



The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

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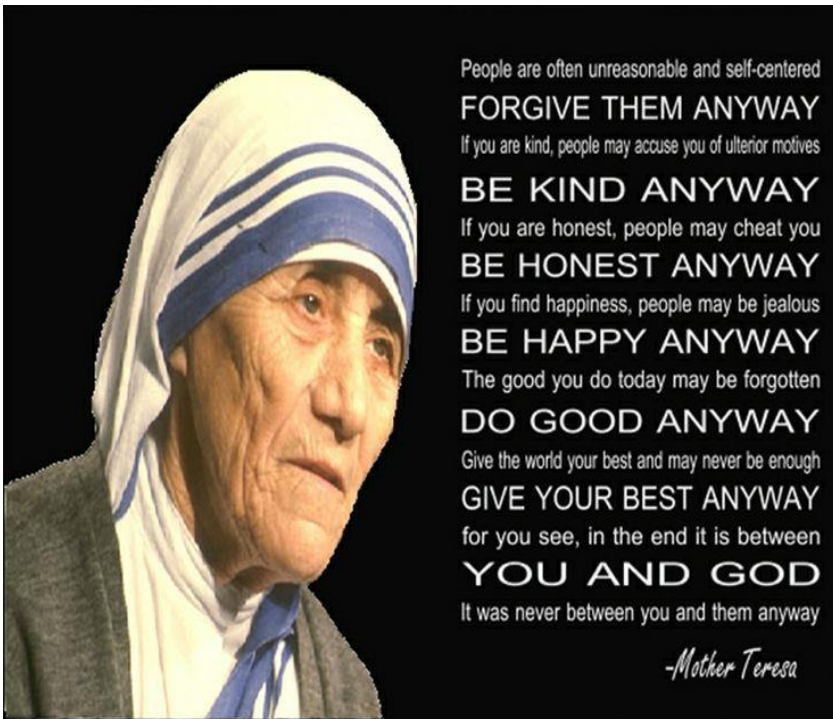
Sunday of Forgiveness, CHEESE-FARE SUNDAY – February 26th, 2017 A.D

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.

What exactly, then, is the reason for fasting? One answer might lie in the story of a wealthy businessman who went to retreat at a distant monastery. His journey to



the monastery was a sincere one; it was a journey in which he wished to grow closer to God. When he arrived at the monastery, he was warmly greeted. Later, he was brought before the abbot of the monastery to seek spiritual direction. While in the presence of the abbot, the abbot asked the man if he would like a glass of water. When the man responded with a “yes”, the abbot began to pour him some water. The abbot poured and poured until the water reached the very tip of the glass; but he didn't stop! Instead, he kept pouring and pouring so that the water overflowed the rim of the glass; ran onto the table; and drenched the expensive suit which the man was wearing. Jumping up in a frenzy, the man yelled at the abbot,

“What are you doing? Look at what you did to my suit!” Turning to the man, the abbot said, “You are like this glass of water. You are so full of concerns—concerns for riches and other anxieties of the world. You are completely full. There is no space for you to hold anything else inside. There is no room for God to come in. Before God can come in, you must empty yourself and make room for Him to enter.”

The reason for fasting, then, is precisely this: Fasting is a way of emptying ourselves from the cares and concerns of this world—A means of preparation and conditioning, which will enable us serve God and grow closer to Him.

The Great Fast/Lent is a time when we are preparing to celebrate the saving event of Christ's death and rising, which has reopened Paradise to us once more (Luke 23:43). So sorrow for our exile in sin is tempered by hope of our re-entry into Paradise.

The theme of forgiveness, is emphasized in the Gospel reading for this Sunday (Matthew 6:14-21) and in the special ceremony of mutual forgiveness at the end of the Vespers on Sunday evening. Before we enter the Lenten fast, we are reminded that there can be no true fast, no genuine repentance, no reconciliation with God, unless we are at the same time reconciled with one another. We do not travel the road of the Great Fast/Lent as isolated individuals but as members of a family. Our asceticism and fasting should not separate us from others, but should link us to them with ever-stronger bonds.

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“...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 Ісусу Христу! – Слава на Віку!
Christ is among us! – He is and will be!

Liturgical Propers:

Troparion (Tone 8): You came down from on high, O Merciful One and accepted three days of burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory be to You.

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

Kontakion (Tone 6): O Master, Guide to Wisdom, Bestower of prudent counsel, Instructor of the foolish and Defender of the poor ones; make firm my heart and give it understanding. Give me a word, O Word of the Father: Behold, I shall not stop my lips from crying out to You: In Your mercy, have mercy on me who am fallen.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (tone 8): When You rose from the tomb, You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your resurrection, and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead O most merciful One.

Theotokion (Tone 8): To you, o Mother of God, the invincible leader, we, your servants, ascribe these victory hymns in thanksgiving for our deliverance from evil. With your invincible power free us from all dangers that we may cry out to you: “Hail, O Bride, and pure Virgin!”

Prokimenon (Tone 8): Pray and give praise to the Lord our God. Pray and give praise to the Lord our God. (Ps 75.12)

Verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel. (Ps 75.2)

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Epistle: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans: (Romans 13:11-14:4)

Brethren: It is now the hour for you to wake from sleep, for our salvation is closer than when we first accepted the faith. The night is far spent; the day draws near. Let us cast off deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us live honorably as in daylight; not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual excess and lust, not in quarreling and jealousy. Rather, put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

Extend a kind welcome to those who are weak in faith. Do not enter into disputes with them. A man of sound faith knows he can eat anything, while one who is weak in faith eats only vegetables. The man who will eat anything must not ridicule him who abstains from certain foods; the man who abstains must not sit in judgment on him who eats. After all, God himself has made him welcome. Who are you to pass judgment on another's servant? His master alone can judge whether he stands or falls. And stand he will, for the Lord is able to make him stand.



Alleluia (Tone 8): Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Saviour (Ps 94:1). Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms (Ps 94:2).

Gospel: (Matthew 6:14-21)

The Lord said: “If you forgive the faults of others, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours. If you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive you.

When you fast, you are not to look glum as the hypocrites do. They change the appearance of their faces so that others may see they are fasting. I assure you, they are already repaid.

When you fast, see to it that you groom your hair and wash your face. In that way no one can see you are fasting but your Father who is hidden; and your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.

Do not lay up for yourselves an earthly treasure. Moths and rust corrode; thieves break in and steal. Make it your practice instead to store up heavenly treasure, which neither moths nor rust corrode nor thieves break in and steal. Remember, where your treasure is, there your heart is also.”

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest (Ps 148:1). Alleluia! (x3)

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 every person who organized, worked, supported and attended our parish monthly breakfast past Sunday!

* 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, share their time and work at the parish projects,

organize socials, 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!

CONGRATULATIONS

* May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mrs. Diana Truitt on her birthday (March 2nd), to all our parishioners, guests, visitors, your family members who celebrate their heavenly patrons feast-days/name-days and especially to everyone who celebrate their birthdays, anniversaries or any other important events in the month of February and 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 CHURCH TODAY. WISHING YOU A BLESSED, RESTFUL WEEKEND AND FRUITFUL, HEALTHY AND SAFE WEEK! EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO COME AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH SOCIAL AT 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.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: yourselves, Most Reverend Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn, Fr. Steven Basarab, Fr. Edward Evanko, Monsignor Jeremiah Desmond, Fr. Serabion ElMakary, Steve and Bernice Usipuik, Ann Kuz, Ann Derzak, Dave and Mary Emery, Elsie Kinaschuk, John and Mildred Kolody, Joseph Mychaluk, Zonia Rurka, Eugene Palsitt, Adeline Palsitt, Orest Hrycewich, Myron and Myrna Wizniak, Elsie Zachary, Matt Dmyterko, Allan and Sharon Ludwig, Jesse Pawlyshyn, Joe and Olga Burkatsky, Orest Kociuba, Kalyna Kociuba, Allan Bodnaruk, Maria Chorny, Katrien Sobhy, Marg Musey, Kathleen 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, Theresa Munro, Michelle New, Martin Schinkelwitz, Adam Laniel, Cryss O'Donnell, Rose Ostopowich (Fr. Joe Ostopowich's mother), Sandra and Mike Jones, Peter Balla, members of our parish and those who are not able to join actively in our community, your families, relatives, friends; governments and armed forces, especially the shut-in or those in the hospitals, traveling, working or studying, 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 to all 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.

SPIRIT OF AWARENESS: Dear parishioners, if our brother / 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 /her know that our parish community misses him / her very much!

* **FIRST DAY OF LENT/The Great Fast starts tomorrow, on Monday, February 27th. Please note that both the First day of Lent, as well as Good Friday, are two days of the strictest fasting.** On these days we refrain from consuming meat, eggs and dairy products. Wishing you a blessed and spiritually enriching the Great Fast/Lenten Journey!

Communal Rite of Mutual Forgiveness

Priest: Humbly bowing our heads and knees, let us pray to the Lord.

Faithful: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: O Lord Jesus Christ our God, the hope of all the lands of this earth and of those who are far at sea and high in the air, you gave us these holy days of Lent through your laws and prophets, thus giving us an example of penance and the mortification of our passions. You yourself after the fulfillment of time came in body to this world and having fasted forty days and forty nights you instituted and sanctified the Lent. Therefore, being generous and merciful, bless us all, that we may in perfect penitence, in true humility, in prayers and profound bows, in hunger and thirst, and frequent kneeling, in the contriteness of our heart, we may begin these holy days of Lent, and without sin and with a clean conscience to complete them, by guarding the true faith and to become victors over sin. Bestow unto us an Angel of peace that he would guard our lives, that they would not be endangered or destroyed by the visits of the enemy or evil circumstances.

Teach us to always do good, strengthen us by your power for this Lenten struggle against our passions, to cleanse our souls and bodies, that we may be worthy and without judgment to receive communion of your most Holy Body and most precious and life-giving Blood. For you are the God of graces and mercies and lover of mankind, and desire that all would be saved. We give glory to you and to your eternal Father, and to your Most Holy, good and Life-Spirit, now and forever and ever.

Faithful: **Amen.**

Priest: Bless me, my Sisters and Brothers, and forgive me, a sinner, whatever offenses I may have committed this day and all the days of my life by word, deed and thought as well as by all my senses. (*bows to all the faithful*)

Faithful: **May God forgive you, Reverend Father. Bless us also and forgive our offences voluntary and involuntary.** (*also bow*)

Priest: May the Lord God by His grace forgive you all your sins and have mercy on you.

Let us pray for our Most Holy Universal Pontiff, Francis Pope of Rome, for His Beatitude Patriarch Sviatoslav, for our Most Reverend Metropolitan Lawrence, for our God-loving Bishop Ken, and the God-loving Bishop-Emeritus Severian, all our priestly, diaconal and religious orders, our nation, government and all people in service of our country.

Faithful: **May God save and have mercy.**

Priest: For the noble benefactors, founders and all parishioners of this holy church, for those who serve and who have served in it.

Faithful: **May God save and have mercy.**

Priest: For those who are absent and for those who are travelling.

Faithful: **May God protect and have mercy.**

Priest: For our benefactors and those who are kind to us.

Faithful: **May God reward and have mercy.**

Priest: For those who hate us and for those who love us.

Faithful: **May God forgive and have mercy.**

Priest: For the sick and suffering.

Faithful: **May God heal and have mercy.**

Priest: For our departed relatives and faithful of our parish and Eparchy.

Faithful: **May God grant them remembrance and rest and everlasting be their memory.**


Priest: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us.

Faithful: **Amen.**

* **Sunday** (Feb. 19th) **faithful offerings/donations:** \$ 514.00 in Kamloops; \$ 210.00 in Grindrod.

* **FAITHFUL GIVING...** Remember that we never take a day off or a vacation from God, or from our obligation to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays. When traveling, working 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. Please remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish 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. Please, continue to be generous!

“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*)

 * **BE A STEWARD: Have you ever wondered what more can you do to help our parish?** Here are some suggestions: **Steward** of property security; **Steward** of grounds cleaning; **Steward** of cleaning church; **Steward** of church linen; **Steward** of outreach; **Steward** of caring; **Steward** of prayer; **Steward** of service. Quite often, our homebound or senior members, once active in their younger years, want to find purpose in their senior years. It’s not only about doing but about “BEING” present to others.

Please, feel very welcome to participate in our church choir singing, reading of the Epistle, holding the candles during the Gospels readings, processions, parish cleaning, projects, etc.

Contact Fr. Pavlo or Mr. Matt Dmyterko for more information. You will be amazed how “BEING” can make a difference!

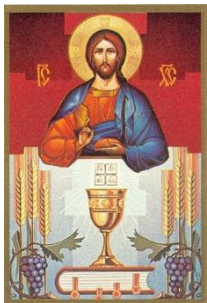
EPARCHY OF NEW WESTMINSTER VIBRANT PARISH APPEAL SHARE YOUR HEART

“...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, Baptism, Marriages, Funerals and the great Feasts, which means so much to us...”

+Ken (Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster)

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It is with great joy the Eparchy of New Westminster invites you to the ordination of Deacon Mykhailo Ozorovych to the priesthood!

On Saturday April 8th at 2:00 pm, Deacon Mykhailo will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Ken during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Cathedral in New Westminster.

On Palm Sunday April 9th at 10:00 am, newly ordained Father Mykhailo will celebrate his first Divine Liturgy at Holy Eucharist Cathedral in New Westminster.

The ordination and first Divine Liturgy banquet-reception will be held in the Cathedral hall immediately following the Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy.

Tickets for the Reception (on Palm Sunday) are only \$15.00 per person. Free for those under 15 years - but they still must obtain a (free) ticket - important to ensure sufficient food.

For tickets, please contact Deacon Mykhailo at: [604 524 8824](tel:6045248824) or mykhailo.oz@gmail.com The deadline to obtain banquet tickets is Sunday 2 April.

* **CPPS Mission Projects - Windmills, Wells and Water 2017:** On Saturday, March 4, 2017, "Windmills, Wells and Water", the 15th annual fundraising dinner to support the projects of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood in Tanzania, East Africa will take place at the Coast Kamloops Hotel and Convention Centre. There will be door prizes, a silent auction, a live auction, live entertainment and a wonderful meal. The doors open at 6:00 pm for cocktails, with dinner served at 7:00 pm. Tickets are eighty dollars (\$80) per person, with a tax receipt for forty-five dollars (\$45) per ticket. To purchase tickets, please contact Frank Tries at 250-314-1429, Margaret and Kevin Langevin at 250-573-2229; or Lloyd and Anna Babcock at 250-579-8888.



* **You are cordially invited to attend the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Cathedral Parish Mission with Father Larre from, Saturday March 4th to Thursday March 9th.** On Saturday (7 pm) and Sunday (8:30 am, 11:30 am and 6 pm) there will be Introductory Mission Sermons at all the Masses with a theme of: ***The Most Important Decision in Life***. Monday to Thursday there will be a Rosary at 6 pm, Mass at 6:30 and Mission talk at 7:10. Monday's topic: ***Clinging to Faith in A Godless Society***. Tuesday's topic: ***Maintaining Hope in Hopeless Situations***. Wednesday's topic: ***Building a Loving Home in a Selfish Society***. Thursday's topic: ***Bringing Love to a Violent, Hateful Society***. Confessions will be available before the Rosary and after the talks. Don't be Afraid! Trust the Merciful Lord. Come Home to Jesus! See www.fatherlarre.com

Maltese bishops: Remarried Catholics 'at peace' can receive Communion

Archbishop Charles J. Scicluna and Bishop Mario Grech have drawn up guidelines for priests, for the application of Chapter VIII of the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis's 'Amoris Laetitia.' (Credit: thechurcinmalta.org)

In guidelines for the application of Pope Francis's "Amoris Laetitia", the bishops of Malta say that divorced and civilly remarried Catholics who, with "an informed and enlightened conscience," believe they're at peace with God, "cannot be precluded from participating in the sacraments."

ROME- Bishops in the island nation of Malta, in percentage terms among the most Catholic nations on earth, have followed those of Buenos Aires, the pontiff's home archdiocese, in their approach to Pope Francis's document on the family, *Amoris Laetitia*. Like their Latin American peers, they've produced a set of guidelines that clearly state the door to Communion for divorced and civilly remarried Catholics is open.

"If, as a result of the process of discernment," the bishops write, "a separated or divorced person who is living in a new relationship manages, with an informed and enlightened conscience, to acknowledge and believe that he or she is at peace with God, he or she cannot be precluded from participating in the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist." Meaning, if a person, in good conscience, believes he or she is entitled to Communion, priests in Malta can't exclude them from accessing the sacrament.

The Maltese "Criteria for the Application of Chapter VIII of 'Amoris Laetitia'" was signed on January 8 by Archbishop Charles Scicluna of Malta and Bishop Mario Grech of Gozo. Released on Jan. 13 through the bishops' website, the document sent to the country's priests included a copy of the divisive chapter at the end. In their guidelines the bishops write that when a priest meets persons who find themselves in "irregular" situations, he must "enter in dialogue with them and to come to know them in a spirit of authentic charity."

"If, subsequently, they show a genuine desire or accept to engage in a serious process of personal discernment about their situation, we should accompany them willingly on this journey, with true respect, care and attention," they write. Catholics who are in these situations, the document continues, quoting *Amoris*, "should be made to feel part of the Church" because "They're not excommunicated."

Throughout this process of accompanying a person who's discerning his or her situation, the role of a priest-or bishop- is not that of "granting permission for these people to receive the sacraments, or to offer 'easy recipes,' or to substitute their conscience. Our role is patiently to help them to form and enlighten their own conscience, in order that they themselves may be able to make an honest decision before God."

The first step in this process, Scicluna and Grech write, always must be to affirm church teaching on the indissolubility of marriage. Then, the couple's specific situation should be examined to determine if their first union was a valid marriage and if reasonable doubt arises, they should be encouraged to request a declaration of nullity. "While exercising our ministry, we must be

careful to avoid falling into extremes: into extreme rigor on the one hand, and laxity on the other,” the guidelines say. “This process should be an invitation to harness certain attitudes, such as pastoral charity, honesty, discretion, an ongoing conversion, and love for the Church and her teaching.”

The prelates close their criteria acknowledging that they, as Pope Francis, know that there are some who prefer a “more rigorous pastoral care.” Yet, once again quoting Francis’s document, the Maltese bishops say they believe “Jesus wants a Church attentive to the goodness which the Holy Spirit sows in the midst of human weakness, a Mother who, while clearly expressing her objective teaching, ‘always does what good she can, even if in the process, her shoes get soiled by the mud of the street’.”

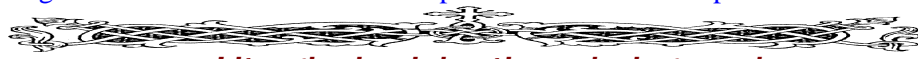
Though the two prelates didn’t get a letter from Francis commending their approach, as the Argentines did, the Maltese guidelines were published on Friday by the Vatican’s newspaper of record, *L’Osservatore Romano*, signaling that they have Rome’s approval. As most diocesan guidelines do so far, the document solely addresses Chapter VIII, which focuses on couples in irregular situations.

The bishops who produce the guidelines for the application of *Amoris Laetitia* do so following Francis’s request. However, interpretations have varied, with many prelates saying that the document opens the door to Communion for couples who are civilly remarried and others saying that it doesn’t, arguing that doing so contradicts the Church’s teaching and tradition.

South African Cardinal Wilfred Napier, an avid Twitter user, has been sharing passages of the document and reflections, generally supportive of the apostolic exhortation as a whole. On January 5th, however, he asked if “The faith taught by the missionaries e.g. that polygamy is morally wrong because Scripture teaches one man one wife for life, completely wrong?”

Scicluna, who was sent back to Malta by Francis after a 17-year run in the Vatican’s Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, previously worked as Promoter of Justice under Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, who kept him there when he became Pope Benedict XVI. An expert in canon law, he was credited with constructing the 2010 universal norms that extended the Church’s statutes of limitations on reporting cases of sexual abuse.

Source: <https://cruxnow.com/uncategorized/2017/01/13/maltese-bishops-remarried-catholics-peace-can-receive-communion/>



Liturgical celebrations during week:

Lenten Scriptural Readings for 1st week of the Great Fast/Lent

Monday: Genesis 1:1-13; Proverbs 1:1-20 & Isaiah 1:1-20 **Tuesday:** Genesis 1:14-23; Proverbs 1:20-33 & Isaiah 1:19-2:3 **Wednesday:** Genesis 1:24-2:3; Proverbs 2:1-22 & Isaiah 2:3-11 **Thursday:** Genesis 2:4-19; Proverbs 3:1-18 & Isaiah 2:11-21 **Friday:** Genesis 2:20-3:20; Proverbs 3:19-34 & Isaiah 3:1-14

Mon., Feb. 27th, 2017 (**Beginning of the Great Fast/Lent**) – 9:00 a.m. The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Tue., Feb. 28th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy

Wed., March 1st – 9:00 a.m. The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

– 4:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts:

Thurs., Mar. 2nd – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy

– 6:00 p.m. Service and Bible Studies (*at Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Grindrod, BC*)

Friday, Mar. 3rd, 2015 – 9:00 a.m. The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete (Eng./Ukr.)

– 4:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross, followed by Sorokousty / Lenten Memorial Service for the deceased.

Sunday, March 5th – 9:30 a.m. Rosary (Eng.)

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

– 2:45 p.m. 1st Hour Service (Eng.) (*Service at Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Grindrod, BC*)

– 3:00 p.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:** six months’ notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made. **Funerals and Memorials:** by appointment. **Holy Unction** (Anointing of the Sick): Those anticipating surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive anointing or to **meet with parish priest, please call or email Fr. Pavlo in advance to arrange a time and a day.**

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