

**Dormition of The Mother of God
Ukrainian Catholic Church**

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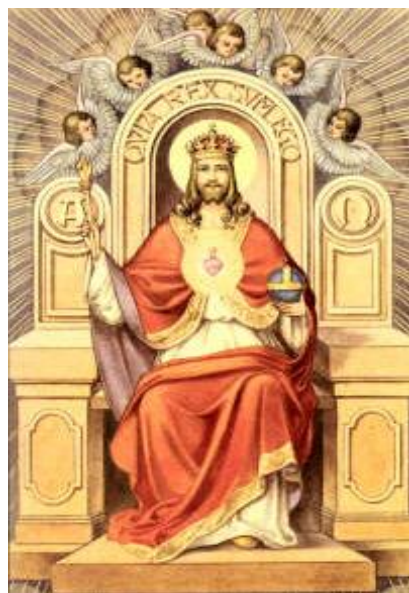


**Успення Пресвятої Богородиці
Українська Католицька Церква**

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**22nd SUNDAY after PENTECOST / 22-^{ра} НЕДІЛЯ після ЗІСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО ДУХА
SUNDAY OF CHRIST THE KING / НЕДІЛЯ ХРИСТА ЦАРЯ
October 29th, 2023 A.D.**

“Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, ‘He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in Whom I trust.’— Psalm 91:1-2

**Christian Greetings: Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!
Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky! Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віки!
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 October 29th at 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Eng./Ukr.) (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

1:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends (Eng./Ukr.) (Church services at Saint Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church (2210 - 40th Avenue) in Vernon, BC)

Panakhida: Repose of the soul of Mrs. Kateryna Huculak (4th year memorial anniversary requested by Ms. Teresa Huculak, Ms. Marion McAreavy and Family)

Tue., Oct. 31st at 5:15 p.m. The Divine Liturgy / Mass: God's blessings and All Saints protection and intercession for all people (Church service at The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC)

Wed., Nov. 1st at 5:00 p.m. Bible studies (Church services at Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kelowna, BC)

6:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession / Сповідь

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

Thurs., Nov. 2nd at 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: repose of the souls of all deceased brothers and sisters in Christ

Fri., Nov. 3rd at 9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: For all souls in Purgatory

Saturday, November 4th at 3:40 p.m. Lectio Divina / Bible Studies: (Bible Studies, Church Services

at Holy Resurrection of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Parish (361 Wade Avenue West) in Penticton, BC)

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

SUNDAY on November 5th at 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Eng./Ukr.) (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

1:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, relatives and friends. (Eng./Ukr.) (Church services at Saint Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church (2210 - 40th Avenue) 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:

Tone 5, text from book "*The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*"; pages 97-99

Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians: (Gal. 6:11-18)

Brothers and Sisters, see, I write to you in my own large handwriting! Those who are trying to force you to be circumcised are making a play for human approval – with an eye to escaping persecution for the cross of Christ. The every ones who accept circumcision do not follow the law themselves. They want you to be circumcised only that they may boast about your bodily observance. May I never boast of anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ! Through it, the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. It means nothing whether one is circumcised or not. All that matters is that one is created anew. Peace and mercy on all who follow this rule of life, and on the Israel of God. Henceforth, let no man trouble me, for I bear the brand marks of Jesus in my body. May the favor of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.



Gospel: (Lk 16: 19-31)

The Lord told this parable: "Once there was a rich man who dressed in purple and linen feasted splendidly every day. At his gate lay a beggar named Lazarus who was covered with sores. Lazarus longed to eat the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. The dogs even came and licked his sores. Eventually the beggar died. He was carried by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man like-wise died and was buried. From the abode of the dead where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus resting in his bosom. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water to refresh my tongue, for I am tortured in these flames.' 'My child,' replied Abraham, 'remember that you were well off in your lifetime, while Lazarus was in misery. Now he has found consolation here, but you have found torment. And it is not all. Between you and us there is fixed a great abyss, so that those who might wish to cross from here to you cannot do so, nor can anyone cross from your side to us.' 'Father, I ask you, then,' the rich man said, 'send him to my father's house where I have five brothers. Let him be a warning to them so that they may not end in this place of torment.' Abraham answered, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them hear them.' 'No, Father Abraham,' replied the rich man. 'But if someone would only go to them from the dead, then they would repent.' Abraham said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be convinced even if one should rise from the dead.'"

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 5, текст "*Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого*"; сторінки 96-98

Апостол: До Галатів послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Гал. 6, 11-18)

Браття і Сестри, гляньте, якими буквами пишу вам власною рукою. Ті, що хочуть показатися гарними тілом, – вони силують вас обрізатися, щоб тільки уникнути переслідування за хрест Христа. Бо й самі обрізані, не додержують закону, а хочуть, щоб ви обрізувалися, щоб їм хвалитися вашим тілом. Мене ж не доведи, Боже, чимсь хвалитися, як тільки хрестом Господа нашого Ісуса Христа, яким для мене світ розп'ятий, а я – світові; бо ані обрізання, ані необрізання є щось, лише – нове створіння. На тих, які поступають за цим правилом, мир на них і милосердя, а й на Ізраїля Божого. На майбутнє нехай ніхто мені не завдає клопоту, бо я ношу на моїм тілі рани Ісуса. Благодать Господа нашого Ісуса Христа нехай буде з вашим духом! Амінь.



Євангеліє: (Лк. 16, 19-31)

Сказав Господь притчу оцю: Був один чоловік багатий, що одягавсь у кармазин та вісон та бенкетував щодня розкішно. Убогий же якийсь, на ім'я Лазар, лежав у нього при воротах, увесь струпами вкритий; він бажав насититися тим, що падало в багатого зо столу; ба навіть пси приходили й лизали рани його. Та сталося, що помер убогий, і ангели занесли його на лоно Авраама. Помер також багатий, і його поховали. В аді, терплячи тяжкі муки, зняв він очі й побачив здалека Авраама та Лазаря на його лоні, і він закричав уголос: Отче Аврааме, змилуйся надо мною і пошли Лазаря, нехай умочить у воду кінець пальця свого й прохолодить язик мій, бо я мучуся в полум'ї цім. Авраам же промовив: Згадай, мій сину, що ти одержав твої блага за життя свого, так само, як і Лазар свої лиха. Отже, тепер він тішиться тут, а ти мучишся. А крім того всього між нами й вами вирита велика пропасть, тож ті, що хотіли б перейти звідси до вас, не можуть; ані звідти до нас не переходять. Отче, сказав багатий, благаю ж тебе, пошли його в дім батька мого; я маю п'ять братів, нехай він їм скаже, щоб і вони також не прийшли в це місце муки. Авраам мовив: Мають Мойсея і пророків; нехай їх слухають. Той відповів: Ні, отче Аврааме, але коли до них прийде хто з мертвих, вони покаються. А той відозвався до нього: Як вони не слухають Мойсея і пророків, то навіть коли хто воскресне з мертвих, не повірять.

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, organized, participate at our parish community Christian ministry, volunteered by helping our parish community and via our Christian church in various ways helping people affected by wildfires in British Columbia, supporting people of 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**

to dormitiontransfer2023@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: 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). 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.

We help Ukraine! 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



GREETINGS!

ЩИРО ВАС ВИТАЄМО!

May the Almighty God bless in good health, peace, love, joy and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mr. Ihor Voytovych on his birthday today (Oct. 29th), Mrs. Naomi Lindstein on her birthday (Oct. 30th), Mr. Michael Shykula on his birthday (Nov. 1st), Mr. Oles Kopets on his birthday (Nov. 2nd), Gideon Kriel on his birthday (Nov. 2nd), Ms. Alix Washchyshyn on her birthday (Nov. 4th), and to all Christians celebrating their birthdays, heavenly patron's name-days, wedding anniversaries, Thanksgiving weekend, and any other special celebrations 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: *DormitionKelowna 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/>
Please, be assured that Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts, as your spiritual father-pastor, is gratefully praying to The Almighty God, loving, thinking and spiritually carrying for all of you daily! Please pray for one another and especially for those who are ill, suffering be being affected by disasters, war in Ukraine! Let us always be co-responsible to ensure that we are all well.

Discover Canada's 2nd National Martyr's Shrine



The Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine is located at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church at 250 Jefferson Avenue in Winnipeg Manitoba.

Come and experience this prayerful, peaceful atmosphere of holiness before the precious Holy Relics of Blessed Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky. You can also tour

the Museum and visit the Gift Shop to learn more about this modern day martyr and how he was such a great witness to the truth of the Gospel.

Open: Tuesday to Friday – 10 am to 5pm

Saturday – 10 am to 1 pm

Sunday – after 10 a.m. Liturgy

Also every Wednesday:

1:30 pm Praying for Ukraine

7 p.m. Devotional Service

For more information:

Visit the website: bvmartyrshrine.com

Call 204-338-7321 Email: info@bvmartyrshrine.com



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., George Dashkewytch, Kay Ilnitski, 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, Mary Harasymyshyn, Veronica Chernesky, 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: 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>

The Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine is located in Winnipeg. We invite those that might be traveling this summer to plan a spiritual pilgrimage to spend time before the Holy Relics of Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky!

The Redemptorist TV team: www.redemptorist.tv

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.***

Petition for the Sanctity of Human Life:

We also pray for an end to euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada; that the Lord God grant us courage to seek out and visit the sick and lonely; that healthcare workers may have fortitude in upholding the moral law; and that He grant hope to those in despair, humility to those who insist on control, and a renewed sense of dignity to those who have lost sight of their inherent worth; Lord, hear us and have mercy!



Petition for the victory of the Ukrainian armed forces:

We also pray for the people of Ukraine, that they may be granted peace, freedom, and unity; for strength, protection, and divine assistance for the Ukrainian armed forces; and that Russian invaders would be converted and turn away from all war and violence; we pray you, Lord, hear us and have mercy!

Petition for peace throughout the world:

We also pray for the people of Israel and Palestine, that they may be delivered from this violent conflict; for the deliverance of hostages, recovery of the wounded, and comfort for those who mourn; that those who foster violence may repent, forsaking all hatred and terror; and that those who labour for peace receive divine assistance, courage, and perseverance; we pray you, Lord, hear us and have mercy.

Молимося також за народи Ізраїлю і Палестини, щоб вони змогли подолати цей

жорстокий конфлікт; за звільнення заручників; одужання поранених; розраду для тих, хто поніс втрату; за навернення тих, хто заохочує до насильства, щоб вони зреклися ненависті і терору; за те, щоб ті, хто трудиться заради миру отримали Божественну підтримку, відвагу і наполегливість, молимося Тобі Господи, вислухай і помилуй.

FAITHFUL GIVING ... Please, remember that we never take a day off or a vacation from God, or from our obligation to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays and Holy Days. When traveling, working, participating in different sport's tournaments, activities or studying, please, make sure you check out the service schedule for the area churches at our eparchial website: www.nweparchy.ca and attend the Divine Liturgy. Remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish-church is not. Expenses continue as they do throughout the year. Please, remain consistent in your gifts to parish. Your weekly Sunday offering is important to our financial well-being. If you are away, we appreciate it when you forward your "make-up" donations. The financial stability of the parish counts on regular Sunday contributions. One day every one of us will end his or her earthly journey. Every day we are all getting closer to that moment. No person will be able after physical death to use his or her earthly temporal treasures anymore. Always remember that, continue to be honest, loving, carrying, supportive, positive and generous! God bless all you! Be aware and remember that your help is always appreciated, and we still need more parishioners to volunteer! Thank you for your support and care at this uneasy time for us all.

"Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us!" (A Prayer from the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom)

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.



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AND ALWAYS TRULY 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 (a lady and a gentlemen faithful leaders volunteering and forming Christian brothers and sisters prayerful groups at our parish; 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, 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 Christian 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 by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday.** 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 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 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.



SUNDAY CATECHISM SCHOOL: "And they were bringing to Him also the infants, in order that He may be touching them; but after the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Himself and said, Let alone the little children to come to Me, and cease hindering them; for of such is the kingdom of God." (Matthew 19:14)

We welcome all children to our Dormition of the Mother of God Parish Catechism program.

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

Ukrainian - speaking volunteers are needed for children, ages 4 to 6. These children come with so much enthusiasm and joy' but they do need more supervision and attention. If we can have several people volunteer, they can take turns helping. Your help would be appreciated very much!! Materials will be provided for the children.

Also there is usually another table set up for the older children for any activity or socialization they would like.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to call our parish catechism teacher, Mrs. Marilyn Daulat 250- 801-7538 or pastor Fr. Pavlo Myts.

Діти дізнаються про свою християнську православну віру в Католицькій Церкві, Святе Письмо, свята, ікони, традиції, співи, релігійні обряди та звичаї Української Католицької Церкви. Для дітей віком від 4 до 6 років потрібні україномовні волонтери. Ці діти приходять із великим ентузіазмом і радістю, але вони потребують більше нагляду та уваги. Якщо ми матимемо декілька людей волонтерів, вони зможуть по черзі допомагати. Будемо дуже вдячні за вашу допомогу!! Дітям будуть надані необхідні матеріали. Крім того, зазвичай для старших дітей накривають інший стіл для будь-якої активності чи спілкування, які вони бажають. Якщо у вас є запитання чи пропозиції, будь ласка, не соромтеся зателефонувати нашій парафіяльній вчительці катехизму пані Мерилін Даулат 250-801-7538 або пастору о.Павлові Миць



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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.

Розклад наших продаж їжі (Food Sale) в Листопаді-Грудні 2023 А.Д.:
 November 4th - from 10 am - 3 pm
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New! The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis – Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has released latest issue of its digital newsletter "Encounter." The goal of the newsletter is to provide parishes with resources to support faith formation and to promote evangelization.

The Fall 2023 Newsletter can be found on the CCCB website [here](https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/encounter-a-joy-ever-new-a-joy-which-is-shared/).

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Catechetical online resources in English and Ukrainian languages:

- Royal Doors with daily readings and reflections, UGCC - Catechism online, articles, etc.: <https://www.royaldoors.net/>
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- Dynamic Catholic. Beautiful resource for the whole family with Catechism for children, marriage, enrichment programs, etc.: <https://dynamiccatholic.com>
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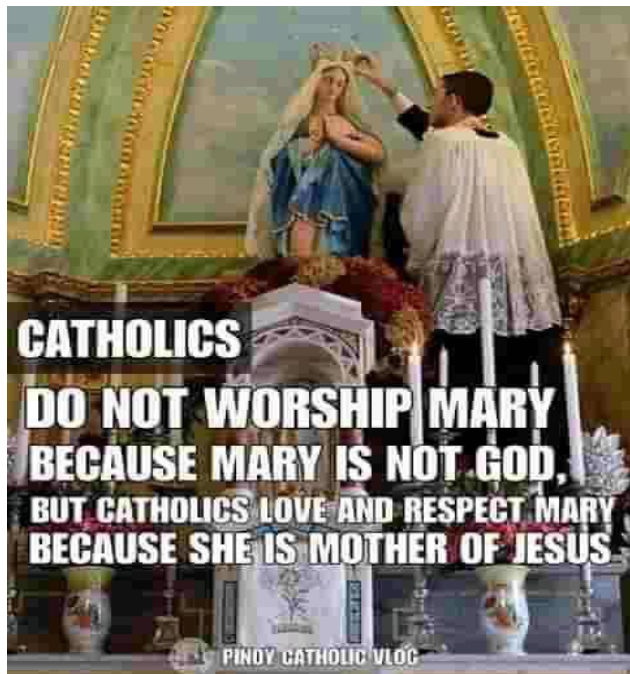
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community of love. Instill in us a missionary spirit, and let our parish community shine with the light of the Gospel, with prayer and good works, inviting all to share in the divine life, so that Your Name, O Saviour, may be praised, together with 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 Твою присутністю та єдною нас кожночасно в молитві. Даруй нам духа служіння ближньому, щоб у нашій парафії кожний міг зустріти Тебе, милостивого Бога. Благослови наш духовний провід Твою мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єдною нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були Твою спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилось, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

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To conclude the month of October,
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October 31st at
Immaculate Conception Church.

Please join us for this special Mass being offered for the clergy & religious of our Diocese.

Confession from 4:30-5:00 pm.

Holy Mass at 5:15pm.

LIVING ROSARY at 6:15 pm,
followed by an outdoor procession,
tentatively scheduled, with prayers and hymns.

If you want to play a part in the Living Rosary,
please arrive by 6:00 pm (we need ~ 60 people).

Bring your children, family and friends!

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

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Гімнастичний килимок та гарний настрій!”

Natalia Teslia



Pope Francis blessed the decision of the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in **appointing Very Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski as Bishop of the Eparchy of New Westminster.**

Bishop-Elect currently serves as the Chancellor of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg and Pastor of Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God Parish, Winnipeg.

Bishop-Elect Michael will be ordained to the episcopacy on November 8 at Saints Volodymyr and Olga Cathedral, Winnipeg. He will be enthroned (installed) on November 18 at Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God Parish, Vancouver, followed by his First Solemn Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Cathedral, New Westminster, on November 19th, 2023 A.D.

Episcopal Coat of Arms of Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski of New Westminster

Bishop Michael wanted three basic images and themes to be included in his coat of arms: the Our Lord through the **Holy Eucharist**, by which we profoundly become one with Christ and find the source and summit of our Faith (Christ our Pascha, 390); the **Mother of God**, especially his favourite icon of the Mother of God of Vysh'horod – ever interceding for God's People; and the **Archangel Michael**, his life-long patron and the one who defends the glory of God. The motto chosen is the concluding phrase of Joshua 24:15, "We Will Serve the Lord"

These three images were developed by the President of the Ukrainian Heraldry Society of Ukraine, Dr. Andriy Hrechlyo, to be represented by appropriate symbols. The three 8-pointed stars on a field of blue as would be found on icons of the Mother of God – representing her purity and ever-virginity. The sword and scales of the Archangel Michael who defeats evil and has a role in the judgement of souls. The Holy Eucharist is represented almost identically to the symbol of "Lamb" host and Chalice as depicted on the coat of arms of the Eparchy of New Westminster.

The surrounding mitre, mantle, staff and processional cross signify the episcopal office.

Спископський герб Владика Михайла Квятковського, єпарха Нью-Вестмінстерського

Владика Михайл хотів, щоб на його гербі були три основні образи і теми: Господь наш через **Пресвяту Євхаристію**, через яку ми глибоко з'єднуємося з Христом і знаходимо джерело і вершину нашої віри (*Христос – наша Пасха, 390*); **Божу Матір**, особливо його улюблена ікона Вишгородської Богородиці – неостанна заступниця Божого народу; і **Архистратиг Михайл**, його покровитель і той, хто захищає славу Богу. Обраним девізом є заключна фраза Ісуса Навина 24:15 «[А я та дім мій] Служитимемо Господеві»

Ці три зображення розроблені президентом Українського Геральдичного Товариства д-ром Андрієм Гречилом для представлення відповідними символами. Три 8-кутні зірочки на блакитному полі, як і на іконах Божої Матері, символізують її чистоту і непорочності. Меч і ваги Архангела Михайла, який перемагає зло і бере участь у суді над душами. Пресвята Євхаристія представлена майже ідентично символу «Агнца» та Чаші, як зображено на гербі Єпархії Нью-Вестмінстера.

Навоколишні символи митри, мантії, жезла та процесійного хреста означають єпископський стан.

Episcopal Ordination The Very Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski November 8, 2023



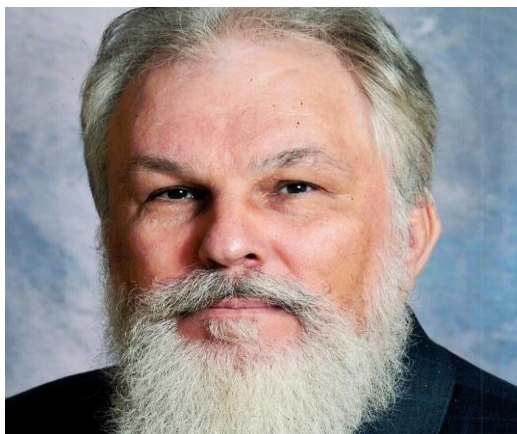
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ENTHRONEMENT (INSTALLATION) OF BISHOP MICHAEL KWIATKOWSKI and HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY

**Saturday, November 18th, 2023, at 10 a.m.
followed by a celebratory banquet.**

Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
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Banquet tickets available through the Pastoral Centre (Chancery) in New Westminster and Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish.

Price 75 CAD (Please, make sure to secure your participation in this historical event before Nov. 15th, 2023 A.D.)

Tickets can be purchased through
Fr. Joseph Pidskalny 604-879-5830, office@stmarysbc.com
Fr. Yuriy Sakvuk 7787899639 sakvuk@gmail.com

Payment also can be made by cash and cheques issued to the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster.

WELCOME OF BISHOP MICHAEL KWIATKOWSKI and FIRST SOLEMN HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY

Sunday, November 19 at 10:00 a.m., followed by a reception

Holy Eucharist Cathedral
501 Fourth Ave, New Westminster BC V3L 1P3

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Special Request from Bishop Elect Michael

Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!
Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky! Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віки!
Christ Is among us! – He Is and Will Be!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Friends,

I have received an email from Bishop-Elect Very Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski with a special request from each one of us. He is asking each and everyone of us to pray for him as he prepares to receive his Episcopal Ordination on November 8th in Winnipeg, MB and then to begin his episcopal ministry in our Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster on November 18th, 2023 A.D.

Bishop Elect Micahel wrote:

"I want to ask if you would find some time in the next few weeks to raise me and the khirotonia and my future episcopal ministry up to the Lord in your prayer.... I am sure the Lord would hear your prayer. I know that I am not only in great need of prayer, but that it is only by the merciful and loving grace of God that I have ever done anything of merit in my years as a priest. It is also only by God's abundant mercy that my ministry as a bishop will be of any value. So, please do offer a prayer for me in the days ahead, and, yes, in the months and years ahead as well....

Я був на єпископській хіротонії Митрополита Львівського Ігоря Возняка. Під час своєї номінації (напередодні єпископської хіротонії) він просив присутніх, чи взяли б вони на себе зобов'язання молитися за нього щодня лише три «Богородице Діво». Тоді Він відчув би впевненість, що може служити Божому народу, довіреному

йому. Чудово! Ну, я не буду просити якихось конкретних зобов'язань, але я був би вдячний, якщо б ви згадали про мене у своїй молитві будь-яким способом або на будь-який можливий період."

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, friends, let us faithfully support daily our brother in Christ, Bishop Elect Michael, with a prayer of your choice.

With pastoral blessings, prayers, and gratitude sincerely Yours in Our Lord, God, and Saviour Jesus Christ,

Fr. Pavlo



ALL SOULS' DAYS

Holy Church, as the Mystical Body of Christ, unites all her faithful whether here on earth or in heaven or in purgatory where they are making reparation for faults committed in this life. Thus we speak of the Church Militant, the Church Triumphant and the Church Suffering. All the members of this threefold Church are joined together by the same bond of love of God and of neighbor.

This union of the faithful on earth, the blessed in heaven and the suffering souls in purgatory, we call the Communion of Saints. This dogma teaches that the blessed in heaven can and do help those on earth and those in purgatory by interceding for them before God, while those in purgatory can pray for us, but cannot help themselves, because their time of meriting has already ended. However, we on earth can assist them by our prayers, good works and, above all, by the sacrifice of the Divine Liturgy.

The ancient Church practice of praying for those who have departed into eternity IS based on this dogma of the Communion of Saints. Referring to this practice, the Second Vatican Council in the decree "On the Church" says: "Fully conscious of this communion of the whole Mystical Body of Jesus Christ, the pilgrim Church from the very first ages of the Christian religion has cultivated with great piety the memory of the dead?"

Although the Church remembers the souls of the departed faithful in her daily prayers and services, nevertheless, like a good Mother, she still assigns special days in the Liturgical Year on which she commemorates and prays for them. These days are called Souls' Days or memorial days.

All-Souls Saturdays

1. **Saturday - a day of prayer for departed souls.** In the Liturgical Year not only is every day dedicated to some festival or saint, but also each weekday has its own patron.

On Monday, holy Church pays homage to the angelic choirs, who occupy first place in heaven next to the most Holy Mother of God. Tuesday is dedicated to St. John the Baptist, the symbol of all the prophets. Wednesday commemorates the betrayal of Jesus Christ and the beginning of His passion, and also venerates the life-giving Cross on which He died. On Thursday, the Church venerates the holy Apostles and St. Nicholas. On Friday, she celebrates the memory of the passion of Christ and His death on the Cross.

On Saturday, God rested after He created the world and Jesus Christ rested in the tomb, after having accomplished the salvation of the world; hence, Saturday became the symbol of eternal rest and happiness in God. For this reason, the Church dedicates Saturday to all the souls, who have gone into eternity but have not yet entered into eternal rest with the Blessed in heaven.

The Blessed Mother of God does not have any special day in the week dedicated to Her, because the Church venerates Her every day of the week in Her services. Three days in the week — Wednesday, Friday and Sunday — the most Pure Virgin Mary is glorified in a special manner because of her active participation in the sufferings, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

2. **Meatfare Saturday.** Besides commemorating the faithful departed every Saturday of the week, the Church set aside certain Saturdays in the Liturgical Year whose services are exclusively dedicated to the commemoration of the departed and to prayers for them. These Saturdays are called memorial Saturdays, or All-souls' Saturdays. These Saturdays include the Saturday before Meatfare Sunday, the second, third and fourth Saturdays of the Great Fast and the Saturday before Pentecost Sunday. Meatfare Sunday commemorates the Last Judgement. For this reason' On the preceding Saturday we pray "for all christians who have fallen asleep from time immemorial", that is' for all those who have died or perished at any time or place, and for whom perhaps no one prays, so that they all may stand, on the day of the Last Judgement, at the right hand of the Eternal Judge.

3. **The Second, Third and Fourth Saturdays of the Great Fast / Lent.** The Great Fast is not only a time for fasting and penance, but also a time for praying for the departed souls. For this purpose, three Saturdays during the Lenten season are dedicated to the

memory of the departed. In earlier times during the Great Fast, the Divine Liturgy was celebrated only on Saturday and Sunday, while on the other days only the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts was offered. But that the departed souls might not be deprived of the graces and merits of the Divine Liturgy, during the Great Fast, Saturday was designated especially for the commemoration of the dead.

4. **Saturday before Pentecost Sunday.** The descent of the Holy Spirit on the fiftieth day after the resurrection was the final act of the redemption of mankind. Hence, the Church wishing the departed souls to have a share in the graces of redemption honors their memory on this Saturday. The Monastic rule of the Studites, written about the year 980 A.D. at the monastery of Studion, in Constantinople, states that on the Saturdays before Meatfare and Pentecost Sundays all the monks went to the cemetery to pray for their departed brothers.

5. **The Saturday before the feast of Saint Demetrius.** The Euchologion of Peter Mohyla tells of a commemoration of the departed souls on the Saturday before the feast of St. Demetrius. In time they began to commemorate also those who were not soldiers, and the day of commemorating the departed souls became the Saturday before the feast of St. Demetrius — perhaps because St. Demetrius himself was a soldier.

*Merciful Father,
hear our prayer and console us.
As we renew
our faith in Your Son,
whom You raised from the dead,
strengthen our hope
that all our departed brothers and
sisters will share in His resurrection,
who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.*

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Other Memorial Days

1. **The Third, Ninth and Fortieth Days.** In our Church the ancient custom still prevails of commemorating the dead on the third, ninth and fortieth day after their death. These memorial days, called The Third Day, The Ninth Day and The Fortieth Day, date back to apostolic times. The Lenten Triodion in the synaxary (i.e., a spiritual instruction) of the Saturday of Meatfare gives the following explanation for commemorating the dead on these days: "We commemorate the deceased on the third day of his departure, because on the third day the countenance of the deceased changes; on the ninth day because the whole body decomposes except the heart; and on the fortieth day because the heart decomposes."

The Euchologion of Peter Mohyla attaches a spiritual meaning to these memorial days: "The commemoration of the third day signifies that the deceased believed in Christ, who rose from the dead on the third day, also that the deceased observed the three theological virtues: faith, hope and love in their entirety. By the commemoration of the ninth day we implore the Lord God through the intercession Of the heavenly choirs of angels to grant repose to the souls and to give him the place with the saints which was destined for the fallen angels. The commemoration of the fortieth day reminds us of the forty day fast of Christ, and the forty days he remained on earth after His resurrection; it also recalls the forty-day fast Of Moses and Elias."

The above mentioned commemorations are also called "Sorokousty" The word "sorokoust" literally means: mouths" (sorok=forty; ust=mouth), i.e., a prayer offered "fortyby forty mouths or by forty priests. To honor the deceased members of their families worthily, the custom developed of holding services for them in the great cathedral churches on the third, ninth, and fortieth day after their death, with forty priests participating in the celebration. The wealthier people had this service of "Forty Mouths" offered not only in forty churches at the same time, but also through forty days, so that in all, 1,600 commemorations were made. During the service Of the Sorokousty, the diptychs were read, that is, the list of the names of the deceased. Today we call this Sorokousty service simply special prayers offered for the deceased during the Great Fast.

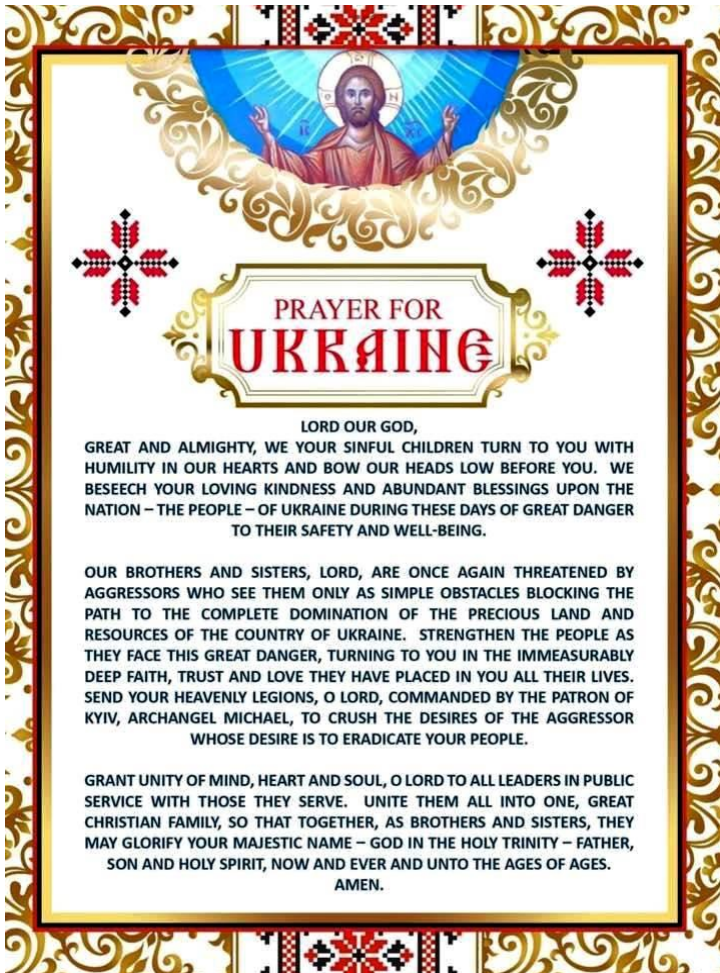
In times past it was customary among our Ukrainian ple to place a bowl of kolyvo on the tetrapod at the Parastas or Panakhyda service. Kolyvo, is derived from the Greek word "kolyba" which means boiled wheat mixed with honey. The wheat signifies that the body of the deceased will one day rise, just as the seed of wheat when sown in the ground seems to die, yet sprouts and brings forth fruit. The sweetness of the honey symbolizes everlasting joy and happiness in heaven. Three loaves of bread along with the kolyvo placed on the tetrapod, signified an offering, a sacrifice for the deceased. This practice was approved and recommended by the Synod of Lviv (1891) (Title XII, Ch. 1, P. 2).

2. **Anniversaries of Death and Burial.** Another manifestation of our love for those who have gone into eternity are the prayers offered on the anniversaries of their death or burial. This is a Christian custom worthy of praise — to have a Divine Liturgy, Parastas or Panakhyda, celebrated on these anniversaries. In this way we demonstrate our love and our gratitude towards our dearly-beloved departed.

3. **The Day following the Feast of the Patron Saint.** The Synod of Lviv notes that it is a custom in our Church on the day following the feast of the patron saint to celebrate a Divine Liturgy and the service for the dead. If a Divine Liturgy for the dead cannot be said on that day, then the commemoration must be transferred to the next nearest day. (Title XII, Ch. 1)

4. **Visiting Processions to the Cemetery during Eastertide.** Our people had a beautiful custom of going in procession to the cemetery on the second or third Sunday during Eastertide, or on the Sunday of st. Thomas, placing loaves of bread on the graves, and celebrating a Panakhyda service. This practice symbolizes the desire of the living to share the joy of Christ's Resurrection with their beloved departed.

5. **Memorial Service at the Graves of heroes.** Another custom developed recently in W is that of going in procession on Pentecost Sunday to the graves of those who have given up their lives for their country, and celebrating the Panakhyda service there for the repose of their souls.



**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 2)

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