



The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian
Catholic Church in Grindrod, BC



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Third Sunday of the Great Fast / Lent

Veneration of the Holy Cross of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ – March 19th, 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.



On the third Sunday of Lent we celebrate the veneration of the honorable and Life - Giving Cross. As we have “crucified the flesh with its passions and desires” (Galatians 5:24), and will have put aside earthly life’s pleasure during these forty days of the Great Fast/Lent, the precious and life-giving Cross is now placed before us to refresh our souls and encourage us who may be filled with a sense of bitterness, resentment, and depression. The Cross reminds us of the Passion of our Lord, and by presenting to us His example, it encourages us to follow Him in struggle and sacrifice, being refreshed, assured, and comforted. In other words, we must experience what the Lord experienced during His Passion - being humiliated in a shameful manner. The Cross teaches us that through pain and suffering we shall see the fulfillment of our hopes: the heavenly inheritance and eternal glory.

As pilgrims, who walk on a long and hard way and are bowed down by fatigue, find great relief and strengthening under the cool shade of a leafy tree, so do we find comfort, refreshment, and rejuvenation under the Life-giving Cross, which our Fathers “planted” on this 3rd Sunday of our spiritual Lenten journey. Thus, we are fortified and enabled to continue our Great Fast journey with a light step, rested and encouraged.

Moreover, as the Holy Cross is called the Tree of Life, it is placed in the middle of the Fast, as the ancient tree of life was placed in the middle of the Garden of Eden. By this, our Holy Fathers wished to remind us of Adam’s gluttony as well as the fact that through this Tree has condemnation been abolished. Therefore, if we bind ourselves to Our Savior’s cross, we shall never encounter death but shall inherit joyful life eternal.

“...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:

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

Adoration of the Precious and life giving Cross (before the Divine Liturgy begins)

Priest: Wisdom Stand Aright

People: *sing Troparion* (tone 1): Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies, and protect Your community by Your cross. (3 times)

Priest: Have Mercy on us, O God, in the greatness of Your compassion, we pray You, hear us and have mercy. †

People: Lord, have mercy (24 times according to the melody presented below)

Priest: We also pray for our most holy universal Pontiff, Francis Pope of Rome; and for our most blessed Patriarch Sviatoslav, that the Lord God would grant them health and salvation, ever directing them and assisting them in all they do: We pray to You, O Lord, hear us and have mercy. †

People: Lord, have mercy (24 times.)

Priest: We also pray for our most reverend metropolitan Lawrence, for our Godloving bishop Ken, for our spiritual fathers and mothers, and for all our brothers and sisters in Christ; for their health and salvation, and for the remission of their sins, let us say. †

People: Lord, have mercy (24 times.)

Priest: We also pray for every Christian soul that is afflicted and maltreated; for their health and salvation, and for the remission of their sins, let us say. †

People: Lord, have mercy (24 times.)

Priest: We also pray for all those who serve and have served in this holy church; for their health and salvation, and for the remission of their sins, let us pray. †

People: Lord, have mercy (24 times.)

People: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion (tone 4): By Your own choice, O Christ our God, You were lifted on the cross. Grant Your mercies to Your new community that bears Your name. By Your power gladden the faithful people and grant them victory against enemies. May they have the help of Your instrument of peace, the invincible sign of victory.

Musical Arrangement of the 24 Lord Have Mercies. Pg 1122 Anthology.

The musical notation is arranged in six staves. Each staff contains a melodic line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Ho-spo-dy, po-my-lui. (3) Ho-spo-dy, po-my-lui. (3) Ho-spo-dy, po-my-lui. (3) Ho-spo-dy, po-my-lui. (3) Ho - spo - dy, po - my - lui. (3) Ho - spo - dy, po - my - - - lui. Ho - spo - dy, po - my - lui. Ho - spo - dy, po - my - - - lui." The melody is a simple, repetitive pattern of eighth and quarter notes.

Priest: To Your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection.

People: To Your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy Resurrection.

Priest: To Your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration,

People: And we glorify Your holy resurrection!

Troparion (Tone 3): Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with his arm. He trampled death by death; He became the first born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted great mercy to the world.

Troparion (Tone 1): Save your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies,* and protect Your community by Your cross.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: Now and for ever and ever. Amen

Kontakion (Tone 3): Today the Virgin stands before us in the church, and together with the choirs of saints invisibly prays to God for us. Angels are worshiping with hierarchs; apostles exalt with prophets, for the Mother of God prays in our behalf to the eternal God.

Instead of "Holy God," To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy Resurrection!

Prokimenon (Tone 3): Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing (Ps 46:7).

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 Hebrews (Hebrews 4:14-5:6)*

Brethren, Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our profession of faith. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but one who was tempted in every way that we are, yet never sinned. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and favor and to find help in time of need.

Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with erring sinners, for he himself is beset by weakness and so must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. One does not make this honor on his own initiative, but only when called by God as Aaron was. Even Christ did not glorify himself with the office of high priest; he received it from the One who said to him, "You are my son; today I have begotten you"; just as he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."



Alleluia (Tone 3): In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever (Ps 30:2). Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me (Ps 30:3).

Gospel: (Mark 8:34-9:1)

The Lord said, "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps. Whoever would preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will preserve it.

What profit does a man show who gains the whole world and destroys himself in the process? What can a man offer in exchange for his life?

If anyone in this faithless and corrupt age is ashamed of me and my doctrine, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes with the holy angels in his Father's glory." He also said to them: "I assure you, among those standing here there are some who will not taste death until they see the reign of God established in power."

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 Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest (Ps 148:1). Let the light of Your countenance, O Lord, shine upon us (Ps. 4:7). 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.

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People: And we glorify Your holy resurrection!

GRATITUDE

* to everyone who came and worked at pierogis making work bees during the past week!

* 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, clean the church, look after and graciously support our Christian, Catholic parish community! Thank you very much! May the Almighty God always keep you in His tender care by generously blessing and rewarding 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 Mr. Robert Russell on his birthday (Mar. 20th), Mrs. Ann Derzak on her birthday (Mar. 24th), 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 MONTHLY BREAKFAST AND 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, 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!

On behalf of our parish family, I would like to express the deepest sympathy to Mrs. Olga Burkatsky, the family, relatives and all friends! **May our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ place Mr. Joseph Burkatsky's soul in the place where all of the saints abide and may his memory be everlasting with the Lord and our prayers – Vichnaya Pamyat'!**

* **Pierogies making work bee** starts at **8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Mar. 21st**. Everyone is welcome to help our ladies' project in support of our church!

* **Sunday (Mar. 12th) faithful offerings/donations:** \$ 464.00 in Kamloops; \$ 220.00 in Grindrod.

* **Monthly Parish Breakfast** will be held after the Divine Liturgy **today, Mar. 19th, 2017**. Please, come, enjoy delicious breakfast, Christian gathering and support of our vibrant parish!

* **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** OCTOBER 12 - 24, 2017 Walk in the footsteps of Jesus; an unforgettable experience with Fr. Joe Ostapowich, Sr. Angelica SSMI, brother & sister pilgrims. For details and price call Mrs. Myrna Arychuk at **604 - 617 - 7200**



* **We invite you to our Pro-Life Fundraising Dinner and Silent Auction**, on April 29th, 6:30p.m., at the OLPH Parish Centre, 635 Tranquille Rd. in Kamloops, BC. *You will hear first-hand stories on adoption and end-of-life care.* Tickets: \$30; phone 778-220-5584

* **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.

Camp Saint Volodymyr 2017 on August 20-27, 2017. The purpose of camp is to provide an opportunity for youth to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Children will experience Ukrainian language and culture during camp along with games, religious activities, hikes, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and other summer camp activities.

This marks the 34th year of our Ukrainian Catholic Summer Camp. Camp will take place in Kelowna at the OAC facility. Camp offers a wide range of activities for campers aged 7-15 (as of December 31, 2017). Registration will be available online via Eventbrite "Camp Saint Volodymyr BC 2017." Early bird registration Ends July 6th, 2017.

WAYS TO HELP VOLUNTEER Camp St. Volodymyr is a nonprofit camp, run on a volunteer basis. If you are interested in helping at this year's camp as a counsellor, chef, arts & crafts or cultural coordinator please contact Jennifer. Applications forms for counsellors are due May 15, 2017. All volunteers will be subject to a criminal records check and must sign the camp code of conduct. **For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com.** Visit our webpage via www.nweparchy.ca

DONATE We are always happy to accept food donations of vegetables, fruits, cereals, and treats for children such as cakes, cookies, as well as monetary donations. Tax receipts can be issued with donations of \$25 or more.



**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 Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
House of Commons, Ottawa

March 10, 2017

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

I am writing to express my deep concern and disappointment at your government's decision to provide \$650 million to support "sexual and reproductive health programs" globally. While it is commendable and necessary to foster initiatives that further the rights of women and young girls worldwide, your public comments suggest that unless a woman has access to abortion or contraception, she is not empowered or able to realize her full potential.

I simply remind you and your colleagues that we have no rights at all unless we are afforded the right to life. That decision was made for you and for each one of us by a woman, determined and committed to bring a new life into this world.

It is praiseworthy to offer international aid; it is arrogant for powerful, wealthy nations to dictate what priorities developing countries should embrace. Pope Francis has cautioned the rich and powerful West against the danger of "ideological colonization," in which such countries and organizations offer funding to help further a particular social agenda. Do we empower women by making sex selective abortions more accessible? Money spent on promoting abortion and contraception could be spent on vaccinating millions of women and girls against malaria or other diseases. \$650 million could help build a lot of schools or universities, pathways to knowledge for future female leaders of our world.

Our country could learn from a number of inspiring examples of outreach and care that support women worldwide. Very often these programs are offered by faith-based, non-governmental organizations, which are usually the first to arrive and the last to leave any area of crisis or need. They understand the reality of the local situation, and respect the dignity of the people who live there.

Canada is blessed with prosperity and a wealth of resources. Surely we can do better than imposing a distorted vision of the empowerment of women on the people of countries that deserve our support to respond effectively to the challenge of their most pressing needs.

I would welcome the opportunity to speak with you regarding this critically important issue.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas Cardinal Collins
Archbishop of Toronto

Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto | 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario M4T 1W2



Liturgical celebrations during week:

"We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace." - Pope Francis

Bible readings for 4th week of the Great Fast/Lent

Mon.: Genesis 8:21-9:7; Proverbs 11:19-12:6 & Isaiah 14:24-32

Tue.: Genesis 9:8-17; Proverbs 12:8-22 & Isaiah 25:1-9

Wed.: Gen. 9:18-10:1; Proverbs 12:23-13:9 & Isaiah 26:21-27:9

Thur.: Gen. 10:32-11:9; Proverbs 13:19-14:6 & Isaiah 28:14-22

Fri.: Genesis 12:1-7; Proverbs 14:15-26 & Isaiah 29:13-23



Mon., Mar. 20th – 10:00 a.m. Funeral: + Mr. Joseph Burkatsky (requested by Mrs. Olga Burkatsky and Family)

Tue., Mar. 21th – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: Bronie and Peter Huska

Thurs., Mar. 23rd – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy:

– 6:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts and Bible Studies

(at Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Grindrod, BC)

Friday, Mar. 24th – 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.

Saturday, March 25th (**Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**) – 10:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.** (Eng./Ukr.)

Sunday, March 26th – 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.**

* **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 Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Grindrod, BC and The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church in Kamloops, 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 The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church at 109 Tranquille Road, Kamloops, BC V3B 3E8 or to Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church at Carlin Street and 3rd Avenue in Grindrod, BC V0E 1Y0, the sum of \$ _____ (or ____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the church/parish and it's needs and pastoral ministry."

Eparchy of New Westminster

My 2017 Great Fast/Lenten Donation for the Needs of the Church in Ukraine

Name:

Address:

Name of Organization or Fund	Amount enclosed
Ukrainian Catholic University	
Caritas Ukraine	
Holy Resurrection Sobor Building Fund	
Andrew's Pence	
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.