

# The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

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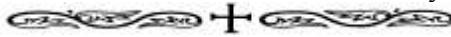
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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** – June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 A.D.

**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.

In today's Gospel reading Our Lord Jesus Christ commands His disciples to become fishers of men – to do the work of evangelism.

Saint John Chrysostom notes on this particular Gospel passage, "The fish, when they are caught, are transported from life to death, but men from death to life." Christian evangelization is not done to devour the catch, nor to make a profit from the catch, nor to feed the fishermen. We are to catch people to give them all the benefits of God's grace and to bring them into the Kingdom of Heaven. We are to catch them to benefit them as we have been benefitted. In this context, two sayings of Jesus Christ come to mind: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you" (John 5:12) and "You received without paying, give without pay" (Matthew 10:8).



"...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:

*Text from "The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom: An Anthology for Worship"; Pg. 329*

**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.

**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:** 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 St. Paul to the Romans:* (Rm. 2:10-16)

Brethren: there will be glory, honour, and peace for everyone who has done good, likewise the Jew first, then the Greek. With God there is no favouritism.

Sinners who do not have the law will perish without reference to it; sinners bound by the law will be judged in accordance with it. For it is not those who hear the law who are just in sight of God; it is those who keep it who will be declared just. When Gentiles who do not have the law keep it as by instinct, these men although without the law serve as a law for themselves. They show that the demands of the law are written in their hearts. Their conscience bears witness together with that law, and their thoughts will accuse or defend them on the day when, in accordance with the gospel I preach, God will pass judgment on the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.



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

**Gospel:** (Mt. 4:18-23)

At that time, as Jesus was walking along the Sea of Galilee he watched two brothers, Simon now known as Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea. They were fishermen. He said to them, "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately abandoned their nets and became his followers.

He walked along farther and caught sight of two other brothers, James, Zabedee's son, and his brother John. They too were in their boat, getting their nets in order with their father, Zabedee. He called them, and immediately they abandoned boat and father to follow him.

Jesus toured all of Galilee. He taught in their synagogues, proclaimed the good news of the kingdom, and cured the people of every disease and illness.

**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 ...*

## GRATITUDE

\* to all ladies and gentlemen who organized, worked and participated in our parish Praznyk/Feast Day celebrations!

\* to everyone who greeted Fr. Pavlo on his birthday!

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

**"Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us!"** (Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom)

## CONGRATULATIONS

Blessings and Congratulations to Brayden Flodstrom, of proud parents Todd & Shauna Flodstrom and grandparents Matt & Adelle Dmyterko, who graduated on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> this year from North Kamloops Secondary in Kamloops, BC! May Our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ lead and bless you, dear graduate and brother in Christ, by keeping you to live wisely for many blessed years of your family, church and country!

May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in many, happy and blessed years of life to Mrs. Mildred Kolody on her birthday (June 16<sup>th</sup>), to Mrs. Elsie Zachary on her birthday (June 22<sup>nd</sup>), and to all our parishioners, guests, visitors, family members and all those who celebrate Father's Day today, their birthdays, name-days, wedding anniversaries and any other special anniversaries this week – Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!



### *What does it mean to be a Father?*

A father must be many things for his family. First of all, he must be a breadwinner. He must provide for those he loves. Often it is only a breadwinner who knows what it costs in blood, sweat and tears to be a good provider!

A father must look deeply into his conscience, and with his wife, determine what the real needs of his family are. He must sometimes willingly and without regret make decisions that will be appreciated perhaps only after the years have gone by! A father must be a leader; one who shares in the decision making process with his family!

A father must also be a priest, helping to lead his family to God. In a sense, a father is called to be like God, in that he creates, sustains and provides for those he loves!

**Dear fathers, grandfathers, god-fathers, most reverend and reverend spiritual fathers may the Almighty and Omnipresent God bestow upon you, your families and all your dear ones good health, peace, lots of love, blessings and happiness that you can cherish always - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!!**

*It is truly right*

It is tru-ly right to bless you, O God -  
 bear - ing One, as the e-ver-bless - ed and im-ma-cu-late  
 Mo - ther of our God. More ho - nor - able  
 than the che - ru-bim and by far more glo - ri - ous  
 than the se - ra-phim; e - ver a vir - gin,  
 you gave birth to God the Word, O true Mo - ther  
 Mo - ther of God, we mag-ni - fy you.

*May our mouths be filled*

A - men. May our mouths be filled with your praise, O  
 Lord, that we may sing of Your glo - ry.  
 For You made us wor - thy to par - take of Your  
 ho - ly, di - vine, im - mor - tal and  
 life giv - ing Mys - ter - ies. Pre - serve us in Your ho - li -  
 ness that we may me - di - tate all the  
 day up - on Your jus - - - - tice. Al - le -  
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 al - le - lu - ia.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS 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. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PARISH SOCIAL AFTER THE SERVICE AT THE CHURCH HALL TODAY! ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL DAY WITH YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS BUT DO NOT FORGET THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON, OUR HEAVENLY FATHER!!!

### Special Petitions:

\* We also pray to be blessed with generous hearts to contribute to our Bishop's initiatives and programmes, such as: the support of parishes, the education of parishioners, and the formation of seminarians, Lord hear us and have mercy.



\* We also pray for the people of Ukraine, that with the help of the Holy Spirit, they may obtain social peace, political harmony and economic stability: Lord, hear us and have mercy.

III. **REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:** yourselves, Most Reverend Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn, Fr. Steven Basarab, Fr. 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.

\* **Sunday** (June 11<sup>th</sup>) **faithful offerings/donations:** \$ 718.00

\* **Parish Council Meeting** will be held at 7:00 pm. on Tue., June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 A.D.

\* **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly will be having their Officers' Installation** at the Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church on at 5: 30 p.m. on Mon., June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 A.D. Everyone is welcome!

\* **Bible Studies, the Book of Acts** final session will be presented after the Divine Liturgy and social on next Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

\* **Praznyk/Parish Feast Day at the Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Grindrod, BC - will be celebrated, Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017.** The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. Reception to follow at the church hall. We are looking forward to see, pray, welcome and share the joy of celebration with you!

\* **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** Oct. 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](tel:604-617-7200)

\* **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](http://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!

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\* **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. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** to help out with weekly cleaning in the church and organizing of coffee social after the Divine Liturgy on Sundays, work-bees, etc. If you can help out, please,



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

\* **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 34<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

The registration for our Eparchial summer camp is now OPEN!

To register follow the link: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/camp-st-volodymyr-bc-2017-tickets-32623288133?aff=utm\\_source%3Dweb\\_email%26utm\\_medium%3Demail%26utm\\_campaign%3Dnew\\_event\\_email&utm\\_term=eventurl\\_text](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/camp-st-volodymyr-bc-2017-tickets-32623288133?aff=utm_source%3Dweb_email%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dnew_event_email&utm_term=eventurl_text)

You can also access the link through our camp's website [csv.nweparchy.ca](http://csv.nweparchy.ca).

**WAYS TO HELP VOLUNTEER** Camp Saint 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](mailto:jennsawka@hotmail.com). Visit our webpage via [www.nweparchy.ca](http://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.

**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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**Come discover life possibilities, while helping others in need...** Consider joining us at the

Welcome Home – A Mission of St. Alphonsus an inner city ministry in Winnipeg, where we work together to always be inclusive of those who can be over-looked - the poor and the most abandoned. Founded by the Redemptorists over 20 years ago, the Welcome Home works to build a community that embraces the material, emotional and spiritual needs of those in need. The Welcome Home is now accepting applicants for the live-in community commencing September 2017. We ask for a 10 month live-in commitment however the length of stay is negotiable and can be a little as 4 months.

Interested in exploring the possibilities of living in community, giving of your time and talents while receiving the gift of a life changing experience? Get more information at [www.thewelcomehome.ca](http://www.thewelcomehome.ca) or contact the Welcome Home at 204-946-5352 or [whome01@mymts.net](mailto:whome01@mymts.net).

**Inner-City Ministry Coordinator Position** Seeking an individual interested in a leadership position for *The Welcome Home – A Mission of St. Alphonsus* an inner city ministry in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Founded by the Ukrainian Redemptorists over 20 years ago, the Welcome Home is a faith based community that responds to the material, emotional and spiritual needs of people on the periphery.

The Welcome Home Coordinator is a full-time position that is responsible for ensuring all aspects of the ministry are in place including building relationships with those in need, volunteer co-ordination, programming, communications and promotions. The Welcome Home serves the neighborhood with the help of a live-in community, the Coordinator works with and participates in the life of the live-in community especially through community prayer and planning the work of the ministry.

Qualification:

- A desire to work in an inclusive environment with those who can be overlooked in society, the poor and most abandoned
- Committed practicing Catholic  Leadership skills that demonstrate your ability to build relationship and motivate others
- Experience in planning, coordinating and implementing programs for various age groups

Interested in knowing more details about this full-time position, contact Fr. Larry Kondra, CSSR. at [whome01@mymts.net](mailto:whome01@mymts.net) or 204-339-5737 **Application deadline July 14, 2017** [www.thewelcomehome.ca](http://www.thewelcomehome.ca)

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\* **50<sup>th</sup> PARISH ANNIVERSARY:** Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church in Surrey, BC will be holding the Celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Parish this year. The dates are: **Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM – Banquet** (5 STAR CATERING SUNRISE



BANQUET & CONFERENCE CENTRE 5640 188 Str.); **Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am.** If you would like to submit some photos or other materials for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, please use the following e-mail address: [50holycross@gmail.com](mailto:50holycross@gmail.com)

\* **The Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC) is pleased to announce the launch of its project, Celebrating the Strength of Canada's Diversity: Youth Engaging Youth.** The project is undertaken with the financial support of the Government of Canada's Department of Heritage Canada 150 Fund. With the Celebrating the Strength of Canada's Diversity: Youth Engaging Youth Project, the UCC will work with its member organizations across the country to organize youth-led and driven Canada 150 celebratory events in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Ontario. The end goal is to focus on youth working together in the spirit of diversity and inclusion to share experiences and create actively engaging celebratory events for Canadians for Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The project will result in 50 events, engaging 1250 – 2500 youth in actively designing and administering the events, and attracting up to 50,000 Canadians. If your organization has young and enthusiastic leaders who might be interested in organizing or developing current multicultural youth event in BC under the UCC Youth Engaging Youth project umbrella with the financial support of the Government of Canada's Department of Heritage Canada 150 Fund, please contact:

Galyna Paliychuk *BC Canada 150 animator / Youth Engaging Youth coordinator at UCC National* Cell: 604-767-7608  
Email: [galyna@ucc.ca](mailto:galyna@ucc.ca) Website: [www.150.ucc.ca](http://www.150.ucc.ca)

\* **Young basketball player coming from Ukraine to Kamloops, BC.** He is looking for room and board residence for 500 to 600 a month. If anyone is willing to help him out that would be truly appreciated. Please, contact Scott Clark at [sclark@tru.ca](mailto:sclark@tru.ca)

## **In Memoriam: Lubomyr Husar, Cardinal and Spiritual Father of Ukraine**

His Beatitude Lubomyr Cardinal Husar was the spiritual father of today's Ukraine, but also of many of us.

I knew Father Lubomyr, Bishop Husar and His Beatitude over 50 years in different countries on two continents. As a boy I saw him in the United States in the mid-1960s during summer vacations in the borscht belt of the Catskills in New York state, where he was a parish pastor. Already at that time, he captivated young and old, intellectuals and simple people, by his authenticity and humor.

In the late 1970s and 1980s in Rome, Father Lubomyr was our spiritual director at the seminary and my personal confessor. Then, in Ukraine, for nearly 20 years, I was honored to be a close collaborator.

He was born in 1933 in the city of Lviv, then within the borders of interwar Poland. As a child, Lubomyr endured the horrors of Soviet and Nazi occupations of western Ukraine before the Husar family fled to Austria in 1944. There he went to high school and mastered German and Latin. With his parents he moved to the United States in 1949. In Stamford, Connecticut, Washington and New York, he completed undergraduate and graduate seminary studies and a specialization in philosophy.

After serving as a parish priest and teaching foreign languages and philosophy at St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Seminary in Stamford, he went to Rome and there completed a doctorate in

ecclesiology and ecumenism. Longing for a more contemplative life, he became a monk of the Studite order in 1972. In 1977, he was secretly consecrated a bishop by Cardinal Josyf Slipyi.

By the mid-1970s the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church (UGCC), outlawed in the Soviet Union in 1946, had been clandestine for 30 years. Lubomyr's episcopal consecration and his status as a bishop remained a secret — he was a reserve bishop for the Church of the catacombs in case the Soviets succeeded in eliminating hierarchical apostolic succession in the UGCC. Thus, he continued his monastic life and his teaching at the Urbaniana University and the Lviv seminary for 19 years in Rome and, after 1993, in newly independent Ukraine.

In 1996, seeing the great spiritual gifts of the secret bishop, Pope St. John Paul II publicly acknowledged his episcopal consecration. It was with the Pope's support that, in 2001, the Greek Catholic Church of Ukraine chose Lubomyr Husar as its leader. A week after the election, the Holy Father named him cardinal.

The past 15 years of deep social upheaval have been heartrending for a traumatized post-communist Ukrainian society. At the time of the Orange Revolution and the Revolution of Dignity, as well as during the last three years of war, Cardinal Husar was a voice of wisdom, reassurance and hope. He became the most recognized moral authority of the country, despite being the leader of a minority church (10% of the population).

Lubomyr Husar was endowed with many talents — spirituality, intelligence, sensitivity, great imagination and a remarkable ability to communicate. He preached and sang with a beautiful, resonant baritone. He was considered the best preacher of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church of the past 50 years.

But above all, he was a man of prayer, a monk thirsting for communion with God. As a priest, archimandrite and hierarch, he prayed ceaselessly to be in union with the Lord and lead others toward this communion. His prayer gave him the fortitude and peace necessary to endure many physical ailments. He was functionally blind for the last 12 years of his life. Most people were not fully aware of his handicap. He never complained.



For Lubomyr Husar, the unity of Christian churches was of utmost importance. He wrote his doctorate on a pioneer of ecumenism, Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky and his theology and spirituality of reconciliation among Christians. His Beatitude patiently wrought unity among the bishops of the synod of UGCC, who were deeply divided at the time of his election. He brought together Ukrainians of different confessions, or without confession, becoming for them a spiritual father and moral beacon.

Taxi drivers, hipsters, the young and old, business persons and artists, practicing parishioners and those who were not members of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church listened to Husar's audio and video broadcasts. The cardinal contributed to rapprochement between Ukrainians, Poles and Jews. He dreamed of the end of the war and peace with Russia.

Lubomyr Husar left a legacy of two particular virtues that are most relevant for Ukraine's political and economic elite. Maybe not only for Ukraine and maybe not only for the elite.

In the world there is a thirst for power and the desire to preserve it, often at all costs. Husar gave up power and surprised all of Ukraine by his retirement in 2011, unprecedented for the head of any of the Eastern Christian Churches of Ukraine.

The cardinal lived humbly, possessed little and disliked luxury. For the liturgy and for glory to God, he followed the rich Byzantine tradition, with the beauty of its celebrations. Otherwise he was a minimalist and disdained doodads.

Cardinal Husar had simple tastes in just about everything. His favorite meal was pork and beans. This modesty and simplicity also prevailed in the manner in which he related with others. He communicated with ease with the everyman, in many different languages, in different countries and continents. His conversation was embellished with pearls of self-effacing humor. Lubomyr knew how to laugh and laugh at himself. This humor reflected his intimacy with God, for humor and mystery are cousins of the sacred and the sacramental. His humor often carried a strong social moral message. Asked how the oligarchs of Ukraine can be reformed, Husar replied: "They should attend more funerals."

At the time of his passage to God, we accompany Lubomyr with prayer for the peace and repose of his soul.

Let us pray for His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk, Cardinal Husar's 46-year-old successor, who must bear the burdens of his flock in a time of war and humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.

Let us pray that the Lord make Lubomyr Husar's virtues our own. *Vichnaia pamiat!* Everlasting memory!

*Written by Most Rev. Bishop Borys Gudziak*

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### **Liturgical celebrations during week:**

Mon., June 19<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Mike and Christina Seleska**  
– 5:30 pm. Moleben to **Blessed Virgin Mary**

Tue., June 20<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **Christian and Brian Watson**  
– 6:15 pm. Moleben to **Jesus Christ**

Wed., June 21<sup>st</sup> – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for Nancy Norton**

(Requested by Mrs. Sharon and Mr. Allan Ludwig)

Thurs., June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **The Wheeler Family**

Fri., June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 9:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy: **+ Deceased members of the Laybourn Family**

Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 4:45 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Hour Service (Eng.) (*Service for Sunday in Grindrod, BC*)

– 5:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy: **God's blessings for all parishioners.**

Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 9:30 a.m. Rosary (Eng.)

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

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

**Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments: Reconciliation:** on Sundays and Holy Days: before Liturgies and other days, by appointment.

**Holy Communion:** for the sick, by appointment, any time. **Baptisms:** by appointment. **Marriages:** 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:** 1) You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Holy Communion); 2) You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently; 3) You attend Divine Services regularly; 4) Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church; 5) You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water and medicine does not break the fast). 6) You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel. 7) To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace. **If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are very welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.**