



## *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha; Sunday of the Paralytic*

**The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark (54-68)** – Mark, or John-Mark, was a cousin of Barnabas. He belonged to the tribe of Levi and went to Antioch with St. Paul in the year 44. He also accompanied St. Peter to Rome. At the request of the Christians of Rome, he wrote in Greek the Gospel that bears his name. Later, he founded the church of Alexandria in Egypt. He is symbolized by the lion, the second beast in the vision of Ezekiel (1:10).

**\*\* Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021\*\***

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*Easter Season Greeting until May 13<sup>th</sup>*

***Christ Is Risen! - Indeed He Is Risen!***

***Chrystos Voskres! - Voistynu Voskres!***

***Христос Воскрес! - Воістину Воскрес***

***The Most Holy Trinity Parish Public Liturgical  
Services Postponed until further notice***

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**Please join in live-streamed coverage of liturgical services:**

**Holy Eucharist Cathedral (New Westminster) – Divine  
Liturgy at 8:30 a.m. (Eng.) & 10:30 a.m. (Ukr.)**

**<https://www.facebook.com/holyeucharistcathedral/>**

**Youtube** [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPp1JaDotIj\\_4h3aAJq0Srg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPp1JaDotIj_4h3aAJq0Srg)

**St. Nicholas Parish, (Victoria)** - Divine Liturgy at **10:00 a.m.**  
via [Facebook](#) or [Website](#)

**St. George's Parish (Prince George)** - Divine Liturgy: **8:30 a.m.** – (in Ukrainian) & **10:00 a.m.** (in English) - Facebook page or at parish webpage ([www.sgparish.ca](http://www.sgparish.ca))



*After the priest has exclaimed, “Blessed be the Kingdom...” and the people have responded, “Amen,” the clergy sing the Paschal Troparion once and the people repeat it. Then, the clergy sing the first half, and the people conclude it.*

***Paschal Troparion*** - Christ is risen from the dead, \* trampling death by death, \* and to those in the tombs \* giving life.

***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 3:*** Learning from Peter the chief apostle \* you too became an apostle of Christ, \* and shone on various lands like the sun. \* O blessed one, adornment of Alexandrians, \* through you Egypt was freed from deceit.\* For you are a pillar of light for the Church \* enlightening all with your teaching of the Good News. \* Therefore, we feast your memorial, O Mark, divinely inspired. \* Ask God, whom you preached to all, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

***Kontakion, Tone 2:*** You received from on high the grace of the Spirit,\* and destroyed the snares of the orators,\* O Mark, most glorious apostle.\* You caught the nations and brought them to the Master\* by preaching to them the divine Good News.

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

*Kontakion, Tone 3:* Lord, as of old You raised the Paralytic,\* lift my soul by Your divine presence,\* for by many sins and foolish actions,\* I, too, am now afflicted and crippled.\* Raise me, that being saved I may cry to You:\* Glory to Your power, O merciful Christ.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

*Kontakion, Tone 8:* Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One,\* yet You destroyed the power of Hades;\* and You rose as victor, O Christ God,\* calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice!\* and giving peace to Your Apostles:\* You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

*Prokeimenon, Tone 1* - Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

*verse:* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

*Prokeimenon, Tone 8* - Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their word unto the ends of the world.

*Epistle - Acts 9:32-42*

In those days, as Peter went here and there among all the believers, he came down also to the saints living in Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years, for he was paralyzed. Peter said to him, “Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed!” And immediately he got up. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.



Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and

then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

*Alleluia, Tone 1* - Of Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation.

*verse:* For You have said, "Mercy will be established forever."

*verse:* The heavens shall confess our wonders, O Lord, and Your truth in the church of the saints.

*verse:* God is glorified in the assembly of the saints.

***Gospel - John 5:1-15***

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids - blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, "It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat." But he answered them, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Take up your mat and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take it up and walk'?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you." The

man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

### ***Hymn to the Mother of God***

The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

### ***Communion Hymn***

Receive the Body of Christ;\* taste the fountain of immortality.\* Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. *(Psalm 148:1)*\* Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth,\* and their word unto the ends of the world.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia. *(Psalm 18:5)*

***Instead of*** “Blessed is He...” *we sing: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.*

***Instead of*** “We have seen .....

***Instead of*** “Let our mouths...” *we sing: Christ is risen ... (3x).*

***Instead of*** “Blessed be the name...” *we sing: Christ is risen (3x).*

“Christ is risen” is sung again once (using a simple chord chant) instead of “Glory be to the Father...” at the dismissal.

*Then the Troparion* “Christ is risen” is sung as in the beginning of the Liturgy, but with an additional ending.

**Troparion:** Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life *(3x).*

***And to us He has granted life eternal \* we bow down before His resurrection on the third day.***



### **\*\* To Ponder – The Fathers & Mothers Speak \*\*\***

*“Love has to hurt to be true. It hurt Jesus to love us. It truly hurt Him.” St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

*“To one of the brethren appeared a devil, transformed into an angel of light, who said to him: ‘I am the Angel Gabriel’, and I have been sent to thee.’ But the brother said: ‘Think again – you must have been sent to somebody else. I haven’t done anything to deserve an angel.’ Immediately the devil ceased to appear.”*  
**Desert Fathers**

***Commentary on the Sunday Gospel Reading:***

<https://godwithusonline.org/reflections/the-sunday-of-the-paralytic-ukrainian/>



Notice that the paralytic did not call out to Christ to help him; instead, the Lord reached out to him, asking *“Do you want to be made well?”* That may seem like a strange question, for presumably anyone waiting by a pool for healing after 38 years of illness would want to be made well. But think for a moment about how we have all learned to adapt to our favourite sins, how we have become comfortable with whatever forms of corruption have become second nature to us over the years. By virtue of coming to Church, we are apparently religious people, but that does not mean that we truly want to be healed. For to be healed means obeying the Lord’s command to this fellow: *“Stand up, take your mat and walk.”* It requires making the effort to rise up in obedience, to be transformed personally in how we live each day, and to grow in holiness. It would not have sufficed for that man to have remained on his bed and have warm feelings about how Christ had healed him. Just as anyone who lies motionless for a long time will become weak and unable to rise up and walk on his own power, the same will be true of us spiritually.



## **\*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\***



*Dear Parishioners, please be assured of my prayers and well wishes in this ever present time of battle with the coronavirus.*

*Public church services continue to be postponed. Please participate in online or televised services and remain united with each other in thought, prayer, phone calls, etc.*



**Please Pray for health of ...** All those affected

by the coronavirus, and: Ambrose S., Robert M., Dave & Betty C., Matt D., Alexandra & Oleh K., Mirosław G., John N., Fr. John N., T.W., Bill P., Thomas H., Bohdan R., Lawrence & Ping B., Peter O., Gladys O., Alex S., Jessica N., Olga P., Sharon B., Zonia R., Brian K., Jayne & Ernie P., Mary W., Sam D., Ray O., Mary E., Sharon & Al L., Joe S., Jeanne R., Emily H., Lisa M., Michael L., Greg H., Melynda S., Ann D., Joyce K., Suzanne C., Clay B., Maria W., Anne D., all sick brothers and sisters in our families and 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 Supporters**

– **Дякуємо** – Our gratitude to everyone for your prayers & ongoing financial support of our parish and for all other ways in which you assist our church community. Thank you to Mr. John Chaplin for his maintenance work at the premises this past week (irrigation system & lawnmower project.) God bless you all!



**Happy Birthday**



**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 day during **the month of April (3<sup>rd</sup> – Elsie Kinaschuk.)**

**Congratulation! Многая Літа! To Ukrainian Youth Association of Canada** – on the very special occasion of the

75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Ukrainian Youth Association (CYM) in the diaspora, we offer our prayers and gratitude to our youth and ask God for His continued blessings. As we celebrate a Day of Prayer to mark this special occasion, the following special petitions will be prayed at today's Divine Liturgy:

1. We pray for Ukraine and all its sons and daughters, united in the ranks of the Ukrainian Youth Association (CYM), who are celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the diaspora.
2. For the youth and leadership of the Ukrainian Youth Association (CYM), here in Canada and around the world, that they continue to be educated in the spirit of selfless service to God and Ukraine.
3. We also pray for the souls of the departed members of CYM; for the forgiveness of their sins whether voluntary or involuntary.

**Moleben to the Mother of God** – it is our beautiful tradition during the month of May to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary, therefore we will be celebrating Molebens or Akaphists. Starting this coming Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> I would like to invite the faithful to join in an outdoor service of Moleben at 3:00 p.m. To participate, please call Fr. Andrzej at 250-461-7249. All pandemic guidelines apply in order to participate. Please refer to the attached letter with guidelines from Holy Eucharist Cathedral.

**Alpha online** – our next catechetical session will take place this coming **Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>** at 11:30 a.m.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** – will hold their Annual General Meeting via zoom on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. This coming **Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.** the board of SSVP will have their first zoom session of workshop on mental health.

**Upcoming Major Feast Days** – The Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ will be celebrated on **Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>** & The Descent of the Holy Spirit – **Pentacost Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

**The Canadian National Week For Life & The Family** - will be celebrated from **May 9-16**, with the theme, “Family, the Domestic Church: A Sign of Hope and Life.” Material to mark the celebration has been prepared by the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF), and is available on the CCCB website: <https://www.cccb.ca/national-week-for-life-and-the-family/>



**National March For Life 2021 May 13, 2021** – for more information, please follow the link - <https://marchforlife.ca>

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPRING 50/50 CHARITY APPEAL** - Tickets online [kofcbc5050.ca](http://kofcbc5050.ca). The more tickets purchased, the bigger the winnings. 200 Tickets for \$50.00; 50 Tickets for \$25.00; 10 Tickets for \$10.00. Total 1,400,000 tickets for sale. Sales ends on April 30, 2021. Draw April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 6:30 p.m. Thank you for Your support. Working to make our communities better. Must be 19+ to participate.

**The Worldwide Marriage Encounter** - virtual weekend experience is coming to you on May 14 - 16, 2021! Registration deadline: May 7, 2021. If you desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you; no travel required, all from the comfort of your own home! For registration go to: <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-5>

Click here for info video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvQUEZ35Ufg&feature=youtu.be>



**Sunday, April 25 \*\*\*** *Divine Liturgy* (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners

**Monday, May 26 \*\*\*** Div. Lit: God's blessings & good health to Jayne & Ernie P.

**Tuesday, April 27 \*\*\*** Div. Lit: God's blessings to Holly P.

**Wednesday, April 28 \*\*\*** Div. Lit: God's blessings to Staff & students at St. Ann's Academy

**Thursday, April 29** Div. Lit: Div. Lit: +Jessie Pawlyshyn (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**Saturday, May 1 \*\*\*** *Moleben to the Mother of God*  
\*\*\* 3:00 p.m. - outdoor service

**Sunday, May 2 \*\*\* Divine Liturgy (Eng./Ukr.): God's blessings to all parishioners**



*Prayer for the Afflicted People of Ukraine in Time of War*

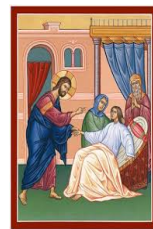
O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we entreat You to hear the earnest prayer of Your beloved Church of Kievan Rus' for her deeply afflicted children abiding in the land of Ukraine. Behold their grave sorrow and grievous plight, and speedily come to their aid. Deliver Your vulnerable people from unjust aggressors, foreign invasion and the terror of war. Strengthen courageous defenders of the nation to fight virtuously, inspired more by love of those they protect than hatred of the enemy.

O compassionate Lord, shelter the displaced, heal the wounded, console the orphan, protect the widow, comfort those who mourn, and mercifully receive into Your Kingdom those who have nobly died guarding their homeland against every aggression. Quickly make cease the spilling of blood of friend and foe alike, yet stir many to bravely struggle for that true justice which alone can bring lasting peace.

O kind-hearted Lord, as You are our peace, soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that Your beloved children of the land of Ukraine may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom, where You reign with Your eternal Father, and Your most holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now, and forever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer During the Coronavirus Outbreak**

Lord, Our God,  
We thank you for the life that is your gift,  
For the providence that sustains us,  
And for your wisdom that directs the course of  
our days. The threat of an infection of coronavirus  
is upon us today. This disease causes fear among



us and has claimed lives.

We humbly beg you, loving Lord, dispel our fear and deliver us from this and other diseases.

Heal those who are afflicted and stop the spread of the virus.

Strengthen us in charity to care for one another.

For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

Amen.

### *Prayer of Spiritual Communion*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in these Holy Gifts!

I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.



Since I cannot receive You now, I place before You my whole life and hope, O loving Master; and I ask, pray, and entreat You: Make me worthy to partake in a mystical way and with a pure conscience of Your awesome and heavenly Mysteries: for forgiveness of sins, for the pardon of offenses, for communion of the Holy Spirit, for the inheritance of the kingdom of heaven, for confidence before You, and not for judgment or condemnation.

I embrace You as You enter and abide in me, and I unite myself completely to You. Permeate my soul and body, and never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



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

### **Beloved Youth in Christ—in Ukraine and abroad!**

Palm Sunday, the Feast of our Lord's entry into Jerusalem, is the day when our Church with special attention embraces you in her thoughts and prayers. Our tradition of engaging with you in prayer is a most important experience, especially now, when, because of quarantine restrictions and social distancing, we must make an even greater effort to keep our connection vibrant and

strong. COVID-19 has impacted all of us: the old and the young, families and communities—which is why the Church wishes to stand by every human being. However, we especially want to accompany young people, who are growing and being formed in this time of immense challenges and trials.

If you are 21 years old, you have spent a third of your life under the shadow of war in East Ukraine, and for the last year and a half you are experiencing a pandemic, which the world has not seen for a century. If we add political polarization, economic hardship found in many countries where our faithful have settled, and personal restlessness, which is typical for every young person, the result is—a twisted ball of knots, or even an explosive mixture.

And yet, the Good News of Christ reassures us that in the events which we remember today, in spite of the fact that they took place two thousand years ago, there are subtle answers to the challenges of today. What is it that we celebrate and experience anew this day?

After three years of preaching and teaching in different corners of Israel, after healings, miracles, and conflicts with teachers of the law, Jesus together with his disciples goes to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover there. This practice—to celebrate Passover in the city of the temple—was for the People of God of that time the spiritual event of the year! Let's imagine Jerusalem in the day—the capital of the country, a great city, a sea of pilgrims from all over the world, Roman legionaries, customers and merchants, all searching for their role and place. Similar to our globalized world, is it not? And here Jesus appears. He had just resurrected Lazarus. Many inhabitants and pilgrims know Him through his preaching, healings, and miracles, which he had performed earlier, and so the news of His appearance is immediately carried through the city, and the people come out to greet Him.

Whom do they greet? Christ's entry into Jerusalem is called triumphant, regal. Various signs indicate this—palm branches, which in the ancient world was considered a symbol of victory;

the ass, which for the Jews embodied the fulfillment of prophecies about the Messiah, who will come to liberate the people from enslavement; the crowd, that greets Christ with exclamations of “Hosanna!” and calls him a king.

In biblical understanding, the king of Israel is the one who creates and protects the fullness of life for his nation, and is the intermediary between God and His people. In other words, through the king, God continuously creates, gives life to and cares for His people. At the time of the events of which we speak, there had not been a king for centuries—captivity evolved into enslavement, revolts suffered defeats, the people grew accustomed to ever new invaders, and began to cooperate with them in order to survive. But the Jews do not lose hope, they expect a warrior-king, who will liberate the people, will end Roman rule, will restore the glory of the past, and establish prosperity.

And what ultimately happens? The king does come, but He is different from what the Jews expected and what we imagine today. The one who comes is not an intermediate, but the Lord Himself, not a warrior, but God the Creator and Saviour, who willed to become a servant for His creation. He grants victory, but enslaves no one. In His camp there are no prisoners, and the prize is for all. He conquers not a land, city or throne, as Romans and the Jewish leadership feared, but the hearts of the people—He Himself wins them over, enthralls them with His example, moves them with His Word, calls them to follow Him!

Where is Christ going and calling others to follow? Jerusalem archeologists have reconstructed the Lord’s path through Jerusalem. They suggest that He entered the city through the south gate near the Pool of Siloam, a place known as “the lower city.” It was a gathering place for the outcasts, the poor, the sick and crippled, those deprived of a chance at life and even the possibility to climb up the temple hill and offer sacrifice, to celebrate along with others. He goes to the downtrodden, to the ones rejected by the people, in order to open up for them the

fullness of life and health, and the gift of Passover. These people are precisely the first who— together with the enthralled and excited youth—greet Him as Saviour and Messiah.

The expression, “Hosanna, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel!” in the language of today we might translate as “Blessed is the one, who gives me a chance, the possibility to rise up from the depths, where life has thrown me, to rediscover myself in this huge and foreign megapolis.” The divine power of Christ finds expression in His making the impossible possible for these people—healing those, whom the medicine of the day was unable to help, allowing those whom society and even the priestly order would denigrate and reject, to see themselves as worthy in God’s eyes, and, through the resurrection of Lazarus, demonstrate that He has the authority to bring back to life those, who lack the hope and strength to live.

Christ gives all a chance! A strange King is He! He does not take the lives of His opponents; to the contrary—He offers His own life. For the final destination of Christ’s triumphant entry into Jerusalem is Golgotha, and His throne—the Cross. From there He reigns not only over Judea, as the Roman soldiers mockingly inscribed, but over the entire world, conquering not earthly enemies, but sin and death itself.

The King, whom we greet today with willow branches, collects nothing from us, but gives and returns to us everything. He grants and protects “the fullness of life” for all, He fulfills all dreams of the young person of today. He not only opens up the meaning of life, as a great teacher or prophet, but gives it in a way that only God can. Today, when our world trembles because of a pandemic that has made us hostages to fear, it is so important to remember this divine power and authority—to heal and grant life. The virus kills and cripples without mercy—it is likely that each one of us has friends, family members or acquaintances, who became its victims.

In addition, it targeted the very heart of human relations—today in our human imagination another person represents not mystery



and possibility, but danger and threat. The world of coronavirus has already changed our reflexes and customs. Humanity has lived under a regime of self-preservation for more than a year. Strangers are no longer able to exchange the occasional smile in public transport or supermarkets, and friends refrain from spontaneous hugs of support and fellowship. In protecting our elderly family members from the disease, we unintentionally increase the boundaries of their loneliness.

Let us not doubt that the world will be freed from the captivity of the pandemic. We, Christians, believe that rescue comes from God. However, He acts gently through the intellect, heart, and hands of others, granting them all the necessary means. Our neighbours not only represent danger, but also salvation. We think of the doctors, who selflessly fight for each life; of the volunteers, who purchase ventilators and oxygen concentrators; of benefactors, who assist with funds and materials; of those, who by following guidelines preserve humanity; of our neighbours and friends who, in spite of all the restrictions, support us with their kind thoughts, sincere prayer, daily service. The pandemic teaches us to not fear, and on the contrary—to understand that, in spite of our fragility, we are, in fact, strong.

At the same time, we do not fully comprehend how wounded we are because of the present experience, and how deep this global trauma may be. The coronavirus laid bare and sharpened the emotional and social problems of many people. We will take off our masks, but will we be able to trust others? Will not our automatic reflex be to shut off our homes and hearts to the pain of another, the moment a shadow of fear suggests that the other may be a threat? We don't have ready answers to these questions.

Dear young people, it is together with you that the Church will search for them and seek to heal the wounds inflicted upon humankind by the pandemic and other challenges and problems, which the global disease has brought to the fore.

Humanity needs a Healer. Only He is capable of lifting us up, moving us, filling us with meaning, granting us the sense that we

are capable of overcoming this tempest. The Lord silences the storm and at the same time, teaches us to row.

“Fear not, daughter of Sion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!” (John 12:15; see Zech 9:9). Dear Ukrainian Youth, together with the entire world, you are going through so many difficulties! Possibly because of the pandemic and quarantine, some of you have lost your job or part-time work as a student. Maybe you've been unable to enroll in the university you dreamed of joining or travelling to study abroad. Maybe you've been forced to completely change your plans and place your dreams on hold. Maybe you've suddenly lost family members and friends...

However, let us not fear. In this time of challenges our King, our Lord, is by our side, as He was with Mary and Martha when they mourned their brother Lazarus, or as He was with the rejected at the pool of Siloam. Where there is pain, fear, and hopelessness, He is there, to heal the wounds, restore hope, and create the fullness of life.

The Lord God is the kind of leader and guide who does not humiliate and conquer by force, but grants a sense of dignity and gives wings. And so, in seeking out earthly authority and teachers, give note to those, in whom there is something of Christ, who does not fear pain, but rather seeks to ease it, who does not rule, but serves, who calls others to follow by their personal example, and does not enslave. And you be the same. May the Lord in today's feast win over and touch our hearts, lead us to follow Him and grant us the strength to sing: “Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!”

The blessing of the Lord be upon you!

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## **Catechetical Resources on line in English & Ukrainian**

1. Royal Doors with daily readings and reflections, UGCC Catechism online, articles, etc

<https://www.royaldoors.net/>

2. Formed: Christian movies, TV shows, prayers, etc.

<https://watch.formed.org/browse>

3. Dynamic Catholic. Beautiful resource for the whole family with Catechism for children, marriage enrichment programs, etc.

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/>



1. Живе ТВ.

<https://zhyve.tv/>

2. Дивен Світ.

<https://dyvensvit.org/>

3. Катехизм УГКЦ.

<http://catechismugcc.org/>