

Dormition of The Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Успення Пресвятої Богородиці Українська Католицька Церква

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Hall rental: <https://kelownahallrental.ca/>



27th SUNDAY after PENTECOST / 27-ма НЕДІЛЯ після ЗІСЛАННЯ СВЯТОГО ДУХА
Sunday of the Holy Ancestors / Неділя Святих Праотців (the Forefathers from Adam, Biblical Patriarchs and the Prophets up to Saint John the Baptist)
December / Грудень 14th, 2025 A.D.

**“God does not love us because we are valuable.
We are valuable because God loves us.”**

– teaches, guides and reminds us all Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen today

Christian Greetings: Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory to Him Forever!

Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viky! Слава Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Вікі!

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! 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 letter/bulletin

for you to pray, read, spiritual growth and as Christians with conscious, constant awareness of The Divine Creator to evangelize daily and with responsibility and honesty 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:

SUNDAY, December 14th 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 (Eng./Ukr.)

Annual Christian Celebration of Saint Nicholas Day will take place at our parish in Kelowna, BC

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

Mon., Dec. 15th at **9:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: for repose of the soul of Mrs. Maria Halan

(9th day memorial service requested by Mr. Volodymyr and Mrs. Olha Slouzhalo and The Family)

Tue., Dec. 16th at **9:00 a.m.** Moleben to Pratulyn Martyrs: *for Peace in Ukraine / за Мир в Україні*

Wed., Dec. 17th at **9:30 a.m.** Rosary: *for Peace in Ukraine / Вервциця: за Мир в Україні* and

Lectio Divina / Bible studies

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confession / Сповідь

Thurs., Dec. 18th at **9:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *for Peace in Ukraine / за Мир в Україні*

Fri., Dec. 19th at **9:30 a.m.** The Divine Liturgy: *for the souls of all deceased*

Sat., Dec. 20th at **9:30 a.m.** Moleben to Emmanuel: *for Peace in Ukraine / за Мир в Україні*

SUNDAY, December 21st 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 (in English)

11:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all our parishioners, family members, all relatives and friends (in Ukrainian)

Why Go To Church?

- One cannot avoid this moral duty and go on unaffected. When one stops participating in Sunday service:
- He loses the gifts of the Holy Spirit
- His conscience soon becomes deadened
- This leads to a deterioration in attitudes and conduct

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 2, text from book "*The Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom*"; pages 91-93

Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians: (Eph. 6:10-17)

Brothers and Sisters, draw your strength from the Lord and his mighty power. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil. Our battle is not against human forces but against the principalities and powers, the rulers of this world of darkness, the evil spirits in regions above. You must put on the armor of God if you are to resist on the evil day; do all that your duty requires, and hold your ground. Stand fast, with the truth as the belt around your waist, justice as your breastplate, and zeal to propagate the gospel of peace as your footgear. In all circumstances hold faith up before you as your shield; it will help you extinguish the fiery darts of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit, the word of God.



Gospel: (Luke 13:10-17)

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues. There was a woman there who for eighteen years had been possessed by a spirit which drained her strength. She was badly stooped – quite incapable of standing erect. When Jesus saw her, he called her to him and said, "Woman, you are free of your infirmity." He laid his hand on her, and immediately she stood up straight and began thanking God. The chief of the synagogue, indignant that Jesus should have healed on the Sabbath, said to the congregation, "There are six days for working. Come on those days to be cured, not on the Sabbath." The Lord said in reply, "O you hypocrites! Which of you does not let his ox or ass out of the stall on the Sabbath to water it? Should not this daughter of Abraham here who has been in the bondage of Satan for eighteen years have been released from her shackles on the Sabbath?" At these words, his opponents were covered with confusion; meanwhile, everyone else rejoiced at the marvels Jesus was accomplishing.

Літургійні частини Українською мовою:

Глас 2, текст "*Божественна Літургія Святого Івана Золотоустого*"; сторінки 90-92

Апостол: До Ефесян послання Святого Апостола Павла читання: (Еф. 6, 10-17)

Браття і Сестри, кріпіться в Господі та в могутності Його сили. Одягніться в повну зброю Божу, щоб ви могли дати відсіч хитрощам диявольським. Нам бо треба боротися не проти тіла і крові, але проти начал, проти влади, проти правителів цього світу темряви, проти духів злоби в піднебесних просторах. Тому візьміть повну зброю Божу, щоб за лихої години ви могли дати опір і, перемагаючи все, міцно встоятися. Сійте, отже, підперезавши бедра ваші правдою, вдягнувшись у броню справедливості, і взувши ноги в готовість проповідування Євангелія миру. А над усе візьміть щит віри, яким зможете згасити всі розпалені стріли лукавого. Візьміть також шолом спасіння, тобто слово Боже.



Євангеліє: (Лк. 13, 10-17)

В той час навчав Ісус в одній з синагог у суботу. І ось була жінка, що мала духа недуги вісімнадцять літ, була скорчена, і не могла ніяк випростуватися. Побачивши її Ісус, покликав і сказав: Жінко, ти звільнена від недуги твоєї. І поклав на неї руки; і зараз випростувалася і славилла Бога. Озвався ж старшина збору, нагадуючи, що в суботу зцілив її Ісус, і сказав до народу: Є шість днів, в які годиться працювати, у ці, отже, приходьте зцілятися, а не в день суботній. Відповів же йому Господь і мовив: Лицеміре, чи ж не відв'язує кожен з вас в суботу свого вола чи осла від ясел і не веде напувати? А цю дочку Авраамову, що її зв'язав сатана ось уже вісімнадцяте літо, чи не годилося, щоб визволилася вона від узів цих у день суботній? І як Він це говорив, стидалися усі противники Його, а всі люди радувалися всім славним, що діялося через Нього.

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 11th 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 do not give up and continue to pray! Stay informed! Donate. <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/>

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, organized, donated and participated at our Christmas church decorations, implement projects and ministry, volunteer, support our Christian parish community and via our church helping people in needs, organized, 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!

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
	Sunday Donations	Weekly Requirement	Shortfall/Surplus
December 7, 2025	\$1,080	\$2,360	-\$1,280
Year to Date (YTD)	\$69,393	\$115,640	-\$46,247

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)**



GREETINGS!

ЩИРО ВАС ВІТАЄМО!

May the Almighty God bless in good health, peace, love, hope, joy and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mrs. Marilyn Daulat her birthday (Dec. 1st), Ms. Stephanie Keber on her birthday (Dec. 2nd), Mrs. Lyudmyla Karmeliuk on her birthday (Dec. 8th), Ms. Shelly Zemlak on her birthday (Dec. 9th), Mark Fedorov on his birthday (Dec. 9th), Milana Tesliuk on her birthday (Dec. 12th), Mr. Kevin Hillman on his birthday (Dec. 14th), Daryna Skits on her birthday (Dec. 14th), Mrs. Olena Khaynas on her birthday (Dec. 12th), Yeva Musnytska on her birthday (Dec. 15th), Mrs. Olga Bohun on her 100th birthday (Dec. 16th), Mrs. Nina Sora on her birthday (Dec. 16th), Mr. Darrin Mathieu on his birthday (Dec. 18th), and to all the faithful parishioners Christians as Pilgrims of Hope, celebrating, 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., 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 Ilnitski, 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, Volodymyr Melnyk, Shelley Zemliak, Ron Horon, Adeline Sorochuk, Aretta Manion and The Family, Daniella-Daryna Tomashevskaya and The Family, Patricia

and Anastasia Sawadsky, Robert Emery, Lorraine Pasemko, Rose Gaba, Bill Boitson, Walter Achtymichuk, Mary Harasymyshyn, Helen Hut, Kelly Kokolski, Ken Fiddes, Donna Dudych, Rose Fylyshyan 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.

Один хлопець запитав священика:

-Якщо Бог всюди, то для чого мені ходити до церкви?

На що той відповів:

-По всій атомосфері є вода; але коли тобі хочеться пити, ти повинен іти до джерела або криниці.=)



Різдвяний піст

дорога до Вифлієму

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вирушити, щоб зустрітися

потрудитися, щоб збагатитися

очиститися, щоб освятитися

милостиня

прощення

Біблія

довіра

молитва

тиша

засеркжливність

покора

а скі твої сліди?



On behalf of our Christian church family, assurance of our prayers and deepest sympathy are to Mr. Volodymyr and Mrs. Olha Slouzhala and The Family, all their relatives, friends and who are mourning the passing away of Mrs. Maria Halan. May our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ place our sister in Christ -faithful parishioner Mrs. Maria Halan's soul in the place where all the saints abide, and may her memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers! – Eternal Memory - Vichnaya Pamyat' – Вічна Пам'ять!

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.



PRINCIPAL LITURGY & CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE:

Sundays: 9:00 AM (English)
11:00 AM (Ukrainian)

Weekdays: 9:30 AM Daily

CONFESSIONS: 20 minutes prior to each Eucharistic Liturgy or upon request at other times

Visiting hours: Sunday 8:00 - Noon / Weekdays 9:00 - Noon
Website: kelowna.nweparchy.ca Tel. 250-860-7295

ОСНОВНИЙ РОЗКЛАД ЛІТУРГІЙ І СПОВІДЬ

неділя: 9:00 (англійська)
11:00 (укр.)

будні: 9:30 ранку щодня

СПОВІДЬ: за 20 хвилин до кожної Євхаристійної Літургії або за бажанням в інший час

Години відвідування: Неділя 8:00 - 12:00 / будні 9:00 - 12:00
Сайт: kelowna.nweparchy.ca тел. 250-860-7295

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.*

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



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.

Saint Philip's 40 days Fast (Advent) Christian Spiritual Journey is from November 15th to December 24th, 2025 A.D.

The Bishop Velychkovsky National 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/UCFDrZoGsYeJG1IqgdZyFYMA>

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.**

JUBILEE YEAR 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE
DESIGNATED PILGRIMAGE SITE
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

2025 ЮВІЛЕЙНИЙ РІК
ПАЛОМНИКИ НАДІЇ
ВИЗНАЧЕНЕ МІСЦЕ
ПАЛОМНИЦТВА
НЬЮ-ВЕСТМІНСТЕРСЬКА ЄПАРХІЯ УГКЦ



Welcome to all who seek reconciliation and a new beginning in life.

"Hope does not disappoint!" (Rom 5:5)

Вітаємо всіх, хто прагне примирення та нового початку життя.

«Надія ж не засоромить!» (Рим 5:5)

Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:

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, 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 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.



We would like to let you know that we still have some Ukrainian sausages for sale. They are the same ones we had before very delicious. If you would like to purchase, please let the office manager or other Parish Council members know. The prices are \$15.00 for one ring and 2 rings for \$25.00.

The Holy Family Feast Day (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.

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.



Currently, there is a petition addressed to the House of Commons in Ottawa to demand support from the Canadian Government for the Abducted Ukrainian Children by Russia - Sign this Petition - Petitions This petition can be signed by Canadian citizens and also residents of Canada.

We are asking for everyone's support to sign the petition and instruct Parliament to act in the best interests of these Abducted Ukrainian Children
<https://www.ourcommons.ca/petitions/en/Petition/Sign/e-6958> Sign this Petition - Petitions

The Catholic Church is a "symphony of faith" with many liturgical traditions, all united under the Holy Father. Among these is the Ukrainian Catholic Church, where the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom and the rich theology of the East express the same Catholic faith in a unique and beautiful way.



This January, Holy Resurrection Parish (Located at St. John Vianney, Penticton) will begin a 12-week Adult Catechism in the Byzantine Rite, starting January 5th. Together, we will journey through the richness of the Byzantine tradition, exploring:

- The history and spirituality of the Byzantine Catholic Church
- The Divine Liturgy: heaven on earth with chant, incense, and icons
- The sacraments (Holy Mysteries) in the Byzantine tradition
- Unity with Rome: breathing with "both lungs" of the Church

To register (by Jan 3) click the link or use QR code:
 Byzantine Adult Catechism Course – Fill out form
<https://forms.office.com/r/2fQLvqibky>



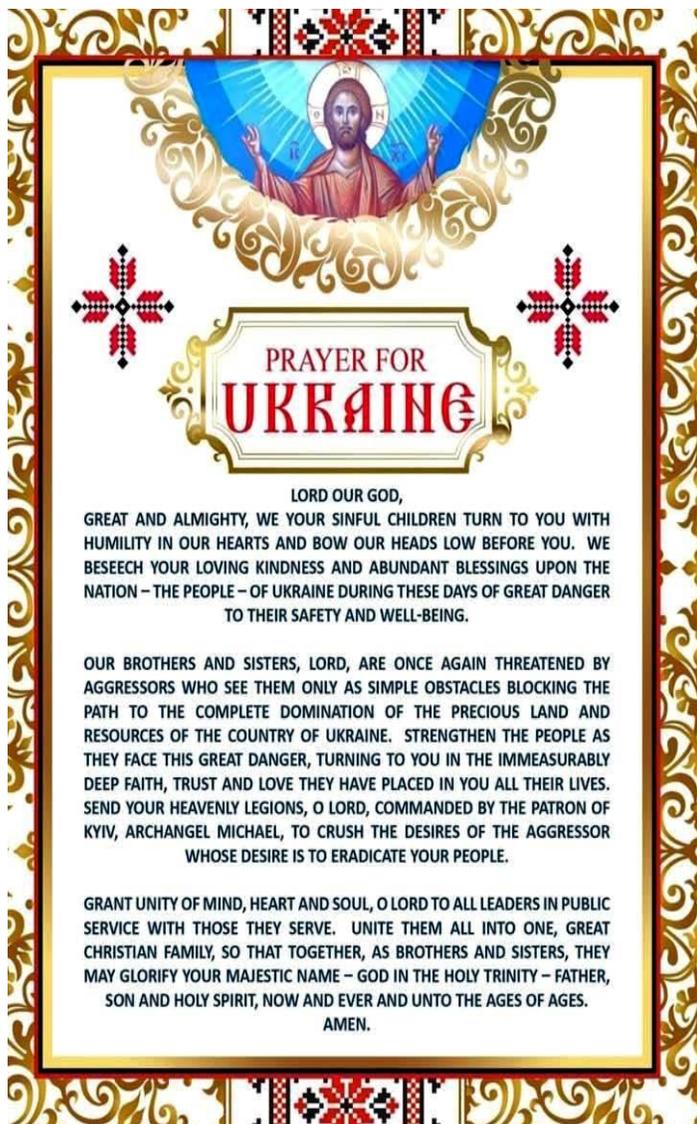
You came naked,
 You will go naked.
 You arrived weak,
 You will leave weak.
 You came without money and things,
 You will leave even without money and things.
 Your first bath? Someone washed you,
 Your last bath? Someone will wash you.

This is life!!!

So why so much malice, so much envy,
 so much hate, so much resentment and
 so much selfishness?

BE KIND to everyone and do good
 deeds.

We have limited time on Earth don't
 waste it in uselessness.

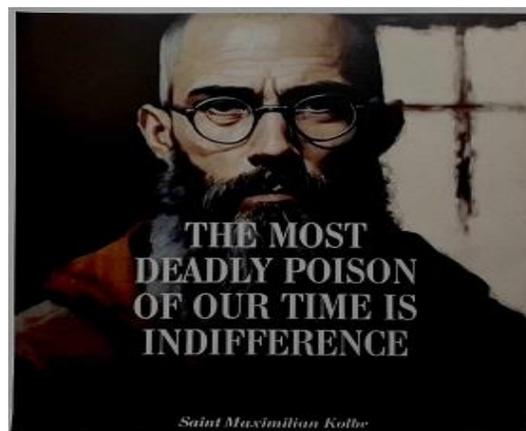


**PRAYER FOR
UKRAINE**

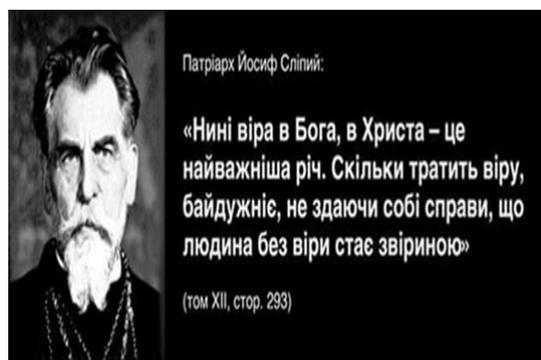
LORD OUR GOD,
GREAT AND ALMIGHTY, WE YOUR SINFUL CHILDREN TURN TO YOU WITH HUMILITY IN OUR HEARTS AND BOW OUR HEADS LOW BEFORE YOU. WE BESEECH YOUR LOVING KINDNESS AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS UPON THE NATION – THE PEOPLE – OF UKRAINE DURING THESE DAYS OF GREAT DANGER TO THEIR SAFETY AND WELL-BEING.

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.



**«Найсмертоносною отрутою нашого часу є байдужість!»
– нагадує сьогодні всім нам святий Максиміліан Кольбе**



Patriarch Josyf Cardinal Slipyj teaches and reminds all:
“Today faith in God, in Christ – is the most important thing.
How many people lose their faith,
become careless,
do not even realize, that a human person without faith
becomes an animal. (vol. XII, page 293

If you wish your business to be advertised at our church bulletin,

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