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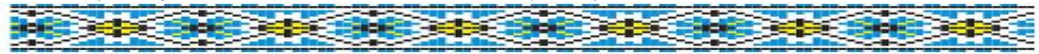
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**10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY after PENTECOST**

**10<sup>-та</sup> НЕДІЛЯ після ЗІСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО ДУХА**

**The Transfer of the Precious Relics of Our Venerable Father Theodosius,  
Hegumen of the Monastery of the Caves at Kyiv (1091 AD); Fore-feast of  
the Holy Dormition of the Mother of God; Holy Prophet Micah (8<sup>th</sup> c. BC)**

**August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 A.D.**

**“Our life must be centered on what is essential, on Jesus Christ.  
Everything else is secondary.”**

– teaches, guides and reminds us all His Holiness Pope Francis 1<sup>st</sup> today

**Christian Greetings:**

**Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!**

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

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

**THE VIBRANT PARISH - A PLACE TO ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST:**

**Through the Word, the Holy Mysteries & Prayer, Serving One's Neighbour, Leadership,  
Fostering & Serving Unity and Missionary Spirit.** – Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude

*Sviatoslav*



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US BY PRAYING TO  
THE ALMIGHTY GOD AT THE CHURCH AND  
ON-LINE!

Welcome, pray, greet, and wish you and  
all your dear ones to be guided by the  
Holy Spirit, blessed with joy, peace,

good health, unity, and Christian love and respect 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 all people the  
Good News/Gospel of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ in the World today!

**Daily Liturgical and Sacramental Services**

**celebrated during this week:**



**SUNDAY, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 a.m.** Rosary: (Church services in Kelowna, BC)

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

**11:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends. (in Eng. and Ukr.) (Church services in  
Vernon, BC)

Mon., Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> (**DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD**) at **10:00 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *God's blessings for all our parishioners, family  
members, all relatives and friends* (in Eng. and Ukr.)

**Blessings of herbs and flowers will be held following the Divine Liturgy today.** (Church services in Kelowna, BC)

Fri., Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> at **3:00 p.m.** The Holy Mystery of Matrimony: God's blessings for Rylan Joshua Pfof and Katherine Jane Dunbar  
(church service requested by the Family)

Sat., Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> at **4:00 p.m.** The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends. (in Eng. and Ukr.)

**Blessings of herbs and flowers will be held following the Divine Liturgy today.** (Church services in Penticton, BC)



**SUNDAY, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:15 a.m.** Rosary: (Church services in Kelowna, BC)

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

**Blessings of herbs and flowers will be held following the Divine Liturgy today.**

**1:00 p.m.** The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends. (in Eng. and Ukr.)

**Blessings of herbs and flowers will be held following the Divine Liturgy today.** (Church services in Vernon, BC)

**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 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:

*Troparion* (Tone 1): Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,\* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,\* You arose, O Saviour, 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.

*Troparion* (Tone 8): Raised in virtue, O Father Theodosius,\* from childhood you loved the monastic life\* and attained your desire courageously.\* You lived in a cave adorning your life with fasting and radiance\* and abided in prayer like the bodiless powers.\* You shone like a beacon in the land of Rus'.\* Entreat Christ God to save our souls.

*Troparion* (Tone 4): O peoples, dance with joy and clap your hands with fervour.\* Gather today in eagerness and jubilation, and sing with glee;\* for the Mother of God is about to rise in glory,\* going up from the earth into heaven.\* it is to her we always sing hymns of praise,\* for she is the Mother of God.

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

*Kontakion* (Tone 4): Today the whole universe dances with joy\* at your glorious memory, O Mother of God,\* and it cries out to you:\* Rejoice, O virgin, pride of Christians.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

*Kontakion* (Tone 3): Today we revere the star of Rus', blessed Theodosius,\* who shone from the east and came to the West;\* for he enriched this whole land and all of us\* with gentleness and miraculous wonders\* by the practice and the grace of the monastic rule.

*Prokeimenon* (Tone 1): Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

*Verse*: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. (Psalm 32:22,1)

*Prokeimenon*, (Tone 7): Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His venerable ones.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, for I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, as though sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to mortals. We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we are hungry and thirsty, we are poorly clothed and beaten and homeless, and we grow weary from the work of our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we speak kindly. We have become like the rubbish of the world, the dregs of all things, to this very day. I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel. I appeal to you, then, be imitators of me.



Hebrews 13:7-16 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings; for it is well for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by regulations about food, which have not benefited those who observe them. We have an altar from which those who officiate in the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also suffered outside the city gate in order to sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us then go to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we are looking for the city that is to come. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

*Alleluia*, (Tone 1):

verse: God gives me vindication and has subdued people under me.

verse: Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

(Psalm 17:48,51)

verse: Your priests shall clothe themselves with justice, and Your venerable ones shall rejoice.

verse: For the Lord has chosen Sion; He has chosen it for His dwelling. (Psalm 131:9,13)

Gospel; Matthew 17:14-23 (NRSV)

At that time, when they came to the crowd, a man came to him, knelt before him, and said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; he often falls into the fire and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, but they could not cure him." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you? How much longer must I put up with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and on the third day he will be raised." And they were greatly distressed.

Matthew 11:27-29 (NRSV)

The Lord said to his disciples, all things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

*Communion Hymns*: Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest.\* The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;\* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia. (Psalm 148:1)

**Літургійні частини Українською мовою:**

*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 вzywали до Тебе, Життєдавче:\* Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе,\* слава царству Твоєму,\* слава провидінню Твоєму,\* єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

*Тропар* (глас 8): Піднісся Ти до чеснот, змолоду полюбивши монаше життя,\* бажане сміливо осягнув, вселився Ти в печеру,\* і прикрасивши життя Твоє постом і світлістю,\* в молитвах як безплотний пробував Ти,\* в руській землі, як світле світило, засіяв Ти, отче Теодосію.\* Моли Христа Бога, щоб спаслися душі наші.

*Тропар* (глас 4): Люди, заздальгідь тіштеся,\* з вірою плещіть руками і в любові зберіться,\* днесь радуючись і світло восклицуючи всі з веселістю,\* Божа бо Мати має з земного до висот перейти славно.\* Її піснями повсякчасно як Богородицю славимо.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.

*Кондак* (глас 3): Звізду руську – блаженного Теодосія днесь вшануймо,\* що від сходу возсіяла і на захід прийшла,\* бо всю цю країну чудесами й чеснотами,\* а всіх нас діянням і благодаттю монашого уставу, збагатила.

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

*Кондак* (глас 4): У славній пам'яті Твоїй\* вселенна, оздоблена безтілесним духом,\* розумно з веселістю взиває до Тебе:\* Радуйся, Діво, християн похвало.

*Прокімен* (глас 1): Милість Твоя, Господи, хай буде над нами,\* бо ми надіялись на Тебе (Пс 32,22).

Стих: Радуйтеся, праведні, в Господі, правим належить похвала (Пс 32,1).

*Прокімен*, (глас 7): Чесна перед Господом смерть преподобних Його (Пс.115,6).

Апостол: (1Корінтян 4, 9-16):

Браття і Сестри, Бог поставив нас, апостолів, останніх, немов призначених на страту; ми бо стали видовищем і світові, і ангелам, і людям. Ми нерозумні Христа ради, ви у Христі розумні, ми немічні, ви сильні; ви славні, ми без слави. До цього часу ми голодні і спрагли, і нагі, нас б'ють, ми скитаємось; ми трудимось, власними руками; нас ображають, і ми благословляємо; нас гонять, і ми терпимо; нас лають, і ми доброзичливі; ми стали сміттям світу, викидками всіх аж досі. Пишу це не щоб осоромити вас, але щоб як дітей моїх улюблених навести на розум. Бо хоч би ви мали тисячі учителів у Христі, але батьків небагато, я бо вас породив через Євангеліє у Христі Ісусі. Благаю, отже, вас: Будьте моїми наслідувачами, як і я Христа.

Євр. 13, 7-16.

Браття і Сестри, пам'ятайте про наставників ваших, які звiщали вам слово Боже, і, дивлячись уважно на кінець їхнього життя, наслідуйте їхню віру. Ісус Христос учора й сьогодні – той самий навіки. Не дайте себе звести різними та чужими науками; воно бо добре укріпити серце благодаттю, не стравами, які не принесли ніякої користі тим, що їх тримались. У нас є жертovníк, з якого не мають права їсти ті, що при наметі служать. Бо м'ясо тих звірят, кров яких первосвященик вносив у святиню за гріхи, палиться за табором. Тому й Ісус, щоб освятити народ власною кров'ю, страждав поза містом. Вийдімо, отже, до нього поза табір, несучи наругу його, бо ми не маємо тут постійного міста, але майбутнього шукаємо. За його посередництвом приносимо завжди Богові жертву хвали, тобто плід уст, які визнають його ім'я. Добродійства та взаємної щедроти не забувайте: такі бо жертви Богові приємні.

*Алилуя* (глас 1):

Стих: Бог, що дає відплату мені, і покоров народи мені (Пс 18,48).

Стих: Ти, що звеличуєш спасіння царя, і даєш милість помазаннику Своєму Давидові і родові його повіки (Пс 18,51).

Стих: Блажен муж, що боїться Господа, заповіді Його дуже любі йому (Пс. 111,1).

Стих: Сильне на землі буде сім'я його (Пс.111,2).

Євангеліє: (Мт 17, 14-23):

У той час якийсь чоловік приступив до Ісуса і, припавши йому до ніг, каже: Господи, змилуйся над моїм сином, бо він причинний і тяжко нездухає: часто кидається в огонь, часто й у воду. Я був привів його до твоїх учнів, та вони не могли його зцілити. Роде невірний та розбещений, – відповів Ісус, – доки я маю бути з вами? Приведіть мені його сюди! Ісус погрозив йому, і біс вийшов з хлопця; і юнак видужав тієї ж хвили. 19. Тоді підійшли учні до Ісуса насамоті й спитали: Чому ми не могли його вигнати? Ісус сказав їм: Через вашу малу віру; бо істинно кажу вам: коли матимете віру, як зерно гірчиці, скажете цій горі: перенесися звідси туди – і вона перенесеться; і нічого не буде для вас неможливого. А щодо цього роду бісів, то його виганяють лише молитвою і постом. Як вони зібралися в Галилеї, Ісус сказав до них: Син чоловічий має бути виданий у руки людям, і вони його уб'ють, але третього дня він воскресне. І вони тяжко зажурилися.

Мт. 43 11, 27-30.

Сказав Господь своїм учням: Все передане мені моїм Отцем, і ніхто не знає Сина, крім Отця, і Отця ніхто не знає, крім Сина, та кому Син схоче відкрити. Прийдіть до мене всі втомлені й обтяжені, і я облегушу вас. Візьміть моє ярмо на себе й навчіться від мене, бо я лагідний і сумирний серцем, і знайдете полегшу душам вашим. Ярмо бо моє любе й тягар мій легкий.

*Причасні*: Хваліте Господа з небес,\* хваліте Його на висотах (Пс 148,1).\* В пам'ять вічну буде праведник, злих слухів не убоїться (Пс.111,6-7). Алилуя (х3).

**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, participated at our parish projects and ministry, 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!

To Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ Holy Resurrection Ukrainian Catholic Parish in Penticton, BC donations: July: 2<sup>nd</sup>: \$ 120.00; July 9<sup>th</sup> \$ 180.00; July 16<sup>th</sup> \$ 170.00; July 23<sup>rd</sup>: \$ 240.00; July 30<sup>th</sup>: \$ 215.00

**DONATIONS!** Amid war in Ukraine and Covid-19 Pandemic causing many difficulties and challenging times we continue to rely on your Christian care, understanding, support and generosity!

Please continue to support our parish financially by e-transfer (it is a direct deposit, no security question is needed) via [dormitiontransfer2020@gmail.com](mailto:dormitiontransfer2020@gmail.com) or mailing a cheque payable to **Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church** 1091 Coronation Ave., Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8 Thank you for your support and care at this uneasy time for us all. **“Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us!”** (A Prayer from the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom)

**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](http://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](mailto: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! We help 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](https://www.catholicregister.org/item/34002-caritas-prepared-should-tanks-roll?mc_cid=839560d5dd&mc_eid=995513d2e2)



### CONGRATULATIONS! ЩИРО ВАС ВІТАЄМО!

**May the Almighty God bless** in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mrs. Irene Popyk on her birthday (Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Richard Topor on his birthday (Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>), Mrs. Irka Mandela on her birthday (Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>), Mrs. Bohdanna Bodnar on her birthday (Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>), Mrs. Veronica Chernesky on her birthday (Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>), Clark McBride on his birthday (Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>), Jacob Schaumleffel on his birthday (Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Bill and Mrs. Leah Chernesky on their wedding anniversary (Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>), and to all the faithful Christians 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!

### 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.

### МОЛИТВА ЗА МИР В УКРАЇНІ

Господи Ісусе Христе Боже наш, благаємо Тебе, вислухай щиро молитву Твоїї 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, нашествия агресорів та терору війни. Зміцни силою Твоею усіх доблесних і відважних захисників для добросердечної 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, наведи 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 Предвечним Твоїм Отцем, і Всесвятим, Благим і Животворним Твоїм Духом, нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

## NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **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 or 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 and Family, 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 Dashkewtych, Kay Ilnitski, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, 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, Jacob and Anne Dressler, 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.*

**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.

**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! YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFDrZoGsYeJG1lqgdZyfYMA>



**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.***



**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED, 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 We Help Ukraine church projects, welcoming visitors, etc. If you can help out, please, let us know. Please, contact Mr. Michael Hinz 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 send it by email to the office at [dormitionkelowna@gmail.com](mailto:dormitionkelowna@gmail.com) by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday.**

✚ **Mr. Ron and Mrs. Lydia Pfof would like to announce the joining together in holy matrimony their son Rylan Joshua Pfof and Katherine Jane Dunbar on Friday, August 19, 2022 A.D. at 3:00 pm.** They would like to invite their parish family to join them during the Divine Liturgy, to witness this blessed event and to thank you for all your love and support over the last 31 years as parish members. You are welcome to join them for a drink at the Pfof's residence following the ceremony at 130 Timberline Road in Kelowna, BC.

✚ **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](mailto:m-e-hinz@web.de) or phone: (250) 404-0569

✚ **Fr. Pavlo Myts will be taking a part of his annual vacations from Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> until Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 A.D.** In case of emergency, please, contact Roman Catholic Parishes or Fr. Pavlo's cellphone: (250) 299-7249



✚ **Camp Saint Volodymyr on August 21-28, 2022 A.D.:** Camp St. Volodymyr will be celebrating 36 years of offering camp to children in our Eparchy. This year, with the support of the UCC, we are sponsoring 35 Ukrainian refugees. We are looking for people to help in the following ways.

#### WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR CAMP

**COUNSELLORS:** If you are 16 and older we need your help! We are seeking between 8-10 individuals to help plan and organize our camp activities. Apply online using our google form <https://forms.gle/GYJwS9ZSRRiAPLML7> by **Sunday August 7**. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal record check and must sign the camp code of conduct.

**CAMP LIFEGUARD:** We are still in need of a camp lifeguard. If you know of anyone that can help, please forward them our contact information.

**KITCHEN SUPPORT:** We are searching for a few people to come up for the day to support the kitchen staff. At this time, we are unable to accommodate overnight stays.

**TRANSPORTATION OF CAMP SUPPLIES:** We will need 1-2 vehicles/trucks to help transport camp supplies to and from the Kelowna parish to Camp OAC. Transportation can be done on either Saturday (Aug 20)/Sunday (Aug. 21) and on Sunday Aug 28.

**DONATE Food:** We are always happy to accept food donations of fresh fruits and vegetables, breakfast items; cereal, syrup, pancake mix, jam, Nutella, lunch items; chicken soup, Kraft dinner, cheese, drinks; juice boxes, powdered drinks, brownie/cake mixes, Jello, snack bars, cookies or treats. Gift certificates to Superstore and Costco are also welcomed.

**DONATE Monetarily:** A cash donation can be made to Holy Eucharist Cathedral. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$25 or more. For more information contact Jennifer (604.220.0584) email: [jennsawka@hotmail.com](mailto:jennsawka@hotmail.com)

**VIBRANT PARISH PRAYER:** O Lord Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, as you once gathered lost sheep that they might hear Your voice and be your flock, so also today graciously look down from heaven upon our parish community, and send down on it your Holy Spirit, that it might be a place to receive the joy of Your Good News. Strengthen us with your presence, and always gather us together in prayer. Grant us the spirit of serving others, so that in our parish all might encounter You, the merciful God. Bless our spiritual leaders with Your wisdom, and inspire us to generously give of our time, talents and treasure for the building up of Your Kingdom. Unite us in peace and harmony, as befits Your community of love. Instill in us a missionary spirit, and let our parish community shine with the light of the Gospel, with prayer and good works, inviting all to share in the divine life, so that Your Name, O Saviour, may be praised, together with Your eternal Father, and Your most-holy, good and life-giving Spirit. Amen.

**МОЛИТВА ЖИВОЇ ПАРАФІЇ:** Господи Ісусе Христе, Пастирю Добрий, як колись Ти пригорнув заблуканих овечок, щоб вони пізнали Твій голос і були Твоїм стадом, так і сьогодні глянь ласкаво з небесних висот на нашу парафію та зішли на неї Твого Святого Духа, щоб вона була місцем пізнання радості Доброї Новини. Скріплюй нас 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 дїбр для розбудови Твого царства. Єднай нас у мирі та згоді, щоб ми були Твоєю спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світлом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих дїл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилосся, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. АМІНЬ.

**Dormition Fast is from August 1<sup>st</sup> until the end of day of August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 A.D.** As Christians please live this journey and special time for your spiritual growth and enrichment by moving toward The Almighty God!



✚ **Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church Praznyk/Feast Day/Birthday will be celebrated** at our parish in Kelowna, BC on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 A.D. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated **at 9:00 a.m.** Potluck lunch and celebration will be held after our church Sunday service. If you have any questions about our parish Praznyk potluck meal, please contact Ms. Marie Shandalla and Mrs. Olena Fedorov at 778-821-0759.

We are looking forward to pray, welcome and share the blessings and joy of this wonderful parish celebration with all of you.

**✚ We 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 committee at The Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church. Our parish WE Help Ukraine committee volunteers has thoughtfully searched for, bought, organized and prepared a special gifts for new Ukrainian families recently arrived and warmly welcomed at our Christian community.

**✚ 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.



**✚ 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.



**✚ Rachel's Corner:** "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh." - Ezekiel 36:26

Did you feel like your heart turned to stone the day you made your abortion decision, or maybe it felt that way over time? God can change that for you. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and see what it feels like to receive His merciful love flooding your new heart of flesh. Will you accept His invitation? Rachel's Vineyard awaits you. [info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com](mailto:info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com) [www.rachelvineyardkelowna.com](http://www.rachelvineyardkelowna.com) f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna 250-762-2273

## Stewardship Prayer

O God, the Father of every gift, all that we are and have comes from your hand.

In Jesus Christ, your Son, you have given us the greatest of all gifts.

Fill our hearts with his love, so that we may be parish communities of faithful, caring people.

Grant us the grace to be good stewards who, in the name and spirit of Jesus, share our gifts of time, talent and treasure for the building up of your Kingdom in our Diocese and throughout the world.

May we see Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal as our way to live gratefully and give generously for your honor and glory.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

**FAITHFUL GIVING ...** Please, remember that we never take a day off or a vacation from God, or from our obligation to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays and Holy Days. When traveling, working, participating in different sport's tournaments, activities or studying, please, make sure you check out the service schedule for the area churches at our eparchial website: [www.nweparchy.ca](http://www.nweparchy.ca) and attend the Divine Liturgy. Remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish-church is not. Expenses continue as they do throughout the year. Please, remain consistent in your gifts to parish. Your weekly Sunday offering is important to our financial well-being. If you are away, we appreciate it when you forward your "make-up" donations. The financial stability of the parish counts on regular Sunday contributions. 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)**

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

## Pope Francis teaches about Life.....

18.09.16 Angelus, St Peter's Square, Rome 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C [Luke 16: 1-13](#)

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

Today, Jesus invites us to reflect on two opposing ways of [life](#): the way of the world and that of the Gospel — the [worldly spirit](#) is not the spirit of Jesus — and He does so by recounting the parable of the unfaithful and corrupt steward, who is praised by Jesus, despite his dishonesty (cf. Lk 16:1-13). We must point out immediately that this administrator is not presented as a model to follow, but as an example of deceitfulness. This man is accused of mismanaging his master's affairs, and before being removed, astutely he tries to ingratiate himself with the debtors, condoning part of their debt so as to ensure himself a future. Commenting on this behaviour, Jesus observes: "For the sons of this world are wiser in their own generation than the sons of light" (v. 8).



We are called to respond to this worldly astuteness with Christian astuteness, which is a gift of the Holy Spirit. This is a matter of departing from the worldly spirit and values, which the [devil](#) really favours, in order to live according to the Gospel. How is worldliness

manifested? Worldliness is manifested by attitudes of corruption, deception, subjugation, and it constitutes the most ill-chosen road, the road of sin, because one leads you to the other! It's like a chain, even if — it's true — it is generally the easiest road to travel. Instead, the spirit of the Gospel requires a serious lifestyle — serious but joyful, full of joy! — serious and challenging, marked by honesty, fairness, respect for others and their dignity, and a sense of duty. And this is Christian astuteness!

The [journey of life](#) necessarily involves a choice between two roads: between honesty and dishonesty, between fidelity and infidelity, between selfishness and altruism, between good and evil. You can not waver between one and the other, because they move on different and conflicting forms of logic. The prophet Elijah said to the people of Israel that went on these two roads: "You are limping with both feet!" (cf. 1 Kings 18:21). It's a fine image. It is important to decide which direction to take and then, once you have chosen the right one, to walk it with enthusiasm and determination, trusting in God's grace and the support of His Spirit. The conclusion of the Gospel passage is powerful and categorical: "No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other" (Lk 16:13).

With this teaching, Jesus today urges us to make a clear choice between Him and the worldly spirit, between the logic of corruption, of the abuse of power and greed, and that of righteousness, meekness and sharing. Some people conduct themselves with [corruption](#) as they do with drugs: they think they can use it and stop when they want. It starts out small: a tip here, a bribe over there.... And between this and that, one's freedom is slowly lost. Corruption is also habit-forming, and generates poverty, exploitation, and suffering. How many victims there are in the world today! How many victims of this widespread corruption. But when we try to follow the Gospel logic of integrity, clarity in intentions and in behaviour, of fraternity, we become artisans of justice and we open horizons of hope for humanity. In gratuitousness and by giving of ourselves to our brothers and sisters, we serve the right master: God. May the Virgin Mary help us to choose at every opportunity and at all costs, the right way, even finding the courage to go against the tide, in order to follow Jesus and His Gospel.

Internet source: <http://www.popefrancishomilies.com/life>

## **The occupiers use the peaceful atom as a weapon to intimidate Ukraine and the world, - Head of the UGCC**

Wed, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022 A.D. The UGCC Department for Information:

[http://news.ugcc.ua/en/news/the\\_occupiers\\_use\\_the\\_peaceful\\_atom\\_as\\_a\\_weapon\\_to\\_intimidate\\_ukraine\\_and\\_the\\_world\\_\\_head\\_of\\_the\\_ugcc\\_97565.html](http://news.ugcc.ua/en/news/the_occupiers_use_the_peaceful_atom_as_a_weapon_to_intimidate_ukraine_and_the_world__head_of_the_ugcc_97565.html)

The biggest concern for Ukraine and the world is the events surrounding the Zaporizhzhia NPP, which Russians hit twice, damaging the power supply of the nuclear power unit. Today we received alarming news about the possibility of it being mined... The Head of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav, said this in his daily military address on August 6, the 164<sup>th</sup> day of the unequal battle against the Russian occupier, the battle for the freedom of the sovereign Ukrainian state.

"The occupiers use the peaceful atom as a weapon to intimidate Ukraine and the world. I call on all international institutions to respond to such terrorist behavior of the occupier on Ukrainian land!" The Primate emphasized.

Unfortunately, as the Head of the Church noted, the Ukrainian land again shuddered, hit by Russian bombs and missiles during the last day. Many were killed and wounded.

His Beatitude Sviatoslav thanked all Ukrainian men who are fighting for the victory of Ukraine, each in his place. "I am deeply moved when watching many of our boys storm military commissariats and being offended when they are not taken into the army. They feel guilty for being at the home front instead of the front line. I am grateful to all of you, patriots of Ukraine! Be where our Lord placed you, and bring Ukraine's victory over the enemy closer every day," said the Head of the UGCC.

It should be noted that on the morning of August 6, the 4<sup>th</sup> power unit of the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant stopped working. It was cut off from the power grid as a result of the occupiers' attack on the afternoon of August 5. According to TSN, there is a possibility of the nuclear power plant in Energodar being mined.



The high-voltage communication line of the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (the largest one in Europe) is on fire after three powerful blasts. This, however, wasn't enough for the occupiers, who turned the nuclear facility into a military base. In the evening of the same day, the nitrogen-oxygen station near one of the power units was hit. The Rashists seriously damaged the station and the auxiliary block. The representatives of "Energoatom" stated that this could cause a fire and leakage of radioactive substances and hydrogen.

The Insider notes that the occupiers might have mined the ZNPP or the surrounding area. They published footage showing Russian military trucks entering the territory of the station and unloading some cargo. The British Ministry of Defense suggests that the Russians use the nuclear power plant as a cover and a staging ground for shelling Nikopol.

"Russian forces are using the nuclear power plant's protected status to reduce the risk to their equipment and personnel from nighttime attacks by Ukrainian forces," the statement reads.



This is a direct violation of nuclear security around the world, the head of European diplomacy, Jose Borrell, is convinced. "The EU condemns Russia's military activities around the Zaporizhia NPP. This is a grave and irresponsible violation of nuclear safety rules and another example of Russia's disregard for international norms. The IAEA must get access to the plant," he assures.

The other day, the IAEA, the world's main controller of nuclear safety, announced that it no longer controls the situation in Energodar. And this has nothing to do with the technical aspect. Director of the IAEA, Raphael Grossi, says that he is preparing a team to investigate the situation at the ZNPP.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky called on the world to do everything to expel the Russians from the Ukrainian nuclear power plant. In his address, he once again emphasized that the occupiers' presence at the nuclear facility and transformation of the latter into a military base is an act of terror. The representatives of "Energoatom" note that the Ukrainian personnel at the station work literally at gunpoint and make every effort to prevent any accidents. According to various sources, up to half a thousand Russian military personnel are currently stationed on the territory of the ZNPP.

On August 6, in the evening, the Russian missiles again hit the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant site and the city of Energodar. They hit the site of the ZNPP directly next to the station's ventilated spent nuclear fuel storage facility. Apparently, they aimed specifically at the SNF containers stored in the open near the sites of shelling. 174 containers, each containing 24 assemblies of spent nuclear fuel," the message reads.

It is noted that three radiation monitoring sensors around the SNF ventilated storage casks of the Zaporizhzhia NPP were damaged due to enemy rocket attacks. Therefore, timely detection and response in the event of deterioration of the radiation situation or leakage of radiation from SNF containers is currently impossible, emphasized Energoatom.

### **Head of the UGCC to refugee mothers on the 169<sup>th</sup> day of the war: Think about Ukraine, and when the time is right, return home**

**You, mother, are the only seagull, watching over your child's welfare today. Please think about Ukraine, and when the time is right, return home. Ukraine needs all of you. Ukraine, your Motherland, miss you, cry, pray for you. And we believe that the day will come when your father will return home alive from the front, you and your children from abroad, and then your family will reunite. And we will be together again in our native, independent, free Ukraine! The Father and Head of the UGCC, His Beatitude Sviatoslav, said in his daily address on the 169<sup>th</sup> day of Russia's war against Ukraine.**



benefits she cannot provide for herself.

"The common good is not just the sum of various private goods or prosperity of the citizens of this or that state. It is something that can be achieved only together, jointly, enabling all citizens to feel protected in society and the state. Each person, as a citizen, has particular responsibilities for the common good. For example, we say that the purpose of serving any political power in the country is the common good of all citizens. An example of such a good is the state itself. We also know we can defeat the enemy only when we stand together. And we understand that the victory of Ukraine will be the common good of the entire Ukrainian people. It is the good that will be used by all citizens today, our children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren in the future," the Primate pointed out.

In today's address, His Beatitude Sviatoslav appealed especially to the mothers who, together with their children, were forced to flee Ukraine while their husbands remained to protect it.

"The whole world was moved by the photo in which the father brought his wife and child to the border, said goodbye to them, and returned to defend the Motherland. And the mother and the child continued hard, uncertain way of the refugee," he noted. "Dear mothers, today we pray for you especially. I want to express my words of support to you. We remember you. We pray for you. Today, you, mother, are the only protection for your child in that foreign world, the only door to this big and unknown, sometimes alien world. You, mother, being there, in a foreign land, are the only ones who should take care of the Christian and equally the national and cultural upbringing of your child. And we, as a community, the Church, want to help. Our parishes and communities in different countries of the world, where you are, in particular, want to be close to you, to surround you with the warmth of solidarity and Christian love."

"O God, bless the Ukrainian people! Bless Ukrainian mothers! Bless the Ukrainian army - our sons and daughters, who are building the common good of the Ukrainian people, with their own lives bringing this desired victory closer every day. God, bless Ukraine with Your just God's heavenly peace!" asked the Head of the Church.

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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 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.  
AMEN.



**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)

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