stations of the Cross will follow after that at 6.30pm. As per Provincial Health Order, vaccination status will no longer be required starting that day. Our Ukrainian community will be there. Invite a friend. Let's come and pray together and show our love to Ukraine.



✚ **If you wish to donate your home made delicious baking and good useful items for yard sale: please bring them to our parish hall from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on this Friday of April 8th.** Thank you very much for your time, care, and active participation at our parish fundraiser supporting our church and Ukraine during our annual Ukrainian Easter Food and Yard Sale!

✚ **Easter Food and Yard Sale Fundraiser from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday of April 9th, 2022 A.D.** Let us all together make it successful by volunteering, donating and supporting our Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church, and all our parish Aid for Ukraine and Ukrainian Refugees Welcoming lifesaving initiatives and projects in Kelowna, BC



✚ **Our Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church** is blessed with the help of thoughtful Christians-parishioners volunteering to collect donations such as medical supplies, monetary donations from Monday to Friday starting at 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (Saturdays as available). Sorry, no more clothing at this time.

Pysanka/Easter Eggs Writing and Easter Bread Baking Workshop will be held starting at 1:00 pm in our parish hall on Sunday, April 10th, 2022. Every person interested in learning how to write an own pysanka and bake Easter bread is very welcome to attend this wonderful, traditional workshop!

Traditional and Very Delicious Ukrainian Food is for sale at our parish: 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.



✚ **Easter Flowers Collection will be taken for on next Sunday, April 10th, 2022 A.D.**

✚ **Holy Resurrection** Parish Easter dinner / Praznyk will be held after the Divine Liturgy on Saturday, April 23rd in St. John's Vianney Roman Catholic parish hall in Penticton, BC. Please advise Mrs. Veronica Chernesky if attending as numbers are required.

✚ **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. One day every one of us will end his or her earthly journey. Every day we are all getting closer to that moment. No person will be able after physical death to use his or her earthly temporal treasures anymore. **Always remember that, continue to be honest, loving, carrying, supportive, positive and generous! God bless all you! 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 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)



✚ **Rachel's Corner:** *"The Rachel's Vineyard atmosphere provided me with the opportunity to deal with some of the details of the abortion. These were details which God had already forgiven me for, but they were details I had to humble myself and acknowledge openly, in order to experience that forgiveness."* Testimonial

Rachel' Vineyard is where those affected by an abortion experience can gather to support each other and reclaim

that part of their lives that was lost that day as well. info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna: 250-762-2273



PHOTO: Priests descend into bomb shelters: Divine Liturgy in the Kyiv underground at metro station/subway station



The Impact of the Church in a Time of War

Dear friends in Christ,

We continue to share with you how the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is helping people in need during wartime. Today we would like to share with you some stories about our bishops, priests and religious.

We are grateful to all our donors and partners who support financially the ministry of our clergy and religious during this time of war. From the HEAD OF THE UGCC: "I see victory of Ukraine in the eyes of priests and volunteers."

Last week His Beatitude Sviatoslav, Father and Head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, visited some parishes of the Acheparchy of Kyiv which are in close proximity to the zone of military actions. The UGCC priests collect and distribute humanitarian aid, welcome refugees, and accompany Ukrainian soldiers as military chaplains. "As I spoke with our military chaplains, I truly felt the pain in their eyes and hearts for the fallen soldiers and wounded civilians," His Beatitude Sviatoslav remarked in his daily wartime address on the 27th day of the Russian war against Ukraine.

"Looking into the eyes of our priests and volunteers, I saw Ukraine's victory. Because they work for it, they live for it. They actually live in our churches. I saw a priest spending the night in the sacristy next to the holy altar, and all the volunteers with him, who are trying to serve. And the whole church is crammed with humanitarian aid -- people constantly streaming in to receive the basics," he added. His Beatitude Sviatoslav today expresses deep gratitude to our priests and volunteers who tirelessly serve their people at this moment. One of the metro stations of central Kyiv, which serves as a bomb shelter for residents of the capital, was also the site of the Divine Liturgy, served by priests of the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church.

Fathers Josaphat Kovaliuk and Toma Kushka, OSBM, as well as other Basilian Fathers in Kyiv, who have descended into the bomb shelters on numerous occasions, were there for a special reason this time. They had never served the Divine Liturgy in the capital's metro before. This was a first not only for the priests, but also for the peaceful Ukrainians, who had been sheltering from Russian

bombs and rockets in the Kyivan metro station. "This metro station houses a lot of people that come here for safety, or that even live here," explains Fr. Josaphat, who celebrated the Divine Liturgy.

READ MORE: Fr. Andriy Zelinsky, SJ: Ministering in time of war. Father Andriy Zelinsky has firsthand knowledge of the devastation that war can cause. He has been close to the Ukrainian military, where he serves today as the Deputy Head of the Department of Military Chaplaincy of the UGCC Patriarchal Curia and Advisor to the Head of the UGCC on strategic communications.

In his interview for Crux, he said that during his 16 years as a military chaplain, he had never imagined that in the 21st century "somebody could just start bombing peaceful cities, with no provocation whatsoever."

In another interview for the Vatican news, Fr. Andriy Zelinsky talks about three pillars of the ministry to the trenches and calls for a return to humanity in the face of the loss of lives and massive devastation caused by the war.

READ MORE: Fr. Andriy Zelinsky, SJ shares for EWTN his perspective on the war (6:32-11:45) Visiting last week a military hospital in Kyiv, His Beatitude Sviatoslav has shared his experience for our Zhyve.TV: "I have been very moved by visiting the military hospital. Indeed, it is something unique and special to be able to touch the hands of our wounded soldiers, to pray for them."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GE5CkRQhq0g>

His Excellency Vasyl Tuchapets, Exarch of Kharkiv and Head of the Social ministry Department of the UGCC Patriarchal Curia, shares his experience of serving people in need in the city which is bombarded daily.

Fr. Andriy Nahirniak, Administrator of the Patriarchal Curia and a priest of the Patriarchal Cathedral in Kyiv, shared his experience of serving people in the Ukrainian capital for our partners from l'Oeuvre d'Orient.

Fr. Andriy Nahirniak's testimony from Kyiv (UKR-FR): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=94hXM63sKlW>

Support the ministry of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church! If you would like to support the ministry of our courageous bishops, priests and religious, please consider making a donation to the UGCC Patriarchal Curia by following the link below.

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity and support!

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PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

LORD OUR GOD,
GREAT AND ALMIGHTY, WE YOUR SINFUL CHILDREN TURN TO YOU WITH HUMILITY IN OUR HEARTS AND BOW OUR HEADS LOW BEFORE YOU. WE BESECH YOUR LOVING KINDNESS AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS UPON THE NATION - OF UKRAINE DURING THESE DAYS OF GREAT DANGER TO THEIR SAFETY AND WELL-BEING.

OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, LORD, ARE ONCE AGAIN THREATENED BY AGGRESSORS WHO SEE THEM ONLY AS SIMPLE OBSTACLES BLOCKING THE PATH TO THE COMPLETE DOMINATION OF THE PRECIOUS LAND AND RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY OF UKRAINE. STRENGTHEN THE PEOPLE AS THEY FACE THIS GREAT DANGER, TURNING TO YOU IN THE IMMEASURABLY DEEP FAITH, TRUST AND LOVE THEY HAVE PLACED IN YOU ALL THEIR LIVES. SEND YOUR HEAVENLY LEGIONS, O LORD, COMMANDED BY THE PATRON OF KYIV, ARCHANGEL MICHAEL, TO CRUSH THE DESIRES OF THE AGGRESSOR WHOSE DESIRE IS TO ERADICATE YOUR PEOPLE.

GRANT UNITY OF MIND, HEART AND SOUL, O LORD TO ALL LEADERS IN PUBLIC SERVICE WITH THOSE THEY SERVE. UNITE THEM ALL INTO ONE, GREAT CHRISTIAN FAMILY, SO THAT TOGETHER, AS BROTHERS AND SISTERS, THEY MAY GLORIFY YOUR MAJESTIC NAME - GOD IN THE HOLY TRINITY - FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT, NOW AND EVER AND UNTO THE AGES OF AGES.
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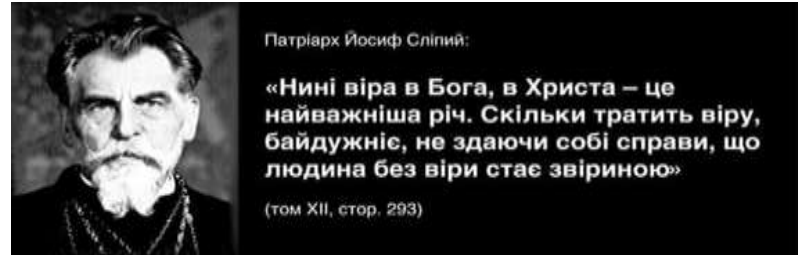
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Patriarch Josyf Cardinal Slipyj teaches and reminds all:

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