

WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY!



**ST. NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER PARISH
ПАРАФІЯ СВ. МИКОЛАЯ ЧУДОТВОРЦЯ**

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**TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ДВАДЦЯТЬ ЧЕТВЕРТА НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ П'ЯТИДЕСЯТНИЦІ**

As a shining vessel of the Spirit, you were illumined by Him, Obadiah! With most divine vision, you were enriched by the image of prophecy: Foreknowledge of things to come and knowledge of the truth. Pray that He may grant our souls peace and great mercy!

The glorious and honorable prophets participate through communion by grace in the very attributes and properties by which God is made known. The Lord enlightens His chosen ones with His splendor!

You were a glorious prophet: a divine herald of God full of unfading light! You beheld the glory which surpasses understanding and reason as you stood before the Master of all! Entreat Him that He may grant our souls peace and great mercy!



Holy Prophet Obadiah

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP AFTER DIVINE LITURGY!

SUNDAY HYMNS	
OPENING HYMN	Увійди Єрею / Come My Friends pg. 238-239
COMMUNION HYMN	Вірую Господи / I Do Believe pg. 246-247
CLOSING HYMN	Хто Там По Дорозі / Who Goes There pg. 106-108

Please join us today in singing our Sunday hymns!

SUNDAY & DAILY SCHEDULE		
SUNDAY, November 19	Divine Liturgy - for the Parishioners of St Nicholas Parish	10:00 AM
MONDAY, November 20	NO SERVICES	
TUESDAY, November 21	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom	9:00 AM
WEDNESDAY, November 22	NO SERVICES	
THURSDAY, November 23	NO SERVICES	
FRIDAY, November 24	NO SERVICES	
SATURDAY, November 25	NO SERVICES	
SUNDAY, November 26	Divine Liturgy - for the Parishioners of St Nicholas Parish	10:00 AM

Please Note: to request a Divine Liturgy for a special intention, please see Fr. Yuriy to arrange for it!

SUNDAY EPISTLE READERS			
DATE	READING	UKRAINIAN	ENGLISH
SUNDAY, November 19	Eph. 2:14-22	Glikeria Iwanuck	Darryl Huculak
SUNDAY, November 26	Eph. 4:1-6	Andrij Pelekhaty	Graciela Spaciuk-Schwarz
SUNDAY, December 3	Eph. 5:9-19	Liliia Palyvoda	William Vanderven
SUNDAY, December 10	Eph. 6:10-17	Motria Koropecy	Marian Chalifoux

Thank you, Epistle readers, for your service in proclaiming God's Word!

PARISH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE	PASTORAL MINISTRY & HOLY MYSTERIES
CHAIRPERSON.....Alec Rossa - 250.472.3374	CONFESSIONS.....1/2 hour before Liturgy
VICE-CHAIRPERSON.....VACANT	EUCARIST.....for the sick - any time
SECRETARY.....Cindy Lazaruk - 778.677.9072	BAPTISMS.....by appointment
TREASURER.....William Vanderven - 250.478.1458	MARRIAGES.....six months notice should be given to the parish priest, and he should be contacted before any other arrangements are made
FINANCIAL SECRETARY.....David Newberry - 250.598.8197	FUNERALS.....by appointment
FUNDRAISING/HALL RENTAL.....Robert Herchak - 250.386.7872	ANOINTING.....any time
MAINTENANCE.....Murray Chapman - 250.658.4769	HOSPITAL VISITS.....any time
LITURGICAL COMMITTEE...Motria Koropecy - 250.658.3051	
MEMBER AT LARGE.....Liliia Palyvoda - 250.857.1683	
VIBRANT PARISH.....Darlene DeMerchant - 250.727.3837	

Bequests & Wills: Leaving a bequeath is a process of giving a donation through your will. It is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. It can be as small or as large a donation as you wish. It is important that you talk to your lawyer about the process. In your kindness please remember St Nicholas the Wonderworker Ukrainian Catholic Church in your bequeath and will. If anyone wishes to make such a bequeath in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: "I give, devise, and bequeath to St Nicholas the Wonderworker Ukrainian Catholic Parish - 1112 Caledonia Avenue, Victoria BC, V8T 1G1, the sum of \$ _____ (or _____% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."

Vibrant Parish Prayer

O God, Creator of Heaven and Earth! Because of your indescribable love for us, you sent your Only-Begotten Son, Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ - The Way, The Truth, and The Life - and our Salvation. In His name, we turn to You. Strengthen our hearts and minds in Christian love and in unity of purpose as we strive to build a Vibrant Parish. Give us the grace to model our lives according to the Word of God. Instill in us the desire to pray and to celebrate the Holy Mysteries as one Christian Family in our Parish Community. Inspire us to follow Your great command to be a servant to the less fortunate among us! Grant this, O Lord, through the mercies and love for mankind of Your Only-Begotten Son with whom You are blessed, together with Your All-Holy, Good and Life-Giving Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen!



THE VIBRANT PARISH

A PLACE TO ENCOUNTER THE LIVING CHRIST

Through the word, the Holy Mysteries & Prayer,
Serving One's Neighbor, Leadership
Fostering & Serving Unity and Missionary Spirit
(His Beatitude Sviatoslav)



Молитва Живої Парафії

Господи Ісусе Христе, Пастирю Добрий, як колись Ти пригорнув заблуканих овечок, щоб вони пізнали Твій голос і були Твоїм стадом, так і сьогодні глянь ласкаво з небесних висот на нашу парафію та зішли на неї Твого Святого Духа, щоб вона була місцем пізнання радості Доброї Новини. Скріплюй нас Твоєю присутністю та єднай нас кожночасно в молитві. Даруй нам духа служіння ближньому, щоб у нашій парафії кожний міг зустріти Тебе, милостивого Бога. Благослови наш духовний провід Твоєю мудрістю і дай, щоб ніхто з нас не шкодував ні часу, ні талантів, ні матеріальних дібр для розбудови Твого царства. Єднай нас у мирі та злагоді, щоб ми були Твоєю спільнотою любові. Всели в нас місійного духа, щоб ми стали тим світилом євангельського слова, молитви і добрих діл, що кличе кожного до участі в Божественному житті, щоб славилось, Спасе, Твоє Ім'я з безначальним Твоїм Отцем та пресвятим, благим і животворящим Твоїм Духом нині, і повсякчас, і на віки віків. Амінь.

DIVINE LITURGY PROPERS

The Divine Liturgy - An Anthology for Worship: Liturgy - pg. 388-461; propers - pg. 353

Troparion, Tone 7: By Your cross You destroyed death,* You opened Paradise to the thief,* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,* and charged the apostles to proclaim* that You are risen, O Christ our God,* offering great mercy to the world.

Glory: Kontakion, Tone 7: No longer shall the dominion of death be able to hold humanity,* for Christ went down shattering and destroying its powers.* Hades is bound.* The prophets

exult with one voice.* The Saviour has come for those with faith, saying:* “Come forth, O faithful, to the resurrection!”

Now: Theotokion, Tone 7: O all-praised treasury of our resurrection, we hope in you,* bring us up from the pit and depth of sin,* for you have saved those subject to sin* by giving birth to our Salvation,* O Virgin before childbirth, and Virgin in childbirth,* and still a Virgin after childbirth.

Prokeimenon, Tone 7: The Lord will give strength to His people;* the Lord will bless His people with peace. *Verse:* Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God; bring to the Lord young rams.

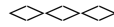
Epistle - Eph. 2:14-22 - A Reading from the Letter of Saint Apostle Paul to Ephesians: Brothers and Sisters, Christ is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Alleluia, Tone 7: *Verse:* It is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing to Your name, O Most High. *Verse:* To announce Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth every night.

Gospel - Luke 8:41-56 - At that time a man named Jairus, an official of the synagogue, came forward. He fell at the feet of Jesus and begged him to come to his house, because he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, and she was dying. As he went, the crowds almost crushed him. And a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years, who (had spent her whole livelihood on doctors and) was unable to be cured by anyone, came up behind him and touched the tassel on his cloak. Immediately her bleeding stopped. Jesus then asked, "Who touched me?" While all were denying it, Peter said, "Master, the crowds are pushing and pressing in upon you." But Jesus said, "Someone has touched me; for I know that power has gone out from me." When the woman realized that she had not escaped notice, she came forward trembling. Falling down before him, she explained in the presence of all the people why she had touched him and how she had been healed immediately. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you; go in peace." While he was still speaking, someone from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the teacher any longer." On hearing this, Jesus answered him, "Do not be afraid; just have faith and she will be saved." When he arrived at the house he allowed no one to enter with him except Peter and John and James, and the child's father and mother. All were weeping and mourning for her, when he said, "Do not weep any

longer, for she is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed him, because they knew that she was dead. But he took her by the hand and called to her, "Child, arise!" Her breath returned and she immediately arose. He then directed that she should be given something to eat. Her parents were astounded, and he instructed them to tell no one what had happened.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.



Тропар, глас 7: Знищив Ти хрестом Твоїм смерть,* відчинив розбійникові рай,* мироносицям плач на радість перемінив* і апостолам звелів проповідувати,* що воскрес Ти, Христе Боже,* даючи світові велику милість.

Слава: Кондак, глас 7: Вже більше влада смерти не зможе людей держати,* зійшов бо Христос, знищивши і знівечивши сили її,* зв'язується ад,* пророки ж однодушно радіють.* З'явився Спас тим, що вірують, промовляючи:* Виходьте, вірні, до воскресіння.

І нині: Богородичний, глас 7: Як на скарбницю нашого воскресіння,* надіємось на Тебе, Всехвальна,* тож виведи нас з ями й безодні прогріхів,* бо Ти спасла підлеглих гріхам, породивши наш Спасіння.* Як перед народ-женням ти була Діва,* так і в народженні і по народженні, Ти залишилась Дівою.

Прокімен, глас 7: Господь силу людям Своїм дасть,* Господь поблагословить людей своїх миром. *Стих:* Принесіть Господеві, сини Божі, принесіть Господеві молодих баранців.

Апостол - Еф. 2:14-22 - До Ефесян Послання Святого Апостола Павла Читання: Браття і сестри, Христос – наш мир, він, що зробив із двох одне, зруйнувавши стіну, яка була перегородою, тобто ворожнечу, – своїм тілом скасував закон заповідей у своїх рішеннях, на те, щоб із двох зробити в собі одну нову людину, вчинивши мир між нами, і щоб примирити їх обох в однім тілі з Богом через хрест, убивши ворожнечу в ньому. Він прийшов звістувати мир вам, що були далеко, і мир тим, що були близько; бо через нього, одні й другі, маємо доступ до Отця в однім Дусі. Отже ж ви більше не чужинці і не приходні, а співгромадяни святих і домашні Божі, побудовані на підвалині апостолів і пророків, де наріжним каменем – сам Ісус Христос. На ньому вся будівля, міцно споена, росте святим храмом у Господі; на ньому ви теж будетеся разом на житло Бога в Дусі.

Алилуя, глас 7: *Стих:* Добре воно - прославляти Господа, і співати Твоєму імені, Всевишній. *Стих:* Звіщати вранці Твою милість, ночами - Твою вірність.

Євангеліє - Лука 8:41-56 - У той час приступив до Ісуса один чоловік, Яір на ім'я, який був головою синагоги. Припавши до ніг Ісуса, він почав його просити зайти до нього в хату, бо була в нього дочка одиначка, яких дванадцять років, і вона вмирала. І як він ішов

туди, люди тиснулися до нього. Аж тут жінка якась, що була хвора дванадцять років на кровотечу й витратила на лікарів увесь свій прожиток, і ніхто з них не міг її оздоровити, підійшовши ззаду, доторкнулась краю його одежі й умить стала здоровою – спинилась її кровотеча. Ісус спитав: “Хто доторкнувся мене?” А що всі відпекувались, Петро мовив: “Наставниче, то люди коло тебе юрмляться і тиснуться.” Ісус же сказав: “Хтось доторкнувся до мене, бо я чув, як сила вийшла з мене.” Побачивши жінка, що не втаїлася, тремтячи підійшла й упавши йому до ніг, призналася перед усіма людьми, чому до нього доторкнулась і як негайно одужала. Сказав їй Ісус: “Дочко, віра твоя спасла тебе, йди в мирі!” Він говорив ще, як приходить хтось від голови синагоги і каже: “Твоя дочка померла, не турбуй більш Учителя.” Ісус почувши це, озвався до нього: “Не бійся, тільки віруй, і вона спасеться.” Прийшовши до хати, він не пустив нікого з собою всередину, крім Петра, Йоана та Якова з батьком та матір'ю дитини. Всі плакали за нею і голосили. Він же мовив: “Не плачте, вона не вмерла, вона тільки спить.” І ті сміялися з нього, бо знали, що вмерла. А він узяв її за руку й голосно промовив: “Дівчино, пробудися!” І дух її повернувся до неї, і вона миттю встала. Тоді він звелів дати їй їсти. Батьки ж її були здивовані вельми, та він наказав їм нікому не говорити, що сталося.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах. Алилуя, алилуя, алилуя!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **LUNA Ukrainian Ensemble** will perform folk and Christmas music for the Advent Concert Series at St Mary's United Church on Elgin Street on November 22 from 12:10-12:50pm.
- ◆ **85th HOLODOMOR ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION:** Sunday, 26 November 2017, 2:30-4:30 pm. Ukrainian Cultural Centre, 3277 Douglas St. Memorial Service, "hungry lunch" - bread & water, and screening of "Bitter Harvest".
- ◆ **SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY** for Catholic Missions in Canada. Please find envelopes on the table at the church entrance.
- ◆ **PLEASE NOTE:** as Fr. Yuriy will be away attending Vibrant Parish coordinator's meeting (Nov.22 - Dec.2) Fr. Joe Ostopowich will be celebrating Divine Liturgy on Sunday, November 26. In case of emergency please phone a hospital chaplain at [250.889.3761](tel:250.889.3761) or [250.388.5571](tel:250.388.5571).
- ◆ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to all those who celebrated their birthdays this past week. May the Lord Our God continue to bless you abundantly and the Holy Mother of God protects you at all times. Многая Літа!
- ◆ **ST. NICHOLAS BOOK STORE:** The Divine Liturgy An Anthology of Worship - **\$25**; “Christ Our Pascha” Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church/“Христос Наша Пасха”

Катехизм Української Католицької Церкви - **\$25**; “Sing to Our God” hymn book - **\$15**;
Молитовник “Прийдіте Поклонімся” - **\$10**.

- ◆ **PRAYER REQUEST:** Please keep in your prayers NADIYA KRAWCHENKO, ARTHUR BOBAY, who are recovering after their surgeries, CORNELL BABIE and other members of our parish, our family and friends who are ailing, in hospitals, nursing homes and those who are not able to join actively in their community.

- ◆ **CHURCH HALL RENOVATIONS:** Dear parishioners, this past summer the parish council approved making some renovations in our church hall by updating some furnishings that were at least 20 years old and showing signs of wear and aging: *replaced the hot water tank, *replaced the toilets to minimize the use of water, *installed wood laminate floor in the entire hall, *installed tile laminate floor in the kitchen and both washrooms, *installed carpet down the front stairs of the hall and outside the washrooms. We were able to keep the labour cost down as several members of our parish helped to remove the flooring and the stage. The total of the entire project is \$21,594.37 (\$17,550.82 - flooring; \$4,043.55 - plumbing). We are asking for your financial support to help offset the costs of the renovations. Please consider donating generously. We thank you and pray for you!

- ◆ **TRAVELING ICON:** Anyone interested in gracing their home with Christ The Teacher Icon can call Darlene DeMerchant at [250.727.3837](tel:250.727.3837).

- ◆ **PARISH CALENDAR OF BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:** If you would like to be included in our Parish Calendar of Birthday and Anniversary celebrations, please put date in our calendar located at the church vestibule. Each week, we will list the names in our parish bulletin so we can celebrate these happy occasions together!

- ◆ **JOIN OUR CHOIR:** Do you enjoy singing? Please consider joining our St Nicholas Parish Choir and remember that we ALWAYS looking for new members! Contact Motria Koropecy for details at [250.658.3051](tel:250.658.3051).

- ◆ **CATECHISM ANNOUNCEMENT:** *"And they were bringing to Him also the infants, in order that He may be touching them; but after the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Himself and said, Let alone the little children to come to Me, and cease hindering them; for of such is the kingdom of God."* We are happy to welcome all children to our St. Nicholas The Wonderworker catechism program. Weekly classes are scheduled Sunday morning during Divine Liturgy. We want your children to learn more about their Catholic faith, sacred scripture, feast days, and religious practices and customs of the Ukrainian Catholic church. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Marian Chalifoux at [250.507.1005](tel:250.507.1005).

*** ST. NICHOLAS CHRISTMAS FOOD FAIR ***
11:00 am - 2:00 pm ; Saturday, December 2, 2017

FOOD PREPARATION SCHEDULE

DATE	TASK	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
Thu. Nov. 23	Make pyrohy (sauerkraut & cottage cheese; lunch served)	9:00 - 1:30 pm	Need 20-25 volunteers
Sat. Nov. 25	Bag frozen pyrohy	9:00 - 11:00 am	Need 3-4 volunteers
Tue. Nov. 28	Bake kolachi	8:30 - 1:30 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Wed. Nov. 29	Bag frozen kolachi	10:00 - 11:00 am	Need 1 volunteer
Thu. Nov. 30	Bake kolachi (if needed)	8:30 - 12:30 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Fri. Dec. 1	Set up tables, package & price; put up signs etc.	9:00 - 4:00 pm	Need 5-6 volunteers
Sat. Dec. 2	FOOD FAIR	8:30 - 4:00 pm	Need 20+ volunteers for set up, sales, clean up.

As always your assistance in helping out with food preparation for our Christmas food Fair is much appreciated as this is a major fundraiser for the parish. Please invite your friends to these work sessions, specially those interested in learning how to make perogies and cabbage rolls. For more information and to confirm your availability to help contact Robert at [250.386.7872](tel:250.386.7872) or rherchak@gmail.com

◆ **THRIFTY'S PRE-PAID FOOD CARDS** - We all have to buy groceries. Why not have 6% of it returned back to the church at no extra charge! Cards are available in \$100, \$200, and \$500 denominations. Talk to Alec after today's liturgy to pre- order your cards. We need to sell A LOT of them! We encourage you to consider purchasing them for yourselves as gifts too.

◆ **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. Contact Fr. Yuriy **OR** Darlene DeMerchant for more information. You will be amazed how "BEING" can make a difference.

- ◆ **PARISH LIBRARY:** please visit our parish library and browse through the books on spirituality, church history, iconography, history of the Ukrainians in Canada, children's books and more... The library is located in the church vestibule. Please use a library book sign out form when borrowing a book.
- ◆ **SUNDAY COFFEE VOLUNTEERS** act as hosts and serve light refreshments following the Sunday morning Divine Liturgy, providing an opportunity for the faithful to socialize with friends and visitors following their shared worship experience. We thank all of our parishioners who kind volunteer to serve refreshments. Whether you are new to the Parish, or are a long-time members, please join us for coffee.
- ◆ **WE SHARE THE AIR:** Please keep it healthy and fragrant free. Someone in this area is scent-sensitive. The chemicals used in scented products can make some people sick, especially those with fragrance sensitivities, asthma, allergies and other respiratory ailments. PLEASE DO NOT *wear perfume, cologne, lotion, aftershave and other fragrances; *USE unscented personal care products. Be Sensitive to Others. Thank you for your understanding. *St. Nicholas parish.*
- ◆ **NOVEMBER 12, SUNDAY DONATIONS:** Coffee: \$37.35; Vigil lights: \$11.00; Loose collection: \$38.30; Envelope collection: \$380.00; Pre-authorized donations Nov 6 to Nov 12: \$220.00; Church hall renovations: \$100.00

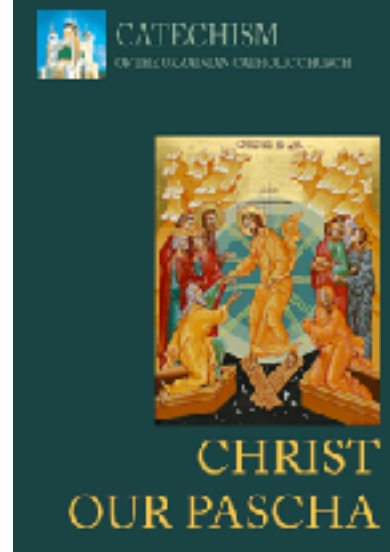
READING THE CATECHISM “CHRIST - OUR PASCHA”



C. The Place of Family Prayer - the Domestic Church

#654 A Christian family's home is the place where members of the family share with God and among themselves the intimacy of love. The family is a community of love, which Saint Paul often calls the *domestic church* (see Rm. 16:5; 1 Cor. 16:19; Col. 4:15). In this community, the

husband and wife, the parents and children, liturgize: they render worship to God by serving one another. It is in the home that person obtains his or her principal spiritual inheritance: knowledge of God, and respect for parents, the family hearth, the Church, and the earthly homeland.



#655 Because the family has a calling to become a domestic church, the home in which the members of a family live becomes a church consecrated to achieving this vocation. This domestic *temple* is consecrated after it is built; it is then adorned with holy icons and blessed every year with Jordan water. As the parish church, the home is a place of prayer and the living out of the Holy Mystery of Marriage. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit received in the Holy Mystery of Marriage, the members of the family grow in the awareness of their vocation, in love for God and among themselves. Through their common faith they achieve salvation.

#656 The domestic *church* is a miniature community, united by blood and spiritual bonds. It is part of the great family of God, the Universal Church, which unites in one Christian family all who were born of God. This common birth makes them all brothers and sisters. The family as a domestic church is the primary cell of the Christian community, because it possesses then three principal ministries of the Universal Church: *sharing the Good News, praying, and witnessing with one's life*. This means that the parents are the first evangelizers and educators of their children. The family is a community of prayer, conversing with God in everyday life, and as it builds new relationships grounded in evangelical love, the family is called to become a school of school solidarity.

**CATHOLIC MISSIONS IN CANADA
AWARENESS SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 19**



**Chancery Office
Eparchy of New Westminster**

To the Rev. Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of New Westminster

3 November 2017

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I have designated 19 November as Catholic Missions In Canada (CMIC) awareness Sunday in our Eparchy. I want each of our faithful to know how important has been and continues to be to our Eparchy. Without a doubt over the last decade they have been our greatest benefactor and a very respected partner. I would like to share with you information about CMIC.

Catholic Missions In Canada was founded in 1908 as The Catholic Church Extension Society, with the Ukrainians being of special concern in the early 20th Century, throughout the nation, but especially in the western provinces, where they were settling in the thousands to begin life on vast farmlands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Not only language and culture separated the Ukrainians in the strange new land, but also very different religious rites and traditions from the established Latin rite Church. Of grave concern was the lack of Ukrainian Catholic clergy in Canada.

Roman Catholic Father Alfred Burke, and Archbishop Fergus McEvay (Roman Catholic Archbishop of Toronto 1908-1911), to become the co-founders of The Catholic Church Extension Society, knew that something concrete had to be done or their Ukrainian brothers and sisters would be in grave danger of losing their Catholic faith.

In 1908, with the founding of The Catholic Church Extension, the efforts of these two men not only raised awareness of the needs of the Ukrainian Catholic faithful among the clergy and laity of the Latin rite Catholic Church already established in Canada, but from them, also the means to provide the financial, corporal and spiritual assistance that was needed to allow them to keep their faith.

Archbishop McEvay also convinced the Latin Rite episcopacy to allow the use of the (then) new St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto to become a centre for training Ukrainian Catholic priests.

Perhaps more importantly, however, in 1910, McEvay met with our Great Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky (Archbishop of Lviv) who was appointed the apostolic visitor to Canada, to begin recommendations for the establishment of a Ukrainian Eparchy in Canada. The result? An Apostolic Exarchate for the faithful was erected by Pope Pius X in 1912, with Winnipeg as the seat of the bishop. In the same year, the first Ukrainian Catholic bishop for Canada was named: the Blessed Nykyta Budka, only 35 years of age when he was consecrated in Lviv by Metropolitan Andrey.

In 1918, Bishop Budka in 1918 wrote a letter to express his feelings about the relationship of The Catholic Church Extension and the Ukrainian Church :

“What does your help mean for Catholic [Ukrainian] Ruthenians in Canada?...You have supported the main factor in my exceptionally hard mission work with money, [and] by encouraging and creating interest

and sympathy in the Catholic world...[I want to thank you] for all your help to the priests by [Liturgy] intentions, to poor colonies by chapel funds and church vestments...may the Giver of all goods bless you.”

Our partnership with Catholic Missions In Canada continues today, with almost \$300,000 in grant allocations having been approved for 2018 to assist Ukrainian eparchies in Canada in 2018.

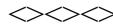
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Dear Friends, on Nov. 19 you will find in your bulletins a specially addressed envelope for your donation to Catholic Missions In Canada. You will receive a tax receipt directly from CMIC for your donation. Please be generous so that CMIC may continue to not only assist our Eparchy but also other Eparchies and Diocese in Canada that are in need of financial support.

With assurance of my prayerful best wishes and Episcopal blessings, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ!

+Ken



Awareness Sunday, November 19, 2017

Our partners in faith

Catholic Missions In Canada* was founded in 1908 to provide financial, corporal and spiritual assistance to the thousands of Ukrainian Catholic immigrants arriving to settle Canada in the early 20th Century. Our mission? To allow the faith of settlers celebrating the Ukrainian Catholic rite to not only thrive, but to flourish in their new country.

Our founders were instrumental in the establishment of the first Ukrainian diocese in Canada, with Winnipeg as the seat of the first Ukrainian Catholic bishop in Canada, the Blessed Nykyta. Bishop Budka in 1918 wrote:

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Ukrainian Christmas Food Fair

**Saturday, December 2, 2017
11:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**St. Nicholas Parish Hall
1110 Caledonia
(corner of Cook & Caledonia)
Free Parking/Wheelchair Accessible**

- * Frozen Food Sale
- * Perogies
- * Cabbage Rolls
- * Borscht
- * Kobassa
- * Preserves
- * Home Baking



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