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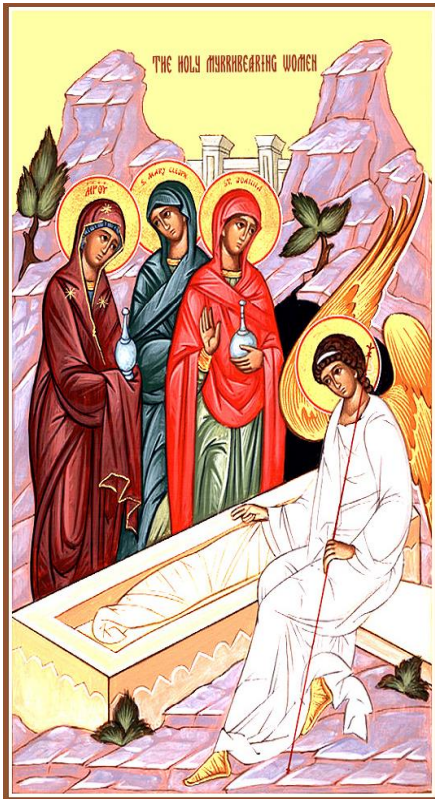
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## Успення Пресвятої Богородиці Українська Католицька Церква

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## MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN SUNDAY / Жінок-Мироносиць Неділя Saint Great-Martyr George / Святий Великомученик Юрій April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 A.D.

**“Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will also help you, I will also uphold you with My righteous right hand.” – God’s Words, Prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 41:10)**

*reminds all people in the World today*

**Christian Greetings: (April 9<sup>th</sup> - May 17<sup>th</sup>): Christ Is Risen! - Indeed, He Is Risen!  
Chrystos Voskres! - Voistynu Voskres! Христос Воскрес! - Воистину 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*

**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! This church letter / bulletin has been thoughtfully prepared for you to pray, read, spiritual growth and as Christians with conscious, constant awareness of The Divine Creator to evangelize daily and 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 week:

**SUNDAY** on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Church Services in Kelowna, BC)

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

1:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: God’s blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends. (Eng./Ukr.) (Church services in Vernon, BC)



Mon., April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Repose of the soul of Mrs. Margaret Popyk (20<sup>th</sup> year memorial service requested by Mr. Steven and Mrs. Irene Popyk) (Church service in Kelowna, BC)

6:30 p.m. Moleben to Merciful Christ

Tue., April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God’s blessings for Anastasia and Valentyna with Family (requested by Mrs. Patricia Sawadsky)

Thurs., April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Repose of the soul of Mr. John Popyk

(20<sup>th</sup> year memorial service requested by Mr. Steven and Mrs. Irene Popyk)

7:00 p.m. Rosary: for Peace in Ukraine / Вервиця: за Мир в Україні

Paschal Stychyras / Пасхальні Стихири, Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession / Сповідь, movie-film “FATIMA”, Christian reflections, sharing and socializing with pizza, and spiritual discussions.



Fri., April 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God’s blessings for Mrs. Alicia Topor (requested by Mrs. Helen Stockburn)

**Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** (Bible Studies, Church Services in Penticton, BC) at 3:40 p.m. Lectio Divina / Bible Studies:

4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: God’s blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends (Eng./Ukr.)



**SUNDAY** on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Eng./Ukr.) (Church Services in Kelowna, BC)

9:00 a.m. The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy: God’s blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends

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

(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:

*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 2*): When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!"

Troparion (*Tone 2*): The noble Joseph took down Your most pure body from the tree. He wrapped it in a clean shroud, and with aromatic spices and placed it in burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, granting the world Your great mercy.

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

Kontakion (*Tone 2*): You commanded the myrrh-bearers to rejoice, O Christ God, and ended the grief of our mother Eve by Your resurrection. You ordered the apostles to proclaim to all: "The Saviour is risen from the tomb."

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

Kontakion (*Tone 8*): Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One, yet You destroyed the power of Hades; and You rose as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! and giving peace to Your apostles: You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

Prokimenon (*Tone 6*): Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance (*Ps 27:9*).

Verse: Unto You I will cry, O Lord my God, lest You turn from me in silence (*Ps 27:1*).

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**Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles': (*Acts 6:1-7*)**

In those days, as the number of disciples grew, the ones who spoke Greek complained that their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food, as compared with the widows of those who spoke Hebrew. The Twelve assembled the community of the disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Look around among your own number, brothers, for seven men acknowledged to be deeply spiritual and prudent, and we shall anoint them to this task. This will permit us to concentrate on prayer and the ministry of the word. The proposal was unanimously accepted by the community.

Following this they selected Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit; Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, who had been a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles, who first prayed over them and then imposed hands on them.

The word of God continued to spread, while at the same time the number of the disciples in Jerusalem enormously increased. There were many priests among those who embraced the faith.

**Alleluia** (*Tone 8*): You have shown favor to Your land, O Lord; You brought back the captives of Jacob (*Ps 84:2*). Mercy and truth have met; righteousness and peace have embraced (*Ps 84:11*).

**Gospel** (*Mark 15:43-16:8*)

At that time, Joseph from Arimathea arrived – a distinguished member of the Sanhedrin. He was another who looked forward to the reign of God. He was bold enough to seek an audience with Pilate and urgently requested the body of Jesus. Pilate was surprised that Jesus should have died so soon. He summoned the centurion and inquired whether Jesus was already dead. Learning from him that he was dead, Pilate released the corpse to Joseph. Then, having bought a linen shroud, Joseph took him down, wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a new tomb which had been cut out of rock. Finally he rolled a stone across the entrance of the tomb. Meanwhile, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James observed where he had been laid.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought perfumed oils with which they intended to go and anoint Jesus. Very early, just after sunrise, on the first day of the week they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked, they found that the stone had been rolled back (It was a huge one.) On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting at the right, dressed in a white robe. This frightened them thoroughly, but he reassured them: "You need not be amazed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, the one who was crucified. He has been raised up; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. Go now and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you to Galilee, where you will see him just as he told you.'" They made their way out and fled from the tomb bewildered and trembling; and because of their great fear, they said nothing to anyone.

**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.* (x3).

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!**



## Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

*Літургійні рубрики: Після того, як священник виголошує "Благословенне Царство" й люди відповідають "Амінь", священники співають Тропар один раз, а люди його повторюють. Далі священники 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 2): Коли зійшов Ти до смерті, Життя безсмертне,\* тоді ад умертвив ти блистінням Божества.\* Коли ж і умерлих із глибин підземних воскресив Ти,\* всі сили небесні взивали:\* Життєдавче, Христе Боже наш, слава Тобі.

Тропар (глас 2): Благообразний Йосиф, з древа знявши пречистеє тіло твоє,\* плащаницею чистою обвив,\* і ароматами в гробі новім, покривши, положив;\* та по трьох днях воскрес єси, Господи,\* даруючи світові велику милість.

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

Кондак (глас 2): Радуватися мироносицям повелів ти,\* плач праматері Єви втихомирив ти воскресінням твоїм, Христе Боже,\* апостолам же твоїм проповідувати повелів ти:\* Спас воскрес із гробу.

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

Кондак (глас 8): Хоч і у гріб зійшов ти, Безсмертний,\* та адову зруйнував ти силу,\* і воскрес єси як переможець, Христе Боже,\* жінкам-мироносицям звістивши: Радуйтеся,\* і твоїм апостолам мир даруеш,\* падшим подаєш воскресіння.

Прокімен (глас 6): Спаси, Господи, людей Твоїх\* і благослови спадкоємство Твоє. (Пс. 27:9)

Стих: До Тебе, Господи, взиватиму; Боже мій, не відвертайсь мовчки від мене. (Пс. 27:1)

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**Апостол: 3 книги Діянь Святих Апостолів читання** (Дн. 6, 1-7):

Тими днями, коли учнів ставало дедалі більше, зчинилось нарікання гелленістів на євреїв, що вдів їхніх занедбано в щоденній службі. Тоді дванадцятєро прикликали громаду учнів і сказали: «Не личить нам лишити слово Боже і при столах служити. Нагледіть собі, отже, з-поміж вас, брати, сімох мужів доброї слави, повних Духа та мудрости, а ми їх поставимо для цієї служби; самі ж ми будемо пильно перебувати у молитві і служінні слова.» Вподобалось це слово всій громаді й вибрали Стефана, мужа, повного віри і Святого Духа, Филипа, Прохора, Ніканора, Тимона, Пармена та Миколая, прозеліта з Антіохії, і поставили їх перед апостолами і, помолившись, поклали на них руки. І росло слово Боже та множилось число учнів у Єрусалимі вельми, і велика сила священників були слухняні вірі.

**Алилуя** (глас 8): Стих: Благоволив ти, Господи, землю твою, ти повернув полон Яковів. (Пс. 84:2)

Стих: Милість і істина зустрілися, правда і мир обцілувалися. (Пс. 84:11)

**Євангеліє:** (Мр. 15:43-16:8)

У той час Йосиф Ариматейський, поважний радник, що й сам очікував Божого Царства, прибув і, сміливо ввійшовши до Пилата, попросив тіло Ісуса. Пилат же здивувався, що вже вмер; і прикликавши сотника, спитав його, чи давно помер. Довідавшись від сотника, він видав Йосифові тіло; а Йосиф, купивши полотно, зняв його, обгорнув полотном і поклав його у гробі, що був висічений у скелі; потім прикотив камінь до входу гробу; Марія ж Магдалина й Марія, мати Йосифа, дивились, де його покладено. Якже минула субота, Марія Магдалина, Марія, мати Якова, та Саломія купили пахоців, щоб піти та намастити його. Рано-вранці, першого дня тижня, прийшли вони до гробу, як сходило сонце, та й говорили між собою: "Хто нам відкотить камінь від входу до гробу?" Але поглянувши, побачили, що камінь був відвалений, – був бо дуже великий. Увійшовши до гробу, побачили юнака, що сидів праворуч, одягнений у білу одежу, – і вжахнулись. А він до них промовив: "Не жахайтесь! Ви шукаєте Ісуса Назарянина, розп'ятого Він воскрес, його нема тут. Ось місце, де його були поклали. Але йдіть, скажіть його учням та Петрові, що випередить вас у Галилеї: там його побачите, як він сказав вам." І вони, вийшовши, втекли від гробу, бо жах і трепет огорнув їх, і нікому нічого не сказали, бо боялися.

**Замість Достойно: Ангел сповіщає Благодатній:** Чистая Діво, радуйся. І знову кажу: Радуйся. Твій Син воскрес триденний 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 на третій день 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, participate at our parish community Spil'ne Sviachene / Easter Brunch

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!

**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:** Daily Breaking News of Russian Federation State Terrorist aggression, daily military attacks and causing War in Ukraine today, thousands of people are killed and wounded, millions of people saving their human lives left their homes, hiding in bomb shelters, forced to become refugees, ... All these tragic and life-threatening, dangerous daily attacks of the enemy highlight the need for an emergency humanitarian response on our part towards the purchase of food, water, basic hygiene, medicine, psychological support, shelter, evacuation, protection, and so on and on. Can you help your brothers and sisters in need as Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ asks each and everyone of you to?

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

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)

### GREETINGS!

### ЩИРО ВАС БІТАЄМО!



**May the Almighty God bless** in good health, peace, love, joy and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Katrina Dudych on her birthday (April 16<sup>th</sup>), Evelina Fantych on her birthday (April 17<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Nick Pisis on his birthday (April 18<sup>th</sup>), Mrs. Lena Sarada on her birthday (April 22<sup>nd</sup>), Anastasiya Voytovych on her birthday (April 24<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Ross Siebert on his birthday (April 24<sup>th</sup>), Mr. Antin Achtymichuk on his birthday (April 29<sup>th</sup>), and all Christians celebrating Easter, 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!

### 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 Dashkewych, Kay Ilnitki, Kalyna Kociuba, William Shuya, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Roma Nowakowski, Barbara and Vincent Pasternak, The Hillman Family, Joseph Stetch, Rosa Maria Santos, Anita N., Ron and Verna Shoemaker, Jonas and Anne, Alyssa and Adam, Teresa Huculak, Mark and Asia, Karen Feniuk, Volodymyr Melnyk, Shelley Zemliak, Ron Horon, Adeline Sorochuk, Aretta Manion and The Family, Daniella-Daryna Tomashevskaya and The Family, Shane Bettin, Patricia Sawadsky, Michael Shykula, Robert Emery, Jacob and Anne Dressler, Lorraine Pasemko, Rose Gaba, Bill Boitson, Walter Achtymichuk, Pauline Rabbitskin, Veronica Chernesky, Albina Bonogofski, Walter Kociuba, for peace in the World, for all people defending Ukraine and all refugees at the time of war, Fr. Volodymyr Dmyterko and The Family, Fr. Yuriy Vyshnevskyy and The Family, 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:** 1) 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 (CDT), at Saint Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church.** 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.***

**SUNDAY CATECHISM SCHOOL:** "Christ is Risen! Христос Воскрес!

Dear parents and Father Pavlo, / Шановні батьки та отець Павло!

I hope everyone had a joyful and blessed Easter!

We will resume Catechism class for our children ages 4 and up on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> and for the next few weeks after the liturgy. I look forward to seeing your children to pray, sing and learn. Thank you very much! God bless you!

Надіюся що ви провели весело Великодній свято! Ми відновимо заняття з катехизму для наших дітей віком від 4 років у неділю 23 числа та протягом кількох наступних тижнів після літургії. Я з нетерпінням

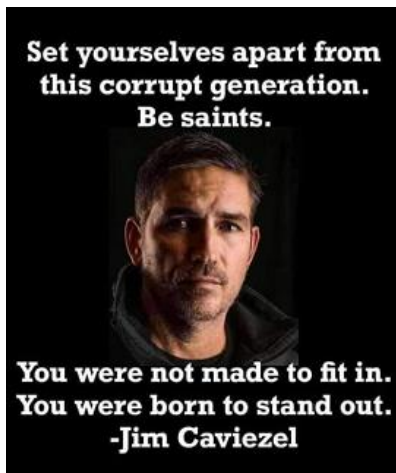
чекаю зустрічі з вашими дітьми, щоб вони молилися, співали та навчалися. Дуже дякую! бережи Вас Бог! Kind regards, Marilyn Daulat"



**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 its needs and pastoral ministry.

**✚ YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AND ALWAYS TRULLY APPRECIATED, BE A STEWARD OF GOD'S VARIED GIFTS AND GRACES THE HEAVENLY CREATOR GRACIOUSLY ENTRUSTED TO YOU:** Have you ever wondered what more can you do to help our Christian 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 Mrs. Lydia Gudz 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 [dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com](mailto:dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com) by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday.**

**✚ Christ is Risen! Христос Воскрес! Dear parishioners! / Дорогі парафіяни!**

Запрошую Вас, у Четвер 4 Травня о 9 годині ранку на виготовлення голубців, для продажу в нашій Українській Католицькій Церкві Успення Пресвятої Богородиці за адресою: 1091 Coronation Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8.

Просимо відгукнутися всім бажаючим допомогти нам в цій нелегкій праці! Будь-ласка поширте цю інформацію Вашим друзям! Щиро дякуємо за підтримку та розуміння!

I inform you that on Thursday of May 4<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. we will be making **cabbage rolls** for sale at our Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church, at the address: 1091 Coronation Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8. Please share this information with your friends!

Thank you very much for your support and understanding.

God bless you! Best regards,

*Oksana Udalova, Office Manager,*

*Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church [dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com](mailto:dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com) Tel. +1 (250) 763-7447*

**✚ If you have our parish hall or parking rental inquiry, please contact directly our Church Office Manager Mrs. Oksana Udalova: [dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com](mailto:dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com) Cell phone: (250) 801-9077 Church parish office / cultural centre-hall and kitchen Tel: (250) 763-7447 Church Office open: Monday-Friday: from 12:30 am to 4:30 pm**

**✚ If you wish to help or have any questions, suggestions, ideas about our Christian community life, please, contact our parish executive council chairperson Mrs. Lydia Gudz. Email: [dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com](mailto:dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com) or phone: (250) 763-7447**

**✚ 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 commette at The Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church. Our parish WE Help Ukraine commettee volunteers has thoutfully serched for, bought, organized and prepared a special gifts for new Ukrainian families receintly arrived and warmly welcomed at our Christian community.



**✚ Our Parish Executive Council Meeting is at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 A.D.**

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

**✚ Traditional and Very Delicious Ukrainian Food is for sale at our parish:** If you need more information or to place your order, please contact email directly to our church kitchen at [dormitionkitchen@gmail.com](mailto:dormitionkitchen@gmail.com) Tel: (250) 763-7447

**✚ CAMP ST. VOLODYMYR Sunday, August 20 – Saturday, August 26, 2023 A.D.:**

Dear Camp St. Volodymyr Family!

I am excited to announce that we will once again be able to offer camp to children in our Eparchy. Founded in 1983, this will be our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Camp St. Volodymyr. The camp is open to children aged 7 to 15 as of December 2023. Registration for campers will take place in May so start planning your summer holidays now! Please note camp will now end on Saturday.

**Volunteers Needed:** If you are interested in volunteering as a counsellor, kitchen help, nurse/doctor, or lifeguard please forward your name by May 1.

**Camp T-shirt:** Camp St. Volodymyr is also seeking input to design our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary T-shirt. Please share your logo and design ideas! The chosen design will receive a complimentary t-shirt.

For more information, contact me at [jennsawka@hotmail.com](mailto:jennsawka@hotmail.com) or 604.220.0584

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Jennifer Caldwell, Camp Director



**Rachel's Corner:** *"Many of us have things buried in our hearts. Mistakes, sins, omissions, and commissions. Many of us have a tomb within, and when we buried those things, we did so with the intent of never again unearthing what was sealed in this tomb. Listen to me: There is more to life than this. God longs to give you more. And all He asks is permission to enter into the tomb within our hearts."* Fr. Mark Toups

Join the men and women on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. We too stuffed our pain from abortion involvement in a tomb within the heart. Come see what it feels like to not carry around shame and regret anymore. Give it a try. [info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com](mailto:info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com) f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna 250-762-2273 Confidentiality assured.



**The people of Ukraine need your help.** As we mark the one-year anniversary of the war in Ukraine, millions of the country's inhabitants are in dire straits. Constant bombardment, frigid temperatures, fluctuating power, lack of food, shelter and other basic necessities. As part of your Lenten sacrifice, kindly consider making a donation towards providing emergency services and humanitarian and pastoral support to Ukrainians by offering care, medical supplies, food, clothing and shelter to displaced persons, the elderly and the sick, as well as educational programs and support to local priests. For example, for only \$25, an emergency food package can provide much needed relief. \$100 can buy four packages. Each package will feed 2 persons for 1 week.

Donations may be made through your local parish, the Eparchy of Edmonton, or directly to Catholic Near East Welfare Association - Canada ([cnewa.ca](http://cnewa.ca)). For information on how your donation is making a difference, see Catholic Near East Welfare Association's [2022 Campaign Report: Ukraine Emergency Relief](#). May God bless you and your family for your generosity.



**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 дбр 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 світлом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилось, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.



### **An invisible force has been saving me all this time: A wounded young man from Bakhmut baptized in Lviv.**

April 20, 2023 A.D.

The UGCC Department for Information: <https://ugcc.ua/en/data/an-invisible-force-has-been-saving-me-all-this-time-a-wounded-young-man-from-bakhmut-baptized-in-lviv-373/>

A 16-year-old boy named Mykyta from Bakhmut, severely injured by artillery shelling in his hometown, received the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Nicholas Children's Hospital in Lviv. The doctors who saved his life became his godparents.

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The young man said that when he left the house to fetch water, the shelling started, killing his nephew and wounding his cousin. Mykyta's body was hit by six shell fragments.

Having stabilized Mykyta's condition, doctors sent him by evacuation train to the First Medical Association of Lviv, where pediatric surgeons operated on and saved the young man. Doctors say that Mykyta was "born in a bulletproof vest."

The boy notes, "Some invisible force has been saving me all this time." Therefore, after the experience, Mykyta and his mother, Tetiana, decided to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

**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.

Патріарх Йосиф Сліпий:

«Нині віра в Бога, в Христа – це найважливіша річ. Скільки тратить віру, байдужніє, не здаючи собі справи, що людина без віри стає звіриною»

(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 2)

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