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“...When you sit down to eat, pray. When you eat bread, do so thanking Him for being so generous to you. If you drink wine, be mindful of Him who has given it to you for your pleasure and as a relief in sickness. When you dress, thank Him for His kindness in providing you with clothes. When you look at the sky and the beauty of the stars, throw yourself at God’s feet and adore Him who in His wisdom has arranged things in this way. Similarly, when the sun goes down and when it rises, when you are asleep or awake, give thanks to God, who created and arranged all things for your benefit, to have you know, love and praise their Creator.”

— St. Basil the Great, from Homily V. In martyrem Julittam. A different translation is quoted in the Prolegomena in Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers Series II Volume 8

Let us give thanks to God continually. For, it is outrageous that when we enjoy His benefaction to us in deed every single day, we do not acknowledge the favor with so much as a word; and this, when the acknowledgment confers great benefit on us. He does not need anything of ours, but we stand in need of all things from Him.

— St. John Chrysostom, Homily 25, Homilies on the Gospel of St. Matthew

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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever (Psalm 136: 1)

One of the most beautiful American customs is the annual observance of Thanksgiving Day. There is something special about this day which we set aside for expressions of gratitude in our family gatherings. For the holiday of Thanksgiving is more than a gracious acknowledgement of God’s bounties at the close of the harvest: it is also a demonstration of our faith and hope for the future, even in the face of the winter months ahead. This national readiness to thank the Lord for His abundant blessings, to see His hand at work even in difficult circumstances, and to look towards tomorrow without cynicism or despair is an element of the American heritage that is in profound accord with the traditions of Orthodox spirituality. As Ukrainian-Americans who are Orthodox Christians, therefore, we find a double joy in the observance of this day.

Many families have a Thanksgiving tradition of giving every person at the table an opportunity to express a reason for gratitude in the year that has passed. How fitting it would be for our family in Christ - the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA - to follow this tradition! As a Church, as brothers and sisters in the Faith, and as fellow communicants at the table of the Lord, we surely have found many causes for thanksgiving to God in the past year.

Yet on this Thanksgiving Day 2021, we have a special obligation to voice our gratitude. Our generation stands, according to the common reckoning, amid the COVID-19 Pandemic. Poised as we are at this unique vantage point in the history of humankind, it behooves us to look back with thanksgiving, not only on previous years of our life’s journey, but also on the present-day blessings that we have received through the means of science and medicine, being able to save and protect humanity from the life-threatening pandemic. Thus, we must offer gratitude to Almighty God for the men and women in the medical profession, our scientists, chaplains, and essential workers.

Beloved in the Lord, REMEMBER that Thanksgiving Day holiday is a unique time in this country for us to reflect on the role of thanksgiving in our faith and in our lives. REMEMBER, that Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful for the many blessings we have received as we are mindful of the One who blesses us with life and grace. It is a day to call all people to affirm the power of gratitude, a call we make consistently through our worship and service. It is a day to extend grace to more and more people so that thanksgiving may increase to the glory of God. (II Corinthians 4:15)

In many parishes of our Holy Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, the pastors and faithful, in particular, many Ukrainian Orthodox League chapters, REMEMBER the REASON for the feast by hosting community Thanksgiving meals or collect food and prepare bountiful baskets for families which are unable to afford such bounty with their own resources. What a powerful example of “THANKSGIVING in action”. This is the expression of love-charity and compassion taught to us by Christ our Lord. If you can, find the time to offer yourself in the service of others this season of Thanksgiving.

On this Thanksgiving Day, it is our fervent prayer that the blessings of our Lord be upon all of you as you gather in love and fellowship to offer gratitude to God for all that we have as Orthodox Christians, who are blessed to live in the United States of America. May His infinite love and perfect peace be with you on this day and always as we praise His most magnificent name and as we come together to give thanks for His abundant blessings.

With deep gratitude to God for each of you as our spiritual children,

+Antony, Metropolitan
+Daniel, Archbishop
Всечесним Священникам та Дияконам, членам Ради Митрополії і Консисторії, керівникам Організації нашої Церкви, членам парафіяльних громад, молоді та всій родині Української Православної Церкви США

Брати і Сестри у Христі,

Дякуйте Господеві, бо Він Благий, бо навіки ласка Його (Псалом 136:1)

Одним з найкрасивіших американських звичаїв є щорічне святкування Дня Подяки. Цей день є особливим тим, що ми, збираючись нашими родинами, присвячуємо його для висловлення нашої вдячності. Адже свято Дня Подяки є чимось більшим ніж згадка про Господні щедроти наприкінці збору врожаю: це також вияв нашої віри та надії на майбутнє, навіть перед початком зимового періоду. Це національна свідомість дякувати Господу за Його рясні благословення, бачити Його руку, котру Він простягає навіть у важких обставинах, і дивитися у завтрашній день без відчая чи безнадії є частиною американської спадщини котрі глибоко взаємодіють із традиціями Православної духовності. Будучи українсько-американськими Православними Християнами, ми знаходимо подвійну радість у святкуванні цього свята.

Багато родин мають традицію у День Подяки дати можливість кожній людині за столом висловити привід для подяки за рік що минув. Це було б дуже доречним щоб і ми, як родина у Христі – Українській Православній Церкві США – слідували цій традиції! Як Церква, як брати і сестри у вірі, і як співпричасники за престолом Господнім, ми, безсумнівно, маємо багато причин для подяки Богу за рік що минув.

Проте в цей День Подяки 2021 року ми маємо особливий обов’язок висловити свою вдячність. Наше покоління стоїть, за загальноприйнятими розрахунками, на тлі пандемії COVID-19. Саме тому ми маємо особливий обов’язок висловити свою вдячність за допомогою науки і медицини, рятуючи і захищая людство від небезпечної для життя пандемії. Тому ми повинні висловити вдячність Всемогутньому Богу за чоловіків і жінок котрі працюють у медичній сфері, за наших науковців, капеланів та усіх інших, які допомагають нашому суспільству.

У багатьох парафіях нашої Святої Української Православної Церкви США пастирі та вірні, зокрема, багато відділів Української Православної Ліги, ПАМ’ЯТАЮТЬ ПРИЧИНУ для святкування, пригощаючи усіх на День Подяки святковими стравами на волонтерських засадах, або збираючи їжу та підготовляючи щедрі кошики для сімей, які не можуть дозволити собі цього через фінансові труднощі. Це вираз любові-милосердя і ласки, котра навчив нас Христос, Господь наш. Якщо ви можете, знайдіть час, щоб пожертвувати їжою в цьогорічний День Подяки для того щоб допомогти іншим.

У цей День Подяки ми широко молимося, щоб благословення нашого Господа було на всіх нас, в той час коли ви збираєтеся разом в любові, щоб подякувати Богу за все, що ми маємо як Православні Християни, що маємо благословення жити в Сполучених Штатах Америки. Нехай Його безмірна любов і досконалий мир будуть з вами в цей день і завжди коли ми прославляємо Його найвеличніше ім’я і коли ми збиратимемося разом, щоб подякувати за Його рясні благословення.

З глибокою вдячністю Богу за кожного з вас, як наших духовних дітей,

+ Антоній, Митрополит
+ Даниїл, Архієпископ
On Monday, October 23, 2021 His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew was joyously welcomed by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland. The Ecumenical Patriarch, spiritual leader of Orthodox Christians worldwide, started his 12-day official visit in Washington, DC.

Also in attendance to greet His All-Holiness and the Official Delegation were, according to State Department Protocol, His Excellency Marios Lysiotis, Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to the United States; His Excellency Arthur Sinodinos OA, Ambassador of Australia to the United States; Her Excellency Alexandra Papadopoulou, Ambassador of the Hellenic Republic to the United States; Her Excellency Oksana Markarova Ambassador of Ukraine to the United States; members of the Holy Epiarchial Synod; and clergy and faithful from the D.C. area and around the country. The Official Visit, postponed from May 2020 because of the global pandemic, is His All-Holiness’ first visit to the United States since 2009.

At an official ceremony at the St. Regis Hotel His All-Holiness offered greetings stating, “With a heart filled with gratitude and great enthusiasm, we speak words of blessing and benediction for all of you, and for the great American Nation. It has been twelve years since we last visited the Holy Archdiocese of America, her devout clergy and the many friends in government that have become close to us during our Thirty-Year Patriarchal tenure. We begin again, as we did in 1997, and we come with the same message we imparted on that day, October Nineteenth: “We come to you in love, beholding you as the newly planted branch of the ancient vine of Christ’s first called disciple Saint Andrew. You, our most beloved daughters and sons, have transplanted the faith of the Apostles upon this blessed continent. America recognizes your deep commitment to living that faith fully, for she has enshrined in her Constitution the fundamental principles upon which the lasting qualities of the Church are founded.” (Full text www.goarch.org/-/2021-10-23-greeting-hah-arrival-usa)

In his welcome to His All-Holiness Archbishop Elpidophoros stated, “We, the devout children of the Mother Church of Constantinople, welcome You with open hearts into our midst for the seventh time in Your historic and renowned Patriarchal ministry...We are overcome with deep emotion and much joy, because we behold in Your venerable person the embodiment of the Holy Great Church of Christ, which You have now led for thirty years — the longest Patriarchal tenure in history. Indeed, we await with great eagerness Your sage counsel, as we strive to live the life of our Orthodox Christian faith in the very heart of America. The coming days will certainly hold many experiences that we will all cherish, and which will inform our vision of the life of Christ in this land. “We look to You, then, Your All-Holiness, to show us the way, and to give to us a renewed and inspired vision for the faith of the saints and the Apostles that You know so well.” (Full Text www.goarch.org/-/2021-10-23-welcome-archbishop-elpidophoros-to-ecumenical-patriarch-bartholomew-to-usa)

On Sunday, October 24, 2021 immediately prior to departing for the service at the Cathedral of Saint Sophia, His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew felt unwell — due to the long flight and full schedule of events upon arrival. His doctor advised that out of an abundance of caution he should be taken to the George Washington University Hospital for observation. At the doctors’ recommendation, he spent the night in the hospital for monitoring.

While His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew remained hospitalized, His Eminence Elder Metropolitan Emmanuel of Chalcedon presided over the Pan-Orthodox Liturgy at Saint Sophia Cathedral in Washington, DC on October 24, 2021, inducting the Inaugural class of Senators for Orthodoxy and Hellenism.

During the service, His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, who instituted the Senators in 2020, stated: “Your Eminence, these devout men and women before You today are stewards of varying ministries within the Church. But all have produced ‘a hundredfold’ through their harvests of leadership. They bow their heads to receive Your blessing for them to continue their service to this Eparchy and to the Great Church of Christ. As they serve in a capacity as ex-officio members of the Archdiocesan Council, their counsel and guidance are invaluable. We humbly ask that You bestow upon them your archepiscopal benediction, so that in good health and spiritual prosperity, they may continue to minister to the Body of Christ.”

Also in attendance at the Service and Induction were Metropolitan...
osif of Prokonissos, Metropolitan loustinos of Nea Krini and Kalamaria, Metropolitan Antony of Ierapoli (Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA) Metropolitan Ilia of Philomelion (Albanian Orthodox Diocese of America), Metropolitan Gregory of Nyssa (Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Church of the USA), Metropolitan Joseph (Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America), Bishop Irenej (Serbian Orthodox Church in North, Central and South America) and Bishop Saba (Georgian Apostolic Orthodox Church in North America). After the Divine Liturgy, a Pan-Orthodox Luncheon was held at the Cathedral Hall.

On Monday, October 25, 2021 His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew was released from George Washington University Hospital where he spent a night on medical advice. He resumed the schedule of his Apostolic Visit.

Events and meetings of the day included a meeting with President Joseph Biden at the White House; a meeting with Secretary of State Antony Blinken at the State Department; and a visit to the Turkish Embassy at the invitation of Turkish Ambassador to the USA, Hasan Murat Mercan. His All-Holiness delivered a speech for the Museum of the Bible via videoconference, during which he stated: “Chairman Green, Chief Executive Officer Hargrove, Your Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, Honored Guests,

Upon the recommendation of our doctors, we are unable to be physically present with you today at the Museum of the Bible, in order to behold and admire your reverence for the Holy Scripture of our shared Christian Faith. Nevertheless — thanks to modern technology — we are still able to marvel at the imagination you have employed in this House of the Muses that graces the Capital City of the United States. As we address you, the Museum of the Bible manifests the love for the words of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ, and His Holy Prophets. These life-giving “words of eternal life,” which “never pass away,” are most certainly deserving of this shrine, which you have raised up to the glory of God.

The Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople represents the memory of the Church, not only from the doctrinal and constitutional side of the Holy Tradition of the Seven Ecumenical Councils, but also from that which bears witness through Sacred Scripture. All of the Seven Churches of the Apocalypse are within our sphere. Furthermore, our continuous memory has allowed us to share with the world the Scripture as it was used in worship — in liturgy, and in its original language.

The public reading of these lectionary texts during the Divine Liturgy created a centripetal, binding force, that shaped the texts of the New Testament in particular. The lection pulls them together, because as the Apostle Paul says: “Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

It is our hope that this Museum, made possible by the magnanimous generosity of the Green Family, and by the innumerable talents enlisted to create such a marvelous space, will bring about a resurgence in the reading of the Holy Scripture, and the faith in our Lord that comes from it.

We thank you for the gracious welcome that you have personally extended to our honorable entourage, and we invoke upon you and your families, as well as all of your co-workers here at the Museum of the Bible, the blessing of our Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God, marvelously witnessed in the Holy Scriptures.

In the evening, the Ecumenical Patriarch will attend a dinner at Georgetown University hosted by its President, John J. DeGioia, and Wilton Cardinal Gregory of Washington, DC.

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Source: Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

On November 2, 2021, His Beatitude Metropolitan Epiphaniy of Kyiv and All Ukraine met at his residence (Kyiv, Ukraine) with His Eminence Archbishop Daniel, Ruling Hierarch of the Western Eparchy and President of Consistory of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA.

In their discussion, both hierarchs addressed the inter-church relations and issues of cooperation. In addition, His Beatitude Metropolitan Epiphaniy reflected on the development of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine and the religious situation in country. His Eminence Archbishop Daniel expressed greetings of the Prime Hierarch of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and Diaspora — His Eminence Metropolitan Antony and informed the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine about numerous ministerial projects of the UOC of the USA. Both hierarchs made specific plans for realization in the future.

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"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!" (Psalms 118 [119]:24)

This was the quote from Psalms that His Eminence Metropolitan Antony utilized to express his joy at God’s blessing for him to participate in the consecration of the newly renovated and repaired parish church of St. Andrei, Jamaica, Queens, New York on Saturday 30 October 2021. The Metropolitan continued saying that each and every day is a rich and precious gift from God, with new grace and new opportunities and so, we rejoice at each of them, but to have such a day as this day with the consecration of the renovated church edifice, a new Holy Altar, walls completely written with iconography by Constantine Cosa, a beautifully carved and icon written iconostas, is far beyond the "normal" day to rejoice in.

Metropolitan Daniel carefully guided the entire consecration process as the relics of Sts. Peter and Paul were embedded in the Holy Altar and the Antimens, bearing the relics of Five Youths – Martyrs of Constantinople: Emmanuel, George, Michael, Theodore and George were installed upon the Altar. The Archbishop explained the meaning of each step of the consecration and called upon the clergy and faithful to remember that though they cannot be present in the Church building always, it is never "vacant" because all these saints-patrons now of the parish family will be present praying for them before the Glory of God's Heavenly Altar.

Our hierarchs were assisted by parish priest V. Rev. Ioan Proteasa, V. Rev. Todor Mazur, priest of Holy Trinity Cathedral, NYC; V. Rev. Theodor Damian of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, Astoria, NY; V. Rev. Myroslav Shchirta, priest of St. Sophia Parish, Bayonne, NJ; Fr. Karol Bratosin, St. John Chrysostom Parish, Nashville, TN; Fr. Vasyl Pasakas, priest of Nativity of the Mother of God parish, South Plainfield, NJ; Fr. Andrew Drapak, St. Sophia Seminary Parish, South Orange, NJ; Fr. Ioan Proteasa and iconographer Constantine Cosa at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. He told Constantine that all we see written upon the walls of this church edifice add up to great treasures stored up for him in God’s Heavenly Kingdom. He then told Fr. Ioan to look out upon all the faithful entrusted to him gathered in church this day, along with those unable to be present, and said to him – these are great treasures which you have stored up in Heaven. His Eminence then asked our Lord to continue blessing.
these, His two gifted and beloved servants, so that they may have even greater accomplishments in their service to Him.

St. Andrei Church – formerly St. Andrew Church was not always so beautiful. It was originally a church of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. In the 1960’s the building was no longer large enough to serve the spiritual needs of a rapidly growing Ukrainian parish. A priest continued to serve the needs of the remaining parishioners, but this small group was elderly and unable to properly care for and maintain the Church. Finally, late in the first decade of this 21st century, it became impossible for the long-time parish priest, V. Rev. Fr. Vasilevych Shymetylo to continue his priestly service and Fr. Ioan and his parish family asked to purchase the property and for the Romanian community and to remain as a parish of our Holy Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA. Since that time, the parish has grown and through the efforts of so many parishioners, all repairs were completed from the roof to the center utility room, thus making it possible for the beautification project consecrated this day. It was a long journey from being able to look up at the ceiling inside the church and actually see sunlight shining through to this glorious day when we enter into the Kingdom of Heaven to give ourselves to God, rather than expecting to feel joy when we go “get” something for ourselves. We express the deepest of gratitude to all these men and women of St. Andrei parish who gave so much of their TIME, TALENT and TREASURES to the completion of GOD’S HOME. “Well done, good and faithful people. You have been faithful in your efforts. Therefore, our Lord will most certainly give you much more to do. Enter into the Joy of your Master” – each time you come to worship and you will experience that JOY more than you ever thought possible.

Mолитовний та ЖИТТЄДАЙНИЙ день в Українській Православній церкві в Нью-Йорку, 30 жовтня 2021 року. Митрополит Антоній використав вікіфіковану мову, показуючи, що кожен день є детермінантом і може підкреслити життєденності вірі на основі вірування. Він зазначив, що для слугування Богу в духовному світі важливістю є також збереження духовності, яка сприяє духовному зростанню. Митрополит Антоній ще раз наголосив на необхідності ходити до Храму, щоб відкриватися загальновідомому миру і відкритим у божественому вимірі миротворчої діяльності. Він зазначив, що кожен день у Храмі є також інструментом для духовного зростання.

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Як видно на фотографіях, храм Святого Андрія — це справді духовний дар Богу кожного. Митрополит пояснив, що ікони — гарний інструмент, який використовується для богослужінь під духовною опікою о. Іоана Протеси. Отець його парафіяльної родини та інші служники, що збиралися цього дня в церкві, приєднався до цього святого, щоб отримати щось для себе Богу, замість того, щоб очікувати “отримати” щось для себе самих. Висловлюємо глибоку вдячність усім тим, хто присутній тут, і відроджуємо віру у місце, що розкривається для нас, і до цього славного дня, що нарешті досягнені у своєму служінні.

Андріївська церква, раніше церква святого Андрія, не зовсім була такою гарною. Спочатку це була церква церкви та іконописця Костянтина Козу. Після завершення Божественної Літургії. Хор Семінарії святого Андрія у 1980-х роках знов заздалегідь віддати себе для розслідування цього іншого парафіяльного управління, а вони мали ще більші досягнення у своєму служінні Йому.

Щоб бути обдарованою і улюбленою слугу прапорцем Спасителя нашого Ісуса Христа, це славніша церква та будівля, що ви відчуєте цю радість, що просвітило вас в цій християнській загальної, який використовується для богослужінь під духовною опікою о. Іоана Протеси. Отець Йоан та його вірні зробили чудовий і дуже потребній ремонт будівлі церкви, щоб продовжити її використання для богослужіння.

В кінці кінці, наприкінці першого десятиліття 21 століття стало неможливим для багаточолового паразрафіяльного настоятелю Протоієрея Всеволода Шиметила продовжувати свячення служіння та Отець Йоан разом з його парафіяльною родиною попросити придбати майно для румунської громади та запишись паразрафію нашої Святої Української Православної Церкви США. З того часу розрослися, і зусилля багатьох парафіяльного було завершено всі ремонтні роботи від даху до коптів у приміщенні паразрафіяльного соціального центру, а сьогоднішніх освяченнях відбувається та що все вдалося зробити. Був цей довгий шлях від того моменту коли діялись на стелю всередині церкви і насправді бачили те сонячне світло, що просвічує на нас, і до цього славного дня, коли ми входять в Царство Небесне. щоб відродитись Богу, замість того, щоб очікувати “отримати” щось для себе самих. Висловлюємо глибоку вдячність усім тим, хто присутній тут, і відроджуємо віру у місце, що розкривається для нас, і до цього славного дня, що нарешті досягнені у своєму служінні.
His Eminence Archbishop DANIEL arrived in sunny, warm Las Cruces, New Mexico, after a flight to El Paso Texas, on Friday October 22nd for the weekend festivities and liturgies. Accompanying Archbishop DANIEL were two seminarians of St. Sophia Ukrainian Orthodox Theological Seminary of the UOC of the USA: Reader Andrii Vatrich and Reader Maksym Zhuravchyk. They were met by Fr Mark Phillips, incoming pastor of St Anthony of the Desert and the retiring pastor, Fr. Gabriel Rochelle and Pani-matka Susan Steinhaus for a formal dinner and discussion prior to liturgical services and formal visit of the hierarch.

Following the meeting with Vladyka Daniel, Fr. Gabriel and Pani Susan were surprised beyond words by the unexpected appearance of the four adult children who live in the USA and spouses and, subsequently, by the appearance of his nephew and wife from Michigan. One daughter who lives in Prague, Czech Republic, was understandably unable to attend.

Archbishop DANIEL presided at Divine Liturgy Saturday morning October 23rd, following a brief greeting by Fr. Gabriel. In attendance were members of the congregation and some friends of Fr. Gabriel and Pani Susan who came to honor the outgoing pastor at this Liturgy. Archbishop gave a blessing to Fr. Gabriel to preach at this service, which was a Memorial Saturday, and the sermon was preached on the significance of our remembering those of family and friends who have been influential in our lives. Beyond those circles, however, we need to acknowledge that we are part of a larger family, the communion of saints which spans this world and the next and from whom we also derive succor, comfort, and examples for our lives. Fr. Theophan and Pani Kristi Mackey of Job of Pochaiv parish community in Los Alamos, NM were also in attendance. Fr. Theophan met Kristi and became Orthodox at St. Anthony of the Desert mission and subsequently attended seminary.

During the Liturgy on Saturday, Archbishop DANIEL presented Fr Gabriel with an ecclesiastical jeweled cross in honor of his ministry of developing St. Anthony mission, which grew over the fourteen years of his pastorate from two people to about seventy-five. Pani Susan was also recognized as a major force in the development of the mission as well.

Fr. Mark Phillips, assisted by Deacon Theodore Brineger led Great Vespers on Saturday evening at 5:00 PM. Vladyka DANIEL spoke following Vespers on the necessity of witness in the modern world and our calling to witness by our actions as Orthodox Christians.

Following Great Vespers the congregation gathered in the parish hall for a festive dinner. The children of the church honored Pani Susan for her service in Sunday School and her ministry to them. To wrap up the entertainment, Constance Hasapopulos shared her created video with images of Fr. Gabriel in action over the years, blessing animals, people, catechumens, newborns, baptizands, Pascha Baskets, koliva, icons, bread and wine and more.
The tables were decorated in themes and colors of the ethnic traditions of members of the church: American, British, Greek, Hispanic, and Ukrainian. Teenagers Nicholas and Julianna Brinegar, Katherine Davenport, Isabel Encapera, and Rebecca and Vivian Frias served the evening dinner. Constance Hasapopoulos, council vice-chairperson, coordinated the entire event, and Aubrey Candelaria served as our photographer.

At 9:30 AM on Sunday the 24th, Vladyka DANIEL once again presided at the Divine Liturgy with Fr. Mark Phillips preaching on the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. Following the Divine Liturgy, Fr. Mark was presented with a ceremonial key to represent his assumption of the ministry of St. Anthony of the Desert.

The last scheduled event for the weekend was a meeting of Vladyka with the Parish Council at 5:00 PM on Sunday afternoon. Pani Susan’s birthday was Sunday, the 24th of October and, in one last wonderful gesture, Vladyka and the seminarians brought flowers to her in the evening and in full and beautiful harmony sang “Many years” to her before they retired and prepared to return early Monday morning to the Metropolia Center of the UOC of the USA in South Bound Brook, NJ.

Photos by Readers Maksym Zhuravchyk and Andrii Vatrych

On Sunday, the 17 of October, 2021, the local Ukrainian Orthodox community of the Protection of the Birth-Giver of God in Spring Valley, CA gathered for its Sunday prayer worship honoring the feast of Pokrova and the 60th anniversary of prayerful ministry.

Divine Liturgy was celebrated by His Eminence Archbishop Daniel, who was assisted by Very Rev. Fr. Myron Mykhayluk, pastor of the local community; Very Rev. Fr. Vasyl’s Sauciur, pastor of St. Volodymyr Pro-Cathedral in Los Angeles, CA and Dean of the Western Deanery of the UOC of the USA; Deacon Myroslav Mykytyuk of St. Sophia Ukrainian Orthodox Theological Seminary in South Bound Brook, NJ, who together with Subdeacon Pavlo Vysotskiy escorted the archbishop on his trip to the State of California.

During the Divine Liturgy, Archbishop Daniel (with blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Antony) awarded the pastor of the parish - Very Rev. Fr. Myron Mykhayluk with the ecclesiastical award - a miter. Fr. Myron has been caring for the spiritual flock of the parish community for the past 20 years and this year he entered into the 45th year of priestly service.

Vladyka Daniel reflected in his sermon on the ministry of the local parish community and called upon all gathered in the: “Be not afraid to challenge prejudice and false attitudes and ideas even of the society we live in... The least among us can be a vehicle that God can use to bring justice and healing to all of God’s disadvantaged children all over the world.”

Archbishop mentioned the previous hierarchs and pastors, as their pastoral care for the Ukrainian Orthodox Christian flock was selflessly offered for the past 60 years since the foundation of the parish.

Following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, Vladyka Daniel presented the following individuals with the religious awards of the UOC of the USA for their devotion to the ministry of the parish family:
The Parish membership of St. Mary, Chester, PA, together with its Spiritual Father, Parish Priest, V. Rev. Gerald (Jeremah) Ozlanski celebrated the 90th anniversary of dedication and devotion to God in the Holy Trinity on November 13, 2021. His Eminence Metropolitan Antony joined the celebration in a canonical visit to the parish to express his deep gratitude to our Lord for blessing the faithful of the parish community throughout its nine decades of existence.

The youngest generation of the parish family, the President of the Parish Board of Administration, Yvonne Kaciuban, together with Fr. Gerald and visiting clergy greeted Metropolitan Antony according to the ancient Ukrainian tradition with bread and salt, asking him to pray for all the faithful members of the parish and for God’s continued blessings upon them. The Metropolitan responded that he would pray for not only the living, but also for the parish priests, founders and benefactors of the parish throughout the past 90 years.

Metropolitan Antony began the Divine Liturgy by blessing people with dikiri (two candles representing Christ our Lord as God and Man) and trikiri (three candles representing God in the Holy Trinity), thus proclaiming Who we worship during this anniversary celebration.

During his sermon, Metropolitan Antony spoke of the goal of any Christian’s life which is union with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, by building that strong relationship with Him, our Creator. He referred to the Epistle and Gospel readings of the day concerning the veil that was worn by Moses in the Old Testament after his call to the Holy Mountain of Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments. Because he had come face to face with God, his face glowed with such a radiance and intensity that people were afraid to even look at him out of the fear of exposing themselves to God Himself. The veil of Moses and the veil at the Holy of Holies in the Temple separated the people from God because of the belief that if one came face to face with God he or she would most certainly perish because of sinfulness.

In our Christian New Testament, the veil of the Temple was torn in two parts at the Crucifixion of our Lord and God in the Holy Trinity is at all times approachable and accessible to the Masterpiece of His Creation, the human race. We all are called to never hide who we are as the children of God under a bushel, but to declare our faith to the world as those "who hear the word of God and do it". His Eminence stated that all those men and women, the ancestors of this holy temple of St. Mary, who 90 years ago had an intuitive understanding from their upbringing of this truth and built the temple of God, establishing the parish family to be with Him, in His Holy House for prayer.
praise and gratitude. He called all present to live a holy and upright life, following the example of their ancestors in devotion and love for God and fellow man. He urged the faithful to “Be careful how you live your life, because you may be the only Gospel someone may ever read.”

At the end of the liturgy, His Eminence, at the request of Fr. Gerald, awarded our Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA highest award, the Centennial Medal for Lifetime Service to God and Community to: the President of the Parish Board, Yvonne Kaciuban, who has served for 18 years in office and has been responsible for leading the parish outreach into the community and other Orthodox and Christian communities and to Robert Sivilich, who has served for nearly three decades has taken upon himself the responsibility for maintaining the parish properties, making repairs himself in most instances, thus saving the parish enormous finances. These two individuals have served as shining examples to all their brothers and sisters in Christ.

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праафіяльну родину, щоб бути з Господом, у Його святому домі для молитви, хваля та подяки. Він закликав усіх присутніх жити святим і праведним життям, наслідуючи приклад своїх предків у віданості й любові до Бога та ближніх. Він закликав вірян: «Будьте обережні, як ви живете своє життя, бо ви можуть бути тим єдиним Святею, які те хтось коли небу-читає».

На завершення Літургії Високопреосвященійший Митрополит Антоній на прохання настоятеля храму, голови парафіяльної ради Івонні Кацюбан, яка 18 років служить в парафії вже 31 рік, висловив Отець Джеральд, який служить історії. Івонна, як голова управи, протягом усієї християнської багаторічне служіння Богу та Святої Православної Церкви нагородив найвищою нагородою прохання настоятеля храму, Митрополит Антоній на Високопреосвященній.

Свято відбувалося 90-річчя продовжился святоюм бенкетом – «Свято Агапе» – Свято Любові, якіє благословенною традицією протягом усієї християнської історії. Івонна, як голова управи, привела всіх присутніх на святкуванні, але вона була великою честю ім, доки Бог благословляє її на це. Під час Божественної Літургії він висловив молитву, щоб небезпека пандемії COVID у скорому часі закінчилася і всі присутні повернулися до своєї повноцінної участі у літургійному та соціальному житті парафії.

Photos by Subdeacon Yaroslav Bilohan

Text by Fr. Mykola Zomchak

The 71st celebration of the Ukrainian Orthodox parish of St. Mary the Protectress in Rochester, NY, began with the arrival of His Eminence Metropolitan Antony Saturday evening, October 16, to attend the Moleben, the Supplication prayer to the Virgin Mary on the occasion of the visit of the miraculous Myrrh-streaming Kardiotissa (Tender Heart) icon of Mother Mary with the Baby Jesus in arms. The icon was brought to Rochester from St. George's Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Church of Taylor, Pennsylvania, by subdeacon Theodore Worobey, Jr. A second, similar icon of Mother and Child from Hawaii, also with similar qualities and miraculous history, accompanied the larger Kardiotissa icon.

Subdeacon Theodore Worobey elaborated about the 10-year history of the icon, the hundreds of miraculous cures for which the myrrh-streaming Kardiotissa icon became famous. Lydia Dzus translated the monologue into Ukrainian as Subdeacon spoke in English.

At the conclusion of the Moleben Saturday evening, His Eminence Metropolitan Antony, seated at the left side of the tetrapod (the sub-altar on which the icons were placed), anointed the worshippers as they lined up to offer reverence to the Kardiotissa icon. After the evening service, the traveling clergy and members of St. Mary's community gathered for an evening meal, prepared by Angela Tebyrtse, Halya Divonka, & Maria Melnyk, in the parish hall set behind the church.

On Sunday, the sun broke through a cloudy sky and cast its light upon the faithful gathered at the church after a rainy night and shine on the faithful gathered at the front of the church for its Sunday prayer worship honoring the feast of Pokrova and the 71st anniversary of the church's founding. Two young girls were scattering rose petals before the cortege consisting of His Eminence Metropolitan Antony and three seminarians as they were leaving the rectory and approaching the church steps.

Ascending the church steps, His Eminence was greeted by Parish Board President, Mykola Sztanko and Sisterhood member Zunia Pali, both wearing Ukrainian traditional embroidery, with the traditional Bread (Kolach) and Salt, wishing him good health and prosperity on the joyous occasion of the 71st Parish Jubilee. Graciously accepting the greeting, and thanking for the beautiful kolach, made by Natalya Stefankiv, Metropolitan Antony stepped forward into the church to the awaiting clergy: parish rector, V. Rev. Ihor Krukohvetsky, along with visiting clergy from the Northern New York Deanery, V. Rev. Yuri Kasyanov of Holy Trinity, Cheektowaga; V. Rev. Mykola Andrushiv of St. Luke's, Warner; V. Rev. Vasyl Dovgan of St. Nicholas, Troy; & V. Rev. Ivan Semko of St. Mary the Protectress, Herkimer. His Eminence was accompanied to the parish with St. Sophia Seminary Students: Deacon Serhiy Khomitskyj, Subdeacon Jaroslav Bilohan and seminarian Mykola Stefanyk. Having been greeted by the parish rector with a cross and holy water, His Eminence venerated the offered cross, then with a smile, turned and blessed everyone with holy water, before proceeding into the Nave.
During his sermon, Metropolitan spoke of the unquesting faith of the Virgin Mary – the Mother of God – to her Beloved Son and our God, Jesus Christ. The Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God – POKROVA – has been a very important one throughout Ukraine since the sixth century. The Mother of God understands us as human beings in relationship with Christ the Son of God because she is one of us. She comprehends our faults and weaknesses, our fears and our strengths, our talents and our ability. She knows that we can gain control of our lives and devote them to God in the Holy Trinity and has assisted in that life-long effort by carrying our prayers to our Lord, beseeching forgiveness and remission of our sins and the salvation of our souls.

His Eminence spoke of the extremely important role the Mother of God played in the establishment of the Body of Christ – His Holy Church, especially during the first ten years after the Ascension of our Lord and the Descent of the Holy Spirit. She was with the Apostles at that Descent and received the Holy Spirit with them and was able to share the details of all she ‘held in her heart’ about the entire life of her Beloved Son and our God. She witnessed all of the three-year ministry of our Lord before His Crucifixion and Resurrection, understanding that her witness would benefit all mankind. People traveled from all over the then known world to Jerusalem to be near her and to listen to her speak – even though infrequently, but just to be in the Holy City was to be in her presence and to feel her love. Ours, as faithful Orthodox Christ is to emulate the faith of the Mother of God with a certainty in our hearts about what our ultimate destiny is to dwell with Him and be one with Him for all eternity.

The Metropolitan called the faithful to come forth to the Myrrh-bearing Icon of the Mother of God of Tender Heart, which has been producing Myrrh for over ten years, providing hope and strength to thousands. Hundreds of miracles have been confirmed through anointing with the holy Myrrh and the next one may be in our own lives if we receive it in faith.

The Church Choir, under the direction of Zina Dzus-DeBole, joyously resounded “Ton Despotin” & “You Clothed Me in Vestments” as the Hierarchical Liturgy commenced. Throughout the balance of the liturgy, the choir sang gloriously.

At the end of liturgy, Metropolitan Antony & V. Rev. Ihor Krehkovetsky presented the Centennial Medal of the UOC of USA to long time members Alex Dyga (Storosta) & his wife, Barbara (Palomar & Honorary Sisterhood President), Waldemar Sukhenko (Hall Manager & former Parish Board President), & Zoia Szanko (dedicated Sisterhood member), followed by the awarding of the Blessed Hramoty to Paul Dyga, Susanna & Will Ost, Natasha Nechipurenko-Masny & daughter, Alexandra, followed by a self-serve dessert table donned with tortes, cakes, cookies, breads donated by numerous parishioners.

During the banquet, delegates, donors, & sponsors were recognized. President Szanko surprised His Eminence with a special presentation of the parish & members’ donations in response to the recent flood relief appeal.

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Для нас, християн Української Православної Церкви - українців, 14 жовтня втілює в собі відразу три свята: Покров Пресвятої Богородиці, День українського козацтва, День захисника України. Усі вони взаємопов'язані й виникли в історичній послідовності.

Саме в цей день в Духовному осередку УПЦ США - Українській Православній Церкві-пам'ятнику св. Андрія Первозванного відбулася свята Літургія, яку відслужив Високопреосвященний Архієпископ Даниїл у співслужінні духовенства Митрополії Церкви.

У своєму повчальному слові, владика Даниїл наголосив на духовному значенні свята, але і також про історичні події в житті українського народу, які пов'язані із цим духовним днем: "Свято Покрова Пресвятої Богородиці нагадує нам про молитовне заступництво Божої Матері за людський рід. В цей день є чимало храмовим свят в багатьох містах та селах України. Завдяки козацтву виник новий тип Ікони – «Козацька Покрова», де під омофором Богородиці перебувають українські ієрархи, гетьмани і козаки. На хоругвах Січових Стрільців також зображують Богородицю, покров Котрої, простягається над козаками… Зазвичай, в цей день християни приймають участь в молитовній Літургії, на котрі згадують родичів та знайомих, які пішли в похід, змушені десь воювати, боронячи Вітчизну.

В акафісті цього празника ми знаходимо такі великі слова: "Радуйся, стовпе непохитний Церкви Христової; радуйся, держави нерушима стіно; радуйся, бо через Тебе досягаються перемоги; радуйся, бо через Тебе падають вороги; радуйся, тіла мого зцілення: радуйся, душі моєї спасіння. Радуйся, Невісто Неневісная!". Адже наша Свята Церква вчить, що Діва Марія заступається за кожну людину, а особливо за найназледьнішого гризінка. Тому не дивно, що до Пресвятої Богородиці завжди молилися та й зверталися в важкі хвилини життя, просачи її могутнього захисту та покрову. Мати Божа завжди была вірна своїй молитві і вірна своєму завданню. Вона була непокійною в боротьбі за мир і спокій.

Пророчий призив від Козацтва до Богородиці підкреслює її особисту відмінність: "Радуйся, держави нерушима стіно; радуйся, бо через Тебе досягаються перемоги; радуйся, бо через Тебе падають вороги; радуйся, тіла мого зцілення: радуйся, душі моєї спасіння.

Покров Пресвятої Богородиці був встановлений на Русі вкінці Х – початку ХІ століть. За переказами, йому передувала подія, що відбулася в місті Константинополі у Влахернському храмі, 14 жовтня (1 ст. ст.) 910 року, де зберігалася велика християнська реліквія – риза Богородиці. Ішла війна, місто було оточене сарацинами і, практично, уже не могло оборонятися. Під час всенощної служби, що відправлялася у цьому храмі, юродивий Андрій, який знали як дуже побожну людину, побачив видіння. Над людьми, котрі щиро молилися, з'явилася Богородиця із ангелами та святыми. Вона покрила людей своїм омофором і молилася разом з ними. Юродивий сказав, що бачив Богоматір, яка плаче над людьми і молилася за мир. Віруючі повірили, що Богородиця опікується світом, пильнує людство, застерігає його жити у мир та спокій. Щирі та піддані молитви ангели гріють до Пречистої Діви Марії була вислуха: Богородиця з'явилася вірным та накрила їх своїм покровом (омофором), роблячи непереможними. Що зазначено порані та вороги відійшли, а русичі, побачивши чудо, навернулися до істинного Бога. Дружинники повернулися на Русть-Україну вже християнами. Аскольд став першим руським князем-християнином, збудував церкву, тоді велика кількість русичів прийняли Христа й були охрещені.

Разом з Покровом Пресвятої Богородиці відзначається і День козацтва. У новому січовому таборі найперше будували Покровську церкву, а для воєнних походів використовували її похідний варіант з іконою Пресвятої Покрови. Перед важливою подією чи походом козаки завжди молилися своїй могутній Покровительці.
Українська Повстанська Армія була народною армією. Вона діяла в умовах бездодержності протягом багатьох років і відзначалася великою швидкістю.

14 жовтня 2015 року День захисника Вітчизни став відзначенням в День Українського Козацтва. В цей день ми відзначаємо своїх батьків-вояків, що захищали нашу державу.

Світ мужніх та хоробрих захисників Вітчизни за нинішніх часів. Саме захисників Вітчизни стали обраними на День вояка.

Світ вояка відзначали багато різних обрядів та традицій.

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groups along the way, including the Apache tribe, and eventually settled in the southwestern United States beside the Navajo tribe who were already in the area.

(An interesting link to Ukraine and the Navajo people is the Mongol Empire. In the 13th century, Batu, grandson of Genghis Khan, invaded northern Mexico.)

Over time, the Navajo people perfected the art of weaving styles and geometric designs in their rugs using symbols from their creation story and other experiences. These rugs became a source of income for the people through non-Navajo traders who exposed the highly prized pieces to the world.

Many people have an idea of what a Navajo rug is. Once called a blanket until the end of the 19th century, the rug was merely a means of survival for Navajo people. Blankets, dresses, shirts, belts, leggings, and "robes" were made for protection from the elements. Over time, the Navajo people began to use wool before spinning the yarn. And a long stick is used as a spindle to twirl and stretch the carded wool into yarn. The yarn used little dyeing as the earth tones, beige, gray, taupe, brown, white and black are represented in the colors of sheep. Red is an important color with a powerful spiritual connection that requires a special ceremony. The main style of rug containing red is the Ganado.

Navajo designs generally depict elements of the creation story with diamonds, stripes, steps, zigzags, crosses, geometric and pictorial. Diamonds can give tribute to Spiderwoman and other images of Navajo gods are portrayed. In certain regions of the world, sand paintings represent the "holy people" invoked for healing purposes. Traditionally, sand paintings are to be destroyed immediately after the ceremony. Over time, some Navajo weavers have permanently depicted these forbidden images in rugs.

Like many nations in the world, Christianity played a role in recent Navajo history. Spanish Catholics influenced the Navajo with their arts, introducing "friars" to the Navajo tribes.

Through the encroachment of "white" settlers and the U.S. government, Presbyterian, Methodist, and other evangelizing missions strongly influenced their deeply religious people. As a result, many artisans gravitated toward depicting tabo images while preserving the art of Navajo rug weaving without much fear of illness or misfortune.

In the Navajo creation story, the sun was the most powerful source of life and creation. Through the sun and his children, the Navajo created other deities that affected every aspect of human life. In Ukraine, the Slavic stories also honored the sun-god, Perun, the highest god of the sky represented by thunder. Perun governed storms, including lightning, rain, law, and war. We see storms an important factor in the Navajo's life.

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Historians have suggested that many of the dishes were likely prepared using traditional Native American spices and cooking methods. Because the Pilgrims had no oven and the Mayflower’s sugar supply had dwindled by the fall of 1621, the meal did not feature pies, cakes or other desserts, which have become a hallmark of contemporary celebrations.

Thanksgiving Becomes a National Holiday

Pilgrims held their second Thanksgiving celebration in 1623 to mark the end of a long drought that had threatened the year’s harvest and prompted Governor Bradford to call for a religious fast. Days of fasting and thanksgiving on an annual or occasional basis became common practice in other New England settlements as well.

During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress designated one or more days of thanksgiving a year, and in 1789 George Washington issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation by the national government of the United States; in it, he called upon Americans to express their gratitude for the happy conclusion to the country’s war of independence and the successful ratification of the U.S. Constitution. His successors John Adams and James Madison also designated days of thanks during their presidencies.

In 1817, New York became the first of several states to officially adopt an annual Thanksgiving holiday; each celebrated it on a different day, however, and the American South remained largely unfamiliar with the tradition.

In 1827, the noted magazine editor and prolific writer Sarah Josepha Hale—author, among countless other things, of the nursery rhyme “Mary Had a Little Lamb”—launched a campaign to establish Thanksgiving as a national holiday. For 36 years, she published numerous editorials and sent scores of letters to governors, senators, presidents and other politicians, earning her the nickname the “Mother of Thanksgiving.” Abraham Lincoln finally heeded her request in 1863, at the height of the Civil War, in a proclamation entreat all Americans to ask God to “commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife” and to “heal the wounds of the nation.” He scheduled Thanksgiving for the final Thursday in November, and it was celebrated on that day every year until 1939, when Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the holiday up a week in an attempt to spur retail sales during the Great Depression. In 1941 the President Roosevelt signed a bill making Thanksgiving the fourth Thursday in November.

PECAN-PUMPKIN BUNDT CAKE WITH CREAM CHEESE GLAZE

**INGREDIENTS**

**Cake**
- 1 c. (2 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature, plus more for pan
- 3 c. all-purpose flour, spooned and leveled, plus more for pan
- 2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 2 c. packed light brown sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 (15-ounce) can pure pumpkin puree
- 1 1/2 c. sour cream, at room temperature
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 3/4 c. chopped toasted pecans

**Glaze**
- 3 oz. cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- 3/4 c. confectioners’ sugar
- Chopped toasted pecans, for garnish

**DIRECTIONS**

**Make the cake:** Preheat oven to 350°F. Butter and flour a 12-cup bundt pan. Whisk together flour, pie spice, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in a bowl.

Beat butter and brown sugar on medium speed with an electric mixer until light and fluffy, 2 to 3 minutes. Add eggs, one at a time, beating until incorporated after each addition. Beat in pumpkin puree, sour cream, and vanilla. Reduce mixer speed to low and slowly add flour, mixing just until incorporated. Fold in pecans. Transfer batter to prepared pan.

Bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 50 to 55 minutes. Cool in pan for 20 minutes, then invert onto wire rack to cool completely. Transfer cake to a serving platter.

**Make the glaze:** Beat cream cheese, milk, vanilla, and salt on medium speed with an electric mixer until smooth. Gradually add sugar, beating until incorporated.

Drizzle cake with glaze and sprinkle with pecans.

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Give thanks to Him, and praise His name!

Psalm 100:4

Can you find the 5 differences?

Thank You God for this turkey and all the other blessings You provide!

Your name & age:

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Write down what you are grateful for:

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What does U. O. L. stand for?

U. O. L. stands for “Ukrainian Orthodox League.”
U. O. L. stands for “Dedicated to Our Church * Devoted to Its Youth.”
U. O. L. stands for “UOL Sunday – December 5, 2021.”

On Sunday, December 5, 2021, UOL chapter members will come together as a chapter to participate in the Divine Liturgy and remember the mission and purpose of the UOL. Chapters not only participate in the Divine Liturgy, but fellowship or other UOL activities.

They will remind themselves of the 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.”

The UOL’s purpose is exclusively spiritual, charitable, and educational.

- To develop and promote greater religious consciousness and understanding among our people; to inaugurate, sponsor, and develop group study of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church and Orthodox Faith.
- To encourage youth interest and participation in church affairs—locally and in the Church as a whole - and to prepare the youth for its assumption of organizational responsibilities and duties of our Church.
- To promote knowledge of our Ukrainian national heritage; to acquaint the American public with the tragic plight of our Ukrainian kinmen past and present and to extend to them all and necessary and possible. To develop and promote greater religious consciousness and understanding among our people; to inaugurate, sponsor, and develop group study of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church and Orthodox Faith.
- To promote by every means possible the growth and development of our entire Church organization.
- To coordinate religious, cultural, and social activities by means of dissemination of information, issuing suggestions, and by the initiation of regional and national projects.
How to Donate: generously accepted online

Support St. Sophia Seminary on Giving Tuesday, November 30
Our Seminary is once again participating in the Giving Tuesday global charitable movement by encouraging the alumni, faculty, students, staff, clergy and all the faithful of the UOCofUSA to kick-off the holiday gift-giving season with a donation to St. Sophia Seminary Fund. Giving Tuesday is the global day for giving back created in response to the commercialization and consumerism of the holiday season and as a reminder of the need to support nonprofit institutions like our own Seminary.

On November 30, 2021, charities, families, businesses, community centers, and students around the world will come together for one common purpose: to freely give and to promote generosity.

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Lobby (4BT) AER, Carol Ann of Beverly Hills, CA on August 27, 2021 at the age of 64 years, officiating clergy V. Rev. Mark Swindle of Holy Virgin Parish, Athens, PA 15008.

Hussey, Helen of Buffalo, NY on October 20, 2021 at the age of 70 years, officiating clergy Fr. Yuriy Kasyanov of Holy Trinity Parish, Cheektowaga, NY 14227.

Jones, Dyan (Sekeli) of Garnage, PA on September 17, 2021 at the age of 68 years, officiating clergy Fr. John Charest of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Garnage, PA 15106.

Mellick, Richard Andrew of Pittsburgh, PA on September 30, 2021 at the age of 84 years, officiating clergy Fr. John Charest of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Garnage, PA 15106.

Ostafiy, Kathryn of Bridgeville, PA on October 3, 2021 at the age of 97 years, officiating clergy Fr. John Charest of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Garnage, PA 15106.

Pershhyn, Theodore of Niskysth, NY on November 2, 2021 at the age of 92 years, officiating clergy Fr. Yuriy Kasyanov of Holy Trinity Parish, Cheektowaga, NY 14227.

Polowylo, Mykola of Buffolo, NY on September 26, 2021 at the age of 80 years, officiating clergy Fr. Yuriy Kasyanov of Holy Trinity Parish, Cheektowaga, NY 14227.

Resimenko, Alla of Hammond, IN on October 27, 2021 at the age of 86 years, officiating clergy V. Rev. Radost Blud of St. Michael Pro Cathedral Parish, Hammond, IN 46324.

Serdychy, Vitaliy of Albany, NY on October 22, 2021 at the age of 80 years, officiating clergy Fr. Yuriy Kasyanov of Holy Trinity Parish, Cheektowaga, NY 14227.

Lobov, Ryniuk, Olga of Baden, PA on October 25, 2021 at the age of 94 years, officiating clergy Fr. Michael Kochuk of St. Vladimir Parish, Ambler, PA 19002.

Weaver, Deborah Ann of Coatesville, PA on October 28, 2021 at the age of 64 years, officiating clergy Fr. Nicholas Dilendorf of Holy Ghost Parish, Coatesville, PA 19320.
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Do not just read the pages of the Bible and Holy Scripture, but live the pages, allowing them to lead you along the path towards God and salvation.

— Archbishop Daniel

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— Архійерей Данило

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