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"Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ in today's world."*

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**Служби Божі/Divine Liturgies**

*В Неділю/Sunday*

*8:30 am partially sung*

*10:30 am sung*

**У Свята/Holy Day of Obligation**

*10:30 am and 7:00 pm*

**Щодня/Daily Scheduled**

*8:15 am Divine Liturgy in church*

**Сповіді/Confessions:**

- 15 хвилин перед і 15 хвилин на початку Служби Божої
- 15 minutes *before* and 15 minutes *in the* beginning of the Divine Liturgy
- Або наперед домовитися під час тижня
- Or by appointment during the week

**Baptism by appointment**

**Anointing of the Sick/Hospital Visits/**

*Eucharist for the sick - any time*

**Marriages - by arrangement**

**Funerals - by arrangement**

**оо. Василян/ Basilian Fathers serving the Parish:**

- Father Serafym Grygoruk, OSBM,  
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- Father Marcos Zubyk, OSBM
- Most Rev. Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM  
Bishop Emeritus

**Неділя Воздвиження Чесного  
Хреста**

Святого апостола Кондрата

Івана 19: 6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35



**Sunday of the Exaltation of the  
Holy Cross**

Holy Apostle Condratus

John 19: 6-11, 13-20, 25-28,  
30-35

## **Воздвиження Чесного Хреста Господнього**

**Антифон 1:** Боже мій, Боже мій, чому мене покинув? \* Стоїш далеко від спасіння мого, від слів мого зойку. \* Молитвами Богородиці, Спасе, спаси нас.

Боже мій, кличу я вдень, не відповідаєш, \* а й уночі я теж не вгаваю. \* Молитвами Богородиці, Спасе, спаси нас.

Так Ти, святий, \* возсідаєш на хвалах Ізраїлевих! \* Молитвами Богородиці, Спасе, спаси нас.

**Антифон 3:** Господь царює, нехай тремтять народи. \* Він на Херувимах возсідає, нехай земля стрясається. \*

Господь великий у Сіоні \* і над усіма народами високий. \*

**Тропар, Голос 1:** Спаси, Господи, людей Твоїх, \* і благослови спадкоємство Твоє! \* Дай перемогу благовірному народові над супротивниками \* і хрестом твоїм охорони люд твій.

Хай славлять Твоє велике й страшне ім'я, \* святе воно. \*

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**Вхідне:** Возносіть Господа Бога нашого \* і поклоняйтеся підніжжю ніг Його, бо святе воно.

**Тропар Воздвиження Чесного Хреста, Голос 1:** Спаси, Господи, людей Твоїх \* і благослови спадкоємство Твоє! \* Дай перемогу благовірному народові над супротивниками \* і хрестом твоїм охорони люд твій.

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові, і нині і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

**Кондак Воздвиження Чесного Хреста, Голос 4:** Зійшовши добровільно на хрест, \* оновленому людові твоєму, Христе Боже, \* що носить твоє ім'я, \* даруй твої щедроти; \* звесели силою твоєю і дай перемогу \* над супротивниками твоєму народові, \* щоб його допоміжною зброєю став твій мир, \* непоборна перемога.

**Замість “Трисвятого” ст. 30:**  
Хресту Твоєму поклоняємось, Владико, \* і святе є воскресіння Твоє славим. (3х)

Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові; \* і нині і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь. І святе є воскресіння Твоє славим. Хресту Твоєму поклоняємось, Владико, \* і святе є воскресіння Твоє славим.

**Прокімен Воздвиження Чесного Хреста, Голос 7:** Возносіть Господа Бога нашого \* і поклоняйтеся підніжжю ніг Його, бо святе воно.

**Стих Воздвиження Чесного Хреста:** Господь царює, нехай тремтять народи. (Пс. 98:5,1)

**Прокімен Воздвиження Чесного Хреста, Голос 7:** Возносіть Господа Бога нашого \* і поклоняйтеся підніжжю ніг Його, бо святе воно.

**До КОРІНТЯН Перша послання Святого Апостола Павла Читання (1:18–24)**

Браття! Слово про хрест — глупота тим, що погибають, а для нас, що спасаємося, сила Божа. Писано бо: “Знищу мудрість мудрих і розум розумних звівечу! Де мудрий? Де учений? Де дослідувач віку цього?” Хіба Бог не зробив

дурною мудрість цього світу? А що світ своєю мудрістю не спізнав Бога у Божій мудрості, то Богові вгодно було спасти віруючих глупотою проповіді. Коли юдеї вимагають знаків, а греки мудрости шукають, – ми проповідуємо Христа розп'ятого: – ганьбу для юдеїв, і глупоту для поган, а для тих, що покликані, – чи юдеїв, чи греків — Христа, Божу могутність і Божу мудрість.

**Хор, Голос 1: Аلیلуя! (3х)**

**Стих Воздвиження Чесного Хреста:** Згадай Твою громаду, яку Ти придбав Собі віддавна.

**Хор, Голос 1: Аلیلуя! (3х)**

**Стих Воздвиження Чесного Хреста:** Так Ти, о Боже, цар наш споконвіку, що дієш серед землі спасіння.

**Хор, Голос 1: Аلیلуя! (3х)**

**Від ІОАНА Святої Євангелії читання (19:6–11,13–20, 25–28, 30–35)**

У той час первосвященики і старшйна склїкали раду на Ісуса, щоб його вбїти, і привелї його до Пилата, кажучи: “Розїпни! Розїпни!” Кажє Пилат їм: “Берїть його ви і розїпнїть, я бо жадної провини не знаходжу на ньому”. А юдеї йому: “У нас є закон, і за законом мусить він умерти, бо він із себе Сина Божого зробив”. Як почув те слово Пилат, стривожився ще дужче. Повернувся він ще раз у Преторїю та й кажє Ісусові: “Звїдкіля ти?” Не дав же йому Ісус одвіту. “Зо мною не розмовляєш, — кажє йому Пилат, — чи не знаєш, що в мене влада відпустити тебе і влада розїп'ясти тебе?” І відрік Ісус: “Не мав би ти надо мною ніякої влади, якби тобі не було дано згори.”

Тож зачувши ті слова, вивів

Пилат Ісуса і сїв на судівське сидіння, на місці, яке має назву Літостротон, а по–єврейському — Гаввата. А був то день, коли споготовлювали Пасху, близько шостої години. І кажє до юдеїв: “Ось цар ваш”. Тї ж закричали: “Геть! Геть! Розїпни його!” А Пилат їм: “Маю я вашого царя розїп'ясти?” І відповіли первосвященики: “Нема в нас царя, тільки кесар!” І тоді видав він його їм на розп'яття. І забрали вони Ісуса; і, несучи для себе хрест, вийшов він на місце, зване Череп, а по–єврейськи Голгота, де його і розїп'яли, а з ним двох інших: по одному з кожного боку, Ісуса ж — посередині. Пилат же звелїв написати напис і на хресті його примїстити. Написано було: “Ісус Назарянин Цар Юдейський”. Багато з юдеїв читали той напис, місце бо, де розп'ято Ісуса, було близько міста. Написано ж напис було по–єврейському, по–грецькому і по–римському.

А при хресті Ісусовім стояли його мати, сестра його матерї, Марїя Клеопова та Марїя Магдалина. Бачивши Ісус матерї і біля неї учня, що стояв, — а його ж любив він, — мовить до матерї: “Жінко, ось син твій”. А тоді й до учня мовить: “Ось матер твоя”. І від тієї хвилі учень узяв її до себе. А по тому Ісус, знавши, що все вже довершилося, ... схилївши голову, віддав духа. Через те, що це була п'ятниця, отже, щоб не залишилися в суботу тіла на хресті, — бо був Великдень тієї суботи, — то юдеї попросили Пилата, щоби переламали їм голінки й познімали з хреста. Отож вояки прийшли і

переламали першому голінки і другому, який був з ним розіп'ятий. Та коли підступили до Ісуса й побачили, що він уже мертвий, то голінок не перебивали йому, лиш один з вояків проколов йому списом бік. І потекла негайно ж кров — і вода. І той, який бачив, свідчить те, і правдиве свідчення його.

**Замість “Достойно” Ірмос Воздвиженні Чесного Хреста, Голос 8:** Величай, душе моя, пресвятий Хрест Господній! \* Таїнственний ти, Богородице, рай, \*

що незбагненно зростила нам Христа. \* Він бо на землі посадив нам хресне живоносне дерево. \* Тим-то нині, як підносимо і поклоняємось йому, \* тебе, Богородице, величаємо.

**Причасний Воздвиження Чесного Хреста:** Знаменувалося на нас \* Світло лица Твого, Господи. \* Алилуя! (3х)

**В кінці:** Хресту Твоєму поклоняємось, Владико, \* і святе є воскресіння Твоє славим. (3х)

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**Парафія Покрова Пресвятої Богородиці** вітає всіх гостей, приятелів та рідних, які беруть з нами участь сьогодні в цій Службі Божі. Нехай наш Господь через заступництво Покрова Пресвятої Богородиці благословить Вас і Вашу родину.

**Сьогодні: Неділя, 14 вересня:**

– **Парафіяльна Катехитична програма** під час Служби Божої в 10:30 рано у вітальні під церквою.

– 12:00 полудня – Річний парафіяльний пікнік. Запрошуємо всіх узяти участь.

**Понеділок, 15 вересня:**

– 7:00 вечора – **Сходина Парафіяльної Ради** у Борд Румі.

**Субота, 20 вересня:**

– 9:30 ранку – Молебень до Серця, а відтак Сходина Л.У.К.Ж.К. у вітальні під церквою.

**Місячний намір Святішого Отця Папи Римського – на вересень**

**Загальний намір:** Носії умових вад: “Щоб носії умових вад отримували любов і допомогу, якої потребують щоб вести гідне життя”.

**Місійний намір:** Служіння вбогим: “Щоб християни, натхнені Словом Божим, служили вбогим і терплячим”.

>> Roman Babynets, a 21 year old student from Ukraine is looking for a renting place to live for the next 6 months. He is also looking for work (he has a working visa). Please, call our parish office if you have information.

*Просимо всіх Парафіян приносити продукти для потребуючих, які не псуються (non-perishable) в першу і третю неділю кожного місяця.*

## Exaltation of the Holy Life- Giving Cross

**First Antiphon:** O God, my God, hear me; why have You forsaken me? \* The words of my transgressions put salvation far from me. \* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, \* O Saviour, save us.

O God, I will call to You by day but You will not listen; \* and by night, yet it will not be foolish of me. \* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, \* O Saviour, save us.

But You, the praise of Israel, \* dwell in the holy place. \* Through the prayers of the Mother of God, \* O Saviour, save us.

**Third Antiphon:** Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, \* let us acclaim God, our Saviour. \*

Let us come before His face with praise, \* and acclaim him in psalms. \*  
**Tropar, Tone 1:** Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. \* Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies, \* and protect Your community by Your cross.

For God is the great Lord, \* and the great king over all the earth. \*  
**Tropar, Tone 1:** Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. \* Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies, \* and protect Your community by Your cross.

**Entrance Hymn:** Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. \* Son of God, crucified in the flesh, \* save us who sing to you. Alleluia.

**Tropar, Feast of Exaltation, Tone 1:** Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. \* Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies, \* and protect Your community by Your cross.

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

**Kondak, Feast of Exaltation, Tone 4:** By Your own choice, O Christ our God, \* You were lifted on the cross. \* Grant Your mercies to Your new community \* that bears Your name. \* By Your power gladden the faithful people, \* and grant them victory against enemies. \* May they have the help of Your instrument of peace, \* the invincible sign of victory.

**Instead of "Holy God ..." page 31:** To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection. To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection. To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; Now and for ever and ever. Amen. And we glorify Your holy resurrection. To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection.

**Prokimen, Feast of Exaltation, Tone 7:** Exalt the Lord our God, \* and bow in worship at the footstool of His feet, for it is holy.

**Verse, Feast of Exaltation:** The Lord reigns, \* let the peoples tremble. (Ps. 99:5,1)

**Prokimen, Feast of Exaltation, Tone 7:** Exalt the Lord our God, \* and bow in worship at the footstool of His feet, for it is holy.

**A reading from St. Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians (1:18-24)**

Brethren! The message of the cross is complete absurdity to those who are headed for ruin, but to us who are experiencing salvation it is

the power of God. Scripture says, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and thwart the cleverness of the clever.” Where is the wise man to be found? Where the scribe? Where is the master of worldly argument? Has not God turned the wisdom of this world into folly? Since in God’s wisdom the world did not come to know Him through “wisdom,” it pleased God to save those who believe through the absurdity of the preaching of the gospel. Yes, Jews demand “signs” and Greeks look for “wisdom,” but we preach Christ crucified — a stumbling block to Jews, and an absurdity to Gentiles; but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

**Faithful: Alleluia! (3x)**

**Feast of Exaltation Verse:**

Remember Your congregation, \* which You acquired from the beginning. (Ps. 74:2,12)

**Faithful: Alleluia! (3x)**

**Verse:** But God is our king before the ages; \* He has wrought salvation in the midst of the earth.

**Faithful: Alleluia! (3x)**

**A Reading of the Holy Gospel according to John**

**(19:6–11, 13–20, 25–28, 31–35)**

As soon as the chief priests and the temple guards saw Him they shouted, “Crucify Him! Crucify Him!” Pilate said, “Take Him and crucify Him yourselves; I find no case against Him.” “We have our law,” the Jews responded, “and according to that law He must die because He made Himself God’s Son.” When Pilate heard this kind of talk, He was more afraid than ever. Going back into the praetorium, he said to Jesus, “Where do you come

from?” Jesus would not give him any answer. “Do you refuse to speak to me?” Pilate asked Him. “Do you not know that I have the power to release you and the power to crucify you?” Jesus answered: “You would have no power of Me whatever unless it were given you from above. That is why He who handed Me over to you is guilty of the greater sin.” Pilate heard what they were saying, then brought Jesus outside and took a seat on a judge’s bench at the place called the Stone Pavement—Gabbatha in Hebrew. (It was the Preparation Day for Passover, and the hour was about noon.) He said to the Jews, “Look at your king!” At this they shouted, “Away with Him! Away with Him! Crucify Him!” “What!” Pilate exclaimed. “Shall I crucify your king?” The chief priests replied, “We have no king but Caesar.” In the end, Pilate handed Jesus over to be crucified. Jesus was led away, and carrying the cross by Himself, went out to what is called the Place of the Skull (in Hebrew, Golgotha). There they crucified Him, and two others with Him: one on either side, Jesus in the middle. Pilate had an inscription placed on the cross which read, “Jesus the Nazorean the King of the Jews”. This inscription, in Hebrew, Latin, and Greek, was read by many of the Jews, since the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city. Near the cross of Jesus there stood His mother, His mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. Seeing His mother there with the disciple whom He loved, Jesus said to His mother, “Woman, there is your son.” In turn He said to the disciple, “There is your mother.” From that hour

onward, the disciple took her into his care. After that, Jesus realizing that everything was not finished, said to fulfill the Scripture, "I am thirsty." Since it was the Preparation Day the Jews did not want to have the bodies left on the cross during the Sabbath, for that Sabbath was a solemn feast day. They asked Pilate that the legs be broken and the bodies be taken away. Accordingly, the soldiers came and broke the legs of the men crucified with Jesus, first of the one, then of the other. When they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. One of the soldiers thrust a lance into His side, and immediately blood and water flowed out. (This testimony is true. He

tells what he knows is true, so that you may believe.)

**In place of: "It is truly right ..."**(p.57)(**Irmos Tone 8**) O my soul, magnify the most precious Cross of the Lord. \* You are a mystical paradise, O Mother of God, \* who though untilled, have brought forth Christ. \* He has planted upon earth the life-giving tree of the cross. \* Therefore today as we raise it on high \* we bow low and we magnify you.

**Communion Verse:** Let the light of Your countenance, O Lord, \* shine upon us. \* Alleluia! (3x)

**After the Divine Liturgy:** To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy resurrection.

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**The Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish** welcomes all guests, friends, visiting relatives and Parishioners in celebrating this Divine Liturgy together. May our Lord, through the intercession of the Protectress, the Blessed Mother of God, bless you and your family!

**TODAY: Sunday, September 14:** – **Catechism** for Pre-Schooler's during the 10:30 am Divine Liturgy in the Fellowship Room.

– 12:00 Noon – **Annual Parish Picnic.** Everybody's invited to take part in it.

**Monday, September 15:**

– 7 pm Parish Council Meeting in the Boardroom.

**Thursday, September 18,**

– 7 pm – **Bible Study:** Letter of St. James

**Saturday, September 20:**

– **UCWLC Meeting begins at 9:30 am with Moleben** to the Mother of God followed by the monthly meeting in the Fellowship Room.

– **Vespers at 6:00 pm** in the monastery chapel. (mostly in English)

**Sunday, September 28:**

– Pancake Breakfast in the Auditorium following each Divine Liturgy.

Sponsored by St. Mary's UCWLC.

**SPECIAL NOTICE** – *Do not park in the RESERVED stalls in front of St. Mary's Gardens when you come for the Sunday Divine Liturgy.*

**SUNDAY DONATIONS:** September 7, 2014-\$1493.00

**Monthly Intentions of the Holy Father for September**

**Universal Prayer Intention:** *Mentally disabled.* That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life.

**Evangelization Intention:** *Service to the poor.* That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering.

**Eparchial School** is accepting registrations for UKRAINIAN and CATECHETICAL PROGRAMS 2014/2015. The Ukrainian program includes Ukrainian language and literature, math and culture studies. The Catechetical program provides Catechism and preparation to the first Confession and Solemn Holy Communion (available in both English and Ukrainian). Classes are held on Saturdays (8:30 am – 3:00 pm) at 550 West 14 Ave, Vancouver. You can register for both or just for one program. For the Ukrainian program contact tel. 604-374-4535 (Anna, coordinator of the program), email: [anna.vyshnevaska@gmail.com](mailto:anna.vyshnevaska@gmail.com). For the Catechetical program contact tel. 778-387-7071 (Fr. Andrii, coordinator of the program), email: [office.holycross@gmail.com](mailto:office.holycross@gmail.com). You can download the registration forms at <http://holyeucharist.ca/category/organizations/eparchial-school/>  
Deadline for registrations: September 28, 2014.

**Єпархіальна Школа** оголошує набір учнів на УКРАЇНСЬКУ та КАТЕХИТИЧНУ ПРОГРАМИ (2014/2015 навчальний рік). Українська програма включає заняття з української мови і літератури, математики та культурознавства. Катехитична програма передбачає Катехизм та підготовку до першої Сповіді та урочистого Святого Причастя (українською та англійською мовами). Заняття відбуваються по суботах (8:30 – 15:00 год.) за адресою: 550 West 14 Ave, Vancouver. Є можливість зареєструватися на обидві програми, або лише на одну. Реєстрація на Українську програму за тел. 604-374-45-35 (Анна, координатор програми), email: [anna.vyshnevaska@gmail.com](mailto:anna.vyshnevaska@gmail.com). Реєстрація на Катехитичну програму за тел. 778-387-7071 (о. Андрій, координатор програми), email: [office.holycross@gmail.com](mailto:office.holycross@gmail.com). Реєстраційну форму можна завантажити за адресою: <http://holyeucharist.ca/category/organizations/eparchial-school/>  
Набір проводиться лише до 28 вересня 2014.

Feel free to submit to the Parish Office the name of anyone who is ill and in need of our prayers. Their names will be included in the list below. These names will remain on the Sick List only until the end of the month, at which time please resubmit names to be included in the next month's list.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM, Fr. Steven Basarab.

>> If anyone has a plot available for sale in the Devotion Section of Forest Lawn, kindly call Robert Reavill at 604.420.6700.



>> **Parish Bazaar** – we are asking people to donate a large prize for the **Bazaar Raffle** (trip, TV, etc.)

We are also requesting any extra **preserves** that you will be making over the summer. Please bring as many as you can spare to the Auditorium kitchen on Tuesdays. They will be sold at **our Parish Bazaar**. Your help is greatly appreciated.

We are looking for your baking to help stock the sales shelves with brownies, breads and buns, pies, cakes, cinnamon buns, cookies and any other baking that does not include fillings such as cream or cheese or other dairy products.

**“Pyrohy Making” dates for the Bazaar – Wednesdays at 8 am: September 17; September 24; October 8 and October 15. For more information, call Henriette Ukrainetz at 604.291.0087.**

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**Redevelopment Committee Newsletter** *(reprinted)*

**For: St. Mary’s Parish**

Since authorization a year ago, the redevelopment committee has completed the following:

- Held 11 committee meetings.
- Had three guest speakers come to our meetings to give us information about a project of this size.
- Attended seminars on different aspects of redevelopment.
- Met with our parish lawyer on four occasions.
- Met individually at least 12 times with planners, architects, potential developers, and others.
- Met with Father Gabriel, OSBM on several occasions for his input.
- Went to the City of Vancouver several times with specific enquiries.
- Kept informed about current re-zoning & development permit applications around Vancouver.
- Obtained & distributed any information to the committee, which may be helpful to our potential redevelopment.

The structure for our committee is now in place. This committee is different than many others because it would likely have a life span of 6 to 9 years. The amount of understanding, education, and information is very important for committee members so that we can make intelligent and informed decisions. The structure includes a defined mandate, our purpose and by whose authority, as well as responsibilities and future liability of the committee members. It also includes a description of the committee duties, length of commitment, confidentiality, indemnification, and that the positions are voluntary and without compensation. There is also a document for the different phases of development and a detailed plan of action.

The above documents were brought forth at the last Parish Council meeting for the Council’s approval.

I trust that they will be ratified so that the committee can have higher profile communication and feedback.

All committee meetings are confidential and subject to privacy laws. The minutes of meetings are automatically forwarded to Father Gabriel and Bishop Ken as they must be kept informed at all times.

In order to improve regular communication with the parish, the following steps are being implemented:

- 1.) Regular newsletters directly to the parish.
- 2.) Some basic information on St. Mary's website. (It is a public forum)
- 3.) Regular attendance and presentations at all Parish Council meetings.
- 4.) An email address provided specifically for parish members questions.
- 5.) A questions/suggestion box at the entrance to the church.
- 6.) A posted timeline on the bulletin board of the fellowship room so parishioners could see our progress.

We are now proceeding with the task at hand while at the same time continuing our education process.

There is further discussion of the different visions that the parishioners brought forth in the June 5, 2013 parish meeting. Some of those potential uses will be eliminated while others will be discussed further.

We need to consider input from the following three main groups. They are:

**-The Order.** They are on title and will have to assume responsibility for any mortgage obligations. If a large mortgage were considered, approval from Rome would be needed.

**-The Parishioners.** They are the ones who spent years giving us what we have today. Clearly those voices need to be heard.

**-The City.** The City of Vancouver has a very large role to play in this possible development. The City is responsible for traffic, safety, fire, policing, water, sewer, garbage, and so much more.

The question then becomes, which is the most acceptable option for the clergy and the parish. At this time there are four possibilities. They are:

- 1.) Sell a part of the property.
- 2.) Obtain a large mortgage on the property.
- 3.) Have a joint venture with another group in some form.
- 4.) Have a combination of several of the above.

What is the preferred choice for the parish and the Order? That answer would then have to be financially viable for the long-term sustainability of the Ukrainian Catholic Identity.

For questions and comments, you may also contact me at [mslobogean@gmail.com](mailto:mslobogean@gmail.com).

Respectfully submitted,

Myron D. Slobogean, St. Mary's Redevelopment Committee Chair

## UGCC Synod of Bishops began its work with a Pontifical Divine Liturgy in Lviv

*On September 7th in St. George Cathedral, with a Pontifical Divine Liturgy officially the next session of the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church began. This Synod will have the main theme as "Managing God's gifts." The Synod will last until September 14th and will be held in the recollection-vacation complex of UGCC Lviv Archeparchy in Briukhovychi near Lviv.*

Participating in the Divine Liturgy were: the members of the Synod of Bishops; Apostolic Nuncio in Ukraine, Thomas Edward Hallickson; representatives of Bishops Conferences from USA, Germany, France, and Italy. In particular, Most Reverend Bishop Donato Oliverio (S.E.R. Donato Oliverio) with P. Sergio Straface of the Italian Bishops Conference; Most Reverend Bishop Mgr. Gérard Daucourt with P. Didier Bertnet –French Bishops Conference; Most Reverend Blase J. Cupich) with Dr. Declan Murphy – American Bishops Conference; Most Reverend Bishop Dr. Stephan Ackermann – German Bishops Conference, who was escorted by Rev. Ivan Sokhan.

Also present were Bishop Filaret (Kucherov), UOC (MP) Bishop of Lviv and Halychyna. "your presence is a sign of great solidarity with our Church and the Ukrainian people in this uneasy time for our national and church life," said UGCC Head.

In turning to the Gospel, UGCC Head noted that the Sunday parable about the vineyard owner summarizes the history of the interaction of God and man: "God did not simply plant a vineyard. He trusted it to his envoys, in other words – to all those who carry His word. He expects from man a fruitful activity in his vineyard. Because the vineyard is the property of God and not man." The preacher also mentioned that all who are called to work in God's vineyard, should in due time return the fruits of one's labor to its owner.

At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy Bishop Bohdan (Dziurakh), UGCC Synod of Bishops Secretary, read the Decree of UGCC Head about the beginning of the Synod of UGCC Bishops.

At the end, the bishops prayed a Memorial Service for Patriarch Josyf Slipyj since that day marked the 30th Anniversary of his death.

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### **EXPERIENCE THE GLORY! Kyiv Symphony Orchestra and Chorus**

September 14 at 7:00 PM– Willingdon Church, Burnaby

Sept. 16 at 7:00 PM –Bethany Baptist, Richmond.

The Kyiv Symphony Orchestra and Chorus shares the gospel through great sacred classics, sung and spoken prayers, timeless instrumental chamber music, stories and testimonies of God's grace, and hearty Ukrainian folk music.