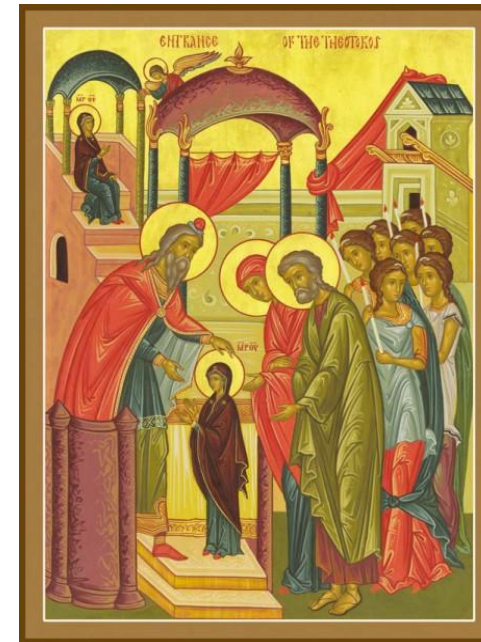


## EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS PARISH UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## УКРАЇНСЬКА КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА ПАРАФІЯ ВОЗДВИЖЕННЯ ЧЕСНОГО ХРЕСТА

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### 26TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST POST-FEAST OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD INTO THE TEMPLE

The birth and early life of the Virgin Mary is not recorded in the Gospels or other books of the New Testament, however this information can be found in a work dating from the second century known as the Book of James or Protevangelion.

When Mary was three years old, Joachim and Anna decided that the time had come to fulfill their promise and to offer her to the Lord. Joachim gathered the young girls of the neighborhood to form an escort, and he made them go in front of Mary, carrying torches. Captivated by the torches, the young child followed joyfully to the Temple, not once looking back at her parents nor weeping as she was parted from them.

The holy Virgin ran toward the Temple, overtaking her attendant maidens and threw herself into the arms of the High Priest Zacharias, who was waiting for her at the gate of the Temple with the elders. Zacharias blessed her saying, "It is in you that He has glorified your name in every generation. It is in you that He will reveal the Redemption that He has prepared for His people in the last days."

Then, Zacharias brought the child into the Holy of Holies—a place where only the High Priest was permitted to enter once a year on the Day of Atonement. He placed her on the steps of the altar, and the grace of the Lord descended upon her.

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY  
COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP ARE IN OUR PARISH HALL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIVINE LITURGY

**Troparion, Tone 1:** Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,\* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,\* You arose, O Saviour, 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.

**Troparion, Tone 4:** Today is the prelude of the good pleasure of God,\* and the proclamation of salvation for the human race.\* In the Temple of God\* the Virgin is clearly revealed,\* and beforehand announces Christ to all.\* To her, then, let us cry aloud with a mighty voice:\* Rejoice, fulfilment of the Creator's plan.

**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 raise the world.\* All humanity acclaim 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.**

**Kontakion, Tone 4:** The Saviour's pure temple,\* the precious bridal chamber and Virgin,\* the sacred treasury of the glory of God,\* is brought today into the house of the Lord,\* and with her she brings the grace of the divine Spirit.\* God's angels sing in praise of her:\* She is indeed the heavenly dwelling-place.

**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. (Psalm 32:22, 1)

**Prokeimenon, Tone 3:** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour.

**A Reading of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (5:9-19):** Brothers and Sisters, live as children of light for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts.

**Alleluia, Tone 1**

*verse:* God gives me vindication, and has subdued people under me.

*verse:* Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever. (Psalm 17:48, 51)

*verse:* Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear.

*verse:* The rich among the people shall entreat your countenance. (Psalm 44:11, 13)

**Gospel: Luke 12:16-21** The Lord told this parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said,

**Тропар (глас 1):** Хоч запечатали камінь юдеї\* і воїни стерегли пречисте тіло Твоє,\* воскрес Ти, Спасе, на третій день,\* даруючи життя світові.\* Тому сили небесні взивали до Тебе, Життєдавче:\* Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе,\* слава царству Твоєму,\* слава провидінню Твоєму,\* єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

**Тропар (глас 4):** Днесь благовоління Божого предображення\* і спасення людей проповідання,\* у Божому храмі Діва ясно з'являється\* і Христа всім предзвіщає.\* Йй і ми голосно закличмо:\* Радуйся, промислу Створителя сповнення.

**Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.**

**Кондак (глас 1):** Воскрес Ти у славі як Бог із гробу\* і світ із Собою воскресив,\* людське єство Тебе, як Бога, оспівує\* і смерть щезла.\* Адам же ликує, Владико,\* і Єва нині, з узів визволившись, радіє, взиваючи:\* Ти, Христе, Той, Хто всім подає воскресіння.

**І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.**

**Кондак (глас 4):** Пречистий храм Спасів,\* дорогоцінна світлиця і Діва,\* священна скарбниця Божої слави\* днесь уводиться в дім Господній,\* благодать з собою вводячи,\* що в Дусі божественнім,\* яку оспівують ангели Божі:\* Вона є оселя небесна.

**Прокімен (глас 1):** Милість Твоя, Господи, хай буде над нами,\* бо ми надіялись на Тебе.  
*Стих:* Радуйтеся, праведні, в Господі, правим належить похвала (Пс 32,1).

**Прокімен (глас 3):** Величає душа моя Господа\* і возрадувався дух мій у Бозі, Спасі моїм (Лк 1,46-47).

**До Ефесян послання Св. Апостола Павла читання (5, 9-19):** *Браття і Сестри,* поведітьтеся, як діти світла. Плід світла є у всьому, що добре, що справедливе та правдиве. Шукайте пильно того, що подобається Господеві. Не беріть участі в безплідних ділах темряви, а радше їх картайте, бо що ті люди потай роблять, соромно й казати. Все, що ганиться, стає явним у світлі, а все, що виявляється, стає світлом. Тому говорить: Прокинься, сплячий, і встань із мертвих, а Христос освітить тебе. Тож уважайте пильно, як маєте поводитися: не як немудрі, а як мудрі, використовуючи час, бо дні лихі. Тому не будьте необачні, але збагніть, що є Господня воля. І не впивайтеся вином, бо в нім є блуд, а сповнюйтеся Духом. Проказуйте між собою вголос псалми й гимни та духовні пісні, співайте і прославляйте в серцях ваших Господа.

**Алилуя (глас 1):**

*Стих:* Бог, що дає відплату мені, і покоров народи мені (Пс 18,48)

*Стих:* Ти, що звеличуєш спасіння царя, і даєш милість помазаннику Своему Давидові і родові його повіки (Пс 18,51).

*Стих:* Слухай, дочко, і споглянь, і прихили вухо твоє (Пс 44,11).

*Стих:* Лицю твоєму помоляться багаті народи (Пс 44,13).

**Євангеліє: (Лк 12,16-21):** *Сказав Господь притчу оцю:* Одному багатому чоловікові добре зародила нива. І мислив він собі, кажучи: Що мені робити? Не маю де зібрати урожай мій. І

'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

**Hymn to the Mother of God** Seeing the entrance of the pure one, angels marvel in wonder how the Virgin could enter the holy of holies.

**Irmos, Tone 4:** Let no hand of the profane touch God's living ark,\* but instead let the lips of those who are believers\* sing out ceaselessly in the words of the angel,\* crying out with great joy to the Mother of God:\* O pure Virgin,\* you are truly higher than all.

**Communion Hymn:** Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest.\* I will take the cup of salvation;\* and I will call upon the name of the Lord. \* Alleluia. (x3)

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

✻ **PHILLIP'S FAST.** This Pre-Christmas fast, more commonly known as Advent in the Roman Catholic Church, **begins on Monday, November 16.** Like during 40 days of the Great Lent we prepare spiritually for Christ's Death and Resurrection, so during 40 days of the Phillip's Fast we prepare ourselves for Lord's Nativity or Birth.

✻ **OUR CONDOLENCES** to Ashli and Ardele Komaryk and their families on the loss of their father Wally Komaryk who passed away on Tuesday, November 17. Prayers and funeral will be held on Tuesday, November 24 at 10:00 am at the Holy Eucharist Cathedral. May our Lord grant to his soul a place of rest where all of the souls of the saints abide and make his memory eternal. **Вічна Пам'ять!**

✻ **PANAKHYDA** for **NEKOLA BINJAS** and **IVAN PECUH**, parents of Ivan and Julia Pecuh, will be served today after the second Divine Liturgy.

✻ **SUNDAYS DONATION:** NOVEMBER 8st - \$ 606

✻ Fr. Andrii will be away for two days (Mon, Nov 23 – Tue, Nov. 24). **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY,** please call Fr. Yuriy Vyshnevskyy from New Westminster: **604-377-6329.**



✻ **CHRISTMAS POT LUCK DINNER** – will be held at the parish hall on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, AT 5:00 PM.** We cordially invite all of our parishioners and friends of the parish to share in this annual celebration. Special Guest – Saint Nicholas. (Please, check the sign up sheet at the back of the church to find out what else is needed for the feasting dinner).

✻ **THE EMMANUEL MOLEBEN.** The *Emmanuel Moleben* is a prayer service for the Nativity Fast preparing for Christmas, the Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Emmanuel means *God-With-Us*. A devotional service called the *Emmanuel Moleben* uses the pre-festal hymns and scripture readings of the Nativity, emphasizing the message of preparation and the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies of the Messiah. In our parish this service will be celebrated every Friday throughout the Nativity Fast, to help us prepare for the coming feast. Please consider spiritually

сказав: Ось що я зроблю: розберу мої стодоли і більші збудую, і зберу туди все збіжжя моє і добра мої. І скажу душі своїй: Душе, маєш багато дібр, зложених на багато літ. Спочивай, їж, пий і веселися. Сказав же йому Бог: Безумний, в цю ніч зажадають від тебе душу твою, а те, що ти наготовив, кому буде? Отак воно з тим, хто для себе збирає, а не в Бога багатіє.

**Замість Достойно співаємо віддання:** Ангели, бачачи вхід Пречистої, здивувалися, як Діва ввійшла у святая святих.

**Ірмос (глас 4):** Як одушевленного божого кивоту нехай ніяк не дотикається рука осквернених. А уста вірних, голос ангела виспівуючи, Богородиці, невмовкаючи, з радістю нехай кличуть: Справді вище всіх ти єси, Діво чиста.

**Причасний:** Хваліте Господа з небес,\* хваліте Його на висотах (Пс 148,1).\* Чашу спасіння прийму і ім'я Господнє призову (Пс 115,13). \* Алилуя (x3).

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

joining us in praying the *Emmanuel Moleben* during this time of Advent.

✻ **TRAVELLING ICON.** Anyone interested in gracing their home with the Icon "Jesus Christ - The Teacher" for the whole week, please leave your contact information in the sign up sheet at the back of the church.

✻ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY MEETING** – will take place on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8th**, at the parish hall at 7:30 p.m.

✻ **FOOD BANK DONATIONS:** we are collecting non-perishable food as Christmas charity gifts. Please give generously and place your items in the box located at the church entrance.

✻ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** – will take place on **Thursday, JANUARY 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016**, at 7:00pm

✻ **ANNUAL PARISH GENERAL MEETING** will take place on **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016.** The meeting will follow the Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m. **On that Sunday we will celebrate only one Divine Liturgy (Bilingual). PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING.**

✻ **UCWLC - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** will take place on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The meeting will follow the Divine Liturgy which starts at 10:00 a.m.

✻ **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 the rectory to make this request. Your pastor may have no other way of knowing that you are in hospital, as privacy legislation restricts the information that can be given to him by the hospital.

✻ **MEETING JESUS THROUGH THE JESSE TREE.** During the Sundays of St. Phillip's Fast, our Children will be using the "Jesse Tree" to introduce us to certain key people of the Old Testament who will point to the coming of Jesus, the Messiah.

The symbol of the Jesse Tree comes from Isaiah 11: "The royal line of David is like a tree that has been cut down, but just as new branches sprout from a stump, so a new king will arise from among David's descendants." In Church art a design developed which illustrated the relationship of Jesus with Jesse and other biblical personages. This design showed a branched tree growing from a reclining figure of Jesse. The various branches also incorporated early Old Testament

figures like Abraham and Moses, who lived long before Jesse's time. At the top of the tree were images of Mary and Jesus.

Jesse Trees are meant to symbolize the spiritual heritage of Jesus, rather than his strictly genealogical origins. The Jesse Tree is meant to give us a sense of God's plan to call and draw all of us into God's life and presence in the world. Through baptism we have become a people of faith, so the stories of the ancestors of Jesus are our ancestors of faith as well. It is wonderful to know that we are connected to these great people of faith who brought about the birth of Jesus into the world. As the weeks progress, our Children will be hanging different ornaments on the tree symbolizing a person or an event in salvation history – the pattern of events in human history that accomplished the saving action of God. When we engage in reflecting on salvation history, we see how God prepared the world for the coming of Jesus, and how in this time we can together prepare our hearts for Jesus to be born in us more deeply.

✿ **CONGRATULATIONS!** May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in Many Happy and Blessed Years of Life to all those who celebrate their birthdays/anniversaries. Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!



✿ **PLEASE REMEMBER** the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: JANETTE OUCHARECK, JO OSTROWERCHA, LANCE DE SILVA, HENRY MARTIN, MARY SHEMLEY, MIKE HAWKEN, VICTORIA HITCHIN, MARY LITWIN, STELLA SYRNYK PEGGY MCDONALD and those who have asked us pray for them. Let us also remember our sisters and brothers in Ukraine, those throughout the world in our prayers and those who are celebrating birthdays in the month of November!

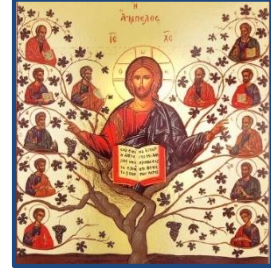
✿ **BEQUESTS AND WILLS:** Leaving a bequest is a process of giving a donation through your will. It is simply a distribution from your estate to a charitable organization through your last will and testament. It can be as small or as large a donation as you wish.

It is important that you talk to your lawyer about the process. In your kindness please remember the Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will: "I give, devise, and bequeath to the Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Parish - 13753 108 Ave, Surrey, BC., the sum of \$\_ (or \_% of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the parish and it's pastoral activities."

✿ **SPECIAL PETITIONS DURING THE 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.
- **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.

✿ **TAX RECEIPT:** To ensure that you receive a tax receipt for your church donations please make sure you name or envelope number is put with your donation.



## NEWS

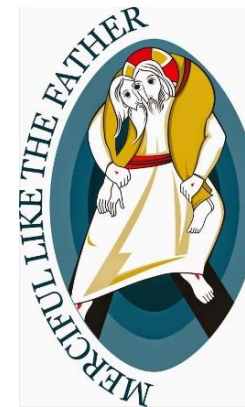
**UKRAINE'S PRESIDENT AND POPE TALK OF POLITICAL SOLUTIONS TO COUNTRY'S CONFLICT.** The president of Ukraine today (November 20) visited Pope Francis in the Vatican, and the two discussed the hopes that "political solutions" would be found for the conflict in the country.

Petro Poroshenko subsequently met with Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin, accompanied by Archbishop Paul Richard Gallagher, secretary for Relations with States.

According to a statement from the Vatican press office: "The cordial discussions, in reaffirming the good relations between the Holy See and Ukraine, were dedicated principally to matters connected with the situation of conflict in the country. In this respect the hope was shared that, with the commitment of all the interested Parties, political solutions may be favoured, starting with the full implementation of the Minsk Accords. At the same time, concern was expressed regarding the difficulties of facing the humanitarian crisis, with particular reference to access for specialised organisations to areas affected by hostilities, to healthcare, to the exchange of prisoners, and the economic and social repercussions of the conflict, experienced throughout the territory.

"The meeting provided an opportunity to highlight the important role of the Church in society, as well as the contribution of the Greek Catholic and Latin rite communities to the life of the country."

## YEAR OF MERCY COLUMN



**Why Mercy?** By Peter Yaremko

The Jubilee Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis begins December 8. What is it that makes mercy such an important part of our relationship with God and in our treatment of other people? Why is Pope Francis dedicating an entire year for us to be so mindful of mercy?

Simply this: if you hope to receive mercy, show mercy. If you look for kindness, show kindness. If you want to receive, give. Do not ask for yourself what you deny to others.

These thoughts come from Saint Peter Chrysologus, a fifth-century Italian bishop. Peter said that when you open your ear to others you open God's ear to yourself.

This idea of treating others with mercy is something well known to us as Catholics. We don't show mercy to win heaven, but because Jesus asks us to—in the prayer he taught us: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."

The Jubilee Year of Mercy is intended to help us remember these words of Jesus and try to love others in the same way God loves us.

We tend to love someone because they're attractive or fun or because we want them to love us. That's not why God loves us. He loves us not because we're good, but because he is.

Our prayer today: *God of love, you pour out your mercy to overflowing. Help us to show mercy to others with the same generosity.*



**To the faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster**

**18 November, 2015**

Dear Friends,

Anniversaries are generally a time of reflection on how a relationship has developed and what it holds for the future. The recent anniversary of my appointment as the Third Bishop of New Westminster was, similarly an occasion for me to reflect on the progress of the Eparchy during my time as your Bishop.

Over the past 8 years, we have undergone a tremendous time of pastoral renewal. We have instituted the Generations of Faith program along with Vision 2020, "The Vibrant Parish" program as foundations for growth within our Eparchy. We have nurtured the legacy of excellent pastoral care left to us by Bishop Jerome Chimy OSBM and Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn OSBM; regardless of whether the parish is a large urban community or a small rural family.

We have come to the time when we need to ask ourselves **"Do we have the will to continue the support required for a growing and vibrant Eparchy?"**

The result of my reflection is, very simple. **I need your help.**

During my tenure as Eparchial Bishop, I have resisted any discussion of an Eparchial fundraising campaign, however, the time has come when we must launch such a campaign, if our Eparchy is to continue to grow. Over the past 40 years, we have gained much ground. However, our Eparchy is still very much a missionary Eparchy. We have been using our financial resources to support some of our smaller parishes much like the way that you as parents supported your children and grandchildren as they grew and found their own footing. As parents and grandparents, you understand that ongoing support requires substantial resources. Some of those resources need to be financial.

Thus, I am appealing to you for your support to continue the work of the Eparchy. To ensure that we are able to continue the high level of pastoral care within the Eparchy in the short and medium term, I have set a financial goal of \$500,000.

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, Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals and the great Feasts, which mean so much to us.

This is why we need your financial assistance, today in order to continue the work of the new evangelization of our Ukrainian community and ensure we are bringing the Good News to those in our wider community.

Over the next several weeks you will be receiving more information explaining how you can support the Eparchy in its Vibrant Parish Appeal.

With assurance of my prayerful best wishes, I remain

**Sincerely yours in Christ,  
+Ken**

**EPARCHY OF NEW WESTMINSTER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**1. Our Bishop travels often, who pays for all these trips?**

The Eparchy is only responsible for paying for travel within the Eparchy when our Bishop is officially visiting parishes, either for praznyks or for pastoral visits. When the Bishop travels for purposes other than official visits, those costs are covered by His Excellency personally. Additionally,, when our Bishop travels to represent the Eparchy, the Eparchy pays for those costs. These trips include travel to:

- the annual Synod of Bishops' meeting, usually held in Ukraine,
- the annual meeting of the Conference of Canadian Catholic Bishops usually held near Ottawa,
- the annual Assembly of Western Catholic Bishops, usually held in Victoria
- the annual meeting of the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada and meeting of the Board of Directors of the Holy Spirit Seminary, usually held in Winnipeg

When our Bishop travels at the request of His Beatitude Sviatoslav, then the Synod of Ukrainian Greek Catholic Bishops pay for the travel and accommodations:

Travel in this capacity generally includes:

- travel as a member of the Permanent Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops,
- travel as Head of the Vision 2020 Vibrant Parish Working Group

When our Bishop travels at the request of the Conference of Canadian Catholic Bishops (CCCB) the CCCB pays for all travel and accommodations. Likewise all Knights of Columbus travel as State Chaplain of British Columbia and Yukon is paid for by the Knights of Columbus.

**2. How were the clergy salaries and benefits established in our Eparchy?**

Six years ago the Finance Council of our Eparchy examined the salaries and benefits of the various Roman Catholic Dioceses in British Columbia and the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchies in Canada. The salaries and benefits of the Eparchial Clergy are within the same salary and benefits scale as the Dioceses and Eparchies of Western Canada. These salaries, while not extravagant, are sufficient to provide the necessities of life.

**3. What is the Seminary in Ottawa, why do we have to pay towards its upkeep and how much does the Eparchy contribute annually for the Seminary in Ottawa?**

Holy Spirit Seminary was established in 1981 by the five Ukrainian Catholic Eparchies in Canada. Each Eparchy contributes to the overall administration costs and up-keep of Holy Spirit Seminary in Ottawa. A budget is presented annually to the Bishops and then that overall sum is divided between the Eparchies based on the number of faithful in each Eparchy. Being that the Eparchy of New Westminster has the smallest number of faithful in Canada, our Eparchy's contribution reflects that. When we have a seminarian studying at the Seminary in Ottawa, our costs go up because we provide for the seminarians room and board and tuition fees as well as certain travel costs.

**4. How many parishes are there in our Eparchy and how many parishes receive subsidies?**

We have a total of twelve parishes in the Eparchy. The following parishes have a resident priest: Prince George, Kamloops, Kelowna, Surrey, Richmond, New Westminster, Vancouver, Victoria & Nanaimo. The parishes in Grindrod & Penticton are served by resident priests in the Okanagan Deanery. Currently, out of the twelve active parishes, four parishes receive subsidies ranging as high as 100% of their share of Cathedralism and property insurance. Prior to 2015 six parishes were receiving subsidies from the Eparchy but two Parishes have since become self-sufficient.

#### 4. Where does the majority of income for the Eparchy originate from?

The Eparchy receives the majority of its income from the parishes as a reimbursement of their priests salaries and benefits. The payroll for our clergy is also the single largest expense of the Eparchy. The second largest amount that the Eparchy receives is a grant from the generosity of Catholic Missions in Canada. The second largest draw on the resources of the Eparchy the short fall in Parishes not covering their priest's payroll costs and the Cathedral contributions from the parishes.

#### 6. How many Chancery and Episcopal residence staff is employed by the Eparchy?

In order to keep costs to the minimum, our Bishop does not employ any staff at the Episcopal residence. Bishop Ken does all of his own cooking, cleaning and laundry. The Eparchy does however have a yard service contract to ensure that the grass and trees are maintained to the minimum standards required by the City of New Westminster.

The only full-time paid employee at this time by the Eparchy in the Chancery is our Bishop, the Chancery also has one part-time staff in the accounting department to look after bill payments, deposits and clergy payroll. All of the other Chancery duties are carried out by a few of the Eparchial Clergy in the Lower Mainland parishes as well as several volunteers who are most generous with their time and talents. The Eparchy does have administration costs when it comes to the annual financial review that is required for our grant applications.

#### 7. Who provides stewardship and helps oversee the Investments and the other finances of the Eparchy? Who helps the Bishop manage the ongoing operations of the Chancery?

Our Bishop along with members of the Eparchial Finance Council, Fr. Yuriy Vyshnevskyy, Mr. Allan Achtemichuk, Mr. Raymond Saranchuk, Mr. Edward Shawchuk, Mr. Emil Oucharek and Mr. Robert Lashin over see the modest investment portfolio of the Eparchy. This group is also responsible for providing advice to the Bishop as to the most prudent stewardship of the resources of the Eparchy. All of these faithful offer their professional expertise as well as their personal time and services to the Eparchy without compensation.

#### QUOTES OF THE DAY

"Wealth shines in giving rather than in hoarding: for the miser is hateful, whereas the generous man is applauded." — [Anicius Manlius Severinus] Boethius, philosopher and Christian martyr.

"Remember this—you can't serve God and money, but you can serve God with money." — Selwyn Hughes, English pastor and author.

#### PRAYER FOR THE VIBRANT PARISH

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!

#### HOLY MYSTERIES (SACRAMENTS)

<b>CONFESSION:</b>	on Sundays and Holy Days: 30 min before Liturgy other days, by appointment
<b>HOLY COMMUNION:</b>	for the sick, by appointment, any time
<b>BAPTISM:</b>	by appointment
<b>MARRIAGES:</b>	by appointment
<b>FUNERALS:</b>	by appointment

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK NOVEMBER 22 - NOVEMBER 29

TUE. NOV 24		NO SERVICE
WED. NOV 25	09:00 AM	DIVINE LITURGY
THR. NOV 26	09:00 AM	DIVINE LITURGY
FRI. NOV 27	09:00 AM	DIVINE LITURGY
	06:00 PM	<b>MOLEBEN TO THE EMANUEL</b>
<b>SUN. NOV 29</b>	<b>08:30 AM</b>	<b>ROSERY (ENG)</b>
	<b>09:00 AM</b>	<b>DIVINE LITURGY (ENG)</b>
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>JESUS PRAYER (UKR)</b>
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>DIVINE LITURGY (UKR)</b>

**Please note:** parish members requesting the celebration of a Divine Liturgy for a special intention (such as: Thanksgiving, the Infirm, General Intentions, the Deceased, Help of the Holy Spirit, for the Travelers, etc.), please see Fr. Andrii to arrange for it.

**Big thanks to all our parishioners, guests, visitors and all people of the good will who by their kindness, time, generous donations, look after and support our parish.  
May God bless you and your dear ones always!**

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