

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Ukrainian Catholic Parish ‡

Українська Католицька Парафія ВОЗДВИЖЕННЯ ЧЕСНОГО ХРЕСТА

WELCOME

A warm welcome to parishioners and visitors joining us today. Our doors are wide open: to all who mourn or need comfort; to all who are weary and need rest; to all who are weary and need rest; to all who seek friendship; to all who desire to grow in relationship with God; to all who yearn to pray; to all who need a Saviour, and in the name our Lord, says: WELCOME!

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HOLY MYSTERIES

Baptism: by appointment **Confessions**: by appointment **Marriages**: please contact the Priest at least six months in advance before any other arrangements are made

Ministry of the Sick - Hospital

Visits: Parishioners with special circumstances that wish to be visited, please contact the Parish Priest.

Funerals: by appointment

21 Sunday after Pentecost - OCTOBER 30, 2022



In today's Gospel we read the parable of the sower who went out to sow seed, the Word of God. In it we notice how of the four groups of people who were granted the Word of Life by Christ the Sower, only one group actually received it. Through the parable Christ makes it clear that the failure of this seed is not the fault of sower or the seed itself but of the ground upon which it fell.

We need to be willing to cooperate with God in order to receive salvation. This means that

we must abandon our self will and follow Christ in order to receive salvation.

First of all, so that the seed of God does not fall by the wayside and may not be downtrodden or devoured by the demons, we must have an 'honest and good heart'. We must not be hard. We must not make dishonest excuses for our failings, we must not do evil, we must be honest and good in our hearts.

Secondly, so that we do not fall into careless excitement, we must cultivate the seed of God, giving moisture to it, so that it puts out roots and develops, in other words, we must 'keep the word', by obeying the commandments.

Finally, so that the seed of God is not choked with the thorns and weeds of our passions, we must 'bring forth fruit with patience'. We cannot expect sudden and astonishing progress, with our many worldly cares. We have to be patient and persevere



DIVINE LITURGY PROPERS

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A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20):

Brothers and Sisters we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

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До Галатів послання Св. Апостола Павла читання: (Гл 2:16-20):

Браття і Сестри, довідавшися, що людина оправдується не ділами закону, а через віру в Ісуса Христа, ми й увірували в Христа Ісуса, щоб оправдатися нам вірою в Христа, а не ділами закону; бо ніхто не оправдається ділами закону. Коли ж, шукаючи оправдання у Христі, виявилося, що й ми самі грішники, то невже Христос – служитель гріха? Жадним робом! Бо коли я знову відбудовую те, що зруйнував був, то я себе самого оголошую переступником. Я бо через закон для закону вмер, щоб для Бога жити: я – розп'ятий з Христом. Живу вже не я, а живе Христос у мені. А що живу тепер у тілі, то живу вірою в Божого Сина, який полюбив мене й видав себе за мене.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤ OFFERING PRAYERS: 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 contact Fr. Andriy.

➤ DIRECT DEPOSIT:. To set-up automatic withdrawals from your bank account for your Sunday donations, please, contact our treasurer, Kathryn Hitchen treasurer@crossparish.ca

➤ PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALTH of all those affected by the coronavirus, those wounded in the war in Ukraine and: all sick brothers and sisters in our families and parish community. Please let Fr. Andriy know if you would like to add names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

> PRAYER BOOKS FOR SALE - If you wish to purchase your own (\$10 each) please contact Fr. Andriy.

➤ HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Keith Kasper, Polina Nykytiuk, Pawel Dudek and 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 protect you. Многая Літа!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS – **ДЯКУЄМО** – Our gratitude to everyone for your prayers & ongoing financial support of our parish and for all other ways in which you assist our church community. God bless you all!

➤ **REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR**: your family; your fellow parishioners; especially the shut-in or those in the hospital; those seeking God's answer to their prayers or those rejoicing with God's answer; those celebrating a birthday or anniversary; those called to their eternal reward and for the family they leave behind; as well as any other need.

> 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 Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Parish 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 Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church at 13753 - 108th Avenue, Surrey BC, the sum of (or %) of my estate), to be used for the benefit of the church/parish and it's needs and pastoral ministry."

BASIC GUIDELINES FOR RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

1. You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Communion);

2. You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;

3. You attend Divine Services regularly;

4. Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;

5. You have kept the Liturgical fast – no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy. (water and medicine does not break the fast).

6. You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.

7. To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.

If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.

HELP UKRAINE

EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE PEOPLE IN UKRAINE - The Ukrainian Catholic Church in Canada has partnered with the Catholic Near East Welfare Association in Canada (CNEWA) to provide immediate humanitarian support for the people of Ukraine. With the threat of further invasion by Russia, the already 8-year war in Ukraine has placed several million people in desperate need for food, shelter, medical attention, and more. Will you help your brother and sister in need? Please pray. Stay informed.

Donate: https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/



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JOIN US FOR A FALL EVENT on CREATING TOGETHER: A FALL DOOR DWAR WREATH!

Friday, November 4th at 6:30PM At the new parish location: 17665 664 Avenue in Surrey. SPACE IS LIMITED to 12 participants UKAN Alla Nikitgak & Galgna Tgrodunk and cad gou through this Fun creation. All materials will be provided.

FEES: \$25.

Please register by Nov 1st by calling 778-389-1565