



Welcome



## St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church in Vernon, BC

2210 – 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vernon, BC V1T 8Z9

**Liturgies:** Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 a.m.

**Holy Days** - 10:00 a.m.

**Sundays** – 9:30 a.m. – Rosary  
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy



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## Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Grindrod, BC

Carlin Street and 3rd Avenue,  
Grindrod, BC

Saturdays - 3:45 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Hour  
4:00 p.m. - Divine Liturgy



*“The Vibrant Parish – a place  
to encounter the living Christ”*

*Patriarch Sviatoslav*

### **Welcome! Вітаємо!**

We extend a warm welcome to our parishioners, your families and friends. We are glad that you have come to worship with us today and pray that your participation in our parish will be enriching to you.

Following every Sunday Divine Liturgy, Fellowship Coffee is served!

We invite everyone to join us.

#### **PASTORAL MINISTRY AND SACRAMENTS:**

**SACRAMENT of CONFESSIONS:** on Sundays and Holy Days: 30 min before Divine Liturgy and other days, by appointment.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** for the sick, by appointment, any time.

**BAPTISMS** - by appointment.

**MARRIAGES** - by appointment, at least 6 month in advance.

**FUNERALS** - by appointment.

**ANOINTING of the sick, hospital visits** - by appointment, any time

**Please note:** 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 see Fr. Volodymyr to arrange for it.



Our parish community extends a welcome to visitors who wish to pray and worship with us and who would like to participate in the life of our parish in all aspects. We assure you that visitors to St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church in Vernon meet with the warmest hospitality. Although we are a small community, we pride ourselves in being a family which centers itself on faith, prayer and a shared love of our Traditions. Although we are proud to belong to the Ukrainian Catholic Church, a number of ethnic backgrounds are represented in our parish community.

Divine Services are celebrated according to the Byzantine Catholic Rite of Ukrainian usage. Whether you are familiar with our Liturgy and Traditions from your own faith formation or would like to learn more about them, we extend a heartfelt welcome to you to join us for Divine Liturgy. Whether you are Roman Catholic or a member of another Church or Religious Tradition, you are most welcome to join us for worship. The Liturgy is celebrated using a mix of English and Ukrainian. The readings from the Holy Gospel and Epistles, as well as homilies are in English.

**Sunday of Christ the King****Divine Liturgy Propers:**

**Troparion** (Tone 4): Christ, Our God, Your kingship has taken us out of the power of darkness and brought us into the Kingdom of Your love. You, who are eternal, appeared as a King. Lord, glory be to You.

+ **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen!**

**Kontakion** (Tone 7): Let us adore and fall down before the immortal King of the ages, the only all-wise God Christ, saying: "Power, honour and kingdom have been bestowed upon You, and for this reason all the nations will serve You. Your power is everlasting and Your kingdom will not crumble, because the eternal King Christ became King for our sake.

**Prokimenon** (4): Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.  
verse: God is king of the whole world: play your best in his honour!

**Epistle: Colossian (1: 12 - 20). A reading of St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians**

Brothers and Sisters! Give thanks to the Father for having made you worthy to share the lot of the saints in light. He rescued us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son. Through him we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creatures. In him everything in heaven and on earth was created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominations, principalities or powers; all were created through him, and for him. He is before all else that is. In him everything continues in being. It is he who is head of the body, the church; he who is the beginning, the first-born of the dead, so that primacy may be his in everything. It pleased God to make absolute fullness reside in him and by means of him, to reconcile everything in his person both on earth and in the heavens, making peace through the blood of his cross.

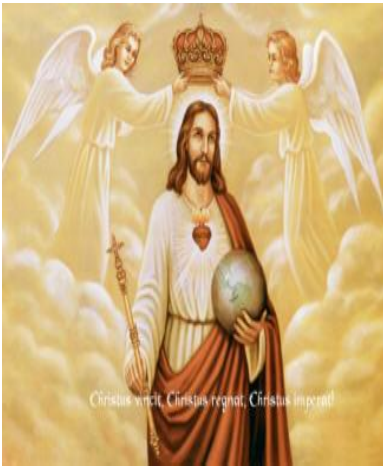
**Alleluia** (4): His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the river to the ends of the earth.  
verse: All kings will do him homage, all nations become his servants.

**Gospel:** John 18:33 - 37 At that time, Pilate went back into the praetorium and summoned Jesus. "Are you the King of the Jews?" he asked him. Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or have others been telling you about me?" "I am no Jew!" Pilate retorted. "It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered: "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my subjects would be fighting to save me from being handed over to the Jews. As it is, my kingdom is not here." At this Pilate said to him, "So, then, you are a king?" Jesus replied: "It is you who say I am a king. The reason I was born, the reason why I came into the world is to testify to the truth. Anyone committed to the truth hears my voice."

**Instead of "It is truly right..":** My soul, glorify Christ who became the King of the universe. Lord God, the Son of the eternal Father, became Man by the Virgin and appeared among us to enlighten those who dwelt in darkness, and to assemble those who were scattered. For this reason we glorify the ever-praised Mother of God.

**Communion Hymn:** The Lord is our Judge, the Lord is our Prince, the Lord is our King and He will save us. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## Prayer to Christ the King



Let us praise Jesus Christ our king for the wonderful things he has done. He sends out his word to heal us. He satisfies the thirsty with the water of life. He fills the hungry with the abundance of his kingdom. Let us praise Jesus, redeemer and renewer of all things. May we always trust in his goodness and love, And have faith in his grace and mercy, May we always believe he cares about justice and righteousness, And draw our life from his eternal purposes.

Let us praise Jesus Christ our king and saviour, May we be filled with the hope and promise of his coming, And give our lives to follow him. May we be gripped by his kingdom ways, And walk with assurance and trust into his grace and peace. Amen

**Christ the King Sunday** celebrates Jesus' role as King over all. However, we must recall that Jesus is King because he is a servant to all. Jesus' kingship is one of power and might, but also humility.

### History

The earliest Christians identified Jesus with the predicted Messiah of the Jews. The Jewish word "messiah," and the Greek word "Christ," both mean "anointed one," and came to refer to the expected king who would deliver Israel from the hands of the Romans. Christians believe that Jesus is this expected Messiah. Unlike the messiah most Jews expected, Jesus came to free all people, Jew and Gentile, and he did not come to free them from the Romans, but from sin and death. Thus the king of the Jews, and of the cosmos, does not rule over a kingdom of this world.

Christians have long celebrated Jesus as Christ, and his reign as King is celebrated to some degree in Advent (when Christians wait for his second coming in glory), Christmas (when "born this day is the King of the Jews"), Holy Week (when Christ is the Crucified King), Easter (when Jesus is resurrected in power and glory), and the Ascension (when Jesus returns to the glory he had with the Father before the world was created). However, Pius XI wanted to specifically commemorate Christ as king, and instituted the feast in the Western calendar in 1925.

In the 21st century many Western Christians, Catholic and Protestant, celebrate Christ the King Sunday, including Anglicans and Lutherans. Unfortunately, in some mainline Protestant churches, "king" language is not popular, and the feast is downplayed. However, in a chaotic and unjust world that seems to scorn any kind of authority, many Christians proudly celebrate Christ the King Sunday, where the loving and merciful - and just - king of the universe is praised and glorified.



**The Head of the UGCC recalled the obligation of fasting and prayer for Ukraine** - His Beatitude Sviatoslav, the Head of the UGCC, once again called faithful of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church and all people of good will to pray and fast for Ukraine. He recalled the obligation to pray daily at 9 am for Ukraine and fast one particular day of the week in this intention.

### Prayer for a Vibrant Parish Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, as you once gathered lost sheep that they might hear Your voice and be your flock, so also today graciously look down from heaven upon our parish community, and send down on it your Holy Spirit, that it might be a place to receive the joy of Your Good News. Strengthen us with your presence, and always gather us together in prayer. Grant us the spirit of serving others, so that in our parish all might encounter You, the merciful God. Bless our spiritual leaders with Your wisdom, and inspire us to generously give of our time, talents and treasure for the building up of Your Kingdom. Unite us in peace and harmony, as befits Your community of love. Instill in us a missionary spirit, and let our parish community shine with the light of the Gospel, with prayer and good works, inviting all to share in the divine life, so that Your Name, O Savior, may be praised, together with Your eternal Father, and your most-holy, good and life-giving Spirit. Amen.



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Sincerest thank you to everyone – for your hard work in preparation for our food sale as well for your volunteer hours spent in other ways in the past weeks.**

**Your enthusiasm showed as you prepared for the Bazaar as well as during the Bazaar has made this Bazaar a success. May our Lord bless and rewards each and every one of you!**

**Many Thanks** – Fr. Volodymyr and Vira would like to express their gratitude to all the Parishioners, Knights of Columbus, for their good wishes and greetings on the occasion of Fr. Volodymyr Birthday and wedding anniversary.

### **Memorial Service – Saturday, October 31, 2015 at 9:00AM**

Join us in prayer and remembrance of parishioners, friends and family members who fell asleep in the Lord. Also our late Metropolitan +Andriy Sheptytcky, Patriarch + Joseph Slipij. In blessed sleep grant eternal rest, O Lord, to Your ever-to-be-remembered servants, and make his/her/their memory everlasting. Вічна ім Пам'ять! Vichnaya Pamiat'! Everlasting Memory!

**Fr. Volodymyr will be away** for Annual Fall Clergy Conference in New Westminster from Tuesday October 27<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**November 11 – Remembrance Day** – may God remember all the souls of our departed brothers and sisters who lost their lives in defense of freedom – Vichnaya Pamiat'!!!



**Beginning of the Philipian Fast** – on Tuesday, **November 16<sup>th</sup>**, we will begin the special 40 day period of preparation for the feast of Christ's Nativity.

**National Holodomor Awareness Week 2015: November 23 to 29** – will be celebrated in our parishes on **Saturday & Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**. Panakhyda services will be taken in Grindrod and Vernon at the Divine Liturgies.

**“Save-on- Foods” gift cards** – are available for sale. Anyone wishing to buy the cards, please contact Miss. Teresa Huculak or Fr. Volodymyr.

**Gifts to God: Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** - Vernon \$ 494.00; God bless all of you for your kindness and generous financial support of our parish community!

**Happy Birthday** – May the Almighty God bless in good health and salvation in Many Happy and Blessed Years of Life to those who celebrated their birthday in month of October:

Mr. Chris Paramchuk (3), Mrs. Olga Piano (7); Mr. Maurice (8); Fr. Volodymyr (17); Mr. Bruce Munro (18) Mrs. Tatiana O'Donnell (26); Mrs. Helen Pesklewis (31) **Many happy healthy years! Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!**

Many God's blessings of good health, joy and happiness to Fr. Volodymyr and Vira Dmyterko (19) on the occasion of their Wedding Anniversary! **Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!**

**Parishioner's news section:** As a Parish, it would be wonderful if we could share in our fellow brothers and sisters journey- their joys and sorrows. If you have an upcoming event (birth announcement, big anniversary, graduation, etc) or updates such as medical news, prayer requests, etc., please send us an email or tell to the priest, so it can be included in the newsletter. As well, if you wish to celebrate a special occasion with us, you are more than welcome to bring a contribution to add to the coffee social.

**Daylight saving time ends:** Sunday, November 1, 2015.

Please, **DON'T FORGET!** CLOCKS TURN BACK ONE HOUR ON SUTUDRAY, OCTOBER 31<sup>st</sup> AT 2:00 AM



**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.

**Parish Family Calendar:** If you would like to be included in our Parish Family Calendar of Birthdays, Celebrations, Name-Days and Anniversaries please put your birth date in the calendar at the table near the front door of the church. Let's celebrate these happy occasions together!



**REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:** your family, your fellow parishioners, those who 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, those shut-in or in the hospital, and you wish to have a priest visit, please be sure to have someone call the rectory to make this request or notify Fr. Volodymyr Dmyterko directly. Your pastor may have no other way of knowing that you are in hospital, as privacy legislation restricts the information that can be given to him by the hospital.

**Pray For...** Please Pray for health of ... Rose Shawchuk, Anthony Mulik, John Maiwka, Yanko Anna, Szadiak Victor and Gloria, Sophie Caskey, Walter Kociuba, Nick Roman, Kalyna Kociuba, Ostopowich, Terry Konopada, Jesse Kosick, Marion McAreavy, Mary Ferguson and all other parishioners and family members who need our support and God's healing at the present time. Let us also remember our sisters and brothers in Ukraine in our prayers!

Please let Fr. Volodymyr know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.



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### **Meetings Church Councils and Organizations:**

**Knights of Columbus General Meeting** will take place today, **October 25** at 4:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph's church in Armstrong

**St. Josaphat's Parish Council Meeting** – on Sunday, **November 8<sup>th</sup>** after the Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

**UCWLC Monthly Meeting** - will take place on Tuesday, **November 10<sup>th</sup>** after the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

**Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting** will take place on Tuesday, **November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. at OLOV RC church.**

**Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting** will take place on Tuesday, **November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. at OLOV RC church.**

**UCC Monthly Meeting** will take place on Tuesday, **November 24<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 p.m. at Orthodox church.

Church Etiquette: Just a reminder that to have attended the entire Divine Liturgy one must be in Church and have heard the reading of the Gospel as well as the homily, participated in the responses for the consecration and received the final Blessing before leaving the church. We also ask that you do not visit in the main part of the Church (the Nave) before during or after the Service. Please use the Vestibule or the Fellowship room to conduct your conversations - leave the Church proper for those that want to pray.

**“Jesus, my King, show me how I can help bring your kingdom into this world more fully. You are the truth that makes life complete. Let me be a witness to this truth.”**

### **What is the History of Halloween: A Christian Perspective?**

When we consider the history of Halloween from a Christian perspective, it may seem as if the modern holiday has gotten out of hand. After all, doesn't Halloween glorify evil? Is it right to send our children out as devils and witches? Shouldn't we emphasize the saints, whose nearly forgotten feast day is the reason for Halloween? Hallow is the same word for "holy" that we find in the Lord's Prayer, and e'en is a contraction of

"evening." The word Halloween itself is a shortened form of "All Hallows Eve," the day before All Saints Day. This holiday, properly understood and celebrated with all of its fun trappings, can be a way for us to deepen our understanding of faith. Halloween has its roots in the ancient Celtic tribes of Ireland, Scotland, Wales, and Brittany. On October 31, the tribes would celebrate the festival of Samhain. During this festival, Celts believed the souls of the dead -- including ghosts, goblins, and witches -- returned to mingle with the living. In order to scare away the evil spirits, people would wear masks and light bonfires. When the Romans conquered the Celts, they added their own touches to the Samhain festival, such as making centerpieces out of apples and nuts for Pomona, the Roman goddess of the orchards. The Romans also bobbed for apples and drank cider -- traditions which may sound familiar to you. But where does the Christian aspect of the holiday come into play? In 835, Pope Gregory IV moved the celebration for all the martyrs (later all saints) from May 13 to November 1. The night before became known as All Hallows' Even or "holy evening." Eventually the name was shortened to the current Halloween. On November 1, the Roman Catholic Church celebrates All Souls Day. The purpose of this feast is to remember those who have died, whether they are officially recognized by the Roman Catholic Church as saints or not. It is a celebration of the "communion of saints," which reminds us that the church is not bound by space or time. Many of the customs we now associate with Halloween are also derived from ancient celebrations. For example, the current custom of going door-to-door to collect treats actually started in Ireland hundreds of years ago. Groups of farmers would go door-to-door collecting food and materials for a village feast and bonfire. Those who gave - were promised prosperity; those who did not - received threats of bad luck. When an influx of Irish Catholic immigrants came to the United States in the 1800s, the custom of trick-or-treating came with them. Does your family carve a pumpkin to place on your porch for Halloween? If so, then you can once again thank the Irish for that tradition. Actually, the custom began with a turnip. People would hollow out the turnips and place lighted candles inside to scare off the evil spirits. When the Irish came to America, they discovered the pumpkin as a larger substitute for the turnip. And so, we now carve pumpkins instead of turnips for Halloween. Although Halloween has become mostly a secular holiday, we need to remind our families of its Christian roots. Talk about ways that you can safely celebrate both the secular and Christian aspects of the holiday. One way might be through the costumes that your children choose.

	<b>EPISTLE READERS:</b>			
DATE	READING	ENGLISH	UKRAINIAN	CANDLE HOLDERS
October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Col. 1:12-20 Jn. 18:33-37	Kay Huculak	Helen Pesklewis	Vira Dmyterko Ruth Cushing
November 1 <sup>st</sup>	Eph. 2:4-10 Lk. 8:26-39	Anne Marie Johnston	Olga Piano	Bob and Pat Holowenko
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	Eph. 2:14-22 Lk. 8:41-56	Marry Harasymyshyn	Patricia Sawadsky	Ann Yaremchuk Olga Piano
November 15 <sup>th</sup>	Eph. 4:1-6 Lk. 10:25-37	Teresa Huculak	Helen Pesklewis	Victor and Vivian Belley
November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Eph. 5:9-19 Lk. 12:16-24	Joann Kosick	Olga Piano	Mary Ferguson Wanda March
November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Eph. 6:10-17 Lk. 13:10-17	Kay Huculak	Patricia Sawadsky	Patti Huculak Greg Sawka

*Liturgical Schedule for this week, October 27 – November 1*

**From Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> – NO SERVICES**

**Saturday – October 31<sup>st</sup> 4:00p.m. For Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul Church.**

**Sunday - November 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of the St. Josaphat Church.**