



The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian
Catholic Church in Grindrod, BC



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Sunday of Orthodoxy/the Triumph of the True Faith – March 5th, 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.

The Sunday of Orthodoxy is the first Sunday of Great Fast/Lent. The dominant theme of this Sunday, since year 843 A.D., has been that of the victory of the icons.

bra as worshipping foreign gods. The Catholic Church as loving and carrying mother back then, as well as today, is continually watching over all of us, helping us to keep our orthodox faith by condemning heresies, divisions and restoring Christians to a the veneration of the icons.

Icons are not optional devotional extras, but an integral part of Christian faith and devotion. They are held to be a necessary consequence of Christian faith in the incarnation of the Word of God, in Jesus Christ. They have a sacramental character, making present to the believer the person or event depicted on them. So the interior of the churches of the byzantine rite is often covered with icons painted on walls and domed roofs, and there is always an icon screen, or iconostasis, separating the sanctuary from the nave, often with several rows of icons.

Icons are venerated by burning lamps and candles in front of them, by the use of incense and by kissing. But there is a clear doctrinal distinction between the veneration paid to icons and the worship due to God. The former is not only relative, it is in fact paid to the person represented by the icon. This distinction safeguards the veneration of icons from any charge of idolatry.

“...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, дозвольтє 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! Slava Isusu Chrystu! – Slava na Viku!

Christ is among us! – He is and will be!

Liturgical Propers:

For the Sundays of Great Lent the Typicon prescribes the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great

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 2): We bow before Your most pure image, O kind Lord, and beg pardon for our sins, O Christ our God. Of Your own will You consented to ascend the Cross in the flesh to free Your handiwork from enslavement to the enemy. In thanksgiving we cry aloud to You: By coming to save the world, our Saviour, You filled all things with joy.

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.

Theotokion (tone 1): When Gabriel uttered to you, O Virgin, his ‘Rejoice!’ – at that sound the Master of all became flesh in you, the Holy Ark. As the just David said, you have become wider than the heavens carrying your Creator. Glory to Him Who dwelt in you! Glory to Him Who came forth from you! Glory to Him Who freed us through birth from you!

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

Verse: For You are righteous in everything You have done for us (Dn 3:27).

Prokimenon (Tone 4): Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever (Dn 3:26)

Epistle: *A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Hebrews* (Hebrews 11:24-26; 32-40; 12:1-2a)

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh’s daughter; he wished to be ill-treated along with God’s people rather than enjoy the fleeting rewards of sin. Moses considered the reproach borne by God’s Anointed greater riches than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

What more shall I recount? I have no time to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who by faith conquered kingdoms, did what was just, obtained the promises; they broke the jaws of lions, put out raging fires, escaped the devouring sword; though weak they were made powerful, received back their dead through resurrection. Others were tortured and would not receive deliverance, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Still others endured mockery, scourging, even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned; sawed in two, put to death at sword’s point; they went about garbed in the skins of sheep or goats, needy, afflicted, tormented. The world was not worthy of them. They wandered about in deserts and on mountains, they dwelt in caves and in holes of the earth. Yet despite the fact that all of these were approved because of their faith, they did not obtain what had been promised. God had made a better plan, a plan which includes us. Without us, they were not to be made perfect.

Therefore, since we for our part are surrounded by this cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every encumbrance of sin which clings to us and preserve in running the race which lies ahead; let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who inspires and perfects our faith.

Alleluia (Tone 1): Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among those who call upon His name (Ps 98:6). Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity for ever (Ps 17:51). They called on the Lord, and He heard them (Ps 98:6)

Gospel: (John 1:43-51)

At that time, Jesus wanted to set out for Galilee, but first he came upon Philip. “Follow me,” Jesus said to him. Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the same town as Andrew and Peter. Philip sought out Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses spoke of in the law – the prophets too – Jesus, son of Joseph, from Nazareth.” Nathanael’s response to that was, “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” and Philip replied, “Come, see for yourself.”

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he remarked: “This man is a true Israelite. There is no guile in him.” “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked him. “Before Philip called you,” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree.” “Rabbi,” said Nathanael, “you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.” Jesus responded: “Do you believe just because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see much greater things than that.”

He went on to tell them, “I solemnly assure you, you shall see the sky opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

Instead of “It is truly...”: In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins’ pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before the ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.



Communion Verses: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest (Ps 148:1). Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous (Ps 32:1). 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.**

Having Suffered



GRATITUDE

* to the ladies who helped to change the Altar cloths in preparation to the Great Fast/Lent!

* 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. Eva Gosselin on her birthday (Feb. 28th), Ivy Munro on her birthday (Mar. 3rd), Mrs. Jacqueline Munro on her birthday (Mar. 5th), and 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 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 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 Usipuk, 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, Claud and Eva Gosselin, 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!



* 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

* Pierogies making work bee starts at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Mar. 7th. Everyone is welcome to help our ladies' project in support of our church!

* Sunday (Feb. 26th) faithful offerings/donations: \$ 550.10 in Kamloops; \$ 134.00 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 or mykhailo.oz@gmail.com The deadline to obtain banquet tickets is Sunday 2 April.



Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster

To the Very Rev. and Rev. Clergy, Religious
and Lay-Faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster

23 February 2017

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Just over a month ago our Eparchy hosted Fr. Brian Kolodiejchuk, MC, Postulator for the Cause of Canonization of Saint Teresa of Calcutta, who gave presentations in our parishes about the life and legacy of this amazing Saint who was convinced that there is no substitution for active love. Throughout the Gospels Jesus Christ invites us to love Him through our neighbors. In the Gospel of Mathew when speaking about works of mercy Jesus says “You did it to me” (Matthew 25:40). This means that when we perform an act of mercy, do something good or just smile and show compassion to those near us we are not merely doing it for Christ’s sake but in a mystical way we are doing it to Him. Saint Mother Teresa who lived out this mystery every day by serving others is a great example for us and a source of inspiration.

Two Sundays ago we heard the Gospel about the Last Judgment. As Christians we believe in inevitability of the Judgment day but sometimes we forget the criteria by which righteous will be distinguished from the wicked on that day. The only canon of judgement mentioned in the Gospel is active love towards our neighbors with whom Jesus has self-identified. Saint Mother Teresa has put it very simply, “When we die, and go home to God, for death is nothing else but going home to God, He will judge us on what we have been to each other, how we have loved each other.”

Each year our Eparchy along with all the other Ukrainian Catholic Eparchies in North America receives requests from our Church in Ukraine for financial assistance for very worthy causes and endeavors in Ukraine. As has been our Eparchial custom for the last few years, during the Great Fast/Lent we take time to remember our sisters and brothers in Ukraine who are in need and through our donations we show that we stand in solidarity with them.

In his 1st Letter, apostle John reminds the early Christian church that if anyone has the world’s goods and sees their brother or sister in need yet closes their heart against them, how does God’s life abide in them?

While there are no doubt many worthy causes to donate our funds to in Ukraine, our Eparchy has identified the following beneficiaries for our donations:

- **Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv.** This is the only Ukrainian Catholic University in Ukraine. It is pivotal to the future needs of the leaders of Ukrainian society. Today more than ever, we need to support a free and honest educational endeavours in Ukraine and certainly, the Ukrainian Catholic University is worthy of our support.
- **Caritas Ukraine.** Caritas Ukraine continues to be the main charities organization of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Ukraine providing social care to the needy of Ukraine in the area of humanitarian aid, clothing distribution, street children’s assistance programs, HIV & AIDS programs, anti-trafficking in people programs, emergency aid, home-care programs and much more. Since the Revolution of Dignity in Ukraine and the invasion of Ukraine’s Eastern territories almost two million people have been internally displaced. Caritas Ukraine along with partner organizations is attempting to meet the challenges this has brought to Ukrainian society by providing housing, meals, and rehabilitation to these families.
- **Holy Resurrection Sobor in Kyiv.** The building project is ongoing and the interior artwork still needs a lot of work. This Cathedral is meant to be not just for our Ukrainian Catholics in Kyiv, but indeed the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral for all of us.
- **Andrew’s Pence.** The Head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, our Patriarch has many requests for financial support from our Ukrainian Catholic communities of faithful in the poorest areas of Eastern Europe and in the East, in places like Kazakhstan, Siberia, etc. These communities are often located in areas where the local or national governments are not at all supportive. They rely heavily on assistance from their sisters and brothers in the other areas where our Church faithful live, like right here in British Columbia. Our donations to Andrew’s Pence assist the Patriarch in providing financial support for these far away and often desolate communities.

- **Synod Administration Fund.** Each Eparchy of the Ukrainian Catholic Church throughout the world is asked to assist in the administrative and operational costs of the Synodal Offices in Kyiv. As members of the Ukrainian Catholic Church our Eparchy is assessed a sum of around \$10,000 annually. Your contributions will assist us in our Synodal Administrative Fund assessment.

In order to assist you in deciding to how much you are able to donate to these worthy causes I have let you know something about them and what your donations will help with. The envelopes provided allow you to indicate the amount as well as to which fund(s) you would like your donation to be given to.

If you would like to receive a tax receipt for your donation, please make the cheque payable to your own parish (ie: Holy Eucharist Cathedral, or St. Nicholas Parish) and a tax receipt will be issued to you directly from your parish. Your parish treasurer will then send a cheque made out to the Eparchy of New Westminster for the total amount collected and indicate the amounts and to whom the collected amount is to be given to. The Eparchy will then add together the amounts collected from each parish and to whom/which organization the donation is to be given to.

I completely endorse and recommend to you dear Sisters and Brothers that the organizations listed above in this letter. They are truly worthy causes and those in charge will use wisely our donations. Along with your donations, I would ask for your prayerful support of those who work in the service of our Church in Ukraine, bringing the Good News of Our Lord's love and salvation to them. So, Dearly Beloved in Christ, if you can find it in your heart and bank accounts to make a donation, please do so. May the blessing of Our Lord be upon you for your generousities.

I am designating the Sundays of March 19th and 26th of the Great Fast (Lent) for our Eparchial Collection in favour of the needs of our Church in Ukraine. I would ask that this letter along with special envelopes be distributed to our Faithful in our parish bulletins on Sundays March 5th and 12th so that they may prepare themselves for the donation. If for good reason they will be absent from the Divine Liturgy on March 19th and 26th they can make their contribution either prior to the general collection date or by the end of the Great Fast (Lent).

I would like to ask that our parishes provide the funds collected noting the amounts for the various projects be sent to our office no later than Saturday 29 April so that we can send these funds to the appropriate organizations by the first week of May of this year.

I am uniting my prayers with those of yours in our journey through the Great Fast (Lent) to the joyful celebration of Our Lord's Holy Resurrection on Easter Sunday!

Sincerely yours in the Lord,



+Ken

Eparchial Bishop of New Westminster

The Permanent Synod of the UGCC visited the Ukrainian parish in Niagara

A message of compassion and awareness was spread during a visit to Niagara from the head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, informs www.wellandtribune.ca



Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk from Kyiv, Ukraine, addressed the congregation at St. John the Baptist Hungarian Greek Catholic Church on Second Street in Welland Saturday morning. More than a hundred people attended the service to listen to the patriarch who was confirmed by Pope Benedict XVI in 2011.

Father Nicholas Deak, parish priest at St. John the Baptist, said it was a great honour to have the highest hierarch visiting Niagara. Shevchuk is the highest priest next to the Pope that the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church has.

During Shevchuk's address to the Welland congregation, where he spoke in English and Ukrainian, he called for the people of the Eastern Rite Church to remember those in Ukraine who are suffering. The archbishop said the conflict in

his home country is a forgotten one and that Ukrainians are still in need of assistance.

"Nobody talks about this great suffering," he said.

Shevchuk said recently Unicef gave out "scary" numbers that almost a million children in Ukraine are victims of the war.

The United Nation stated since April 2014 more than 9,000 people have been killed in the civil war between the Ukrainian government forces and pro-Russia separatists — the conflict began three years ago. Shevchuk said many people don't know what is happening in Ukraine, that is why it is the duty of the church to share the truth.

"The church always gives a voice to those that are without a voice," Shevchuk said.

Parishes around the world are collecting humanitarian aid for Ukraine. Shevchuk said people can also help by saying a prayer for those impacted by war.

Deak said the message from the archbishop was particularly meaningful because church followers around the world are praying for peace and justice. Deak said he hopes the international community will help end the conflict in Ukraine and he prays for the safety of everyone.

“It is very important for all of us because we have been under the Soviet system for so many years and we do not want to fall back under that,” Deak said.

Shevchuk visited Niagara accompanied by the bishops of the senate of the church. The leaders of the church were attending a session of the senate in Niagara Falls which is to show the congregation their leaders care about them.

“We are here to listen to them, to study their needs and to try to support this eparchy. And to also build those bridges between the mother church in Ukraine and the eparchy here in Canada,” Shevchuk said.

Some of the smaller communities are often the ones which are in most need. Shevchuk said it was important for the heads of the church to visit Welland and other communities in Niagara to offer support. Some of the ways Shevchuk and bishops assist is through discussing ways to grow faith and attract youth.

In order to do that, Shevchuk said he and other leaders need to explain traditions and engage in modern ways. Today youth are using social media, so Shevchuk said maybe the church needs to use the same methods of communication to reach the youth.

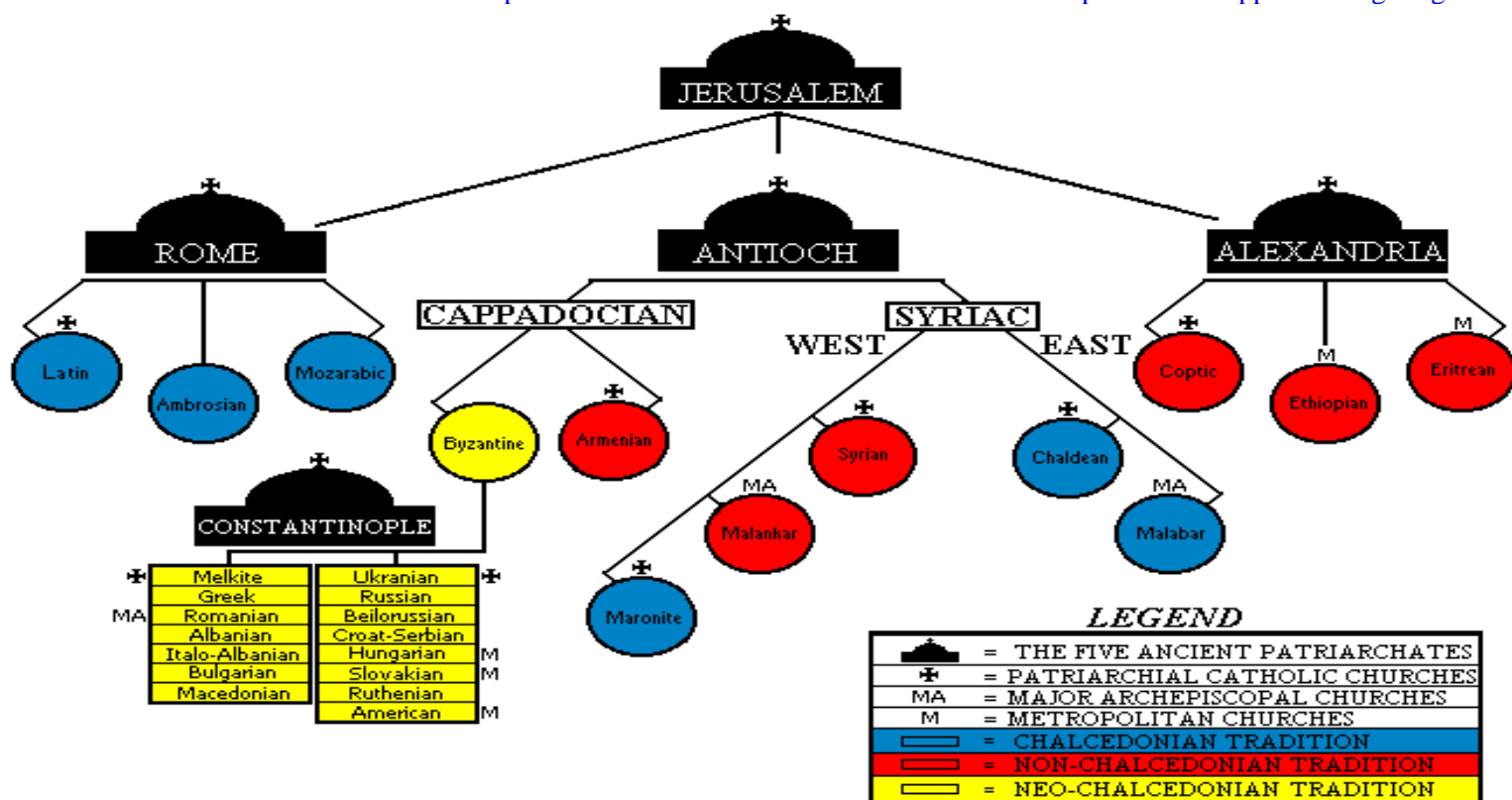
Although the eparchies are in different countries, Shevchuk said they are much the same and have the same traditions. One difference Shevchuk noticed is the multiculturalism of the Canadian eparchy. He said there are congregation members from diverse cultures and countries, which is nice to see.

“This is the particular richness of the Ukrainian Catholic eparchy of Toronto,” Shevchuk said with a smile.

The archbishop visited St. Mary’s Ukrainian Catholic Church on Main Street in Niagara Falls Saturday night. He also attended the pontifical divine liturgy at Sts. Cyril and Methodius on Rolls Avenue in St. Catharines Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon Shevchuk attended a banquet at St. John the Theologian Ukrainian Catholic Church on Lakeshore Road.

By Michelle Allenberg, Tribune Staff

Source: <http://www.wellandtribune.ca/2017/02/26/archbishop-calls-for-support-during-niagara-visit>



* **BISHOP THOMAS J. LOBSINGER, OMI MEMORIAL BURSARY PROGRAM UNDERWAY:** The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary Program is known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program. The 2017 program is now receiving applications. Once again we are privileged to offer thirty bursaries of \$500.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time-only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in their second or subsequent year of post-secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province. Applications are accepted from January 1st, 2017 until June 30th, 2017 with the bursaries being awarded in the



fall. The Terms of Reference can be found on our web site at <http://kofcbc.org/files/2013/08/Terms-of-Reference-2017.pdf>

Requests for applications should be addressed to: **Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon**

Attn: Dale Hofer, Bursaries Chairman 2300 Teal Place Vernon, BC V1H 1R1

We would like to once again congratulate the many recipients over the past years and look forward the opportunity to assist many more young people in the advancement of their education.

Liturgical celebrations during week:

Bible readings for 2nd week of the Great Fast/Lent

Mon.: Genesis 3:21-4:7; Proverbs 3:34-4:22 & Isaiah 4:2-5:7; **Tue.:** Gen. 4:8-15; Prov. 5:1-15 & Is. 5:7-16;

Wed.: Genesis 4:16-26; Proverbs 5:15-6:3 & Isaiah 5:16-25; **Thur.:** Gen. 5:1-24; Prov. 6:3-20 & Isaiah 6:1-12;

Fri.: Genesis 5:32-6:8; Proverbs 6:20-7:1 & Isaiah 7:1-14.

Mon., Mar. 6th – 9:00 a.m. The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Tue., Mar. 7th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Mal MacPherson** (requested by Mrs. Katherine Blain)

Wed., March 8th – 9:00 a.m. The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

– 3:30 p.m. The Divine Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts: **Vincent Pelletier** (requested by Mrs. Katherine Blain)

Thurs., Mar. 9th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Valerie Rollins** (requested by Mrs. Katherine Blain)

Friday, Mar. 10th – 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 12th – 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.**

Eparchy of New Westminster

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Name of Organization or Fund	Amount enclosed
Ukrainian Catholic University	
Caritas Ukraine	
Holy Resurrection Sobor Building Fund	
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Synod Administration Fund	
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

Please make your cheque payable to your local parish. Your local parish will issue you an income tax receipt.