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Chaplain's Words of Wisdom

Father Anton's Words of Wisdom:



On February 24th we observed the 1st anniversary of Russia's War on Ukraine. Many communities throughout the world held rallies in support of Ukraine. I was present in Niagara Falls where there was a large crowd. Emotions were high with both joy and tears. Joy that so many came out to show their support, and tears for those who have left Ukraine seeking a safe haven here in Niagara. It showed our brothers and sisters that all of Canada stands with them. At my parish of St. John's, we had an Ecumenical Service where we could gather as Christians to pray together regardless of our denomination. The service was peaceful, uplifting, reverent and emotional as we prayed for peace and for those who have lost their lives in this senseless act of violence that continues day after day. Lent can be likened in some way to a spiritual war. In war, after fighting for a long period of time, it is necessary to retreat and to refocus and recenter. In our spiritual life we need to "retreat" to take quality and quiet time to enter the deepest recesses of our heart and soul and to see Christ, our leader calling out to us: "Come to me, all you who are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest" The promise of Christ when you chose to follow him was not that you would not have difficulties or no suffering to bear, but rather that

you would never be alone. In this world that seems so confused and messed up it is easy to lose sight of Christ among us, it is easy to have our faith challenged and to have doubts. Often, I get asked "Father, where is God in all this?" Well, the answer is simple...God is where he always is, the question he would have for us is: "Where is humanity that it would allow hunger, homelessness, addiction afflicted on young and old alike? How is it that prejudice still exists, inequality, hatred, and violence?" All these problems have not been inflicted on us by God! We have allowed this to happen and done this to ourselves. In the New Testament, Jesus sums up the ten commandments into two: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbour as yourself." If we truly could practice this teaching of Jesus, the world would be a much better place. I will quote you a saying from my late grandmother: "My, oh my," she used to say, "how is it that Christians love God, but hate each other." How sad but true this statement was in her day, and to the present. When I was young if you were Catholic, you were taught not to interact with anyone who wasn't since they were all going to hell, and the same was taught by the Protestants. My grandmother was not Catholic but attended Mass with me often and I went with her to the Anglican Church...thank God I did not buy into that philosophy...but you can easily see how this tore families apart, broke friendships and even led to the breakup of marriages and families. As I celebrate Lent this year, and yes, I use the word "celebrate" since I believe it is a joyful time because we have an opportunity to spend quality time with Jesus and experience a more intimate relationship. Try changing the way to think about the season...yes, it is a time for us to repent as we discover how many times, we have perhaps missed the mark (and really this is what sin is) but not a time to beat ourselves up. We need to see it as an opportunity to simply talk about our daily life, simply and honestly, share our fears, our doubts, our troubles and our joy. Often, we think our prayers need to be scripted, but nothing is further from the truth. Jesus can accept you as you are, can you? Stand or sit with him in your truth, hear his calming words "Do not be afraid." The Way of the Cross is a wonderful devotion to experience Jesus in both his humanity and his divinity. I would recommend the version called "Everyone's Way of the Cross", it can be purchased online or at a local Catholic Book Store. In this version you will be able to relate the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus to everyday life. May your Lenten journey be joyful, fruitful and bring you peace.

Lecture's Lesson

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

WESTERN CHURCHES

CHURCH

AREA OF
PRACTICE



EASTERN CHURCHES *sui iuris (autonomous)*

CHURCH

AREA OF
PRACTICE

Latin

Roman	-Worldwide
Ambrosian	-Italy-Milan Archdiocese
Mozarabic (Iberian)	-Spain-Toledo Use -Portugal-Bragan Use

In the year 988, Prince Vladimyr, ruler of the nation known as Kievan-Rus (Ukraine), converted his people to Christianity by way of Byzantium. In 1054, the East split from the West and became The Orthodox Church. In the year 1595, the Metropolia of Kiev-Halych and all Rus', decided to reunite with the Pope of Rome. The hierarchs of the Kievan Church gathered in synod in the city of Brest composed 33 articles of Union which were accepted by then Pope Clement VIII.

After several decades much initial support was lost due to Imperial Russian persecution. In Western Ukraine the union with Rome remained. However, in 1946, Josef Stalin brutally liquidated the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church. Most bishops, priests, and religious were either martyred or imprisoned. Ukraine declared independence in 1991, and from the catacombs, the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Church now flourishes with many religious vocations, shrines, new churches, monasteries, seminaries, bishops and dioceses. The current head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church is His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk, Archbishop-Major of Kyiv [Kiev]-Halych and all Rus as of March 25, 2011.

For more information on The Ukrainian Catholic Church visit:

www.ugcc.org.ua/eng
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ALEXANDRAIN

Coptic	-Egypt & Near East
Ethiopian	-Ethiopia & Somalia

Antiochene

Syrian	-Near & Middle East
Maronite	-Middle East/Diaspora
Malankarese	-India

Armenian

Armenian	-Near East/Diaspora
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Chaldean

Chaldean	-Near & Middle East India [Iraq]
Syro- Malankarese	-India

Byzantine

Albanian	-Albania
Belarussian	-Belarus
Bulgarian	-Bulgaria
Greek	-Greece & Diaspora
Hungarian	-Hungary & USA
Italo-Albanian	-East & South Italy
Krizevci	-Croatia
Macedonian	-Macedonia
Melkite	-Middle East & Diaspora
Romanian	-Romania & USA
Russian	-Russia & Diaspora
Ruthenian	-Ukraine & USA
Slovakian	-Slovakia
Ukrainian	-Ukraine & Diaspora

In Ukraine, the Eastern Catholic Church is known as the Greek-Catholic Church. The Ukrainian Catholic Church is the largest of all the Eastern Churches with over seven million members in 40 countries, 70% in Ukraine and as of 2017 there are 49,000 members in the USA and 48,000 in Canada.

The word "diaspora" is used today in reference to people who identify with a specific geographic location, but currently reside elsewhere.

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

Our next General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14 2023 starting at 7:00pm in the Knights room at St Nicholas Church on Melvin Avenue.

Because of the snow storm the day before and the day of, the attendance on February 23, 2023 Perogie and Sausage Dinner Event was less than what we had anticipated. We were still able to make a slight profit so all was not lost. Hopefully we get a better turnout for the next Dinner event on March 30, 2023. .

The next Trident Charities Bingo at Princess Bingo Hall on Fennel Avenue will be on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at 9:30 am. Please come out and support this fund raiser.

I extend Birthday greetings to the following brothers who are observing their birthdays in March: Br. Zenon Holadyk; Father Victor Nazartchuk; Br. Jerry Pekaruk; Br. Stan Sulymka. Happy Wedding Anniversaries to the brothers and their wives celebrating this month as well. Mnohva Lita! May God grant them many years.

The following Brother Knights passed away during the month of March in past years. Let's say a prayer for them as they transition to a new life in which "every tear is wiped from their faces" and sickness, pain and suffering are no more: +Rev. Emil Iskat; +Br. Steve Verestiuk; +Br. William Shugan; +Br. John Wasilishen and +Br. Ron Swiston. Vichna Pamyat!

Please remember to offer prayers for our Brother Knights, their families, Priests and Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate who are ill or in recovery. May God bless them and restore them to good health. Please keep Ukraine, its people and Military in your prayers. Pray for their safety and strength during the evil war forced upon them.

Thank you for your continued support. Stay safe and stay healthy!

Fraternally Yours,

Don Krochak – Grand Knight

Six days later, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shon like the sun, and His clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here ; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." And the disciples asked Him, 'Why, then, do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?' He replied, 'Elijah is indeed coming and will restore all things; but I tell you Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but did to him whatever they pleased. So also the Son of Man is about to suffer at their hands.' Then the disciples understood that He was speaking to them about John the Baptist.

Matthew 17:1-13

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News Updates and Events



Let's take a moment on March 15th to remember the anniversary of the passing of our dear brother and Charter Chaplain Fr. Emil Iskat.

Fr. Iskat also helped name our council #7464 to The Father Markian Shashkevch council. He has been dearly missed, so please remember him in your prayers.



On Saturday February 18, 2023; the 38th annual Bishop's Charity Dinner Dance held at Carmen's Banquet Centre. This event was organized and managed by The Knights of Columbus, (Districts: 8, 60, 83, 100, and 109), in order to raise funds for His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Douglas Crosby's, OMI, charities of His choosings. Members of our council #7464 with their friends and spouses were in attendance. There were door prizes drawn and two of our council members won. Brother Dan Kaluzny and his wife Eunice won a dinner for two plus a bottle of wine from the Keg. Brother Steve Dushko and his wife Carol won a cooler full of beverages. All in attendance, had an enjoyable evening. The event ran very smoothly, the speakers were very interesting and informative plus the humour was very delightful. The event was very well run, dinner started on time at 6:00 p.m. and the dancing started at 9:30 p.m. Thank you and God bless to all of those who worked on this event.

See below pictures of the of members of council #7464 and their guests who were in attendance.
(Pictures by Eunice Kaluzny)



**Olga & Ernie Bablak
Mary Ann & Don Krochak**



**Dobrodiyka Maria & Fr. Zenon Walnyckj
Sister Theresa Maywe
Sister Yvonne Kabay
Dobrodiyka Anna Iskat**



**Steve & Carol Dushko
Roman & Cathy Hewko
Sonia Moroz**



Dan & Eunice Kaluzny



**Monsignor Anton Szymchalski & his
administrative assisitant**

HISTORICAL DECISION: THE UGCC IN UKRAINE SWITCHES TO A NEW CALENDAR February 6, 2023

The UGCC Department for Information from September 1, 2023, the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Ukraine switches to a new style for fixed holidays while adhering to the current Paschalia. This was stated by the Father and Head of the UGCC, His Beatitude Sviatoslav, on the live broadcast of "Live TV," announcing the decision of the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC in Ukraine. From September 1, 2023, the Ukrainian GreekCatholic Church in Ukraine switches to a new style for fixed holidays while adhering to the current Paschalia. This was stated by the Father and Head of the UGCC, His Beatitude Sviatoslav, on the live broadcast of "Live TV," announcing the decision of the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC in Ukraine. Considering the numerous requests of the faithful and having conducted prior consultations with the clergy and monastics of our Church about the urgent need to reform the Liturgical Calendar of the UGCC in Ukraine, as well as taking into account pastoral reasoning:

A. The UGCC in Ukraine will switch from September 1, according to the new style (beginning of the Indictus) of the Year of our Lord 2023, to a new style for fixed holidays with the preservation of the current Paschalia.

B. For those parishes or separate communities that feel they are not yet ready for such a step (with the individual blessing of the diocesan bishop), to keep the possibility of liturgical life according to the Julian calendar for the period until the Year of Our Lord 2025," says the 5th resolution of 93rd session of the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC in Ukraine, which took place on February 1–2, 2023 in Lviv-Bryukhovychi.

According to this decision, starting from September 1 this year, the UGCC in Ukraine will celebrate all fixed feasts in the new style. Primarily, Christmas — on December 25, Epiphany — on January 6, Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary — on March 25, Intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary —on October 1, St. Nicholas Day — on December 6, etc. "I would emphasize that it is not only Christmas! During the summits and preparations for our Synod, we did not talk about Christmas but all the holidays that belong to the fixed cycle. Because it is absolutely against any liturgical rules to change the date of celebration of only one holiday, you cannot change the date of Christmas, moving it to December 25, and leave all the others in the old style," explained His Beatitude Sviatoslav. The transition to the new style will take place on September 1, which marks the beginning of the new liturgical year.

Parishes that are not yet ready for such a step will have the opportunity, with the permission of their bishop, to celebrate fixed feasts in the old style until September 2025 (Christmas — January 7, Epiphany — January 19, Annunciation — April 7, etc.). "For those parishes or separate communities that do not feel ready for such a step (with the individual blessing of the diocesan bishop), to keep the possibility of liturgical life

according to the Julian calendar for the period until the year 2025,” follows the 2nd paragraph of the 5th resolution of the Synod. The UGCC in Ukraine will celebrate Easter and all related holidays in the old style, as before. “We are switching to the new style only for fixed holidays. We have decided to leave Paschalia as it is today. The actual Paschalia remains valid,” said the Head of the UGCC.

According to the Primate, the calendar reform of the UGCC in Ukraine will have two stages. The first step has already been taken. Regarding the celebration of Easter, the bishops “decided to wait for a while.” His Beatitude Sviatoslav explained that in 2025 the 1700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea would be celebrated. In preparation for this anniversary, collaborative work is underway in a dialogue between Rome and Constantinople on a renewed Paschalia, according to which all Christians will celebrate Easter on the same day.

The Head of the UGCC noted that when the survey was conducted, the bishops decided that if about 70 % of those support the decision to reform, we can move forward. “But it turned out that there is support for almost 90 %, which is in nearly every diocese. That is, the desire and need for the calendar reform were much more potent than we could have hoped, and this is good news,” His Beatitude Sviatoslav emphasized asking all the faithful to listen to their Mother Church’s voice and maintain unity and unanimity during the calendar reform.

IMPACT OF CALENDAR REFORM IN UKRAINE ON OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY

Dear Parishioners,

As stated above, His Beatitude Patriarch Sviatoslav announced that the regional UGCC Synod of Bishops of Ukraine decided to adopt the reformed Julian calendar (Fixed feasts according to the Gregorian-civil calendar; moveable feasts of the paschal cycle according to the Julian). This decision is for Ukraine and does not apply to the Ukrainian (Greek)Catholic Church worldwide. However, since many parish communities in our eparchy have traditionally kept the Julian calendar to be in solidarity with our Church in Ukraine – ours including -, the question arises whether that should now change in our Parish.

Having consulted with Bishop Bryan, I wish to state the following: This will certainly be a matter of discussion at the next meeting of Parish Pastoral Council. In the meantime, you are encouraged to discern yourself the question of calendar and how this impacts you personally. I also encourage all of you to initiate open discussion on the calendar question with your family, friends and parishioners in preparation for broader discussion at oncoming Annual General Meeting of our Parish Community.

At the oncoming Annual General Meeting, we will discuss this topic further including the

protocol that needs to be followed to affirm the will of each community regarding the question of liturgical calendar. For now, what is important to remember is that here is no rush. The important thing to remember when considering an implementation of any change in a parish community is to patiently respect the process of building consensus by respecting all positions, listening carefully; and sometimes, making compromises for the sake of unity of our parish community. So, stay posted, more information is to come...

Yours in Christ, Fr. Zenon.



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A young girl went to confession one day and was annoyed because she had to wait so long. "That church could be more efficient," she told her mother. "They should have a special line for people with 6 sins or less."

Lent is the best time of the year to run a marathon.

Because that's when you fast.

I was going to give up lunch meat for Lent...

But I just couldn't quit cold turkey.

I'm giving up negativity for Lent.

We'll see how long that lasts.

A man walks into a church, outside of mass hours and finds the priest.

He pulls out a gun and says, "Give me everything you have."

The priest panics and desperately searches his pockets.

He doesn't have any money on him, but he finds several pieces of wrapped candy, which he holds out and says, "I'm sorry. This is all I have!"

The robber replies, "But Father, I gave up candy for Lent!"

A bartender notices that every evening, without fail, one of his patrons orders three beers.

After several weeks of noticing this pattern, the bartender asks the man why he always orders three beers.

The man says, "I have two brothers who have moved away to different countries. We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank as a way of keeping up the family bond."

several weeks later, noticing that the man only ordered two beers, the bartender says, "Please accept my condolences on the death of one of your brothers. You know, the two beers and all..."

The man replies, "You'll be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well. It's just that I, myself, have decided to give up drinking for Lent."

NOTABLE DATES

March 11	Saturday	Bingo Princess Bingo Hall 9:30am
March 12	Sunday	Daylight Saving Begins
March 14	Tuesday	#7464 Council meeting St. Nicholas Church 7:00pm
March 20	Monday	Spring Equinox
March 30	Thursday	Perogie and Sausage Dinner Church of Resurrection Hall 3pm-6pm Take-Out only
April 01	Saturday	KofC Ontario Charities 50/50 Early Bird Draw

Happy Birthday to the Following Members

March 02	ZENON HOLADYK
March 03	JERRY PEKARUK
March 20	FR.VICTOR P. NAZARTCHYK
March 20	STAN SULYMKA

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