Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church



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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 and Christian love



THOMAS SUNDAY / ТОМИНА НЕДІЛЯ - April 24th, 2022 A.D.

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"I can see, thanks to the light of the Sun; but if I close my eyes, I can not see, and this is no fault of the Sun, it is my own fault, because by closing my eyes, I prevent the sunlight from reaching me."

teaches Saint Thomas Aquinas

Christian Greetings: (April 17th - May 25th): Christ Is Risen! - Indeed, He Is Risen! Chrystos Voskres! - Voistynu Voskres! Христос Воскрес! - Воістину Воскрес! 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

during this year Easter time and always! 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!

Daily Liturgical and Sacramental Services celebrated during this week:

THOMAS SUNDAY, April 24th at 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Service in Kelowna, BC)

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

After the Liturgy will be distributing of the Artos /the Blessed Bread and myrovania / blessing with Holy Oil. Spilne Sviachene / Parish Easter Potluck Dinner is after services at the church hall.

A film 'Risen' will be presented at the parish hall after the lunch.

Monday, April 25th at 9:00 a.m. – The Divine Liturgy: God's blessing for Rev. Fr. Yuriy Vyshnevskyy and Family Tuesday, April 26th at 9:00 a.m. - The Divine Liturgy: God's blessing for Chris Topor

(requested by Mrs. Helen Stockburn) Wednesday, April 27th at 9:00 a.m. - The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings and peace in Ukraine

Friday, April 29th at 9:00 a.m. - The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for Saint Joseph Elementary Catholic School in Kelowna, BC

Saturday, April 30th (Bible Studies, 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

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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

11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends (Ukr.) Panakhyda /Remembrance service for all people who have died during war in Ukraine

1:00 p.m. Moleben to the Mother of God: Protection and Intercession of The Blessed Virgin Mary for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends (Eng./Ukr.)

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:

Liturgical Instruction: After the priest exclaims "Blessed is the Kingdom" and we have responded "Amen," the clergy sing the following Troparion once and the people repeat it. Then the clergy sing the first half, and we conclude it. This is done every day until the Wednesday before Ascension Thursday. Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs He granted life. (3x)

Troparion (*Tone 1*): Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans and soldiers guarded Your most pure body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life; Glory to your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of Mankind.

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

Kontakion (*Tone 8*): With his searching hand, Thomas explored Your life-giving side, O Christ God. For when You entered while the doors were shut, he called out to You with the rest of the Apostles: You are my Lord and my God!

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (*Tone 4*): By Your own choice, O Christ our God, You were lifted on the cross. Grant Your mercies to Your new community that bears Your Name. By Your power gladden the faithful people, and grant them victory against enemies. May they have the help of Your instrument of peace, the invincible sign of victory.

Prokimenon (Tone 1): Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You (Ps 32:22).

Verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to our God (Ps 146:1).

Prokimenon (Tone 3): Great is the Lord and great is His strength; and of His knowledge there is no end (Ps 146:5).

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 5:12-20)

In those days, through the hands of the apostles, many signs and wonders occurred among the people. By mutual agreement they used to meet in Solomon's Portico. No one else dared to join them, despite the fact that the people held them in great esteem. Nevertheless, more and more believers, men and women in great numbers, were continually added to the Lord. The people carried the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mattresses, so that when Peter passed by at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. Crowds from the towns around Jerusalem would gather, too, bringing their sick and those who were troubled by unclean spirits, all of whom were cured.

The high priest and all his supporters (that is, the party of Sadducees), filled with jealousy, arrested the apostles and threw them into the public jail. During the night, however, an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the jail, led them forth, and said, "Go out now and take your place in the temple precincts and preach to the people all about this new life."

Alleluia (Tone 8): Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God our Saviour (Ps 94:1). For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth (Ps 94:3). Remember Your congregation which You acquired from the beginning (Ps 73:2).

Gospel (John 20:19-31)

At that time, on the evening of that first day of the week, even though the disciples had locked the doors of the place where they were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood before them. "Peace be with you," he said. When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. At the sight of the Lord the disciples rejoiced.

"Peace be with you," he said again. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Then he breathed on them and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive men's sins, they are forgiven them; if you hold them bound, they are held bound."

It happened that one of the twelve, Thomas (the name means "twin"), was absent when Jesus came. The other disciples kept telling him: "We have seen the Lord!" His answer was, "I will never believe it without probing the nail prints in his hands, without putting my finger in the nail marks and my hand into his side."

A week later, the disciples were once more in the room, and this time Thomas was with them. Despite the locked doors, Jesus came and stood before them. "Peace be with you," he said; than to Thomas: "Take your finger and examine my hands. Put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief but believe!" Thomas said in response, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus than said to him: "You became a believer because you saw me. Blest are they who have not seen and have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs as well – signs not recorded here – in the presence of his disciples. But these have been recorded to help you believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, so that through this faith you may have life in his name.

Instead of "It is truly...": The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice!

Irmos (tone 1): Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem! for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Zion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise your God, O Zion (Ps. 147, 1). Alleluia! (3x).

Instead of "Blessed is He...": Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs He granted life.

Instead of "We have seen the true light...": Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs He granted life.

Instead of "Let our mouths...": Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs He granted life.

Instead of "Blessed be the name of the Lord...": Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs He granted life. (x3).

Troparion: Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs He granted life. (x3).

Priest: And to us He has granted life eternal!

Faithful: We bow down before His resurrection on the third day!

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.

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Літургійні рубрики: Після того, як священик виголошує "Благословенне Царство" й люди відповідають "Амінь", священики співають Тропар один раз, а люди його повторюють. Далі священики співають першу половину, а люди завершують другу. Так робимо щодня, аж до середи перед четвергом Вознесіння. Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (х3).

Тропар (глас 1): Хоч запечатали камінь юдеї і воїни стерегли пречисте тіло Твоє, воскрес Ти, Спасе, на третій день, даруючи життя світові. Тому сили небесні взивали до Тебе, Життєдавче: Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе, слава царству Твоєму, слава провидінню Твоєму, єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові, і нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Кондак *(глас 8):* Допитливою десницею життєдайні твої ребра Тома провірив, Христе Боже, бо, хоч замкнені були двері, як ти увійшов, він із іншими апостолами кликав до тебе: Господь єси і Бог мій.

Прокімен (глас 3): Великий Господь наш і велика сила його, і розумові його немає міри (Пс. 146, 5).

Стих: Хваліте Господа, бо благий псалом, Богові нашому нехай солодке буде хваління.

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Апостол: Діянь Святих Апостолів читання (Дн. 5, 12-20):

Тими днями руками апостолів робилося багато знаків і чудес у народі. Усі вони перебували однодушно у притворі Соломона, і ніхто сторонній не насмілювався до них пристати; однак народ хвалив їх вельми. Віруючих дедалі більше й більше приставало до Господа, сила жінок і чоловіків; так, що й на вулиці виносили недужих і клали на постелях і на ліжках, щоб, як ітиме Петро, бодай тінь його на когонебудь з них упала. Сила людей збиралась навіть з довколишніх міст Єрусалиму, несучи хворих та тих, що їх мучили нечисті духи, і вони всі видужували. Устав тоді первосвященик і всі ті, що були з ним, – то була секта садукеїв, – і, повні заздрощів, наклали руки на апостолів і вкинули їх до громадської в'язниці. Але вночі ангел Господень відчинив двері в'язниці й, вивівши їх, мовив: «Ідіть і, ставши в храмі, говоріть до народу всі слова життя цього.

Алилуя (глас 8): Прийдіте, радісно заспіваймо Господеві, воскликнім Богу, Спасителеві нашому.

Стих: Бо Бог – великий Господь і цар великий по всій землі (Пс. 94, 3).

Євангеліє: (*Iв. 20, 19-31*)

А як звечоріло, того самого дня, першого в тижні, — а двері ж були замкнені там, де перебували учні: страхались бо юдеїв, — увіходить Ісус, став посередині та й каже їм: «Мир вам!» Це промовивши, показав їм руки й бік. І врадувались учні, побачивши Господа. І ще раз Ісус їм каже: «Мир вам!» Як мене послав Отець, так я посилаю вас.» Це промовивши, дихнув на них і каже їм: «Прийміть Духа Святого! Кому відпустите гріхи — відпустяться їм, кому ж затримаєте — затримаються.» Тома ж, один з дванадцятьох, на прізвисько Близнюк, не був з ними, коли то прийшов був Ісус. Тож повідали йому інші учні: «Ми Господа бачили.» Та він відрік: «Якщо не побачу на його руках знаків від цвяхів і не вкладу свого пальця у місце, де були цвяхи, а й руки моєї не вкладу в бік його, — не повірю!» По вісьмох днях знову були вдома його учні,а й Тома з ними. І ввіходить Ісус, — а двері були замкнені! — стає посередині та й каже: «Мир вам!» А тоді промовляє до Томи: «Подай сюди твій палець і глянь на мої руки. І руку твою простягни і вклади її у бік мій. Та й не будь невіруючий, — а віруючий!» І відказав Тома, мовивши до нього: «Господь мій і Бог мій!» І каже йому Ісус: «Побачив мене, то й віруєш. Щасливі ті, які, не бачивши, увірували!» Ще й інші численні чудеса, що їх не списано у цій книзі, вчинив Ісус на очу своїх учнів. А ції — списано, щоб увірували ви, що Ісус — Христос, Син Божий, а вірувавши, — щоб мали життя в його ім'я.

Замість Достойно: Ангел сповіщав Благодатній: Чистая Діво, радуйся. І знову кажу: Радуйся. Твій Син воскрес тридневний із гробу, і мертвих воздвигнув він; люди, веселіться. *Ірмос* (глас 1): Світися, світися, новий Єрусалиме, слава бо Господня на тобі возсіяла. Радій нині і веселися, Сіоне. А ти, Чистая, красуйся, Богородице, востанням рождення твого.

Причасний: Тіло Христове прийміть, джерела безсмертного споживіть. Алилуя (х3).

Замість Благословен, хто йде в ім'я Господнє: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував. Замість Ми бачили світло істинне: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував. Нехай сповняться: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (х3).

Замість Будь ім'я Господнє: Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував (х3).

Під час відпусту "Христос воскрес" співається один раз (на просту мелодію) замість "Слава Отцю…" Тоді знову співається Тропар "Христос воскрес", як і на початку Літургії, але з додатковим закінченням. **Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим, що в гробах, життя дарував** (х3).

І нам дарував життя вічне, поклоняємось його тридневному воскресінню

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! ЩИРО ВАМ ДЯКУЄМО!

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 praying and 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!

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Dormition of The Mother of God Parish in Kelowna: April 11 – 17, 2022 A.D.:

9:00 am \$1,875.00 bilingual church Easter service; Etransfers: \$250.00

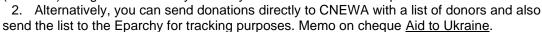
DONATIONS! Amid Covid-19 outbreak causing these difficult and challenging times we continue to rely on your generosity! Please continue to support our parish financially by e-transfer (it is a direct deposit, no security question is needed) via dormitionetransfer2020@gmail.com or mailing a cheque payable 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)

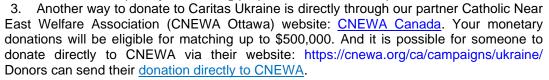
EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE PEOPLE IN UKRAINE

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 dormitionetransfer2020@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.





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.

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?

- "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!

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 ВІТАЄМО!



Christian Greetings to our newly baptized brother in Christ Alexander Kevin James Dudych, as he has received the Mysteries/Sacraments of Christian Initiation: the Baptism, the Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist at our Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church on Easter Monday! May the Almighty God lead and bless, our newly baptized brother in Christ, his parents, sister, godparents and family, proud grandparents our faithful parishioners Mr. Lorne and Mrs. Groria Dudych, all family members and relatives, friends and whole our spiritual family by keeping him growing wise,

joyful and safe for blessings and graces on his family, Catholic Church and Canada for many, happy, healthy, and blessed years of life Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita / Many Blessed Years of Life!

May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to and to all Christians celebration Easter, Mr. Andrew Feniuk on his birthday (April 19th), Ms. Anastasia Sawadsky on her birthday (April 22nd), Anastasiya Voytovych on her birthday (April 24th), Mr. Ross Siebert on his birthday (April 24th), Mr. Antin Achtymichuk on his birthday (April 29th), Mr. Steven and Mrs. Irene Popyk on their wedding anniversary (April 30th), Mr. Mike and Mrs. Patricia Uniat on their wedding anniversary (April 30th), 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!

GLORIFYING AND HONOURING THE ALMIGHTY GOD BY PRAYING AND CELEBRATING AS CHIRISTIANS:
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 Facebook page: DormitinionKelowna Parish: https://www.facebook.com/dormitionkelowna.parish.5

 Please visit and pray via our Cathedral Facebook page for live-stream videos of the liturgical services at The Holy Eucharist Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in New Westminster, BC: https://www.facebook.com/holyeucharistcathedral/

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

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 Tomashevska 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. Yuriy Vyshnevskyy and The Family, 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.

<u>Pastoral and Sacramental Ministry</u>: 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. 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.

The Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine is praying the rosary for Ukraine every Wednesday at 1:30 pm at Saint Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic church. We kindly request to place this information in your Sunday bulletins. We are inviting all Catholic churches to join us in prayer. We thank you in advance for your cooperation and support. Pray for Ukraine. Slava Ukraini!

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**.

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

Our Parish Executive Council Meeting is at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 2nd, 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!

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.



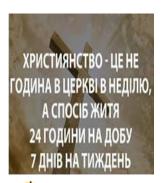
VIBRANT PARISH PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, as you once gathered lost sheep that they might hear Your voice and be your flock, so also today graciously look down from heaven upon our parish community, and send down on it your Holy Spirit,

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 єднай нас кожночасно в молитві. Даруй нам духа служіння ближньому, щоб у нашій парафії кожний міг зустріти Тебе, милостивого Бога. Благослови наш духовний провід Твоєю мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єднай нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були Твоєю спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилося, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.



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.

₩e do pray and sincerely welcome and help Ukrainian refugees coming to Kelowna, BC! Молимося, вітаємо й допоможемо Вам! Please contact our parish We Help Ukraine commette at The Dorminition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church.

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.

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

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE UNBORN: Immaculate Conception Church will host the Annual Mass for the Unborn on Thursday, May 12, with Bishop Gregory as main celebrant. All local priests are invited to con-celebrate.

Mass will be at 7 pm, followed with coffee and goodies in the hall. A video with Abby Johnson (Unplanned fame) will be presented. Resource tables from Pregnancy Care Centre, Rachel's Vineyard, and Kelowna Right to Life will be available. Please join us to pray for and support the sanctity of all human life, and discover what you can do to support LIFE.

Pope Francis joins UN chief's appeal for Ukraine war Easter truce

by Hannah Brockhaus, Vatican City, Apr 21, 2022 A.D.

Internet source: https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/251024/pope-francis-joins-un-

chief-s-appeal-for-ukraine-war-easter-truce

Pope Francis has joined the head of the United Nations and the leader of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in a call for a four-day truce in Ukraine for the Triduum and Easter.

The Eastern Orthodox churches and the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church follow

the Julian calendar, meaning they will celebrate Easter on April 24 this year. The appeal for an Easter truce was launched on April 19 by Antonio Guterres, secretary

general of the UN, in agreement with Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk. "Easter is a season for renewal, resurrection and hope. It is a time for reflection on the meaning of suffering, sacrifice, death — and rebirth. It is meant to be a moment of unity,"

Guterres said at UN headquarters in New York "This year, Holy Week is being observed under the cloud of a war that represents the total negation of the Easter message," he said, calling for a four-day pause on fighting,

beginning on Holy Thursday, April 21, to allow for the opening of humanitarian corridors and



the safe delivery of aid.

The Vatican announced on April 21 that Pope Francis had joined the UN chief's appeal, after the pope had called for an Easter truce in Ukraine during Palm Sunday Mass on April 10.

"In the knowledge that nothing is impossible for God, they invoke the Lord so that the population trapped in war zones may be evacuated and peace may soon be restored, and they ask those in charge of the Nations to listen to the people's cry for peace," a Vatican press release said.

At the end of Mass on Palm Sunday 2022, Pope Francis urged the laying down of weapons for an "Easter truce." Before an estimated 65,000 people in St. Peter's Square, Pope Francis said that "nothing is impossible for God." "He can even bring an end to a war whose end is not in sight, a war that daily places before our eyes heinous massacres and atrocious cruelty committed against defenseless civilians. Let us pray about this."

Victoria arson investigation underway after gas poured into home while family of 5 slept

With files from Robert Buffam and Kirk Duncan

https://vancouverisland.ctvnews.ca/family-of-5-rescued-from-victoria-house-fire-after-gas-poured-through-home-s-mail-slot-

1.5868591?fbclid=IwAR2-



Police and firefighters are investigating after a family of five, including three children, narrowly escaped an arson attack on their Victoria home overnight.

Yuriy Vyshnevskyy, a Ukrainian Catholic church pastor, says he awoke around 1 a.m. Wednesday to his wife frantically calling out to him from the first floor of their home.

A mother, father and three children were all inside the home when the fire broke out.

She woke up to a "gulp, gulp" sound as gasoline was being poured through the mail slot next to their front door, Vyshnevskyy said.

Before Vyshnevskyy reached the bottom of the stairs, the gasoline was

set ablaze while his three daughters, ages 5, 7 and 11, slept upstairs.

WOMAN FOUND 'CLINGING TO WINDOW LEDGE': Firefighters were called to the two-storey heritage home at 1112 Caledonia Ave. at 1:15 a.m. and immediately found the mother clinging to a second-storey window as the house burned.



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



"The flames were going from the ground level all the way to the roof," Victoria fire battalion chief Doug Carey told CTV News. "There was also a female occupant of the house clinging to the window ledge on the left side of the house here."

Firefighters attacked the flames with water while others got a ladder up to the window and rescued the woman from the ledge.

"The father ran down the stairs through the flames to escape the house," Carey said. "The mom woke up the children, took them into the one bedroom and shut the door behind her and then passed one child through the window to dad below, then another child down."

"The third child didn't wait," Carey said. "She jumped and was injured slightly on her way down." Vyshnevskyy said his eldest daughter was treated in hospital for cuts she sustained from broken glass. The daughter who jumped received stitches and is "in good condition," Carey said. "The parents are both really shaken." All five family members were treated for smoke inhalation, according to police.

CAT RESUSCITATED BY FIREFIGHTERS: A two-year-old tabby cat, named Tony, was found during an initial search of the building. "He was totally unconscious, I thought he was deceased," the battalion chief said. "Our crews used a special pet resuscitation device – it goes over the nose of the cat – they gave him oxygen and Tony's now in stable condition at the central Victoria animal hospital." Seventeen firefighters and six trucks responded to the blaze.

"This fire is suspicious and under investigation by Victoria police and Victoria fire," Carey said.

WITNESSES SOUGHT FOR ARSON INVESTIGATION: The Victoria Police Department says detectives with its major crime unit are investigating the fire as arson.

Police are asking anyone who may have witnessed the incident, or who may have dashcam or surveillance footage of the area around Cook Street and Caledonia Avenue between midnight and 1:30 a.m., to come forward. "We're confident that this fire was set," Victoria police Const. Cam MacIntyre said during a live news conference Wednesday afternoon. The house belongs to the Ukrainian Catholic Church of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, located next door.

Police are investigating whether there is a connection between the arson and community tensions around the ongoing war in Ukraine, including whether the attack constitutes a hate crime. "There has been some questions surrounding this, given the structure's proximity to a Ukrainian Catholic church," MacIntyre said, but added investigators have "nothing to indicate motive at this point."

"Sometimes there is simply an arsonist that is in the community," the police spokesperson said. "Other times these incidents are targeted. It's too early in the investigation for us to say."

'HORRIBLE NEWS,' SAYS B.C. PREMIER: B.C. Premier John Horgan addressed the fire in a statement on his Twitter account Wednesday.

"Horrible news to learn of this suspicious fire last night, but I'm relieved everyone was able to escape," the premier <u>said</u>. "Father Vyshnevskyy has been working to help Ukrainians fleeing violence, and I know the local community will rally around his family now." Anyone with information about the arson is asked to contact Victoria police at 250-995-7654 or call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477.

"Our goal in this is to locate a suspect, or suspects, and arrest them," MacIntyre said, reiterating a plea for witnesses to come forward.
"We have some information but we need more."

Cook Street remained closed to traffic at Caledonia Avenue on Wednesday, while investigators combed the scene.

According to the Victoria Heritage Foundation, the home was constructed in 1891 by renowned architect and former Victoria mayor John Teague. An <u>online fundraiser</u> for the family has been started by a board member of the local Ukrainian Cultural Centre.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we entreat You to hear the earnest prayer of Your beloved Church of Kyivan Rus' for her deeply afflicted children abiding in the land of Ukraine. Behold their grave sorrow and grievous plight, and speedily come to their aid. Deliver Your vulnerable people from unjust aggressors, foreign invasion and the terror of war. Strengthen courageous defenders of the nation to fight virtuously, inspired more by love of those they protect than hatred of the enemy.

O compassionate Lord, shelter the displaced, heal the wounded, console the orphan, protect the widow, comfort those who mourn, and mercifully receive into Your Kingdom those who have nobly died guarding their homeland against every aggression. Quickly make cease the spilling of blood of friend and foe alike, yet stir many to bravely struggle for that true justice which alone can bring lasting peace.

O kind-hearted Lord, as You are our peace, soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that Your beloved children of the land of Ukraine, may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom, where You reign with Your eternal Father, and Your most holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now, and forever and ever. Amen.

МОЛИТ ВА ЗА МИР В УКРАЇНІ

Господи Ісусе Христе Боже наш, благаємо Тебе, вислухай щиру молитву Твоєї улюбленої Церкви Київської Русі за важко страждаючих дітей українського краю. Споглянь милостивим оком на їх лихоліття та ласкаво поспіши на допомогу. Звільни свій беззахисний народ від несправедливих загарбників, нашестя агресорів та терору війни. Зміцни силою Твоєю усіх доблесних і відважних захисників для доброчесної боротьби, щоб вони радше керувалися любов'ю до беззахисних, аніж ненавистю до ворогів. О Премилосердний Господи, захорони переселенців, зціли поранених, борони сиріт, підтримай вдів, потіш скорботних та ласкаво прийми до Твого Царства всіх, хто благородно віддав своє життя в обороні Батьківщини від нападів ворогів. Поспіши зупинити кровопролиття як друга, так і недруга та запали серця багатьох до мужньої боротьби за істинну справедливість, що є джерелом тривалого миру. О добросердий Господи, Ти - наш мир, пом'якши зачерствілі серця, наверни тих, хто сприяє воєнним діям, до примирення, щоб Твій улюблений українській народ втішався миром, справедливістю та свободою - ознаками Твого Царства, в якому Ти царюєш з Предвічним Твоїм Отцем, і Всесвятим, Благим і Животворним Твоїм Духом, нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

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A concert to assist those displaced by war

April 24, 2022

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Admission by donation

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All funds will be distributed by the Ukrainian Canadian Volunteer Association (UCVA)



HUMILITY IN OUR HEARTS AND BOW OUR HEADS LOW BEFORE YOU. WE BESEECH YOUR LOVING KINDNESS AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS UPON THE NATION - THE PEOPLE - 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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Патріарх Йосиф Сліпий:

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(том XII, стор. 293)

Patriarch Josyf Cardinal Slipyj teaches and reminds all:

"Today faith in God, in Christ - is the most important thing. How many people lose their faith, become careless, do not even realize, that a human person without faith becomes an animal." (vol. XII, page 293)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Josyf Slipvi





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