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CHRISTMAS / Nativity in the Flesh of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ

Різдво у Плоти Господа Нашого, Бога і Спасителя Ісуса Христа

December 25th, 2024 A.D.

“Christmas is something more. Christmas is an encounter with the Lord. And as we make our way toward Him, we must go with open heart and faith, even through this is not always easy!”

– teaches, reminds, and strongly emphasises Pope Francis Ist today

Christian Greetings: Христос Рождається! – Славимо Його!

Chrystos Rozhdaieť'sia! – Slavimo Yoho!

Christ Is Born! – Let us glorify Him!

Christ Is among us! – He Is and Will Be!

Remember to keep Jesus Christ in Christmas!

He Is the only true reason for the season!



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! We welcome, pray, greet, and wish you and all your dear ones to be guided by the Holy Spirit, blessed with joy, peace, good health, unity, and Christian love and respect today and always! Your pastor has thoughtfully prepared this church weekly letter/bulletin 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!

Liturgical and Sacramental Services celebrated during week / Розпорядок Богослужінь:

25th December (Wednesday) – NATIVITY OF OUR LORD / РІЗДВО ХРИСТОВЕ

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy; Myrovania/blessing with Holy Oil, Christmas potluck lunch

26th December (Thursday) – Synaxis of the BVM / Собор Богородиці

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy, carolling at the church, residence of the pastor and homes of the parishioners

27th December (Friday) – First Martyr Stephen / Первомученика Стефана

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all persecuted Christians in the world today

2:30 p.m. - 2:55 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession / Сповідь (Service in Kelowna, BC)

3:00 p.m. Rosary: for Peace in Ukraine / Вервиця: за Мир в Україні and Lectio Divina/ Bible Studies

Saturday, Dec. 28th 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 December 29th at 8:15 a.m. Rosary: (Service in Kelowna, BC)

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

Please contact Fr. Pavlo if you want to have the Divine Liturgies celebrated in your special intentions, such as: In Thanksgiving for Favours Received, the Infirm, General Intentions, Repose of the Deceased, Help of the Holy Spirit, for the Travelers, Students, Workers, etc. In case of emergency phone (250) 299-7249. If you would like to come to Confession, meet with the parish priest individually at the church or parish office, receive spiritual care and support via telephone or internet, want him to bless your home with annual traditional and pastoral 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:

First Antiphon

Verse 1: I will confess You, Lord, with all my heart, I will declare all Your wondrous deeds (Ps. 9:2).

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

Verse 2: In the council of the just and the congregation, great are the works of the Lord, conforming to His will in every way (Ps 110:1-2).

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God O Saviour, save us.

Verse 3: His work is filled with praise and majesty, and His righteousness endures forever (Ps 110:3).

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Mother of God O Saviour, save us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen. Only-Begotten Son.

Third Antiphon

Verse 1 (Soloist): The Lord said to my lord, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies the footstool of your feet" (Ps 109:1).

Troparion (Tone 4): **Your Nativity, O Christ our God,** * made the light of knowledge dawn on the world;* through it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a star* to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness,* and to know You, the Dawn from on high.*
Glory to You, O Lord.

Verse 2 (Soloist): The Lord will send you a scepter of power out of Zion; reign in the midst of your enemies (Ps 109:2).

Troparion (Tone 4): **Your Nativity...**

Verse 3 (Soloist): Yours is the dominion on the day you are given power in his splendor of your holy ones (Ps 109:3).

Troparion (Tone 4): **Your Nativity...**

At the Small Entrance: Priest: **Wisdom! Stand aright!**

Entrance Verse (Soloist): From the womb before the daystar I begot you. The Lord has sworn an oath and will not go back on His word: You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek (Ps 109:3-4).

Troparion (Tone 4): Your Nativity, O Christ our God, * made the light of knowledge dawn on the world;* through it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a star* to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness,* and to know You, the Dawn from on high.*
Glory to You, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

Kontakion (Tone 3): The Virgin today gives birth to Him who is above all being; the earth offers the cave to Him whom no one can approach; Angels with shepherds give Him glory, while Magi make their way with a star, for to us is born a little Child, the Pre-Eternal God.

Instead of "Holy God...": **All you, who have been baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ! Alleluia!**

Prokimenon (Tone 8): Let all the earth worship You and sing to You; let it sing to Your Name, O Most High (Ps 65:4).

Verse: Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing now to His name, give glory to His praise (Ps 65:2).

Prokimenon (Tone 8): Let all the earth worship You and sing to You; let it sing to Your Name, O Most High (Ps 65:4).

Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians: (Gal. 4:4-7)

Brothers and Sisters, when the designated time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to deliver from the law those who were subjected to it, so that we might receive our status as adopted children. The proof that you are children is the fact that God has sent forth into our hearts the Spirit of his Son which cries out "Abba! Father!" You are no longer a slave but a child! And the fact that you are a child makes you an heir, by God's design.



Alleluia (Tone 1): The heavens tell the glory of God, and the firmament declares the work of His hands (Ps 18:2). Day announces its message unto day and night proclaims its knowledge unto night (Ps 18:3).

Gospel: (Mathew 2:1-12)

After Jesus' birth in Bethlehem of Judea during the reign of King Herod, astrologers from the east arrived one day in Jerusalem inquiring, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage." At this news King Herod became greatly disturbed, and with him all Jerusalem. Summoning all of the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. "In Bethlehem of Judea," they informed him. "Here is what the prophet has written: 'And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the princess of Judah, since from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Herod called the astrologers aside and found out from them the exact time of the star's appearance. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, after having instructed them: "Go and get detailed information about the child. When you have found him, report it to me so that I may go and offer him homage too." After their audience the king, they set out. The star which they have observed at its rising went ahead of them until it came to a standstill over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house, found the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then, they opened their coffers and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They received a message in a dream not to return to Herod, so they went back to their own country by another route.

Instead of "It is truly...": **O my soul, magnify Christ the King born in a manger.**

Irmos (Tone 1): A strange and glorious mystery do I behold: the cave is heaven; the Virgin, the throne of the cherubim; the manger, a dwelling place in which is laid Christ, the God Whom nothing can contain. Singing His praises, we glorify Him.

Communion Verse: The Lord has sent deliverance to His people (Ps 110:9). Alleluia! (3x)

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Перший Антифон

Стих: Ісповімся тобі, Господи, всім серцем моїм, розповім про всі чуда твої. (Пс. 9:2).

Приспів: Молитвами Богородиці, Спасе, спаси нас.

Стих: На раді праведних і соньмі – великі діла Господні, явлені в усіх волях його.

Приспів: Молитвами Богородиці, Спасе, спаси нас.

Стих: Ісповідування і велич – діло його і правда його перебуває повік віку.

Приспів: Молитвами Богородиці, Спасе, спаси нас.

Слава і нині: Єдинородний Сину:

Третій Антифон

Стих: Сказав Господь Господеві моему: Сиди праворуч мене, поки не покладу ворогів твоїх підніжжям ніг твоїх. (Пс. 109, 1)

Тропар (глас 4): Різдво твоє, Христе Боже наш,* засвітило світові світло розуміння.* в ньому бо ті, що зіздам служили, від зізди навчилися* поклонятися тобі – Сонцю правди,* і пізнавати тебе – Схід з висоти.* Господи, слава тобі.

Стих: Жезл сили пошле тобі Господь від Сіону і володій посеред ворогів твоїх.

Тропар (глас 4): Різдво твоє ...

Стих: 3 тобою начало в день сили твоєї, у світлостях святих твоїх.

Тропар (глас 4): Різдво твоє ...

Замість «Прийдіте поклоніться Вхідне: Із утроби перед зірницею родив я тебе – клявся Господь і не розкався: Ти єрей повік за чином Мелхіседека. (Пс. 109, 3-4).

Тропар (глас 4): Різдво твоє... **Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові, І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.**

Кондак (глас 3): Діва днесь преістотного родить і земля вертеп неприступному приносить.* Ангели з пастирями славословлять,* а волхви зо зіздою подорожують,* бо ради нас родилося дитя мале – предвічний Бог.



Замість «Святий Боже» ми співаємо: **Ви, що в Христа хрестилися, у Христа зодягнулися. Алилуя!**

Прокімен (глас 8): Вся земля нехай поклониться Тобі і співає Тобі, нехай же співає імені Твоєму, Всевишній. (Пс. 65, 4)

Стих: Воскликніте Господеві, вся земля, співайте ж імені його, віддайте славу хвали його. (Пс. 65, 2)

Прокімен (глас 8): Вся земля нехай поклониться Тобі і співає Тобі, нехай же співає імені Твоєму, Всевишній. (Пс. 65, 4)

Апостол: До Галатів послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Гал. 4:4-7)

Браття і Сестри, якже сповнився час, Бог послав свого Сина, що народився від жінки, народився під законом, щоб викупити тих, які під законом, щоб ми прийняли усиновлення. А що ви сини, Бог послав у ваші серця Духа Сина, який взиває "Авва, Отче!" Тому ти вже не раб, а син; а коли син, то спадкоємець завдяки Богові.

Алилуя (глас 1): Стих: Небеса повідають славу Богу, творіння ж рук його сповіщає твердь. (Пс. 18, 2)

Стих: День днєві передає слово і ніч ночі об'являє розуміння. (Пс. 18, 3)

Євангеліє: (Мт. 2, 1-12)

Коли ж народився Ісус у Віфлеємі Юдейським, за днів царя Ірода, то ось мудреці прибули до Єрусалиму зо сходу, і питали: Де народжений Цар Юдейський? Бо на сході ми бачили зорю його, і прибули поклонитись йому. І, як зачув це цар Ірод, занепокоївся, і з ним увесь Єрусалим. І, зібравши всіх первосвящеників і книжників людських, він випитував у них, де має Христос народитись? Вони ж відказали йому: У Віфлеємі Юдейським, бо в пророка написано так: І ти, Віфлеєме, земле Юдина, не менший нічим між осадями Юдиними, бо з тебе з'явиться Вождь, що буде Він пасти народ Мій ізраїльський. Тоді Ірод покликав таємно отих мудреців, і докладно випитував їх про час, коли з'явилась зоря. І він відіслав їх до Віфлеєму, говорячи: Ідїть, і пильно розвідайтеся про Дитятко; а як знайдете, сповістіть мене, щоб і я міг піти й поклонитись йому. Вони ж царя вислухали й відійшли. І ось зоря, що на сході вони її бачили, ішла перед ними, аж прийшла й стала зверху, де Дитятко було. А бачивши зорю, вони надзвичайно зраділи. І, ввійшовши до дому, знайшли там Дитятко з Марією, його матір'ю. І вони впали ницьма, і вклонились йому. І, відчинивши скарбниці свої, піднесли йому свої дари: золото, ладан та смирну. А вві сні остережені, щоб не вертатись до Ірода, відійшли вони іншим шляхом до своєї землі.

Замість «Достойно...» ми співаємо: **Величай, душе моя, у вертепі народженого Царя – Христа.**

Ірмос (глас 1): Таїнство чудне бачу і преславне: небо – вертеп, престол херувимський – Діву, ясла – вмістилище, в яких возліг невмістимий Христос Бог. Його оспівуючи величаємо.

Причасний: Ізбавління послав Господь людям своїм. Алилуя, алилуя, алилуя.

Замість «Благословенний, хто йде...» ми співаємо: **Всесвіт днесь радістю сповняється, Христос родився від Діви.** (1х)

Замість «Ми бачили світло істинне...» ми співаємо: Всесвіт днесь радістю сповняється, Христос родився від Діви. (1х)

Замість «Нехай сповняться уста...» і «Нехай буде ім'я...» ми співаємо: Всесвіт днесь радістю сповняється, Христос родився від Діви. (3х)

THANK THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

ЩИРО ВАМ ДЯКУЄМО!



HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE PEOPLE IN UKRAINE: The people of Ukraine need your help. As we mark

the 10th year 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 Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster, 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.

Help Ukraine! Please pray! Stay informed! Donate. <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/>

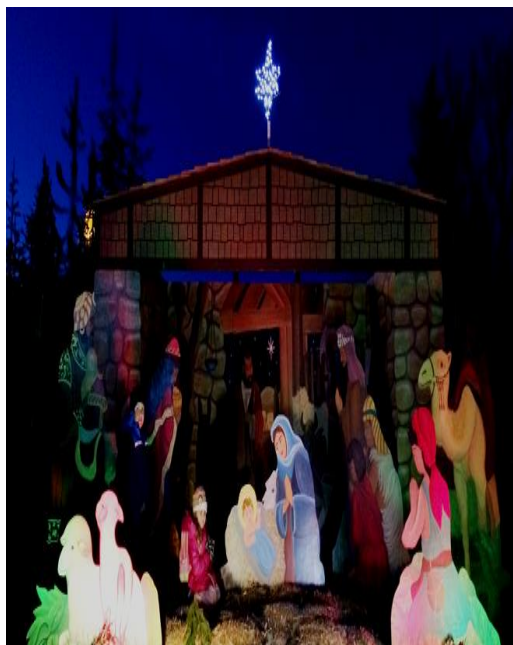
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Gratitude to all our parishioners, guests, visitors and all Christian people of the good will who by their kindness share time, talents and treasures, help our church, and to every person who knowingly or unknowingly for the other people thoughtfully make donations, participate at our parish community Christian ministry, implement projects and ministry, volunteer, support our parish community and via our church helping people, organized, volunteered, hospitably supporting people of Ukraine at the time of war, and projects inside and as 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 Ukrainian Catholic Church communities in Okanagan Valley!

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 dormitiontransfer@gmail.com or mailing a cheque payable to Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church 1091 Coronation Ave., Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8. PLEASE, DO NOT FORGET TO INCLUDE A MEMO FOR WHAT THE E-TRANSFER IS FOR.** Thank you for your understanding and care by supporting and generously donating 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)

Chrystos Rozhdaiet'sia! - Slavimo Yoho!
Христос Рождається! - Славимо Його!
Christ Is Born! - Let us glorify Him!



(remember to visit this beautiful Christmas manger prepared by Knights of Columbus downtown Kelowna, BC)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Friends,

May Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ keep guiding by His Divine Providence, peace, light and blessings, faith and hope with a good health You and all Your dear ones at Christmas time, throughout Peaceful, Blessed New 2025 Year of The Lord and always!

Нехай Новонароджений Спаситель Господь наш Ісус Христос благословить Вас миром, радістю та усім добром!

Бажаємо Вам Веселих Свят та Мирного, Щасливого Нового 2025 Року Божого!

Let us continue to pray and help Ukraine at the time of war today!

With Christian love, blessings, prayers and gratitude sincerely Yours in Christ,

Veronica, Nazariy, Mariia and Rev. Fr. Pavlo Myts



GREETINGS!

ЩИРО ВАС ВІТАЄМО!

May the Almighty God bless in good health, peace, love, joy and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Ihor Chechel' on his birthday (Dec. 23rd), Mr. Michael Rawluk on his birthday (Dec. 24th), Mrs. Lesia Tomashevskaya on her birthday (Dec. 25th), Karina Kalynych on her birthday (Dec. 27th), and to all the faithful parishioners Christians celebrating Christmas / Nativity in the Flesh of Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ their birthdays, heavenly patron's name-days, wedding anniversaries, and any other special anniversaries and celebrations this week Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita / Many Blessed Years of Life!

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please join our Christian prayerful community by visiting and following our parish Facebook page: [DormitionKelowna Parish: https://www.facebook.com/dormitionkelowna.parish.5](https://www.facebook.com/dormitionkelowna.parish.5)

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, genocidal war in Ukraine! Let us always be co-responsible to ensure that we are all healthy and safe!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: Lucy D., Janet F., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Ray Saranchuk and Family, Cameron V., Rose Ostowich, Keyton A., Shelley M., Fanny Kim, Danny M., Jordan M. Torin S., Sabre S., Keyton M., Dylan M., Bernard M., Darrin M., Kit C., Shirley C., Kay Ilitski, Kalyna Kociuba, Peter Huska and Family, 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, Robert Emery, Anne Dressler, Lorraine Pasemko, Rose Gaba, Bill Boitson, Walter Achtymichuk, Mary Harasymyshyn, Helen Hut, Leah Chernesky, Kelly Kokolski, Ken Fiddes, for peace in the World, for all people defending Ukraine and all refugees at the time of war, Dmyterko Families, His Grace Most Rev. Metropolitan Lawrence Huculak, Most. Rev. Bishop Gregory Bittman, 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.

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

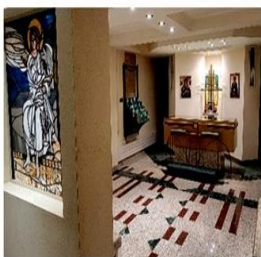
7 p.m. Devotional Service

For more information:

Visit the website: bvmartyrshrine.com

Call 204-338-7321

Email: info@bvmartyrshrine.com



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.***

Christian prayers-petitions for Ukraine: *«Ще молимося, щоб Господь Бог у своєму милосерді споглянув на весь наш український народ, у цей час війни захистив щитом своєї всемогутньої опіки наші міста і села, зцілив рани терплячих, подав свою вселаскаву допомогу всім потребуючим та дарував нам свій благословенний мир. Господи, вислухай і милостиво помилуй.»*

We also pray that the Lord God in His mercy will look upon our Ukrainian people, in this time of war and safeguard all cities and villages with His almighty protection, heal the wounds of those who suffer, grant His all-merciful help to all those in need and grant us His blessed peace. Lord, hear us and mercifully have mercy.

Ще молимося, щоб всемилостивий Господь укріпив силою своєю українських воїнів, які захищають Батьківщину від російського агресора. Благаємо, щоб вони були збережені від ворожих нападів і всякої смертоносної рани та здобули перемогу в боротьбі за волю і гідність нашого народу. Господи, вислухай і милостиво помилуй.»

We also pray that our all-merciful Lord will strengthen those defending the freedom of Ukraine and convert the hearts and souls of the Russian aggressors. We pray that those defending the freedom of Ukraine will be protected from enemy attacks and any deadly wound and will win the fight for the freedom and dignity of our people.

Lord, hear us and have mercy.

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 its 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 leader 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 Help Ukraine church projects, welcoming visitors, etc. If you can help out, please, let us know. Contact Mrs. Gloria Dudych. 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, wish to help, suggestions, ideas about our Christian community life, please, contact our parish executive council chairperson Mrs. Gloria Dudych.

✚ Christmas Day (Dec. 25th) potluck at 12:00 pm following 10:00 am Christmas Day Divine Liturgy, all are welcome.

✚ The Holy Family (Dec. 26th), Church Service at 10:00 am followed by carolling in church, rectory, and then carolling by visiting people and families at list of houses into the evening.

✚ Sunday, January 12th – Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am followed by our parish Spil'na Proshpora potluck at 11:30 am.



Eparchial Golden Jubilee Wine Fundraiser

Every bottle of our wine delights the senses with its refined flavours and carries the profound emblem of faith and unity. The label proudly displays the Eparchial Golden Jubilee logo, designed by **Nazar Diablo**, a temporarily displaced Ukrainian who found a safe haven in the Lower Mainland, in collaboration with **Bishop Michael**.

Our partner, **Chaberton Estate Winery**, the oldest and largest vineyard in the area, presents wines crafted by **Gennadi Zhygailo**, a winemaker from near the Black Sea in Ukraine. Each bottle showcases his passion for vibrant Sauvignon Blancs and bold Bordeaux-style reds, infusing a touch of his homeland into every glass.

Priced at just **\$25** per bottle, our wine offers exceptional value, allowing you to enjoy a premium product at an affordable price. Plus, your purchase plays a crucial role in fundraising to support the vital initiatives of the **Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster**. For your convenience, payments can be made via e-transfer to cathedral.nwe@gmail.com

Thank you in advance for your generous support; your contribution makes a meaningful difference.

Please contact our church office manager: Mrs. Lilia Mykhnevych: dormitionofficemanager@gmail.com Tel: (250) 763-7447

✚ 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.

✚ Christmas Annual Traditional Visiting and Carolling starting at 11:00 am at the church on Thursday of Dec. 26th, 2024 A.D. All English and Ukrainian speaking parishioners wishing to participate at our parish Christmas carolling visitations and to be visited by our carollers. Please, sign up!

✚ Різдвяні щорічні традиційні відвідини та колядування, які починаються об 11:00 ранку в церкві в четвер, 26 грудня 2024 року Божого. Всі англomовні та україномовні парафіяни, які бажають взяти участь у наших парафіяльних візитаціях різдвяних колядок і щоб їх відвідали наші колядники. Будь ласка, запишіть Ваше ім'я!

Catechetical online resources in English and Ukrainian languages:

Royal Doors with daily readings and reflections, UGCC - Catechism online, articles, etc.: <https://www.royaldoors.net/>

• Formed: Christian movies, TV shows, prayers, etc.: <https://watch.formed.org/browse>

• Dynamic Catholic. Beautiful resource for the whole family with Catechism for children, marriage, enrichment programs, etc.: <https://dynamiccatholic.com>

• Живе ТВ.: <https://zhyve.tv> Дивен Свiм.: <https://dyvensvit.org>

• Катехизм УГКЦ.: <http://catechismugcc.org/>

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. We are also working organizing children-youth choir in our Christian parish community.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to call our parish catechism teacher, Mrs. Marilyn Daulat 250-801-7538 Marilyn_daulat@hotmail.com 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 можуть 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.



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 Tel: (250) 763-7447 **CABBAGE ROLLS** (Rice and Meat (a little spicy)) FOR SALE \$10 a dozen.
FOOD SALES is also available at Earthly Creation Floral, 2630 Pandosy Street, Kelowna, BC V1Y 1V6 open 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. from Monday to Saturday.

KF Centre, музей історії авіації в Оканаган пропонує тур для український переселенців. Тривалість туру- близько години. Вартість туру - \$10 на 4 осіб. Кількість осіб в групі необмежена Просимо Вас звертатися до пані Власти Фантич

Rachel's Corner: "If we can share our story with someone who responds with empathy and understanding, shame can't survive."- Brene Brown

Sometimes there is so much pain, mixed with guilt and shame inside, we wish we could have a safe place where are understood, not judged or condemned, where we can tell someone confidentially how much it hurts. You have found us! Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Come join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com www.rachelvineyardkelowna.com f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna 250-762-2273



Glory to Jesus Christ! / Слава Ісусу Христу!

Dear Parishioners, / Дорогі парафіяни!

As we journey through Advent preparing for the major Christian feast of Christmas, the parish council is asking for your love and charity in the collection of a special offering for our Pastor, Fr. Pavlo Myts, and our newly ordained Bishop, Most. Rev. Michael Kwiatkowski.

У той час, як ми породовжуємо Пилипівковий піст, готуючись до великого християнського свята Різдва Христового, парафіяльна рада просить вашої любові та милосердя у зборі особливої пожертви для нашого священника, о. Павла Миця, та нашого нововисвяченого Владики, Преосвященного Михаїла Квятковського.

On Sunday, December 22nd, you will be provided with a special Christmas envelope and they are to be placed in the usual Sunday collection basket:

У неділю, 22 грудня, вам буде надано спеціальний різдвяний конверт, якій потрібно покласти у звичайний недільний кошик для колекції.

All collections placed in this Christmas envelope will be offered as a "Gift of Love" from our parish and split equally between Fr. Pavlo Myts and Bishop Michael Kwiatkowski. This collection is in addition to your regular Sunday offering, and due to Canada Revenue Agency guidelines, no tax receipts will be available for this specific donation.

Усі колекції, поміщені в цей різдвяний конверт, будуть запропоновані як «Дар любові» від нашої парафії та розділені порівну між о. Павлом Мицем та Владикою Михайлом Квятковським. Ця колекція є доповненням до вашої звичайної недільної пожертви, і відповідно до вказівок Канадських податкових доходів, податкові надходження не будуть доступні для цієї конкретної пожертви.

This special Christmas offering is an opportunity for us to express our love and gratitude to our Bishop and Pastor for their prayers, support, love, and care during the year.

Це особливе Різдвяне пожертвування є для нас можливістю висловити нашу любов і вдячність нашому єпископу та священнику за їхні молитви, підтримку, любов і турботу протягом року.

Thank you for your love and generosity! Дякуємо за любов і щедрість!

Parish Council, The Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church 1091 Coronation Ave, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8



This is not just another event—it's a special occasion dedicated to making a lasting difference in the lives of Ukrainian children and students in Canada and Ukraine as they build a future filled with hope and opportunity. 📅 Sun, Dec 29 🕒 5- 9 PM

📍 Holy Eucharist Cathedral 501 4th Ave, New Westminster

Start the night with a wine reception, followed by a concert of hope, and conclude with a gourmet dinner filled with purpose and generosity.

Tickets 🎫 \$150 per person (includes a \$100 tax receipt).

E-transfer to cathedral.nwe@gmail.com with the note "Gala Ticket." Or **Reserve Your Spot Today** [Annual Eparchial Gala](#)

Your generosity makes a difference—help us create a brighter future for Ukrainian children and students.

Donate today: E-transfer to cathedral.nwe@gmail.com

Cheque Contribution payable to: Holy Eucharist Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral

Message/ Memo line: **Support Ukrainian children and students**

Tax receipts will be issued in compliance with the Canada Revenue Agency's tax receipt policy.

**2024 A.D. PASTORAL GREETINGS OF THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF CANADA
ON THE OCCASION OF THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**



To the Very Reverend Clergy, Monastics and Religious Sisters and Brothers,
Seminarians and Laity of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada
Christ is Born! Let us Glorify Him!

“The whole universe is today filled with joy, for Christ is born of a Virgin.”
(Matins of Christmas)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our celebration of the birth of Christ proclaims joy especially amid difficult times in our world at this present moment: The Christmas carols we sing in Ukrainian and English speak of joy that results from the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, – “Nova Radist’ Stala” and “Joy to the World.” Joy transforms our experiences and joy gives us life. Our Christmas Gospel reading tells us that the astrologers were overjoyed at seeing the star over Bethlehem; let us open our eyes so that God can lead us on the right path. In our Christmas Matins and then during the Divine Liturgy, we announce after receiving the Holy Eucharist, “The whole universe is today filled with joy, for Christ is born of a Virgin.” The joy brought about by Christ’s birth changes everything, because God is with us.

This repeated singing and hearing of joy because of Christ’s Birth nurtures our hearts and minds to believe and understand that God is in control of all things and that our fears and our worries will not change anything. In the face of war, crises, and instability, the joy we experience at Christmas is an antidote to fear and a reminder that God will provide, that God transforms death into life, that God is the source of all hope.

Joy and hope are intimately connected. Joy means having renewed hope. We need joy and hope in our lives and in our world. Joy is not an exuberant happiness that fades quickly and leaves us feeling empty. Joy is a lasting conviction that God is our Lord and that God has compassion on all people. Joy is the belief that God is our hope.

The Jubilee Year is a time of joy and hope that begins during this Christmas Season of 2024 and lasts until December 28, 2025 in Eparchies and on January 6, 2026 at St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. Pope Francis has given the theme of “Pilgrims of Hope” to the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025. Let us take the joy of Christmas throughout the entire Jubilee year as we mark and celebrate the jubilee as individuals, families, parishes, and the entire people of God.

Being a pilgrim means packing light for the journey. We must remember to pack joy as pilgrims of hope this year. It does not weigh much, but it is necessary. Whether we are making a pilgrimage to Rome to walk through one of the four holy doors or whether we participate in a local pilgrimage in our Eparchy during the Jubilee, we take joy and hope with us. When we experience God’s great forgiveness during the Sacrament of Penance during this Jubilee and always, we receive joy and hope. When we give hope to others through our works of kindness and mercy this year, we share joy with the world.

We, the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada, pray for each one of you and your family throughout our country. We hold our suffering brothers and sisters in Ukraine in prayer knowing that the celebration of Christ’s Birth will bring great joy and hope in the midst of great darkness of war. May our Holy Mother protect and guide all of you.

Christ is Born! Let us Glorify Him!

Yours in Christ, source of joy and hope born in Bethlehem,

- + **Lawrence** Huculak, OSBM Metropolitan Archbishop of Winnipeg
- + **David** Motiuk Eparchial Bishop of Edmonton
- + **Bryan** Bayda, C.S.s.R. Eparchial Bishop of Toronto
- + **Michael** Kwiatkowski Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster
- + **Michael** Smolinski, C.S.s.R. Bishop of Saskatoon
- + **Andriy** Rabiychuk Auxiliary Bishop of Winnipeg
- + **Michael** Wiwchar, C.S.s.R. Bishop Emeritus of Saskatoon
- + **Stephen** Chmilar Bishop Emeritus of Toron

Given on December 6, 2024

On the Feast of St. Nicholas, the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia

**2024 ПАСТОРАЛЬНЕ ПОСЛАННЯ
УКРАЇНСЬКИХ КАТОЛИЦЬКИХ ЄПІСКОПІВ КАНАДИ
НА РАДІСНИЙ ПРАЗНИК
РІЗДВА ГОСПОДА НАШОГО ІСУСА ХРИСТА**

Всечеснішим отцям, преподобному монашеству, семінаристам,
братам та сестрам у Христі Української Католицької Церкви в Канаді

Христос Рождається! Славимо Його!

«Вся вселенна сьогодні наповнилася радістю, бо Христос народився від Діви.»
(Різдвяна Утренья)

Дорогі у Христі браття і сестри,

Наше святкування Різдва Христового звіщає радість, особливо у важких обставинах, які переживає наш світ у теперішній час: Різдвяні колядки, які ми співаємо українською та англійською мовами, проголошують радість, яка випливає з народження нашого Спасителя, Ісуса Христа. «Нова радість стала», «Радість світу». Радість перемінює наш досвід та дає нам життя. У різдвяному євангельському читанні розповідається, що звіздарі зраділи, побачивши зірку над Вифлеємом; відкріймо і ми свої очі, щоб Бог міг провадити нас правильною дорогою. У нашій Різдвяній Утрени та під час Божественної Літургії, після прийняття Пресвятої Євхаристії, ми проголошуємо: «Вся вселенна сьогодні наповнилася радістю, бо Христос народився від Діви.» Радість, яку приносить народження Христа, змінює все, бо з нами Бог.

Цей багаторазовий спів і слухання радості з приводу Різдва Христового навчає наші серця та розум вірити і розуміти, що Бог управляє всім і що наші страхи та тривоги нічого не змінять. Перед обличчям війни, криз і нестабільності, радість, яку ми переживаємо на Різдво, є протитрутою від страху і нагадуванням про те, що Бог подбає, що Бог перетворює смерть на життя, що Бог є джерелом кожної надії.

Радість і надія тісно пов'язані між собою. Радість означає мати оновлену надію. Ми потребуємо радості і надії в нашому житті та в нашому світі. Радість – це не таке щастя, яке швидко минає і залишає відчуття порожнечі. Радість – це стійке переконання, що Бог є нашим Господом і що Бог милосердний до всіх людей. Радість – це віра в те, що Бог є нашою надією.

Ювілейний рік – це час радості та надії, який розпочинається в цей Різдвяний час 2024 року і триває до 28 грудня 2025 року в єпархіях та до 6 січня 2026 року в базиліці Святого Петра в Римі. Папа Франциск вибрав тему «Паломники надії» для чергового Ювілею 2025 року. Отож несімо цю радість Різдва Христового протягом усього Ювілейного року, відзначаючи та святкуючи цей ювілей особисто, родинами, парафіями та всім Божим народом.

Бути паломником означає запастися світлом для подорожі. Цього року, як паломники надії, ми повинні не забути взяти з собою радість. Вона не важить багато, але вона необхідна. Незалежно від того, чи ми здійснюємо паломництво до Риму, щоб пройти через одні з чотирьох святих дверей римських базилік, чи беремо участь у місцевому паломництві в нашій єпархії під час Ювілею, ми беремо з собою радість і надію. Коли ми відчуваємо велике Боже прощення під час Таїнства Покаяння під час цього Ювілею і завжди, ми отримуємо радість і надію. Коли ми даруємо надію іншим через наші добрі діла і чинимо милосердя цього року, ми ділимося радістю зі світом.

Ми, українські католицькі єпископи Канади, молимося за кожного з вас та ваші родини по всій нашій країні. Ми молитовно підтримуємо наших страждених братів і сестер в Україні, знаючи, що святкування Різдва Христового принесе повноту радості і надії посеред великої темряви війни. Нехай Пресвята Богородиця оберігає і провадить усіх вас.

Христос Рождається! Славимо Його!

Ваші у Христі, народженого у Вифлеємі, Який є джерелом радості та надії,

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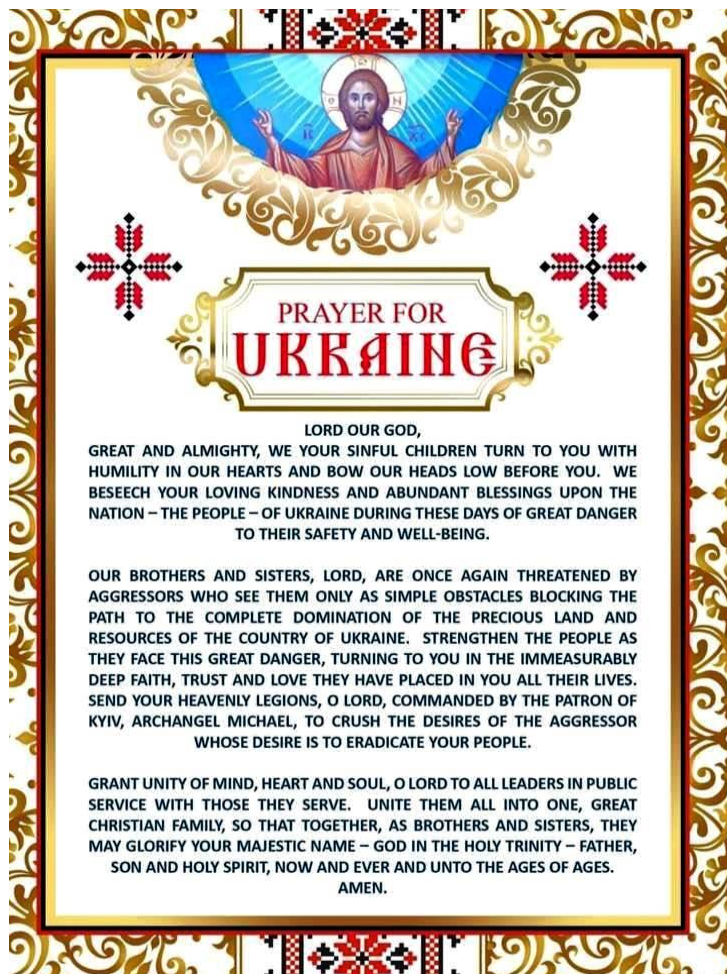
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ГРУДЕНЬ 26		
СІЧЕНЬ 12		Служба о 9:00 год Потлак о 11:30 год

CHRISTMAS EVENTS
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DEC 25		CHRISTMAS DAY 10 am liturgy followed by Christmas day potluck at 12 pm. All invited!
DEC 26		BOXING DAY 10 am service followed by caroling at church, then to rectory with lunch and carol at the list of houses into the evening.
JAN 12		9 am liturgy followed by potluck at 11:30 am.



**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.

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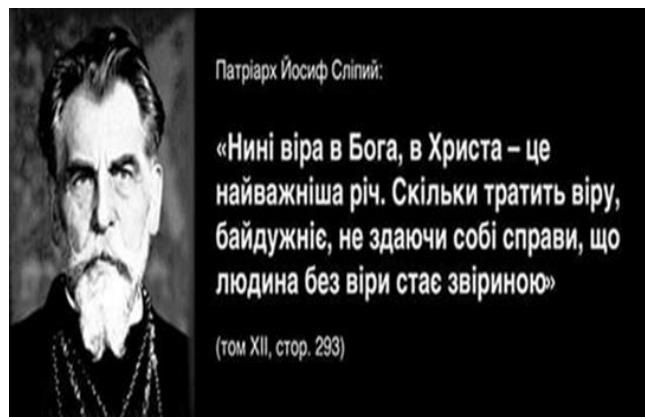
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become careless,
do not even realize, that a human person without faith
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