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Chaplain's Words of Wisdom



CHAPLAIN'S REFLECTION: Well, Autumn is well on its way out, and soon we will be entering into the Advent Season. Pilipiwka, or the Advent Fast is opportunity for us to take time out from our busy schedules and to find quiet place to meditate on the mystery of God come to dwell among us in the person of Jesus. Just think for a moment... this God that we call Almighty, CHOOSES to come down and dwell among His creation to experience their lives and the many trials, sorrows, and joys in order to better understand and to minister you and me, His children. If this isn't love, I don't know what is. We spend a lot of time preparing for Christmas, and a lot of time arguing over some

rather petty things. As of late, many of our parishes have moved to the Gregorian Calendar and will be celebrating Christmas on December 25th. The Calendar is simply a tool to keep time, and the Julian Calendar is 13 days behind. Pope St. Gregory revised the calendar, and adding a leap year allowed it to remain constant. All our Liturgical Book list Christmas as December 25th (January 6th. Old Style). Rather than look back, let's look forward and embrace this wonderful feast! Let's celebrate with everyone the mystery of God made man and share this good news with everyone through our words and actions. Many of our parishes will use an Advent Wreath to mark each week as we travel the road to Christmas. We can also read one chapter of Luke's Gospel every day of Advent, and by the time Christmas arrives we will have read the whole book. We should be working with our parishes during this time to help alleviate the suffering and hunger of those less fortunate – food banks have never been so short of necessary food and hygiene items, warm coats, boots, and socks are need for those places that have an Out of the Cold program. Gifts can be collected for children through a local charity so they can have a smile on their face on Christmas morning. There is no end to the ways in which we can observe and celebrate this most wonderful time of the year. The war rages on in Ukraine... why not have everyone in the parish write a short note in a Christmas Card (it doesn't need to be in Ukrainian) letting the brave men and women fighting for Ukraine that they are remembered and prayed for. They can be bundled and sent with any parcels being sent. Many of our new families that are here from Ukraine could use some help. Maybe reach out and teach them some of the traditions here in Canada that we celebrate for Christmas – help them with some of the things they need to make their Holy Supper. Offer to bring them to Christmas Mass. God created us in His image and likeness, therefore when we look into the eyes of others, we look into God's eyes, we see Christ in them, suffering, crying, hungry, lonely, afraid, feeling abandoned, perhaps in a crisis of faith – here is an opportunity to minister to Christ through others. Christmas has always reminded me how much I am loved by God – and I have always marvelled at the fact that he called this unworthy soul to help Him with His work – but He has never let me down! Through hard times, doubt, sickness, and joy I have never felt alone, even when there was no one around, I knew Jesus was, and it was in Him and through Him that I found life. As Advent approaches, may you take time to retreat into silence where God speaks the clearest and contemplate the wonder of God with Us! Before you know it will be singing that most beautiful antiphon: "God is with us, understand all you people, and be humbled, for God is with us!" Yes, God is with us, He as, He is, and He always will be! God bless you all!

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

November is the month of Remembrance. We remember and pray for our family and friends who have died, especially those who have passed in the previous year. November 11th is the day we remember and honour the courageous men and women that sacrificed their lives for us in times of conflict. Support our veterans "Wear a poppy". Let's also pray for our departed Brother Knights.

November is an important month for the Ukrainian Community. **Throughout Canada the fourth Saturday in November is known as "Ukrainian Famine and Genocide ("Holodomor") Memorial Day".** We remember the victims and raise awareness of the 1932-1933 Famine in Ukraine which marks the anniversary of Stalin's engineered starvation of the Ukrainian nation. This month on Sunday, November 26, 2023 at 2pm the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Hamilton Branch and other Ukrainian organizations are holding "Holodomor 90 Commemoration" at Bishop Ryan Catholic School Auditorium. The various Ukrainian Organizations will each lay a wreath in remembrance of the victims that were starved and died. "We Remember, Unite and We Shall Overcome".

I thank the brothers who attended the Clergy Appreciation Night with me that was held at the Columbus Hall on Queenston Road. It was a great night honouring the Clergy from parishes in Hamilton and surrounding areas. Bishop Douglas Crosby was presented with a cheque of \$65,000.00 that was raised at the annual Bishop's Charity event held last year in February. Also thank you to the brother Knights and wives that attended the Faithful Navigator Dinner Dance with Mary Anne and myself on October 28th. Our Past State Deputy Marcel Lemmen was honoured at this event as well.

This past month our council donated funds towards desperately needed medical supplies for Ukraine. We also donated funds towards English School for Newcomer Ukrainians. We as well donated funds to purchase four boxes of Coats for Kids which were donated to the Strecha Store and BVM Ukrainian Catholic Church.

I extend birthday greetings to Brs. Mykhaylo Furtak, Marty Hallas, Fr Andrii Lopatniuk, Roman Puhach and James Ruta celebrating in November. Happy wedding anniversary greetings to Br Izidor & Natalie Nebesny and Br Zenon & Mary Holadyk celebrating this month. Mnohya Lita! May God grant you many happy years!

Remember to offer prayers for our Brothers Knights, Priests, and Sister Servants as well as members of their families who are ill or in recovery.

The following Brother Knights passed away during the month of November in past years: +Br John Mycio; +Br Jerry Bajus Sr; +Br Steve Woloanski and +Br Peter Kramer. Let's keep them in our prayers. Vichna Pamyat! Let Them Rest in Peace!

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

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally yours,

Don Krochak
Grand Knight

News Updates and Events

On Saturday October 28th Council members of KofC #7464 attended a banquet at St. Francis Xavier Hall. Celebrating the past State Deputy Marcel Lemmen, who is a member of ASM #868.



From left to right:

Ernest Bablak(standing) & his wife Olga,

Steve Dushko (standing) & his wife Carol

Don Krochak and his wife Mary Anne

Dan Kaluzny & his wife Ani Eunice

Picture taken by Emile Neault



**Emile Neault District #8 Warden
Standing between Steve Dushko and Don Krochack**

picture taken by Ani Kaluzny



KofC Council 7464 & Ukr Church of Resurrection Ladies holding

Perogie & Sausage Dinner Take Out Only

Thursday, November 30, 2023

Menu: Eight (8) Perogies, 1 Link Sausage, Cooked Sauerkraut &
Fried Onions

for \$15.00 Cash Only

Pick Up at:

**Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Resurrection, 821 Upper Wentworth St.,
Hamilton, Ontario**

Between 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm - **Pre-Order Early**

For Pre-Orders: email - hamiltonperogie@gmail.com

or call Mary-Anne 905-385-9462

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HOLODOMOR 90 ГОЛОДОМОР 90 COMMEMORATION

"WE REMEMBER, UNITE AND WE SHALL OVERCOME"

"Памя'таємо! Єднаємося! Переможемо!"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023 -- 2 PM

BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

1824 Rymal Road East, Hamilton, Ontario

MONETARY DONATIONS FOR HAMILTON FOOD SHARE will be accepted

GUEST PRESENTER - DR. LARYSA ZASIEKINA

Professor of Clinical Psychology, Lesya Ukrainka Volyn National University

Director of the Ukrainian Psychotrauma Center specializing

in studies of Holodomor survivors

Performances by: The Two Families Band and Chaika Youth Ensemble



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Monthly Smile

Father Gerald Dunphy, St. Peter's, Nova Scotia, told a story: While walking through the parish not long ago, I met a father and his two young children walking their dog. I bent down to chat with the children and one of them immediately was fascinated with my Roman collar. "What is that?" she asked. When I replied it was my collar, she simply said, "Does someone take you for a walk everyday?"

A Catholic priest was trying to explain to the congregation the difference between fact and faith. Among other things he said: "that you are sitting in front of me in church is a fact. That I am speaking to you is a fact. But it is faith alone that makes me believe any of you are listening."

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Command the Israelites, and say to them: When you enter the land of Canaan (this is the land that shall fall to you for an inheritance, the land of Canaan, defined by its boundaries), your south sector shall extend from the wilderness of Zin along the side of Edom. Your southern boundary shall begin from the end of the Dead Sea on the east; your boundary shall turn south of the ascent of Akrabbim, and cross to Zin, and its outer limit shall be south of Kadesh-barne; then it shall go on to Hazar-addar, and cross to Azmon; the boundary shall turn from Azmon to Wadi of Egypt, and its termination shall be at the Sea. For the Western boundary, you shall have the Great Sea and its coast; this shall be your western boundary. This shall be your northern boundary: from the Great Sea you shall mark out your line to Mount Hor; from Mount Hor you shall mark it out to Lebo-ha-math, and the outer limit of the boundary shall be Zedad; then the boundary shall extend to Ziphron, and its end shall be Hazar-enan; this shall be your northern boundary. You shall mark out your eastern boundary from Hazar-enan to Shepham; and the boundary shall continue down from Shepham to Riblah on the east side of Ain; and the boundary shall go down and reach the eastern slope of the sea of Chinnereth; and the boundary shall go down to the Jordan, and its end shall be at the Dead Sea. This shall be your land with its boundaries all round.

NOTABLE DATES

November 01	Wednesday	All Saints Day
November 05	Sunday	Daylight Savings Ends
November 12	Tuesday	Council Meeting St. Nicholas Church meeting room 7pm
November 11	Saturday	Remembrance Day
November 18	Saturday	Bingo Princess Bingo 9am
November 26	Sunday	National Holodomor Memorial Day see instead poster for details
November 30	Thursday	Perogy & Sausage Sale Church of Resurrection Hall Take-out only 3-6 pm

Happy Birthday to the Following Members

November 09	ROMAN PUHACH
November 09	FR. ANDRII LOPATNIUK
November 10	MARTY M HALLAS
November 21	MYHAYLO FURTAK
November 25	JAMES RUTA

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