



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

A parish of the UOC-USA and the Ecumenical Patriarchate  
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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*

***September 22, 2024***

## **SERVICE SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, Sept. 22:** 13th Sunday after Pentecost / Holy and Righteous Ancestors of God Joachim and Anna

**Tone 4: Epistle: 1 Cor. 16:13-24; Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42**

**9:00AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Divine Liturgy**

**-- Live video broadcast on our Facebook page:**

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## **WEEKDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS--**

**Mon., Sept. 23:** Ven. Paul the Obedient of the Kyiv Caves

**Epistle: 2 Cor. 12:10-19; Gospel: Mark 4:10-23**

**Tues, Sept. 24:** Ven. Theodora of Alexandria

**Epistle: 2 Cor. 12:20–13:2; Gospel: Mark 4:24-34**

**Wed., Sept. 25:** Leave-taking of the Nativity of the Theotokos – FAST

**Epistle: 2 Cor. 13:3-13; Gospel: Mark 4:35-41**

**7:00PM Vespers**

**Thur, Sept. 26: Commemoration of the Founding of the Church of the Resurrection at Jerusalem**

**Epistle: Gal. 1:1-10, 20 – 2:5; Gospel: Mark 5:1-20**

**Fri., Sept. 27: THE UNIVERSAL EXALTATION OF THE PRECIOUS AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS – STRICT FAST**

**Epistle: 1 Cor. 1:18-24; Gospel: Jn. 19, 6-11,13-20,25-28, 30-35**

**10:00AM Divine Liturgy**

**Sat., Sept. 28: Saturday after the Exaltation**

**Epistle: 1 Cor. 4:1-5; Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12**

**Sunday, Sept. 29: 14th Sunday after Pentecost / Repose of St.**

**Cyprian, metropolitan of Kyiv**

**Tone 5: Epistle: 2 Cor. 1:21–2:4; Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

**9:00AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom -- Live video broadcast on our Facebook page:**

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*Remember: even when you are absent, expenses continue*

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, SEPT. 22, 2024**

### **1 Cor. 16:13-24 (Epistle)**

Brethren, Be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Steph'anas were the first converts in Acha'ia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Steph'anas and Fortuna'tus and Acha'icus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aq'uila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

### **Matthew 21:33-42 (Gospel)**

At that time, Jesus told a parable. There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They

will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"

## **PARISH NEWS**

**--THE UKRAINIAN KITCHEN AT ST. MICHAEL'S:** We are offering a class! Learn to work with royal icing from our expert cookie decorators. You will decorate these three Halloween themed cookies, details below.

### **2 HR COOKIE DECORATING CLASS**

**WHEN:** OCT 25, FRIDAY, 6:30-8:30

**WHERE:** ST MICHAEL PARISH HALL, 74 HARRIS AVE,  
WOONSOCKET, RI

**WHAT:** DECORATE 3 HALLOWEEN THEMED COOKIES GEARED TOWARDS LEARNING SEVERAL COOKIE DECORATING TECHNIQUES USING ROYAL ICING. ALL MATERIALS WILL BE SUPPLIED. RECIPES FOR COOKIES AND ICING WILL BE INCLUDED.

**COST:** \$40 PER PERSON

WINE, BEER, SODA, AND SNACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

**LIMIT 30 PARTICIPANTS**

**ORDER YOUR TICKETS ON <https://st-michael-uoc.square.site>**

**BEGINNING ON AUG 31**

**--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

**--2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION:** The Special Collection will be to help with the expenses of repairing the front steps of the Church and other capital improvements. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you!

## **UPCOMING PARISH & INTER-PARISH EVENTS**

**--Friday, Oct. 25:** Cookie Decorating class.

**--Sunday, Nov. 10:** St. Michael's Day celebration

**--Saturday, Dec. 14:** Cookie Walk

**--UOL CONVENTION:** Woonsocket, RI in 2027. More info to follow.

## **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.

**--IMPORTANT NEWS FROM OUR SR. UOL CHAPTER:** "Our Senior UOL has exciting news to share! We have been selected (by our choice) to once again host an Annual UOL Convention! We have plenty of time to plan and fund raise as our year will be **2027**.....10 years since the last time we hosted! The National board and other members are still talking about Convention '17 and have been asking (begging actually) for Woonsocket to host again. SO.....Our first fund raiser is now underway! We have a Christmas Basket full of gifts that will be more fun to open than scratching a block of scratch tickets, AND you are guaranteed that the basket of goodies has a value of over \$250!! If everyone at Coffee Hour, bought one ticket per week, we could raise over \$500 just in-house! And the tickets for the basket will be available at our September Festival and Christmas cookie Walk, when the basket winner will be chosen!

Please help support our worthy cause by helping however you can. Do you have an idea for a fundraiser to help and would you be willing to take charge of it? We need you, as the churches need the UOL! Please consider offering your help. See any of the officers, or better yet, join us at a meeting and consider joining the UOL!! You will not regret it!"

**In His Love, (and thank you), Janice, Erika, Cindy and Eleanor**

**--UOL MEETING:** Our next UOL meeting will be on September 22nd during Coffee Hour.

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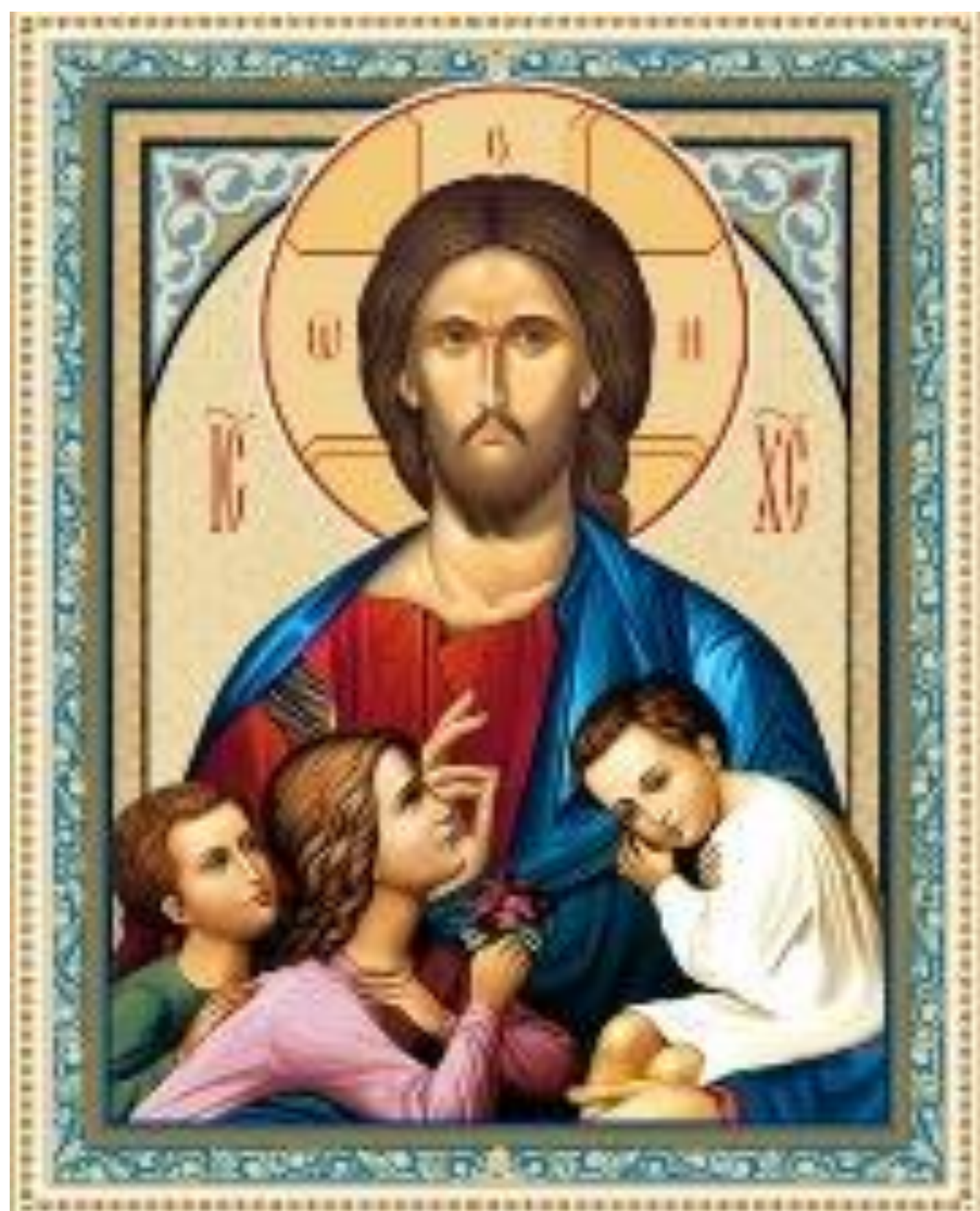
## **CHURCH SCHOOL CORNER**

**--Sunday, Sept. 22:** Beginning of new Church School year. Blessing of the children

**--Sunday, Sept. 29:** Beginning of Church School classes.

**--Sunday, Dec. 15:** St. Nicholas Day celebration

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





## МОЛИТВА ЗА УКРАЇНУ

ГОСПОДИ, БОЖЕ НАШ,  
ВЕЛИКИЙ І ВСЕСИЛЬНИЙ, МИ ГРІШНІ ДІТІ ТВОЇ, ЗВЕРТАЄМОСЯ ДО ТЕБЕ У  
ПОКОРІ СЕРДЕЦЬ НАШИХ І НИЗЬКО СХИЛЯЄМО ГОЛОВИ НАШІ ПЕРЕД  
ТОБОЮ. БЛАГАЄМО ТЕБЕ ЗА БЕЗМЕЖНЕ МИЛОСЕРДЯ ТА ЩЕДРІ  
БЛАГОСЛОВЕННЯ ДЛЯ НАРОДУ – ЛЮДЕЙ – УКРАЇНИ, У ЦІ ДНІ ВЕЛИКОЇ  
НЕБЕЗПЕКИ ДЛЯ ЇХ МИРНОГО ЖИТТЯ І ДОБРОБУТУ.

О ГОСПОДИ, НАШИМ БРАТАМ І СЕСТРАМ, ЗНОВУ ЗАГРОЖУЮТЬ АГРЕСОРИ,  
ЯКІ БАЧАТЬ У НИХ ЛИШЕ ПРОСТУ ПЕРЕШКОДУ, ЩО ПЕРЕГОРОДЖУЄ ШЛЯХ  
ДО ПОВНОГО ПАНУВАННЯ НАД ДОРОГОЦІННОЮ ЗЕМЛЕЮ ТА РЕСУРСАМИ  
УКРАЇНИ. ЗМІЦНИ ЛЮДЕЙ, У ЧАСІ ЦІЄЇ ВЕЛИКОЇ НЕБЕЗПЕКИ, ЯКІ  
ЗВЕРТАЮТЬСЯ ДО ТЕБЕ У БЕЗМІРНО ГЛИБОКІЙ ВІРІ, ДОВІРІ ТА ЛЮБОВІ, ЯКІ  
ВОНИ ПЛЕКАЛИ ДО ТЕБЕ УСЕ СВОЄ ЖИТТЯ. ЗІШЛИ ГОСПОДИ, СВОЇХ  
НЕБЕСНИХ АНГЕЛІВ, ЯКИМИ КЕРУЄ ПОКРОВИТЕЛЬ МІСТА КИЄВА  
АРХІСТРАТИГ МИХАЇЛ, ЩОБ ВИКОРИНИТИ БАЖАННЯ АГРЕСОРА ЗНИЩИТИ  
НАШ НАРОД.

ДАРУЙ ГОСПОДИ, ЄДНІСТЬ РОЗУМУ, СЕРЦЯ І ДУШІ ВСІМ ДЕРЖАВНИМ  
ЛІДЕРАМ І ТИМ, КОМУ ВОНИ СЛУЖАТЬ. ОБ'ЄДНАЙ ЇХ УСІХ В ОДНУ ВЕЛИКУ  
ХРИСТІЯНСЬКУ РОДИНУ, ЩОБ ВОНИ РАЗОМ, ЯК БРАТИ І СЕСТРИ,  
ПРОСЛАВЛЯЛИ ТВОЄ ВЕЛИЧНЕ ІМ'Я – БОГА В СВЯТІЙ ТРОЙЦІ – ОТЦЯ,  
СИНА І СВЯТОГО ДУХА, НИНІ І ПОВСЯКЧАС, І НА ВІКИ ВІЧНІ.

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## PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

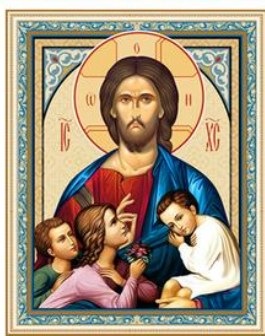
LORD OUR GOD,  
GREAT AND ALMIGHTY, WE YOUR SINFUL CHILDREN TURN TO YOU WITH  
HUMILITY IN OUR HEARTS AND BOW OUR HEADS LOW BEFORE YOU. WE  
BESEECH YOUR LOVING KINDNESS AND ABUNDANT BLESSINGS UPON THE  
NATION – THE PEOPLE – OF UKRAINE DURING THESE DAYS OF GREAT DANGER  
TO THEIR SAFETY AND WELL-BEING.

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.





## **PRAYER FOR CHILDREN OF UKRAINE KIDNAPPED BY RUSSIAN FEDERATION INVADERS**

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We come before You in sincere prayer, O God Almighty and with heavy hearts, we lift up the innocent children of Ukraine who have been kidnapped into the Russian Federation, taken forcefully from their homes and families during this, yet another invasion and genocide of our beloved homeland. Lord, You are the protector of the weak and the guardian of the vulnerable. We ask for Your divine intervention in and for their lives. Put an end to the soviet style “re-education policies” to turn them against their families and their native Ukraine.

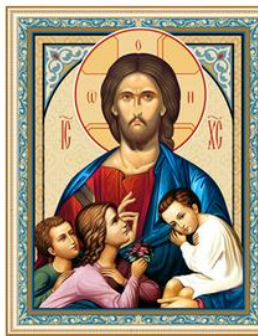
Surround these children with the Resurrection Love and Peace that emanate from your Empty Tomb. Comfort them in their fear and confusion, granting them the strength to endure these present trials and the knowledge that their families yearn for them and the nations of the world are struggling to free them. Lord, we pray for their safety and that these struggles will conclude in their swift return to their families and homeland.

Touch the hearts of even those who have stolen them, O Lord, that they may be moved by compassion and conscience to act with justice and mercy. Soften their hearts of these kidnappers, guiding them towards actions that will bring these children back to their homes, lest they be equated to those who slaughtered the innocents in Bethlehem after the Incarnation of Christ our Lord.

We also pray fervently for the families left behind who, without question, are enduring unimaginable pain and anguish. Grant them hope and courage that they may feel Your Loving Presence in this time of suffering and assurance that Your Holy Spirit is with their children eternally.

In Your infinite mercy and power, Lord, bring about a resolution to this invasion. Restore peace and justice to independent Ukraine, which will once again rise from the ashes like the proverbial Phoenix, and soar amongst the free nations of the world. We trust in Your mighty power and unfailing love, believing that You hear our prayers and are with us always.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



## МОЛИТВА ЗА ДІТЕЙ УКРАЇНИ ВИКРАДЕНИХ ЗАГАРБНИКАМИ РОСІЙСЬКОЇ ФЕДЕРАЦІЇ

В Ім'я Отця, і Сина, і Святого Духа. Амінь.

Ми постаємо перед Тобою, о Всемогутній Боже, з обтяженим серцем, підносячи наші молитви за невинних дітей України, які були викрадені до Російської Федерації, насильно забрані з їхніх домівок і сімей у час цього чергового вторгнення та геноциду нашої улюбленої Батьківщини. Господи, Ти є захисником немічних і охоронцем вразливих. Ми просимо Твого божественного втручання та заступництва за їхнє життя. Господи, могутністю Твою, зупини радянську «політику перевиховання», налаштовуючи дітей проти їх сімей та рідної України.

Огорни цих дітей Любов'ю та Миром Воскресіння, які виходять із Твого Порожнього Гробу. Подай утішення їм серед страху та збентеження, даруючи їм сили витримати ці нинішні випробування та подай їм розуміння того, що їхні сім'ї прагнуть повернути їх, а нації по всьому світу намагаються їх звільнити. Господи, ми молимося за їхню безпеку і щоб ці випробування завершилися їхнім швидким поверненням до своїх родин на свою Батьківщину.

Доторкнись, Господи, навіть до сердець тих, хто їх викрав, спонукаючи їх до співчуття і сумління діяти справедливо й милосердно. Пом'якши серця цих викрадачів, скеровуючи їх до дій, які повернуть цих дітей до їхніх домівок, щоб не прирівняти їх до тих, хто вбивав невинних дітей у Вифлеємі після Втілення Христа, нашого Господа. Ми також палко молимося за родини, які залишилися без своїх дітей та, без сумніву, терплять невимовний біль і страждання. Дай їм надію та відвагу, щоб вони могли відчувати Твою люблячу присутність у цей час страждань і впевненість у тому, що Твій Святий Дух вічно перебуває з їхніми дітьми.

У Твоєму безмежному милосерді та силі, Господи, поклади кінець цьому вторгненню. Поверни мир і справедливість у незалежну Україну, яка знову повстане з попелу, як прославлений Фенікс, і злетить серед вільних націй світу. Покладаємось на Твою могутню силу та незмінну любов, вірячи, що Ти чуєш наші молитви та завжди перебуваєш з нами.

В Ім'я Отця і Сина і Святого Духа. Амінь.



UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA

## SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS У ВЕРЕСНІ СВЯТКУЄМО

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СОФІЇ

