



**Palm Sunday ** The Lord's
Entrance into Jerusalem***
Annunciation of Our Most
Holy Lady, the Mother of God
and Ever-Virgin Mary**

*Passing into Eternal Life (1944) of Blessed Omelian (Emil)
Kovch, Priest of Peremyshliany and Martyr of Majdanek.*

***** Sunday, March 25th, 2018 *****

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Parish Liturgical Services

**Sunday, March 25th – Palm Sunday & Feast of Annunciation
of the Mother of God **** 9:30 a.m. Rosary (Eng.) ****
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.) - *After the Divine
Liturgy - blessing of pussy willows &
blessing with Holy Oil***



Great & Holy Monday, March 26th *
4:00 p.m. *** *Akathist to Christ's Passion***

Great & Holy Tuesday, March 27th *
4:00 p.m. *** *Stations of the Cross***

Great & Holy Wednesday, March 28th * 4:00 p.m. ***
*Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts***

Great & Holy Thursday, March 29th * 6:00 p.m. *** *Matins
of the Passion/Strasti (12 Gospels)***

Good & Holy Friday, March 30th * 3:00 p.m. *** Good Friday Vespers & Procession with the Shroud - Plashchanycia After Service until 6:00 p.m.** – Confessions & church will be open for personal prayer.

Great & Holy Saturday, March 31 * 9:00 a.m. **** Holy Saturday Matins (Jerusalem Matins)**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Confessions & Personal Prayers before the Tomb

Sunday, April 1 – The Holy Resurrection Of Our Lord And Savior Jesus Christ - EASTER SUNDAY – Pascha / Великдень



****** 8:00 AM **** Paschal Procession, Easter Matins, Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom.** After the Liturgy - blessing of Artos and blessing of Easter Foods.

Bright Monday, April * 10:00 a.m. *** Divine Liturgy**

Bright Tuesday, April 3 * 10:00 a.m. *** Divine Liturgy**

Sunday, April 8 – Thomas Sunday ** 9:30 a.m. ** Rosary (Eng.) * 10:00 a.m. *** Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.).** After the Liturgy distributing of the Artos (the Blessed Bread), anointing with blessed oil and “Spilne Sviachence”/Parish Easter Lunch.



First Antiphon

I am filled with love * for the Lord will hear the voice of my plea.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

For He has inclined His ear to me, * and I will call to Him all the days of my life.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

The pangs of death encircled me, * the trials of Hades befell me.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

I met with anguish and pain, * and called upon the name of the Lord.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Only-begotten...

Third Antiphon

Verse: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, * for His mercy endures forever.

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God: * and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory * and cry to You, the conqueror of death: * Hosanna in the highest! * Blessed is He who comes * in the name of the Lord.

Verse: Therefore, let the house of Israel say that He is good, * for His mercy endures forever.

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us...

Verse: Therefore, let the house of Aaron say that He is good, * for His mercy endures forever.

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us...

Verse: Let all who fear the Lord say that He is good, * for His mercy endures forever.

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us...

Entrance *** Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, we bless you from the house of the Lord, * the Lord is God and has appeared to us.

Troparion, Tone 4: Today is the crown of our salvation, * and the unfolding of the eternal mystery; * the Son of God becomes the Virgin's Son, * and Gabriel brings the good tidings of grace. * With him let us also cry to the Mother of God: * Rejoice, Full of grace! The Lord is with you.

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

Kontakion, Tone 6: Mounted on the throne in heaven, O Christ God, * and on a colt here on earth, * You accepted the praise of the angels, * and the hymn of the children who cried to You: * Blessed are You who have come to call Adam back.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Prokeimenon, Tone 4 - Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; * God the Lord has appeared to us.

verse: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever. (Psalm 117:26-27)

Prokeimenon, Tone 4 - Proclaim from day to day* the good tidings of our God's salvation. (Psalm 95:2)

Philippians 4:4-9

Brothers and Sisters, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the

things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Alleluia, Tone 1 - He will descend like rain on a fleece, and like drops dripping on the earth. (Psalm 71:6)

verse: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. (Psalm 97:1)

John 12:1-18



Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus. The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him.

Hymn to the Mother of God - O my soul, magnify Christ who is seated on a foal.

Irmos, Tone 4: The Lord is God and has appeared to us:* together let us celebrate.* Come with great rejoicing; let us magnify Christ* with palms and olive branches, and with songs let us cry aloud to Him:* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Communion Hymn - Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;* God the Lord has appeared to us.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia. (Psalm 117:26-27)



**** ANNOUNCEMENTS ****

A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!

Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church – “Christ Our Pascha” #355-357

“II. THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY

2. The Liturgy of the Word (Liturgy of the Catechumens)

a. The Exclamation “Blessed be the Kingdom” and the Litany of Peace.

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As the public activity of Christ began with the proclamation that God’s kingdom was at hand, so the Liturgy begins with the announcement that the kingdom

is present. Signing the Holy Table with the Gospel Book cross-wise, the priest exclaims: “Blessed be the kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.” To this the participants at the Liturgy respond: Amen” (from the Hebrew, meaning let it be so). By this response they assert that the kingdom is truly among us and that they long for it to thrive and grow.

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In the Litany of Peace we bring before the Lord the Church’s prayer for the whole world. This is the way the liturgical assembly affirms the manifestation of God’s kingdom. The Church’s prayer for the world is an expression of faith that all is in the hands of the Lord. It also expresses our readiness to accept from the Lord whatever answer he might wish to give. The name of the Litany of Peace indicates the need for inner peace and reconciliation with all. The first petition of the Litany indicates that Christ himself is our peace (see Eph 2:14) and that it is in him that we pray. The petitions of the Litany of Peace express concern for the good of the Church, of the country in which we live, and of all creation. The Litany of Peace teaches the faithful to place common needs before private ones. The prayer “Lord, have mercy,” repeated by the faithful as the community’s response to the petitions, includes both the request for God’s merciful love and the community’s faith that he unfailingly proffers that love. **(p. 125-6)”**



Please Pray for health of ... Jessie P., Brandon, Vanessa & Nathan N., John K., Joe M., Anne D., Joyce & Joe K., Gordon B., Rose K., Edward H., Bishop Severian, Maria S., Maria & Ihor Z., Joe S., Clay B., Ana W., Fr. Jeffery S., Lawrence & Ping B., all the sick brothers and sisters in our families and our parish community.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.



Thank you to all our Volunteers – Дякуємо –

on behalf of our parish we say thank you to the members of UCWLC who in various ways helped make a great

Dr. Lynn



success of our 2018 Easter Bake Sale. Many thanks to everyone for your support of our parish community and all other work done at the church property this past week. God bless you all!



Многая Літа! – very special God’s blessings to anyone among our parishioners and their families who celebrated their birthday, name-day, wedding anniversary and any other special anniversary during **the**

month of March (20th - Robert Russell; 24th - Ann Derzak; 31st – Todd Flodstrom & Joe Mychaluk)

“Christ Our Pascha” - Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church – Part three of the presentation on this great spiritual resource of our Church will take place **today, Sunday, March 25th** during our coffee time after the Divine Liturgy.

Annual Eparchial Lenten Collection – thank you very much to everyone who was able to support this very special collection. We were able to collect **\$260**. Anyone still wishing to contribute, please do this today. We will be sending a cheque with the collected money to the Eparchy this coming week.

Good Friday, April 14th - is a strict fast day - no meat, dairy or poultry products.

Mass of Chrism Tuesday, March 27th at 10:00 am at Sacred Heart Cathedral:

During the Chrism Mass, Bishop Joseph will bless the oil of the sick and the oil of catechumens and consecrate the oil of chrism which will be used in the parishes of the diocese throughout the year.



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is holding an ecumenical Way of the Cross to be held on Good Friday morning at **10:00 a.m.** beginning outside ASK Wellness at [433 Tranquille Road](#). We will be stopping at 13 different locations on Tranquille Road and surrounding area and ending at SSVP around 11:30 a.m. A light lunch

of soup and a bun will be available. Please consider joining us to pray for the needs of our poor and the whole world.

Easter Food Blessing: The Polish and Ukrainian Catholic communities invite everyone for the traditional Easter Food Blessing Ceremony on **Holy Saturday, March 31st at 1:00 pm** at Sacred Heart Cathedral with Fr. Andrzej presiding; reception in the hall to follow. All are welcome.



Next Monthly Catholic Youth Meeting – will take place on Bright Friday, April 6th at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family RC parish.

Clergy Annual Retreat & Conference – will take place in Cache Creek from **Tuesday, April 10 to Friday, April 13th**.

Monthly Parish Council Meeting – will take place on **Tuesday, April 17th, 2018** at 7:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

Weekly Reflections – **Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese** reflection



question to Parish and Parishioners: #3. Is our religious education – for children, teenagers, and adults – as good as it ought to be? How successfully does it integrate the theology of God's universal call to holiness and mission? Does it clearly present ordained ministry, consecrated life, marriage, and single life as worthy and necessary vocations in the Church?

Announcement from the Kamloops Pro-life Society

- We invite you to our Pro-life Fundraising Dinner and Silent Auction, Saturday, April 21, 6:30 p.m., at the OLPH Parish Centre 635 Tranquille Rd. **Dr. Christopher Inegbedion**, psychiatrist, will be speaking on 'Life Choices'. **Tickets: \$30.** Phone [778-220-5584](tel:778-220-5584) or [250-376-4161](tel:250-376-4161).

Job Opportunity - The Pregnancy Care Centre is looking for a person to fill the position of Client Services Director. The Centre is a faith-based service which provides support to women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy. The successful candidate will be responsible to supervise our volunteers, oversee the support programs, record keeping, and offer options counsel. This part-time position is for 15 hours per week, complete training is provided. Interested candidates are invited to submit a resume to the Centre at [429 Tranquille Road](mailto:info@mypregnancychoices.ca), or e-mail to: info@mypregnancychoices.ca. (only those short-listed will be contacted for an interview).

Diocesan Youth Retreat: Friday April 27 – Sunday April 29
at St. John Vianney in Kamloops. Registration available online at
www.rcdk.org.

The Most Holy Trinity Parish Stewardship: Sunday,
March 18 - \$476.00 **** *May God bless and reward you for
your generosity & support.*



Lenten Scriptural Readings for this week

Monday: Ezekiel 1:1-20; Exodus 1:1-20 & Job 1:1-12

Tuesday: Ezekiel 1:21-28; Exodus 2:5-10 & Job 1:13-22

Wednesday: Ezekiel 2:3-3:3; Exodus 2:11-22 & Job 2:1-10

Thursday: Jeremiah 11:18-23; 12:1-5, 9-11, 14-15; Exodus
19:10-19 & Job 38:1-21; 42:1-5

Special Petition for Divine Liturgy:

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.

Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments:

Reconciliation: on Sundays and Holy Days: before Divine 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.

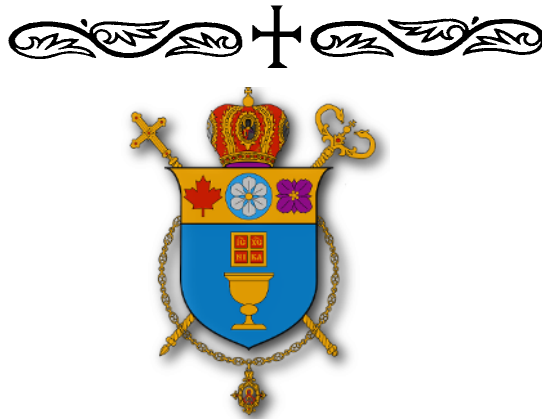
Funerals and Memorials: by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick (Holy Unction): Those anticipating
surgery, hospitalization or treatments and who would like to receive
anointing or to meet with parish priest, please call or email Fr.
Andrzej 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.



Easter 2018 Pastoral Letter

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ!

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

The famous Church Father, St. John Chrysostom (the “Golden-mouthed”), a great speaker and Archbishop of Constantinople (397-405), delivered an Easter homily which in the Byzantine Churches we customarily read on Easter morning.

This homily, an application of the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard (Mt. 20:1-16), is filled with joy and hope. St. John announces “Let every pious and God-loving soul enjoy this splendid and luminous feast...” He invites all to celebrate Easter, those who kept the Lenten Fast from the very beginning, as well as those who for whatever reason or excuse hardly participated in the Fast at all: “Rejoice today, both you who have fasted and you who have disregarded the fast. The table is full-laden; feast you all sumptuously. The calf is fatted; let no one go hungry away.” He reminds us, Dear Friends, that God’s love for us is boundless, and that our Lord’s sacrifice on the Holy Cross is for everyone, not just a privileged few.

The great Saint continues and talks about the significance of the feast: “Let no one fear death, for the Saviour’s death has set us free. He that was held prisoner of it has annihilated it.” It is, indeed, for this reason that in the Byzantine Church we sing: “Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death.” Having encountered Christ, Hell is described as abolished, mocked, slain, overthrown, bound in chains: “It took a body, and met God face to face. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took that which was seen, and fell upon the unseen.”

And finally, quoting St. Paul, “O death, where is your victory. O death, where is your sting” (1 Cor 15:55), in a final crescendo, over and over, he repeats the customary Easter greeting “Christ is risen!”, explaining ever deeper the fullness of our salvation: “you [death] are overthrown... the demons are fallen... the angels rejoice... life reigns... and not one dead remains in the grave.”

Few have been able to capture the joy of Easter better than St. John Chrysostom. As we celebrate this Feast of all feasts, may our Risen Lord bless you with a renewed FAITH in the Resurrection, and above all with the great JOY that comes from LIFE in Him!

With prayerful best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ!

Ken (Nowakowski)
Bishop of New Westminster



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**PASTORAL LETTER
OF HIS BEATITUDE SVIATOSLAV
TO YOUTH ON PALM SUNDAY**

Here I am, for you called me.

1 Sam 3:5

Beloved in Christ Youth in Ukraine and abroad!

Palm Sunday, the day of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, is traditionally in our Church an occasion to reach out to you with a special greeting and prayer. I value this occasion most highly, for I recognize that speaking to all of our youth—to all social groups, countries and cultures, uniting myself to you and constituting one great church family, is my privilege and responsibility.

Throughout this year, our Church in Ukraine and throughout the world is seeking to listen to our youth most attentively, in order to have an opportunity to speak to the whole Catholic Church in their name. In fact, in October, representatives of the Universal Church from many countries and continents will gather in Rome for a Papal Synod dedicated to the theme: "Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment." In the context of this general focus on young people in the world today, I call on you—carefree schoolchildren and overworked students; to you—

happy and often tired parents of schoolchildren and students; to you—caring grandmothers and grandfathers; to you, who have come to church today; and to all of you who you are open to hear me out.

Explaining why the Church is focusing on young people and what this Synod means, Pope Francis said: “The aim [of the Church] is to accompany the young on their existential journey to maturity so that, through a process of discernment, they discover their plan for life and realize it with joy, opening up to the encounter with God and with human beings, and actively participating in the edification of the Church and of society.”

Encounter is at the heart of Christ’s life and teaching on earth. Carefully reading the New Testament, we see a whole “rosary” of encounters, a network of people and relations, a constant search of people for God and God’s movement towards man.

The evangelists describe the earthly journey of Jesus Christ as a tireless movement towards Jerusalem, completed this very day, this festive day. The teaching of Christ, His works and gestures often are rejected by His contemporaries. Healing on the Sabbath? Speaking to publicans? Sharing a meal with sinners? Calling himself Son of God and remitting sins? All this seemed to represent a greater and greater challenge.

The majestic entry into Jerusalem became a challenge for all: for society, which grew accustomed to its role as a lawless, voiceless colony under the rule of the Roman emperor; for the religious establishment of Scribes and Pharisees, who claimed for themselves the right to speak on God’s behalf, even as they drifted hopelessly far away from His Spirit; for the authorities, who accepted their marionette-like status and fell into corruption; for the people, who got used to living in fear. They were lost in the face of this crisis, in the face of this “challenge,” whose name was Christ, and for whom the youth today sing “Hosanna” and proclaimed the King of Israel. Therefore, there was no solution other than that of turning away from Him, destroying Him, eliminating the threat to the status quo. They would not be

deterred even by the fact that Christ was the One of whom the Law and prophets spoke.

During the entry of Jesus into the city, it was the youth that accept the challenge—recognize Christ as God, as the Messiah, who brings freedom, opens the door to a living encounter with the Lord God. This challenge becomes for the youth a vocation—to new relations with God—a vocation to Love, to an authentic and full Life.

Beloved young Ukrainians, are you ready today in your circumstances to respond to the challenge of a new life, a new future? Search for your creative response to what kind of a Christian you want to be in today's world. Through His entry into Jerusalem, Christ does not merely throw out a challenge—He calls upon each of us to follow Him. As it was two thousand years ago, the youth of today are called to respond to this appeal, and not merely to observe.

Allow me in the name of the Church to throw out to you a challenge—to be with God more frequently, to dedicate to Him more time and attention, to pray privately for longer periods, to delve more deeply into the Sacred Scriptures. Reflecting on the teachings of Christ, you will also hear much about action: He Himself was constantly on the move—between towns and people, and He calls on His followers, especially us, to an active faith and love of God and neighbor.

To be a Christian is action. It signifies following Christ, responding to His fundamental calling, share in His life, death, and resurrection. For the path of our Savior is the life story of every person of faith. “Take up your cross and follow me,” — Christ calls out to His disciples of all time. The world today frequently sees in these words only humility and suffering to be rejected, whereas it is unable to recognize power and victory in this appeal. Human nature has within it an aspiration for victory—to win, be it is children's play or in serious projects at an adult age. The Cross of our Lord is a symbol of the most majestic, most important victory in the history of mankind—the

victory over sin and death. Jesus Christ calls on us to share the joy of such a victory.

Every person should ask themselves a basic question: how do I know to what it is that God is calling me? What am I to do in life to be happy? How do I apply the talents, abilities, and interests given to me? How do I put together the mosaic of feelings and sensibilities which the Lord has given me? What should I be? A doctor? A musician? A businessman? What should I do? Do missionary work at the ends of the earth? Defend my country armed with weapons? Be a volunteer in the East? How can I change my country? How do I make the world a better place? How do I live an authentic life? These and other questions too numerous to count should be answered by the youth of today in Ukraine and the world over, a world ever-changing, more fleeting, with countless global possibilities, dangers, and problems. The world demands expecting answers, while God calls—He is the challenge that grants us our personal life vocation.

Christ calls but each person should discern this call, understand their role, fulfill their specific life purpose. Christ invites but a person's response is always personal.

Your vocation is also your response, Beloved Youth, to God's call. Failing to find this response is to waste a life, to live not your life, to plan a life but never taste its fulfillment. Christ appeals to each one of us with these words: "I came that [you] may have life and have it abundantly" (Jn 10:10). This, the primary calling, which the Lord God directs to us, is the vocation to a fullness of life, while its realization is an individual's response.

The task of the entire community of the Church—parents, teachings, mentors and educators—is to help a young person find his or her own response to God's calling, to discover in oneself their God-given talents, to discern one's vocation, written in the soul.

Discerning a vocation requires its discovery, interpretation, and choice. Without choice, that is, action, even the greatest

vocation, the boldest dream, the brightest life is not possible. And choice requires courage—to respond to a call, to not fear deep waters, unpassable mountains or unknown paths, that is, difficulties, misunderstandings, and obstacles. This particularly applies to a unique vocation, which the world today drowns out, to the priestly or monastic state, as well as to the vocation to be a good father or mother.

Beloved girls and boys, have courage to respond to the challenge—to fulfill your God-given vocation! Dare to respond to the calling of Christ! Be yourselves! When you will understand, open up and develop your vocation, do not be afraid to stand on this path. Take responsibility upon yourselves! It is not by chance that the word “response” has the same root as “responsibility”: one cannot be quietly and inactively responsible. Trust in God, who first has trusted in you, has first loved you.

Today Christ solemnly enters into Jerusalem to fulfill His vocation to die for us so that we might have eternal life. In searching for your response, your vocation, allow Him to be close to you!

The blessing of the Lord be upon you!

†SVIATOSLAV

Given in Kyiv
at the Patriarchal Cathedral of the Resurrection of Christ,
on Akathist Saturday, March 24, 2018 A.D.

We instruct the clergy to read this Pastoral Letter to the faithful after every Divine Liturgy on Palm Sunday.