

## The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

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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

O Lord Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, as you once gathered lost sheep that they might hear Your voice and be your flock, so also today graciously look down from heaven upon our parish community, and send down on it your Holy Spirit, that it might be a place to receive the joy of Your Good News. Strengthen

us with your presence, and always gather us together in prayer. Grant us the spirit of serving others, so that in our parish all



might encounter You, the merciful God. Bless our spiritual leaders with Your wisdom, and inspire us to generously give of our time, talents and treasure for the building up of Your Kingdom. Unite us in peace and harmony, as befits Your community of love. Instill in us a missionary spirit, and let our parish community shine with the light of the Gospel, with prayer and good works, inviting all to share in the divine life, so that Your Name, O Saviour, may be praised, together with Your eternal Father, and your most-holy, good and life-giving Spirit. Amen.

"The rich man [in today's parable] is striken with avarice [an unreasonably strong desire to obtain and keep money], which originates in the love of one's own body, and the love of possessions. When we become greedy, the wisdom of God flees from us and we're overcome by [true] folly. The objective of the avaricious man is not to satisfy his needs. In fact, what he does is simply foolish. He considers how to acquire more things in order to be completely dominated by them and to loose his very self, both as the image of God and as a human being. ... He becomes a slave to the immoderation in which he exhausts himself and creates a multitude of so-called 'needs' that are nevertheless very far indeed from the limits of what is needful according to the Gospel. [In other words, he considers himself to need much more than a person actually needs—he confuses his irrational desires with need.] Although [the rich man in today's parable] disclosed the profit brought by material goods [he didn't try to hide his money or deceive others or God], he did not show himself to be a wise and prudent steward, since he was not interested in the necessary assets

of being a fruitful husbandman and a profitable merchant, but was concerned only with building greater barns. This man is called a fool. He has denied God by his very actions, by his disposition to the things God has given him. And in denying God, we in fact deny our own selves. Once we exist outside of a constant reference to God, we really cease to exist. We become images that have rejected our subject."

— Passions and Virtues According to Saint Gregory Palamas

"...Open the doors of your hearts and your homes to Christ, allow His Holy Spirit to transform you, purify and strengthen you in God's love!" - Pastoral Letter of His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk "The Vibrant Parish"

"...Відчиніть двері своїх душ і домівок Христові, дозвольте Його Святому Духові вас перемінити, очистити і скріпити Божою любов'ю!" —Пастирський Лист Блаженнішого Святослава Шевчука "Жива Парафія"

#### **Christian Greetings:**

Glory to Jesus Christ! — Glory to Him Forever! Slava Isusu Chrystu! — Slava na Viky! Слава Icycy Христу! — Слава на Віки! Christ is among us! — He is and will be!

#### Liturgical Propers:

**Troparion** (Tone 1): Though the stone was sealed by the Jews and soldiers guarded Your most pure body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of Mankind.

**Troparion** (Tone 4): Today is the prelude of the good pleasure of God, and the proclamation of salvation for the human race. In the Temple of God the Virgin is clearly revealed, and beforehand announces Christ to all. To her, then, let us cry aloud with a mighty voice: Rejoice, fulfilment of the Creator's plan.

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

**Kontakion** (Tone 1): You arose in glory from the tomb and with Yourself You raised the world. All humanity acclaims You as God, and death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master, and Eve, redeemed from bondage now, cries out for joy: "You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all."

#### Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

**Kontakion** (Tone 4): The Saviour's pure temple, the precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasury of the glory of God, is brought today into the house of the Lord; and with her she brings the grace of the divine Spirit. God's angels sing in praise of her: She is indeed the heavenly dwelling-place.

Prokimenon (Tone 1): Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You (Ps 32:22).

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

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#### Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians: (Eph 5:8b-19)

Brethren, live as children of light. Light produces every kind of goodness and justice and truth. Be correct in your judgment of what pleases the Lord. Take no part in vain deeds done in darkness; rather, condemn them. It is shameful even to mention the things these people do in secret; but when such deeds are condemned they are seen in the light of day, and all that then appears is light. That is why we read: "Awake, o sleeper, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

Keep careful watch over your conduct. Do not act like fools, but like thoughtful men.

Make the most of the present opportunity, for these are evil days. Do not continue in ignorance, but try to discern the will of the Lord. Avoid getting drunk of wine; that leads to debauchery. Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and inspired songs. Sing praise to the Lord with all your hearts.

*Alleluia* (Tone 1): God gives me vindication, and has subdued peoples under me (Ps 17:48). Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity for ever (Ps 17:51).

Gospel: (Luke 12:16-21)

The Lord told the people a parable in these words: "There was a rich man who had a good harvest. 'What shall I do?' he asked himself. 'I have no place to store my harvest. I know!' he said. 'I will pull down my grain bins and build larger ones. All my grain and my goods will go there. Then I will say to myself: You have blessings in reserve for years to come. Relax! Eat heartily, drink well. Enjoy yourself.' But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life shall be required of you. To whom will all this piled-up wealth of yours go?' That is the way it works with the man who grows rich for himself instead of growing rich in the sight of God."

*Instead of "It is truly..."*: Seeing the entrance of the pure one, angels marveled in wonder how the Virgin could enter the holy of holies.

**Irmos** (Tone 4): Let no hand of the profane touch God's living ark, but instead let the lips of those who are believers sing out ceaselessly in the words of the angel, crying out with great joy to the Mother of God: O pure Virgin, you are truly higher than all.

**Communion Verses:** Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest (Ps 148:1). I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord (Ps 115:13). Alleluia! (3x)

Our Eparch, Bishop Ken is requesting that at the conclusion of every Divine Liturgy we say an additional prayer for Peace in Ukraine until the end of the war. For peace in Ukraine, let us pray: Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **GRATITUDE**

\* to all our parishioners, guests, visitors and all people of the good will who by their kindness, time, donations, knowingly and unknowingly, organize and lead praying with rosaries, attend services during the week, work at the parish projects, clean the church, prepare coffee and sweets, look after and graciously support our Christian, Catholic parish community! Thank you very much! May the Almighty God generously bless and reward your care, time and generosity!

"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!"  $-(Divine\ Liturgy\ of\ Saint\ John\ Chrysostom)$ 

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mr. John Kolody on his birthday (Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>), to Mrs. Cathy Forsythe on her birthday (Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>), to Mr. Allan Ludwig on his birthday (Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>), and to all our parishioners, guests, visitors, family members and all those who celebrate their birthdays, name-days, wedding anniversaries and any other special anniversaries this week –Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**



A WARM WELCOME TO OUR PARISHIONERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS WHO HAVE JOINED US IN THIS DIVINE LITURGY. THANK YOU FOR PRAYING WITH US AT THE CHUCH. WISHING YOU A BLESSED WEEKEND AND FRUITFUL WEEK! EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE AT OUR PARISH SOCIAL AND BIBLE STUDIES IN THE CHURCH HALL TODAY!

#### **Special Petitions:**

- \* We also pray to be blessed with generous hearts to contribute to our Bishop's initiatives and programmes, such as: the support of parishes, the education of parishioners, and the formation of seminarians, Lord hear us and have mercy.
- \* 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.
- III. REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: yourselves, Most Reverend Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn, Fr. Steven Basarab, Fr. Serabion ElMakary, Steve and Bernice Usipuik, Ann Kuz, Ann Derzak, Dave and Mary Emery, Elsie Kinaschuk, John Kolody, Joseph Mychaluk, Zonia Rurka, Eugene Palsitt, Adeline Palsitt, Orest Hrycewich, Myron and Myrna Wizniak, Bill and Elsie Zachary, Matt Dmyterko, Allan and Sharon Ludwig, Jesse Pawlyshyn, Orest Kociuba, Kalyna Kociuba, Katrien Sobhy, Marg Musey, Jacob and Ann Dressler, Rosemary Pellizzon, Bronie Huska, Peter Huska, Mary Borrett, Stanley and Roma Nowakowski (Bishop Ken's parents), Larry and Valray Necember, Lawrence and Ping Beaton, Red Mackay, Les Blain, Theresa Munro, Michelle New, Randy Hamilton, Adam Laniel, Cryss O'Donnell, Al Bodnaruk, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ostopowich (Fr. Joe Ostopowich's parents), members of our parishes and those who are not able to join actively in our community, your families, relatives, friends; especially the shut-in or those in the hospitals, nursing and senior homes, those seeking God's answer to their prayers or those rejoicing with God's answer; those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries; those called to their eternal reward and for the family they leave behind; widows and widowers, orphans, homeless and all people who have asked us pray for them. Please, also in your kindness keep praying daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Remember to ask for special blessings for Christian families!

**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.

- IV. **Our Condolences** to Ashli and Ardele Komaryk and their families on the loss of their father Wally Komaryk who passed away on Tuesday, November 17. Prayers and funeral will be held on Tuesday, November 24 at 10:00 am at the Holy Eucharist Cathedral. May our Lord grant to his soul a place of rest where all of the souls of the saints abide and make his memory eternal. Вічная Пам'ять!
- V. National Holodomor Awareness Week Nov. 23-29, 2015 will mark the 82<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Holodomor-Famine Genocide of 1932-33. We will celebrate special Panakhyda/Memorial service for millions of

victims who died in time of Holodomor/ USSR during 1932-1933 on Sunday, Nov. 29th. of silence on Saturday, Nov. 28th at 19:32 (7:32 victims. Additionally, we may light a candle of remembrance at home.



Genocide by Famine of Ukrainian nation by Also the faithful are encouraged to take a moment p.m.), when we will honour the memory of the

**Chancery Office Eparchy of New Westminster** 

#### To the faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster

18 November, 2015

Dear Friends:

Anniversaries are generally a time of reflection on how a relationship has developed and what it holds for the future. The recent anniversary of my appointment as the Third Bishop of New Westminster was, similarly an occasion for me to reflect on the progress of the Eparchy during my time as your Bishop.

Over the past 8 years, we have undergone a tremendous time of pastoral renewal. We have instituted the Generations of Faith program along with Vision 2020, "The Vibrant Parish" program as foundations for growth within our Eparchy. We have nurtured the legacy of excellent pastoral care left to us by Bishop Jerome Chimy OSBM and Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn OSBM; regardless of whether the parish is a large urban community or a small rural family.

We have come to the time when we need to ask ourselves "Do we have the will to continue the support required for a growing and vibrant Eparchy? ".

The result of my reflection is, very simple. **I need your help**.

During my tenure as Eparchial Bishop, I have resisted any discussion of an Eparchial fundraising campaign, however, the time has come when we must launch such a campaign, if our Eparchy is to continue to grow. Over the past 40 years, we have gained much ground. However, our Eparchy is still very much a missionary Eparchy. We have been using our financial resources to support some of our smaller parishes much like the way that you as parents supported your children and grandchildren as they grew and found their own footing. As parents and grandparents, you understand that ongoing support requires substantial resources. Some of those resources need to be financial.

Thus, I am appealing to you for your support to continue the work of the Eparchy. To ensure that we are able to continue the high level of pastoral care within the Eparchy in the short and medium term, I have set a financial goal of \$500,000.

We need your urgent and immediate support to guarantee the viability of our Eparchy for future generations of your children and grandchildren. We want to ensure the survival of pastoral services including the celebration of the sacraments in the Ukrainian Catholic tradition, such as Divine Liturgies, Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and the great Feasts, which mean so much to us.

This is why we need your financial assistance, today in order to continue the work of the new evangelization of our Ukrainian community and ensure we are bringing the Good News to those in our wider community.

Over the next several weeks you will be receiving more information explaining how you can support the Eparchy in its Vibrant Parish Appeal.

With assurance of my prayerful best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ, +Ken

12 November 2015

#### Eparchy of New Westminster Frequently Asked Questions

#### 1. Our Bishop travels often, who pays for all these trips?

The Eparchy is only responsible for paying for travel within the Eparchy when our Bishop is officially visiting parishes, either for praznyks or for pastoral visits. When the Bishop travels for purposes other than official visits, those costs are covered by His Excellency personally. Additionally,, when our Bishop travels to represent the Eparchy, the Eparchy pays for those costs. These trips include travel to:

- the annual Synod of Bishops' meeting, usually held in Ukraine,
- the annual meeting of the Conference of Canadian Catholic Bishops usually held near Ottawa,

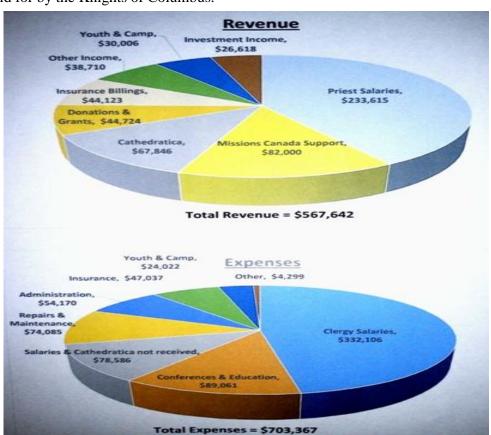
- the annual Assembly of Western Catholic Bishops, usually held in Victoria
- the annual meeting of the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada and meeting of the Board of Directors of the Holy Spirit Seminary, usually held in Winnipeg

When our Bishop travels at the request of His Beatitude Sviatoslav, then the Synod of Ukrainian Greek Catholic Bishops pay for the travel and accommodations:

Travel in this capacity generally includes:

- travel as a member of the Permanent Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops,
- travel as Head of the Vision 2020 Vibrant Parish Working Group

When our Bishop travels at the request of the Conference of Canadian Catholic Bishops (CCCB) the CCCB pays for all travel and accommodations. Likewise all Knights of Columbus travel as State Chaplain of British Columbia and Yukon is paid for by the Knights of Columbus.



## 2. How were the clergy salaries and benefits established in our Eparchy?

Six years ago the Finance Council of our Eparchy examined the salaries and benefits of the various Roman Catholic Dioceses in British Columbia and the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchies in Canada. The salaries and benefits of the Eparchial Clergy are within the same salary and benefits scale as the Dioceses and Eparchies of Western Canada. These salaries, while not extravagant, are sufficient to provide the necessaries of life.

# 3. What is the Seminary in Ottawa, why do we have to pay towards its upkeep and how much does the Eparchy contribute annually for the Seminary in Ottawa?

Holy Spirit Seminary was established in 1981 by the five Ukrainian Catholic Eparchies in Canada. Each Eparchy contributes to the overall administration costs and up-

keep of Holy Spirit Seminary in Ottawa. A budget is presented annually to the Bishops and then that overall sum is divided between the Eparchies based on the number of faithful in each Eparchy. Being that the Eparchy of New Westminster has the smallest number of faithful in Canada, our Eparchy's contribution reflects that. When we have a seminarian studying at the Seminary in Ottawa, our costs go up because we provide for the seminarians room and board and tuition fees as well as certain travel costs.

#### 4. How many parishes are there in our Eparchy and how many parishes receive subsidies?

We have a total of twelve parishes in the Eparchy. The following parishes have a resident priest: Prince George, Kamloops, Kelowna, Surrey, Richmond, New Westminster, Vancouver, Victoria & Nanaimo. The parishes in Grindrod & Penticton are served by resident priests in the Okanagan Deanery. Currently, out of the twelve active parishes, four parishes receive subsidies ranging as high as 100% of their share of Cathedraticum and property insurance. Prior to 2015 six parishes were receiving subsidies from the Eparchy but two Parishes have since become self-sufficient.

#### 5. Where does the majority of income for the Eparchy originate from?

The Eparchy receives the majority of its income from the parishes as a reimbursement of their priests salaries and benefits. The payroll for our clergy is also the single largest expense of the Eparchy. The second largest amount that the Eparchy receives is a grant from the generosity of Catholic Missions in Canada. The second largest draw on the resources of the Eparchy the short fall in Parishes not covering their priest's payroll costs and the Cathedratica contributions from the parishes.

#### 6. How many Chancery and Episcopal residence staff is employed by the Eparchy?

In order to keep costs to the minimum, our Bishop does not employ any staff at the Episcopal residence. Bishop Ken does all of his own cooking, cleaning and laundry. The Eparchy does however have a yard service contract to ensure that the grass and trees are maintained to the minimum standards required by the City of New Westminster.

The only full-time paid employee at this time by the Eparchy in the Chancery is our Bishop, the Chancery also has one part-time staff in the accounting department to look after bill payments, deposits and clergy payroll. All of the other Chancery duties are carried out by a few of the Eparchial Clergy in the Lower Mainland parishes as well as several volunteers who are most generous with their time and talents. The Eparchy does have administration costs when it comes to the annual financial review that is required for our grant applications.

### 7. Who provides stewardship and helps oversee the Investments and the other finances of the Eparchy? Who helps the Bishop manage the ongoing operations of the Chancery?

Our Bishop along with members of the Eparchial Finance Council, Fr. Yuriy Vyshnevskyy, Mr. Allan Achtemichuk, Mr. Raymond Saranchuk, Mr. Edward Shawchuk, Mr. Emil Oucharek and Mr. Robert Lashin over see the modest investment portfolio of the Eparchy. This group is also responsible for providing advice to the Bishop as to the most prudent stewardship of the resources of the Eparchy. All of these faithful offer their professional expertise as well as their personal time and services to the Eparchy without compensation.

VI. Sunday (Nov. 15<sup>th)</sup> collection: \$ 398.00 CAD

VII. Our Parish UCWLC will have a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25, 2015

#### GREY CUP PARTY 2015 COMING SUNDAY, NOV. 29th

The \$5.00 and \$2.00 Football squares are ready downstairs. Starting to fill up fast. Get your favourites early! The sign up sheet for those attending is also ready. Please sign up as early as possible. We need to know who is coming for the food list... The food list is also downstairs, Please note, the Menu has changed for this year. We also need some major contributions for raffle draws. We have 2 so far. Thanks for your support on this annual fun social. Sorry we couldn't have more comfortable seating...



#### Liturgical celebrations during week:

Mon., Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Francesco and Carolina Lucia

Tue., Nov. 24th – 8:45 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Maria Trentin

Wed., Nov. 25th - 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Mr. and Mrs. Vetere and Rosa Fontane

- 6:30 p.m. Moleben to Jesus Christ (Eng./Ukr.)

Fri., Nov. 27th, 2015 - 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Mary Caffet

Sat., Nov. 28th, 2015 - 8:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Luella Zimmer

Sunday, **November 29th**, **2014** – **9:30 a.m.** Rosary (Eng.)

- 10:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: God's blessings for all parishioners. (Eng./Ukr.)

Please, contact Fr. Pavlo if you want to have the Divine Liturgies celebrated in your special (such as: In thanksgiving for favours received, the Infirm, General Intentions, the Deceased, Help of the Holy Spirit, for the Travelers, etc.) intentions.

#### Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments:

Reconciliation: on Sundays and Holy Days: before Liturgies and other days, by appointment.

**Holy Communion**: for the sick, by appointment, any time. **Baptisms**: by appointment.

Marriages: please make an appointment to meet with the parish priest. Funerals and Memorials: by appointment.

**Holy Unction** (Anointing of the Sick): Those anticipating surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive anointing, please contact Fr. Pavlo to arrange a time.

#### **Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:**

- 1. **You are a member of the Catholic Church** (Orthodox faithful are 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.