



WELCOME TO THE GOD-LOVING & GOD-PROTECTED PARISH OF ST. MICHAEL'S!

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“Each one shall give what he has decided in his own mind, not Grudgingly or because he is made to - for God loves a cheerful giver.” - II Cor. 9:7

December 24, 2023

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec. 24: 29th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday of the Holy Forefathers – FAST: Wine & Oil

Tone 4 / Epistle: Col. 3:4-11; Gospel: Lk. 14:16-24

9:00AM Divine Liturgy – Live video broadcast on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelUOC/>

WEEKDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

NATIVITY FAST

Mon., Dec. 25: St. Spyridon the Wonderworker of Tremitho / New Calendar Christmas - FAST

Epistle: Heb. 8:7-13; Gospel: Mk. 8:11-21

Tues, Dec. 26: Martyrs Eustratius, Auxentius, Eugene, Mardarius, and Orestes at Sebaste - FAST

Epistle: Heb. 9:8-10, 15-23; Gospel: Mk. 8:22-26

Wed., Dec. 27: Martyrs Thyrsus, Leucius, and Callinicus – FAST

Epistle: Heb. 10:1-18; Gospel: Mk. 8:30-34

Thur, Dec. 28: Hieromartyr Eleutherius, bishop of Illyria, and his mother, Martyr Anthia and Martyr Corivus the Eparch - FAST

Epistle: Heb. 10:35–11:7; Gospel: Mk. 9:10-16

Fri., Dec. 29: Prophet Haggai – FAST

Epistle: Heb. 11:8, 11-16; Gospel: Mk. 9:33-41

Sat., Dec. 30: Holy Prophet Daniel and the Three Holy Youths:

Ananias, Azarias, and Misael - FAST: Wine & Oil

Epistle: Eph. 5:1–8; Gospel: Lk. 14:1-11

Sunday, Dec. 31: 30th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday of the Holy Fathers – FAST: Wine & Oil

Tone 5 / Epistle: Heb. 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40; Gospel: Mt. 1:1-25

9:00AM Divine Liturgy – Live video broadcast on our Facebook

page: page: <https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelUOC/>

Remember: even when you are absent, expenses continue

SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, DEC. 24, 2023

Colossians 3:4-11 (*Epistle*)

BRETHREN, When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scyth'ian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

Luke 14:16-24 (*Gospel*)

Now Jesus said to him, “A man once gave a great banquet, and invited many; and at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come; for all is now ready.’ But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it; I pray you, have me excused.’ And another said, ‘I

have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them; I pray you, have me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ So the servant came and reported this to his master. Then the householder in anger said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and maimed and blind and lame.’ And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.’ And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.’”

PARISH NEWS

--WE EXTEND BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO: Carolyn Sullo (Dec. 19), Dorothy Karolyshyn (Dec. 21), Daiton LaChapelle (Dec. 21), may God grant you all, Many, Happy Years! Многая літа!

--REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: His Eminence Archbishop Daniel, who has been released from the hospital.

--SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 – St. Nicholas Day Children’s Celebration. *Note the change of date, due to illnesses in the parish.*

--2024 LITURGICAL CALENDARS ARE IN! They are available in the vestibule. Suggested donation of \$3.00.

--WE WELCOME ANY AND ALL DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH, LARGE OR SMALL: We are most grateful for your kindness. Your donation is essential to the church. From your contribution, we pay the priest’s salary and health insurance, as well as pay the utilities for the church including water, heat, electricity, lawn care and at this time of year, snow plowing and salting the ice on the driveway. Checks should be made out to St. Michael Ukrainian Orthodox Church. Please offer your donations during the church collection or send your dues and donations to:

St. Michael Ukrainian Orthodox Church
74 Harris Ave.
Woonsocket, RI 02895

--SEEKING COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS: We are seeking volunteers to sponsor a coffee hour. There will be a white board setup in the Hall with the dates. Simply, write your name for the Sunday you wish to sponsor. Usually the coffee pot and water kettle are ready to go upon your arrival. The coffee pot needs to be plugged in by 8:30 am. You are responsible for purchasing milk and half & half for the coffee. There are presently packaged goods in the kitchen. There also may be frozen items

in the freezer designated for coffee hour. Feel free to bring your own items as well. At the end of coffee hour, you are responsible for washing the coffee pot, utensils, plates, etc., wrapping any leftovers, cleaning the food tables and kitchen counter. Please ask if you have any questions or need help with your coffee hour. Thank you for volunteering. Thanks, Eleanor

--ST. MICHAEL CEMETERY ACCESS: Polish National Cemetery has a contract to excavate and to remove gravel from their cemetery. The operation will take place **Monday thru Friday between 7am – 5pm and Saturday 9am – 12 pm.** Be aware that you may encounter quite a bit of activity involved on the shared road. Excavation and removal of the sand has begun, so please be careful entering and leaving the cemetery.

--2ND COLLECTION: The Special Collection will be to help with the expenses of repairing the front steps of the Church. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you!

UPCOMING PARISH & INTER-PARISH EVENTS

--2nd Thursday of every month – Akathist to the Mother of God, Healer of Cancer @ 7PM / Followed by Adult Religious Education class. Please submit the names of those you want to have remembered to Fr. Boris.

UOL CORNER

--UOL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "The Ukrainian Orthodox League is a national volunteer organization of members in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, who are committed to promoting the Orthodox Faith, supporting the Church, developing the potential of our youth and their active participation in the life of the Church, and preserving Ukrainian heritage and culture."

--UOL MOTTO: "Dedicated to our Church, Devoted to Its Youth"

--GOALS OF THE UOL:

- Promoting active participation in all aspects of the Orthodox faith and supporting the Church.
- Developing and maintaining programs and projects which educate members and promote dedication and commitment to the Church, Her teachings, traditions, and missions.
- Providing opportunities for the development of leadership skills and responsibility among the youth of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA.

- Providing and promoting information on Ukrainian heritage and history to the general public and establishing means which ensure the continuation of cultural awareness and pride within our membership.

--DEC. 31ST: UOL Soup Sale \$5 for a bowl/container

--JAN 18, 2024: Theophany Eve Holy Supper with Ukrainian Refugees.

--JAN. 14, 2024: UOL Meeting during the coffee hour.

--FEB. 11, 2024: Souper Bowl Sunday

--MAR. 31ST: UOL Soup Sale \$5 for a bowl/container

CHURCH SCHOOL CORNER

--15 MINUTES WITH FATHER -- Last Sunday of the month.

--SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 -- St. Nicholas Day Children's Celebration. Note the change of date, due to illnesses in the parish.

THE NATIVITY FAST

NOVEMBER 28TH THROUGH JANUARY 6TH

During the Nativity Fast the Church encourages us to intensify our spiritual lives in order to ready our souls and bodies for the Feast. We do this through fasting, prayer, alms-giving, confession and increased attention given to "preparing for His coming", to make sure we've done what we can to make a "fit dwelling place for Him" in our hearts and lives.

"increase your prayer life, read more scripture and spiritual books, especially lives of the saints. A little less television, no anger, no gossiping, no laziness and let's try to avoid the Christmas parties. If we prepare in this way, God will bless us and we will find the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord to be far more spiritually rewarding than ever before. May God help us to struggle courageously." Bishop Joseph

The Purpose of Fasting

The purpose of fasting is to focus on the things that are above, the Kingdom of God. It is a means of putting on virtue in reality, here and now. Through it we are freed from dependence on worldly things. We fast faithfully and in secret, not judging others, and not holding ourselves up as an example.

- Fasting in itself is not a means of pleasing God. Fasting is not a punishment for our sins. Nor is fasting a means of suffering and pain to be undertaken as some kind of atonement. Christ already redeemed us on His Cross. Salvation is a gift from God that is not bought by our hunger or thirst.
- We fast to be delivered from carnal passions so that God's gift of Salvation may bear fruit in us.
- We fast and turn our eyes toward God in His Holy Church. Fasting and prayer go together.
- Fasting is not irrelevant. Fasting is not obsolete, and it is not something for someone else. Fasting is from God, for us, right here and right now.
- Most of all, we should not devour each other. We ask God to "set a watch and keep the door of our lips."

Fasting Periods

The Nativity Fast is one of the four Canonical Fasting Seasons in the Church year. This is a joyous fast in anticipation of the Nativity of Christ. That is the reason it is less strict than other fasting periods. The fast is divided into two periods.

1. **November 28th through January 1st** the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, dairy, fish, wine, and oil) is observed. There is dispensation given for wine and oil on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Similarly, fish, wine, and oil are permitted on Saturdays and Sundays.
2. **January 2nd through January 6th** traditional fasting discipline (no meat, dairy, fish, wine, and oil) is observed. There is dispensation given for wine and oil only on Saturday and Sunday during this period.

Please note that this is the letter of the tradition and certain allowances should be made for the occasional suspension of the severity of the fast, not as an excuse for laxity or indulgence, but when love requires. When in doubt, talk to your priest!

When Not to Fast

- between January 7 and January 18th (even on Wednesdays and Fridays);
- if you are pregnant or nursing a newborn;
- during serious illness;
- without prayer;
- without alms-giving;
- according to your own will without guidance from your spiritual father.



**St. Michael Ukrainian Orthodox Church
Nativity/Theophany Schedule 2024**

Sunday, December 31st

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy Sunday before Holy Nativity

Saturday, January 6th - Christmas/Nativity Eve

7:00 PM Great Compline for Holy Nativity

Sunday, January 7th – Christmas/Nativity Day

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy: The Nativity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ –

Monday, January 8th – Synaxis of the Mother of God

10:30 AM Moleben to the Mother of God

Tuesday, January 9th – St. Stephen's Day

10:30 AM Moleben to St. Stephen

Sunday, January 14th – Sunday after Nativity and Circumcision of the Lord/ St. Basil's Day

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Thursday, January 18th – The Eve of the Theophany of Our Lord

5:00 PM Great Compline (followed by Holy Eve Supper sponsored
by the Sr. UOL)

Friday, January 19th – Feast of the Theophany of Our Lord

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil – Blessing of The Waters and Blessing of
the Parish Grounds

*Orthodox Christians have their homes blessed after Theophany.
Please let Fr. Borislav know when he can come by and bless
your home.*



+ B A R T H O L O M E W

By God's Mercy, Archbishop of Constantinople-New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch

to All the Plenitude of the Church

Grace, Mercy, and Peace from the Saviour Christ Born in Bethlehem

Most honorable brother hierarchs,

Beloved children in the Lord,

With the grace of God, we are once again this year celebrating in chant, hymn, and spiritual song the Nativity according to the flesh of the pre-eternal Son and Word of God, namely the manifestation of the mystery of God and humankind. According to St. Nicholas Cabasilas, what occurs in the Divine Liturgy is “the mystagogy of the Lord’s incarnation,” while its introductory acclamation “Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit” is evidence “that it is through the Lord’s incarnation that people first learned that God is three persons.”[\[1\]](#) The same saintly Father proclaims that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was the first and only to demonstrate the authentic and perfect human being, concerning His ethos, life, and everything else.”[\[2\]](#)

The assumption of human nature in the person of the Son and Word of God, along with the opening of the way of human deification through grace, add unsurpassable value to humankind. Forgetting this truth leads to the diminishment of respect for the human person. The denial of the supreme destiny of human beings does not only liberate them, but also leads to diverse reductions and divisions. Without being conscious of their divine origin and their hope for eternity, humans struggle to remain human and are unable to handle the contradictions of the “human condition.”

The Christian perception of human existence provides a solution to problems created by violence, war, and injustice in our world. Respect for the human person, peace, and justice are gifts from God; however, establishing the peace

that comes from Christ demands the participation and cooperation of human beings. The Christian view on the struggle for peace lies in the words of Christ our Savior, who proclaims peace, addressing His disciples with the greeting “Peace be with you” and encouraging us to love our enemies.[\[3\]](#) The revelation in Christ is called the “gospel of peace.”[\[4\]](#)

This means that, for us Christians, the way to peace is through peace and that non-violence, dialogue, love, forgiveness, and reconciliation have priority before other forms of resolving differences. The theology of peace is clearly described in the Ecumenical Patriarchate’s document *For the Life of the World: Toward a Social Ethos of the Orthodox Church* (2020):

“Nothing is more contrary to God’s will for His creatures fashioned in His image and likeness than violence one against another . . . We may justly say that violence is sin *par excellence*. It is the perfect contradiction of our created nature and our supernatural vocation to seek union in love with God and our neighbour. . . Peace is a real revelation of the still deeper reality of creation as God intends it and as God fashioned it in his eternal counsels.”[\[5\]](#)

Peace cannot be taken for granted; it is not self-evident. It is an obligation, an achievement, and an incessant struggle to preserve it. There are no automatic solutions or permanent recipes. In the face of ongoing threats to peace, we need to have vigilance and willingness to resolve problems through dialogue. The great heroes of politics are the champions of peace. As for us, we continue to underline the peacemaking role of religion. This is during a time when religions are criticized for nurturing fanaticism and violence “in the name of God” instead of being forces of peace, solidarity, and reconciliation. However, this indicates an alienation of religious faith and not an integral part of it. Genuine faith in God is the harshest critic of religious fanaticism. Religions are the natural allies of all human beings who strive for peace, justice, and the preservation of creation from human destruction.

This year, the world honours the 75th anniversary of the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights* (December 10, 1948), constituting a summary of fundamental humanitarian ideals and values, “the shared standard, to which all peoples and all nations should aim.” Human rights, whose central point of focus includes the protection of human dignity with its individual, social, cultural, economic, and ecological conditions, are only understood in their original dynamics if they are acknowledged as the basis and criterion of global peace, associating it with freedom and justice. In this sense, the future of human rights and peace is also linked to the contribution of religions in the matter of respecting them and making them a reality.

With these thoughts and festive sentiments, in full conviction that the life of the Church in itself comprises resistance against inhumanity, wherever such inhumanity arises, we invite all of you to the good fight of constructing a culture of peace and solidarity, where people will see in the face of their fellow human beings a brother or sister and a friend, rather than a threat and enemy. Moreover, we remind you all, dear brother Hierarchs and children, that Christmas is a time of self-consciousness and thanksgiving, of the revelation of the difference between the God-man and “man-god,” of the realization of the

“great miracle” of freedom in Christ and of the healing of the “great wound” of alienation from God. Finally, we kneel respectfully before Mary, the Mother of God, who bears in her arms the incarnate Word, and we convey to you the blessing of the Mother Holy Great Church of Christ, wishing you an auspicious, healthy, fruitful, peaceful, and joyous new year of the Lord’s favour.

Christmas 2023

+ Bartholomew of Constantinople

Your fervent suppliant of all before God

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[1] On the Divine Liturgy XII, PG 150.392D.
[2] On the Life of Christ VI, PG 150.680C.
[3] Cf. Mt. 5:44
[4] Eph. 6:44
[5] § 42, 43 and 44.



Dear and Beloved Clergy and Faithful of our Holy Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, South America, Western Europe and Australia-New Zealand and all our Brothers and Sisters in Ukraine,

CHRIST IS BORN! LET US GLORIFY HIM!

Once again by the Grace of God, the Great Feast of the NATIVITY – INCARNATION of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ, is upon us. Even though it comes in wintertime, the joy it brings into our lives is much more like the joy we experience in spring when we witness the all the budding of nature’s beauty. The Nativity fills us with joy without limits. “For there is born to us this day in the City of David (Bethlehem), a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord.” (Luke 2:11)

He is the promised One prophesized throughout the Old Testament, the One Who sustains all. He is born of the Ever-Virgin Mary as a humble infant so that

He might make us children of God. He is the Son of God Who descends from Heaven in order to lift all humanity up to Heaven – to grant us eternal life “for it pleased the Father that in Him all fullness should dwell and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself”. (Colossians 1:19-20) Today Angels and all mankind proclaim the spiritual song of the Nativity Canon: “Christ is born! Glorify Him! Christ has come from the Heavens! Welcome Him! Christ is on Earth! Exult Him!

It is sad to observe throughout this, our earthly world, a loss of relationship with God in the Holy Trinity. We have, however, another opportunity to change this estrangement into fullness of reconciliation with Father, Son and Holy Spirit – by opening our hearts, minds and souls to the Good News of the Nativity. We have the opportunity to relate to Emmanuel – “God with us” and to follow His lead into Heaven! We who live in the great democracies of the world, have the opportunity to witness to the never-ending power of God, manifested to us in fullness of love – through the incarnation of His Son.

In Ukraine, however, and too many other nations around the world suffering invasion, repression and domination from beyond their borders, our brothers and sisters struggle each day to also witness - even at the darkest of times. They struggle to hear the Nativity Carols sung in their churches, their neighborhoods and in their own homes, but often the loudness of the bombs that rain down upon those homes, neighborhoods and churches drown out the beautiful carols glorifying the Christ Child, filling their lives with fear and pain.

As we gather together on the Eve of Nativity with all our loved ones present, we MUST remember in our prayers before Holy Supper, along with our family ancestors, all those who have suffered and perished over the last two years – simply because of greed and covetousness in those who have attempted for centuries to usurp our spirituality, our history, our culture and our very identity. We MUST also pray for those who still suffer under daily threats to their very existence, beseeching that the comfort and Love of the Christ Child will fill and warm their hearts even under the worst of circumstances.

We assure you, our spiritual children, of our continued prayers for each and every one of you during these holy Nativity days. May the Love of the Christ Child fill your homes and your lives in such an abundance that it cannot be contained but spread through you into the lives of all who need that Love – and you – to make their lives whole.

In our Lord's All-Encompassing Love,

+Antony, Metropolitan

+Jeremiah, Archbishop

+Daniel, Archbishop



Дороге та Улюблене Духовенство та Вірні нашої Святої Української Православної Церкви США, Південної Америки, Західної Європи, Австралії й Нової Зеландії та всі наші Брати та Сестри в Україні,

ХРИСТОС НАРОДЖУЄТЬСЯ! СЛАВІМО ЙОГО!

Знову, з благодаті Божої настає Велике свято РІЗДВА – БОГОВТІЛЕННЯ Господа, Бога і Спаса нашого Ісуса Христа. Хоч воно й приходить взимку, радість, яку воно приносить у наше життя, більше схожа на радість, яку ми відчуваємо навесні, коли ми спостерігаємо розквіт краси природи. Різдво Христове наповнює нас безмежною радістю. «Бо сьогодні в Давидовім місті народився для вас Спаситель, Який є Христос Господь». (Луки 2:11)

Він є Тим обіцяним, про Кого пророкували в Старому Завіті, Той, Хто усе підтримує. Він народився від Приснодіви Марії як смиренне немовля, щоб зробити нас дітьми Божими. Він є Сином Божим, Який сходить з Неба, щоб піднести все людство до Неба – щоб дарувати нам вічне життя, «бо вгодно було, щоб у Нім перебувала вся повнота і щоб Ним поєднати з Собою все, примиривши кров'ю хреста Його». (Колоссян 1:19-20) Сьогодні Ангели й все людство проголошують духовний піснеспів Різдвяного канону: «Христос народився! Прославляйте Його! Христос прийшов з небес! Вітайте Його! Христос на землі! Прославляйте Його!»

Сумно спостерігати, в нашому земному світі, втрату стосунків із Богом у Пресвятій Тройці. Проте ми маємо ще одну нагоду - нагоду змінити це відчуження на повноту примирення з Отцем, Сином і Святим Духом – відкривши наші серця, розум і душі до Доброї Новини про Різдво Христове. У нас є можливість поглянути на Еммануїла – «З нами Бог» і наслідувати Його провід до Небес! Ми, що живемо у великих демократичних країнах світу, маємо можливість засвідчити нескінченну силу Божу, яка проявляється нам у повноті любові – через втілення Його Сина.

Проте в Україні та в багатьох інших націях по всьому світу, які страждають від вторгнення, репресій та панування над ними інших держав, наші брати й сестри щодня намагаються також засвідчити ту Божу силу – навіть у найтемніші часи. Їм ледве вдається почути Різдвяні колядки, які співають

у їхніх церквах, їхніх околицях та у їхніх власних домівках, проте вони часто чують гучні бомби, що падають на їхні домівки, околиці та церкви, заглушаючи прекрасні колядки, що прославляють Немовля Христа, а натомість наповнюють їхні життя страхом та болем.

Зібравшись у Святвечір разом з усіма нашими близькими, ми **ОБОВ’ЯЗКОВО** згадаємо у своїх молитвах перед Святою Вечерю не лише наших предків, але й всіх тих, хто постраждав і загинув за останні два роки – просто через жадібність і захланність тих, хто століттями намагався узурпувати нашу духовність, нашу історію, нашу культуру та саму нашу ідентичність. Ми **ПОВИННІ** також молитися за тих, хто все ще страждає від щоденних загроз самому їхньому існуванню, благаючи, щоб розрада та любов Немовляти Христа наповнили й зігріли їхні серця, навіть за найгірших обставин.

Ми запевняємо вас, наші духовні чада, у наших постійних молитвах за кожного з вас у ці святі дні Різдва Христового. Нехай Любов Немовляти Христа наповнює ваше життя та ваші домівки настільки, щоб усе переповнюючи, поширювалась через вас у життя всіх, хто потребує цієї Любові – так само як потребують вас, – щоб зцілити свої життя.

У Всеохоплюючій Любові нашого Господа,

+ Митрополит Антоній

+ Архієпископ Даниїл

+ Архієпископ Єремія



JOIN US AT A MONTHLY LIVE STREAMED
CELEBRATION OF AN AKAPHIST TO
ПРИЄДНУЙТЕСЯ ДО ЩОМІСЯЧНОЇ ПРЯМОЇ ТРАНСЛЯЦІЇ
СЛУЖІННЯ АКАФІСТА

THE MOTHER OF GOD - QUEEN OF ALL
БОГОРОДНИЦІ ВСЕЦАРИЦЯ

BESEECHING HER INTERCESSION FOR THE HEALING OF ALL
THOSE SUFFERING FROM CANCER AND OTHER DISEASES
МОЛЯЧИ ЇЇ ЗАСТУПНИЦТВА ДЛЯ ЗЦІЛЕННЯ ВІД РАКУ ТА
ІНШИХ ХВОРОБ

First Thursday of each month
5 January 2023 at 7:00pm
Перший четвер кожного місяця
5 січня 2023 року о 19:00 год

Please submit the names of those you wish to pray for to:
uocofusa@aol.com with the subject – PRAYERS
Будь ласка, надішліть імена тих, за кого ви бажаєте молитися:
uocofusa@aol.com з темою – МОЛИТВИ

Future dates: 5 Jan,
2 Feb, 2 Mar, 6 April, 4 May, 1 June,
6 July, 3 Aug...
Майбутні дати: 5 січня,
2 лютого, 2 березня, 6 квітня, 4 травня,
1 червня, 6 липня, 3 серпня...



МОЛИТВА ЗА УКРАЇНУ

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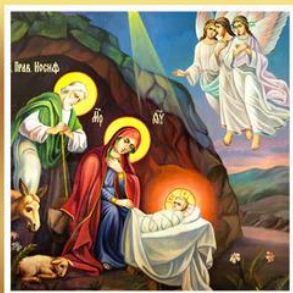
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LORD OUR GOD,
GREAT AND ALMIGHTY, WE YOUR SINFUL CHILDREN TURN TO YOU WITH
HUMILITY IN OUR HEARTS AND BOW OUR HEADS LOW BEFORE YOU. WE
BESEECH YOUR LOVING KINDNESS AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS UPON THE
NATION – THE PEOPLE – OF UKRAINE DURING THESE DAYS OF GREAT DANGER
TO THEIR SAFETY AND WELL-BEING.

OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, LORD, ARE ONCE AGAIN THREATENED BY
AGGRESSORS WHO SEE THEM ONLY AS SIMPLE OBSTACLES BLOCKING THE
PATH TO THE COMPLETE DOMINATION OF THE PRECIOUS LAND AND
RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY OF UKRAINE. STRENGTHEN THE PEOPLE AS
THEY FACE THIS GREAT DANGER, TURNING TO YOU IN THE IMMEASURABLY
DEEP FAITH, TRUST AND LOVE THEY HAVE PLACED IN YOU ALL THEIR LIVES.
SEND YOUR HEAVENLY LEGIONS, O LORD, COMMANDED BY THE PATRON OF
KYIV, ARCHANGEL MICHAEL, TO CRUSH THE DESIRES OF THE AGGRESSOR
WHOSE DESIRE IS TO ERADICATE YOUR PEOPLE.

GRANT UNITY OF MIND, HEART AND SOUL, O LORD TO ALL LEADERS IN PUBLIC
SERVICE WITH THOSE THEY SERVE. UNITE THEM ALL INTO ONE, GREAT
CHRISTIAN FAMILY, SO THAT TOGETHER, AS BROTHERS AND SISTERS, THEY
MAY GLORIFY YOUR MAJESTIC NAME – GOD IN THE HOLY TRINITY – FATHER,
SON AND HOLY SPIRIT, NOW AND EVER AND UNTO THE AGES OF AGES.

AMEN.



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