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

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Служби Божі/Divine Liturgies

Неділя/Sunday: 8:30 am in English

10:30 am (sung) in Ukrainian

У Свята/Holy Day of Obligation

10:30 am and 7:00 pm

Щодня/Daily Scheduled

7:30 am in Chapel

Сповідь/Confessions: 15 minutes before/at
the beginning of the Divine Liturgy - or by
appointment during the week

Baptism by appointment

Anointing of the Sick/Hospital Visits/

Eucharist for the sick - any time

Marriages - the arrangements with the priest
have to be made months before the marriage

Funerals - by arrangement

оо. Василіяни/Basilian Fathers serving the

Parish: Father Serafym Grygoruk, OSBM,

Administrator: Email: serh70@outlook.com

Father Joseph Pidskalny, OSBM- local Superior

Most Rev. Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM

Bishop-Emeritus

**Парафія Покрови Пресвятої
Богородиці** вітає всіх гостей, приятелів
та парафіян, які беруть участь у цій
Службі Божі. (Христос Рождається!
Славимо Його!)

31-ша НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ П'ЯТИДЕСЯТНИЦІ.

Преподобний Макарій єгипетський



31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.

St. Marcarius of Egypt, venerable

1 Timothy 1:15-17; Luke 18:35-43

**The Protection of the Blessed Virgin
Mary Parish** welcomes all guests, friends,
and Parishioners participating in this
Divine Liturgy. (Christ is Born! Let us
glorify Him!)

НИНІ: Неділя, 19 січня: Кава і солодке після Служби Божої о год 8:30 і 10:30 рано.

Hymns at 10:30 Divine Liturgy

Opening: page 114: "Chudesna zirka"

Communion: page 80: "Nova radist' stala"

Closing: page 72: "Nebo i zemlia nyini torzhestvuyut"

НИНІ: після двох Служб Божих (8:30 год. ран. і 10:30 год. ран.) ми матимемо обговорення приблизно на 20 хвилин, у Феловшип залі під церквою. Ці обговорення є підготовкою до Епархіяльного собору 22 лютого, 2020 р. у Сурі, Бритійська Колумбія.

Велика Подяка

Минулої неділі наш Різдвяний обід був гарною подією, незважаючи на погану погоду. Дякуємо всім вам, хто прийшов. А особлива подяка тим, хто приготував їду, накрив столи, обслуговував і чистив після обіду. Ми дуже вдячні вам за ваші труди і допомогу. Нехай Бог благословить вас!

Конветки для пожертв на 2020 у коробках знаходяться у притворі церкви. (Уважно перевірте і виберіть тільки свою коробку.)

Церковні календарі за 2020 р. знаходяться у притворі церкви. Просимо взяти один календар на родину.

The **2020 Parish donation envelope** boxes are in the church vestibule. Please take a moment to find your box. (Please make sure that it is your box that you have taken).

2020 Parish Calendars can be found in the church vestibule.

Parish Maintenance Fund

Donations for our Maintenance Fund for 2020: \$87.00.

Maintenance and repairs to our church and parish complex are ongoing. Please continue to help our parish build up its *Maintenance Fund* to offset these costs. All donations are tax-deductible. "*Convenience Envelopes*" can be found in the front entrance of the church and *Parish Maintenance Fund* envelopes are included in your envelope packet. We are very grateful for your generosity. Thank You!

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January

Promotion of World Peace. We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

TODAY: Sunday, January 19: Coffee and sweets available following the 8:30 and 10:30 Divine Liturgies.

TODAY: After the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Divine Liturgies we will have about 20 minute discussions in our Fellowship Room under the Church. These discussions are in preparations to the Eparchial Sobor February 22, 2020 in Surrey, BC. (Please find the questions for this meeting below).

UCWLC AGM/Meeting

Saturday, January 25: (Rescheduled from January 18). Moleben at 9:30 AM, followed by AGM and a short meeting. Ladies, please try to attend the AGM/meeting as we start the new year. Also, membership fees are now due. Getting together to discuss all issues and socializing is greatly appreciated by all. See you soon!

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Mr. Tommy Ray who celebrates his 101st birthday today, January 19. May Our Lord grant him many more years of health and happiness. Многая Літа!

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Mr. Adam Kozak who celebrates his 80th birthday tomorrow, January 20. May Our Lord grant him many more years of health and happiness. Многая Літа!

Thank You

Last Sunday's Parish Christmas Dinner was a beautiful event, despite the inclement weather. Thank You to all who attended. A special Thank You to those who prepared the food, set up the tables, served and cleaned up after the dinner. Your efforts and hard work are very much appreciated. God bless you!

Sunday, January 26, at 9:40 AM – Catechism Class for Children with Susan Lazaruk in the classroom under the church.

Sunday, January 26, after the 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy we will be taking apart our Christmas tree and decorations. Please come and help us do it.

Vatican Press Office - January 15, 2020

Appointment of Bishop of the Eparchy of the Holy Family of London of the Ukrainians, Great Britain

The Holy Father has appointed as Bishop of the Eparchy of the Holy Family of London of the Ukrainians, Great Britain, Bishop Kenneth Anthony Adam Nowakowski, transferring him from the Eparchy of New Westminster of Ukrainians (Canada).

Appointment of Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of New Westminster of the Ukrainians, Canada

The Holy Father has appointed as Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of New Westminster of the Ukrainians, Canada, Bishop David Motiuk of the Eparchy of Edmonton of the Ukrainians.

These three questions are in preparations to the Eparchial Sobor February 22, 2020 in Surrey, BC.

Question 1: Connecting with our heritage – Why have you remained or what has led you to become a Ukrainian Greek Catholic? What aspects of UGCC’s spiritual heritage and history, or cultural heritage and history, are especially important to you?

Question 2: Engaging with our present – Why are you a Ukrainian Greek Catholic today? Which spiritual practices or cultural practices are important to your engagement with your faith today? Do you know the faith stories of the other people in your parish?

Question 3: Ideas for our future – How can the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church’s expression of our Christian faith continue to remain important in your life, in the life of your community, and for our future generations?

HOME BLESSINGS AND VISITS: The Jordan blessing of homes are done every year between January 7 and February 1. If you would like to have your home blessed this year please speak with one of the priests. You may also place this form in the collection plate or call Parish Office at 604.879.5830.

**ST. MARY’S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Vancouver, BC**

Йорданське Благословення Домів і Відвідини 2020
Jordan Blessing of Homes and Visit 2020

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____



Bishop Ken Nowakowski

**To the Reverend Clergy, the Venerable Religious,
and the Lay-Faithful of the Eparchy of New Westminster,**

*We give thanks to God always for all of you,
constantly mentioning you in our prayers,
remembering before our God and Father
your work of faith and labor of love
and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
(1 Thessalonians 1:2-3)*

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Today, the Holy See of Rome and His Beatitude Sviatoslav on behalf of the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church have announced my appointment as the new bishop of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London, with its Cathedral in the City of Westminster, England. This means that as of today, I am no longer the Bishop of the Eparchy of New Westminster. Most Reverend Bishop David Motiuk the Bishop of Edmonton has been appointed Apostolic Administrator. He will be in charge of the Eparchy until my successor has been appointed. Please keep him in your daily prayers and commemorate him at the Liturgical celebrations.

I have been your bishop for almost twelve and a half years. In this time, I have come to know most of the faithful of the Eparchy and have had the wonderful opportunity of journeying in faith together with you - our clergy, religious and the lay-faithful. The years have truly gone by very quickly for me. Although I am a prairie boy, I have come to love the ocean, the mountains and the cities and towns where our parishes are located.

In my first homily at Holy Eucharist Cathedral as Bishop of the Eparchy, I emphasized that in order for me to serve as your bishop, I would need your help and support. I want to thank you not only for your help and support, but also for the love you have shown me and the many prayers you have offered for me and my ministry. The direction that we have taken over the last decade has been to ensure that we are an ever-vibrant Eparchy, with vibrant parishes, dedicated clergy and active lay-faithful. In the words of Saint Paul, "For you know how, like a father with his children, we exhorted each one of you and

encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.” (1 Thessalonians 2:11-12)

As I prepare to take up my new assignment in the United Kingdom, I would like to ask you to continue to pray for me. Over the next few weeks I will need to address many challenges related to my move from New Westminster to Westminster proper in the city of London. On my part, I assure you of my continued prayers for you. And if in your travels you find yourself in London, please let me know so that I can welcome you!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my own predecessor Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM, who over these years has provided me with advice and prayerful support. I would like to thank my brother Ukrainian Catholic Bishops in Canada for their fraternal understanding, cooperation and fellowship. Also, I wish to acknowledge the support and kindness that our Eparchy and I personally received from my neighbours and brothers in faith, the Roman Catholic Bishops of British Columbia and Yukon.

Many of you know that I have been very active over the years with the Knights of Columbus, and was privileged to serve for three years as State Chaplain for British Columbia and the Yukon. Over the years and in various ways the Knights have supported our Eparchy, our parishes, and especially our Summer Youth Camp, for which I am truly grateful. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the UCWLC Eparchial Executive and indeed to all of the UCWLC parish branches for your good work in the Eparchy.

Catholic Missions in Canada has been one of our Eparchy's greatest benefactors over the years and because of their support we have been able provide good pastoral care in our parishes throughout British Columbia. May God bless Catholic Missions in Canada and all of the benefactors who have been so generous.

To the clergy who have served and are currently serving in our Eparchy, I also want to let you know how very dear you are to me and that I am proud of each of you. May God continue to bless your pastoral ministry.

Our Eparchy was established in 1974, and since that time we have received pastoral care from many dedicated priests, both eparchial and religious, in particular, the Basilian Fathers. We have greatly benefited from the prayerful dedication of many Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate. I believe that the Eparchy of New Westminster has been built on solid ground, and that it will continue to do the Lord's work under the prayerful protection of the first bishop of the Eparchy of New Westminster, Bishop Jerome Chimy, OSBM, of blessed memory.

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, “guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (see Philippians 4:7). Placing you and the new Apostolic Administrator under the Protection of our Holy Mother of God and Every Virgin Mary, I remain,

Prayerfully Your Brother in the Lord,

+Ken Nowakowski

New Westminster, January 15, 2020

(excerpts taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

III. “You Shall Have No Other Gods Before Me”

2110 The first commandment forbids honoring gods other than the one Lord who has revealed himself to his people. It proscribes superstition and irreligion.

Superstition in some sense represents a perverse excess of religion; irreligion is the vice contrary by defect to the virtue of religion.

Superstition

2111 Superstition is the deviation of religious feeling and of the practices this feeling imposes. It can even affect the worship we offer the true God, e.g., when one attributes an importance in some way magical to certain practices otherwise lawful or necessary. To attribute the efficacy of prayers or of sacramental signs to their mere external performance, apart from the interior dispositions that they demand, is to fall into superstition. [41]

Idolatry

2112 The first commandment condemns polytheism. It requires man neither to believe in, nor to venerate, other divinities than the one true God. Scripture constantly recalls this rejection of “idols, (of) silver and gold, the work of men's hands. They have mouths, but do not speak; eyes, but do not see.” These empty idols make their worshippers empty: “Those who make them are like them; so are all who trust in them.” [42] God, however, is the “living God” [43] who gives life and intervenes in history.

2113 Idolatry not only refers to false pagan worship. It remains a constant temptation to faith. Idolatry consists in divinizing what is not God. Man commits idolatry whenever he honors and reveres

a creature in place of God, whether this be gods or demons (for example, satanism), power, pleasure, race, ancestors, the state, money, etc. Jesus says, “You cannot serve God and mammon.” [44] Many martyrs died for not adoring “the Beast” [45] refusing even to simulate such worship. Idolatry rejects the unique Lordship of God; it is therefore incompatible with communion with God. [46]

2114 Human life finds its unity in the adoration of the one God. the commandment to worship the Lord alone integrates man and saves him from an endless disintegration. Idolatry is a perversion of man's innate religious sense. An idolater is someone who “transfers his indestructible notion of God to anything other than God.” [47]

Divination and magic

2115 God can reveal the future to his prophets or to other saints. Still, a sound Christian attitude consists in putting oneself confidently into the hands of Providence for whatever concerns the future, and giving up all unhealthy curiosity about it. Improvidence, however, can constitute a lack of responsibility.

2116 All forms of divination are to be rejected: recourse to Satan or demons, conjuring up the dead or other practices falsely supposed to “unveil” the future. [48] Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history, and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone.

2117 All practices of magic or sorcery,

by which one attempts to tame occult powers, so as to place them at one's service and have a supernatural power over others - even if this were for the sake of restoring their health - are gravely contrary to the virtue of religion. These practices are even more to be condemned when accompanied by the intention of harming someone, or when they have recourse to the intervention of demons. Wearing charms is also reprehensible. Spiritism often implies divination or magical practices; the Church for her part warns the faithful against it. Recourse to so-called traditional cures does not justify either the invocation of evil powers or the exploitation of another's credulity.

Irreligion

2118 God's first commandment condemns the main sins of irreligion: tempting God, in words or deeds, sacrilege, and simony.

2119 Tempting God consists in putting his goodness and almighty power to the test by word or deed. Thus Satan tried to induce Jesus to throw himself down from the Temple and, by this gesture, force God to act. [49] Jesus opposed Satan with the word of God: "You shall not put the LORD your God to the test." [50] The challenge contained in such tempting of God wounds the respect and trust we owe our Creator and Lord. It always harbors doubt about his love, his providence, and his power. [51]

2120 Sacrilege consists in profaning or treating unworthily the sacraments and other liturgical actions, as well as persons, things, or places consecrated to God. Sacrilege is a grave sin especially when committed against the Eucharist, for in this sacrament the true Body of

Christ is made substantially present for us. [52]

2121 Simony is defined as the buying or selling of spiritual things. [53] To Simon the magician, who wanted to buy the spiritual power he saw at work in the apostles, St. Peter responded: "Your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain God's gift with money!" [54] Peter thus held to the words of Jesus: "You received without pay, give without pay." [55] It is impossible to appropriate to oneself spiritual goods and behave toward them as their owner or master, for they have their source in God. One can receive them only from him, without payment.

2122 The minister should ask nothing for the administration of the sacraments beyond the offerings defined by the competent authority, always being careful that the needy are not deprived of the help of the sacraments because of their poverty." [56] The competent authority determines these "offerings" in accordance with the principle that the Christian people ought to contribute to the support of the Church's ministers. "The laborer deserves his food." [57]

FOOTNOTES: #41 Cf. Mt 23:16-22.

#42 Ps 115:4-5, 8; cf. Isa 44:9-20; Jer 10:1-16; Dan 14:1-30; Bar 6; Wis 13: 1- 15:19. #43 Josh 3:10; Ps 42:3; etc. #44 Mt 6:24. #45 Cf. Rev 13-14. #46 Cf. Gal 5:20; Eph 5:5. #47 Origen, *Contra Celsum* 2, 40: PG 11, 861. #48 Cf. Deut 18:10; Jer 29:8. #49 Cf. Lk 4:9[ETML:C/]. #50 Deut 6:16. #51 Cf. 1 Cor 10:9; Ex 17:2-7; Ps 95:9. #52 Cf. CIC, cann. 1367; 1376. #53 Cf. Acts 8:9-24. #54 Acts 8:20. #55 Mt 10:8; cf. already Isa 55:1. #56 CIC, can. 848. #57 Mt 10:10; cf. Lk 10:7; 2 Cor 9:5-18; 1 Tim 5:17-18.