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Christ IS Risen! Indeed He IS Risen!

ON THE MEND: Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Metropolitan Theodosius [OCA], Archbishop Jovan, Bishop Robert, Father John Harvey, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Dragan Filipović, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, Father Nestor Kowal, Father George Yatsko, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John Nakonachny, Father Steve Repa, Protopresbyter William Diakiw, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Adam Yonitch, Pani-Dobrodijka Sonia Diakiw, Father Paisius McGrath, Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Andrea, & Melissa [Betty O'Masta's relatives], Mary Evelyn King, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Linda Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, George Rocknage, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Jean Stutchell, Esther Holupka, Wanda Mefford, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Betty O'Masta, Julie Eiler, Dorothy Lednovich, Bob C., Allie—young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Jane Wartinbee, Matthew—21-year-old with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael Woloschak, Michael Pryhodzenko, Sonia

Luciow, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Mary Pelino, Yvonne Christy, Myron & Barbara Spak, Pete Niederberger, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Loretta, Nancy, Carol, & Michael Sheliga, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Carl & Margaret Reed, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Jeff Miller, Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Bonnie & Eugene Blair [Pani Gina's parents], Mel & Charlotte Malik, David Hoenshell, Barbara Macino, Shelley Hill, Mikaela Kapeluck, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Helen Bozo, Corey Guich, Robert Vangrin, Susan "Billie" Mason, Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, Donald Griffey, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Strozh [child with cerebral palsy], Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Richard Dunst, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Howard Simpson, Chris, Pastor Ed Bowen, David Hiles, Karen Johnson, Jennifer, Jerry Quinn, Cher Mount, Frank & Janet Horrell, Jim Wandling, Gail, Sirena Sharp, Ron Paulovich, Fred DeNorscia, Sandi Anderson, Donald Uebing, Sabrina, Shirley, Denny Mader, Ella Campbell, Tom Hyatt, Bill Janiro, Jean Symanko-Andy's sister, William Lemonakis, Barbara McDougall, Alma Wyke, Lindsay Romanczak & family, Virginia Catherine Pyrch, Susan Lucas, Neil Carter & family, James Paluh, Mickie Weikel, Evelyn Krempasky, Tammy Strunk, Loida Esbry, Darlene Chicka Deskins, Drew, Alice & Keith Philipa, Kateryna Kocelko, Nancy Heinbaugh, Mira Filipovic, Lynn, Jacqueline, Irma Opacic, Sharon, Zan Cheng, Jeff Jones, Kristy, Elaine Ellenberger, Donna Cacioppo [Evelyn's niece], Brandon, Anna Tranchine, Demetra, Blase Urban, Catherine Hogel & children, Jennifer & Dylan, Ron Schwartz, Lydia Wilson, Flora Tomlin, Stella Rossi, Howell Swarm, Jane Bielewicz Allred, Manny "Lazarus" Lopez, Glenn & Lucas Burlack, Katie Elizabeth, Mileva, & Michael, Deirdré Straughan, Terri Paluh, Lori & Steve Lucier, Kyranna Cherpas, Pastor Bruce Nordeen, Millie Koss Good, Mary Haraczy, Heather Ried, Carla Perry, Linda Elliot, Dennis McDaniel, Mike Mangan, Luke Tinsley, Brent, Tricia, Katherine Gorman, Pamela Jaquette, Michael Pawlyshyn, Sherri Walewski, Marika Zeliszczuk, and Jackie Crimbchin. ARNOLD: Stefania Lucci, Steve Sakal, and Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our May babies: Pani Gina on the 9th, Nathaniel Scott on the 16th, Martha Persico on the 19th, Christine Shirley on tht 23rd, and Jim Weiser on the 24th. May God grant them all Many Happy, Healthy, prosperous, and Blessed Years! M'Nohaya Lita! God Bless!

Please remember in your prayers—our dear 'Little Father' Emilian, who returned to Romania to undergo surgery for back pain. This particular procedure is not offered here in the United States. He asked for our prayers and expressed his thanks for the love and fellowship he has shared with the Holy Ghost Parish Family. He said he looks forward to returning to us pain-free at some time in the future...may God watch over him and heal him...Fr. Bob

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: All Christians and the others in the Middle East who are suffering during this time of great tragedy and unrest. May God watch over and keep them safe! Lord have mercy!

Please remember ALL American service men and women in your prayers. May God watch over them and all American service men and women—and bring them all home safely!

REMEMBER-PRAYERS ARE <u>ALWAYS</u> <u>FREE!</u>

<u>Communion Fasting:</u> nothing to eat or drink after midnight, EXCEPT in cases where your doctor tells you to eat or drink something for medical reasons: medication, diabetes, etc. If you have a question, please ask Father Bob.

AT ANY TIME—if there is an emergency, if you have questions, or if you just need to talk, please CALL FATHER BOB at [412] 279-5640.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY, MAY 01 PASCHAL DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM PASCHA—RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

****BLESSING OF PASCHAL BASKETS DOWNSTAIRS AFTER LITURGY*****

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Acts: 1:1-8
John 1:1-17

SUNDAY, MAY 08 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM

ANTIPASCHA; 2ND SUNDAY OF PASCHA; SAINT THOMAS SUNDAY; HOLY APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST MARK

Tone 1
1 Peter 5:6-14; Acts 5:12-20
Mark 6:7-13; John 20:19-31

Litany in Blessed Memory of Metropolitan Constantine, Charles Cherepko, Joseph Bologa, Daniel J. Pysh, Jr., Nick Homyrda, Anna Metrick, Bogdan Mural, Esther Tylavsky, Evdokia Josephine Repa, Metro Warholak, Khouria Joanne Abdalla, Katherine Tomson, Walter Golofski, Jr., Michael Yarmeak, Anna Vangrin, Stella Cherepko, & Anthony Notaro—Fr. Bob

SUNDAY, MAY 15 DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM 10:30 AM 3RD SUNAY OF PASCHA; SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN & RIGHTEOUS JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA & NICODEMUS; SAINT ATHANASIUS THE GREAT-ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF THE HOLY PASSION-BEARERS BORIS AND GLEB OF RUS-IN HOLY BAPTISM RANUS & DAVID

Tone 2
Acts 6:1-7, Romans 8:28-39
Mark 15:43-16:8; John 15:17-16:2

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Aleut (Sugpiag):

Kriiiiistuusaq Ungwektuq! Pichinuq Ungwektuq!

Albanian (Tosk):

Krishhti Unjall! Vertet Unjall!

Anglo-Saxon:

Crist aras! Crist sodhlice aras!

Arabic:

Al Maset'h ahm! Hat'em ahm! and El Messieh Kahm! Kakken Kahm! and Al Maseeh Qam! Haggan Qam!

Amharic:

Kristos Tenestwal! Bergit Tenestwal!

Armenian:

Christos harjav i merelotz! Orhniale harutjun Christosi!

Byelorussian:

Khristos Uvoskros! Zaprowdu Uvoskros!

Chaucerean Middle English:

Crist is arisen! Arisen he sothe!

Chinese:

Helisituosi fuhuole! Queshi fuhuole!

Cantonese:

Gaydolk folkwoot leew! Ta koksut folkwoot leew!

Church Slavonic:

Christos Voskrese! Voistino Voskrese!

Coptic (Egypt):

PiKhirstos af tonf! Khen o methmi af tonf!

Coptic (Sahidic, not the Bohairic dialect which is the Coptic church's liturgical language):

Pchristos aftooun! Alethos aftooun!

Czech:

Kristus Vstal A Mrtvych! Opravdi Vstoupil! and Kristus vstal zmrtvy'ch! Skutec~ne~ vstal!

Danish:

Kristus er opstanden! Ja, sandelig opstanden!

Dutch:

Christus is opgestaan! Ja, hij is waarlijk opgestaan!

Eritrean (Tigre):

Christos Ten-si-OU! Ba-Ha-ke Ten-si-OU!

Esperanto:

Kristo Levig^is! Vere Levig^is!

Estonian:

Kristus on Oolestoosunt! Toayestee on Oolestoosunt! and Kristus on surnuist ülestõusnud! Toesti ülestõusnud!

Ethiopian:

Christos T'ensah Em' Muhtan! Exai' Ab-her Eokala and Yasous Taustwal! Aown Tasous Tanastwal!

Finnish:

Kristus Nousi Kuolleista! Totisesti Nousi!

French:

Le Christ est ressuscité- il est vraiment ressuscité!

Gaelic:

Erid Krist! G'deya! n erid she!

Gaelic (Irish):

Tá Criosd ar éirigh! Go deimhin, tá e ar éirigh! (Phonetic -- Taw Creest Ereen! Taw Shay Ereen Guhdyne!)

Gaelic (Scotch):

Tha Crìosd air èiridh! Gu dearbh, tha e air èiridh! and Hah Creeist air eh-ree! Goo jeh-ruy, hah eh air eh-ree!

Georgian (IveroPontian):

Kriste aghsdga! Cheshmaritad aghsdga!

German:

Christus ist auferstanden! Wahrhaft auferstanden! and Christus ist auferstanden! Wahrlich erstanden! and Christus ist auferstanden! Wahrhaftig auferstanden! and Christus ist auferstanden! Er ist wahrhaftig auferstanden!

Greek:

Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!

Hawaiian:

Ua Ala Hou 'o Kristo! Ua Ala 'I 'o No 'oia!

Hebrew:

Ha-Mashiah qom! Be-emet qom! and Ha Mashiyach qam! Ken hoo qam!

Hungarian

Krisztus feltámadt! Valóban feltámadt!

India (Spoken in)

Malayalam: Christu Uyirthezhunnettu! Theerchayayum Uyirthezhunnettu!

Indonesian:

Krisuts Telah Bangkit! Benar dia Telah Bangkit!

Italian:

Cristo e' Risorto! Veramente e' Risorto!

Iyaric Patwa (English dialect used by the Rastafarian subculture of the West Indies):

Krestos a uprisin! Seen, him a uprisin fe tru!

Japanese:

Harisutosu Fukkatsu! Jitsu Ni Fukkatsu!

Javanese:

Kristus Sampun Wungu! Saesto Panjene Ganipun Sampun Wungu! and Kristus Sampun Wungu! Tuhu Sampun Wungu!

Kikivu:

Kristo ni muriuku! Ni muriuku nema!

Kpelle (Liberia, West Africa):

Korai aa mu su Saa-yeei! Toya ma, E mu su Saa-yeei!

Korean:

Kristo Gesso! Buhar ha sho Nay!

Latin:

Christus Resurrectus Est! Vere Resurrectus Est!

Lugandan:

Kristo Ajukkide! Amajim Ajukkide!

Micronesian:

Pinglapese -- Kreis Isadar! Oh ketin kalowehdier!

Palauan -- Kristus a mla mekiis! Ngiima dingar!

Chuukese -- Kristus a manaau sefan! A fokkun manan sefan!

Carolinian -- Lios a melau sefal! Meipung, a mahan sefal!

Chamorro -- La'la'i i Kristo! Megahet na luma'la' i Kristo!

Nigerian:

Jesu Kristi Ebiliwo! Ezia o'biliwo!

Navajo:

Christ daaztsáádéé' náádiidzáá! T'ááníí, daaztsáádéé' náádidzáá!

Norwegian:

Christus er Oppstanden! Sandelig Han er Oppstanden!

Polish:

Khristus Zmartvikstau! Zaiste Zmartvikstau!

Portugese:

Cristo Ressuscitou! Em Verdade Ressuscitou!

Quenyan (Language of the elves in J.R. Tolkien's writings):

Ortanne Laivino! Anwa ortanne Laivino!

Romanian (Vlkah):

Hristus A Inviat! Adeverat a Inviat!

Russian:

Khristos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!

Sanskrit:

Kristo'pastitaha, Satvam Upastitaha!

Serbian:

Hristos Vaskrese! Vaistinu Vaskrese!

Slovak:

Kristus vstal zmr'tvych! Skutoc~ne vstal!

Slavonic:

Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!

Spanish:

Cristo ha resucitado! En verdad, esta resucitado!

Swahili:

Kristos Ame Fu Fuka! Kweli Ame Fu Fuka! and Khristos amafafouka! Kwaeli amafafouka!

Swedish:

Kristus är Upstånden! Ja Han är Sannerligen Upstånden!

Syriac:

Meshiha qam! Bashrira qam!

and Qom Msheeho (men qabro)! Shareeroyith qom!

Turkish:

HristosDiril-Di! Hakikaten Diril-Di!

Ugandan:

Kristo Ajukkide! Kweli Ajukkide!

Ukrainian:

Khristos Voskres! Voistinu Voskres!

Welsh:

Atgyfododd Crist! Atgyfododd yn wir!

Yiddish:

Eybershter undzer iz geshtanen! Avade er iz ufgeshtanen!

Zulu: Ukristu Uvukile! Uvukile Kuphela!



The Paschal Epistle

of the Permanent Conference of Ukrainian Orthodox Bishops Beyond the Borders of Ukraine in the Year of our Lord 2016

To the Reverend Clergy, the Deaconate in Christ, Venerable Monastics, and all the faithful of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church beyond the borders of Ukraine and on her native soil,

CHRIST IS RISEN!

There is no event and no greater news that is more joyful in the life of the Christian than the news of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ for the Orthodox Church is the Feast of Feasts and the Festival of Festivals because the Resurrection of our Lord is the victory of life over death, of love over hatred, of truth over falsehood, of good over evil, of humility over pride, of faith over hopelessness, and of holiness over sin.

St. Paul says: "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and our faith is in vain." (1 Cor 15:14).

The Lord's Resurrection fills our lives with meaning and purpose for which we can even forsake all that is temporary so that we may attain that which is eternal. Whatever we are suffering, whatever illness and misfortune we endure, whatever cross we bear to our personal Golgotha, we must know that our resurrection awaits us if we believe in the Lord, if we love Him, and if we hope in Him. He rose from death for us. With His death, He conquered death for each of us. He opened the way to eternal life for each of us by His Resurrection.

The darkness of the tomb is illuminated, and in the words of Saint John Chrysostom: "...for pardon has shone forth from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the Saviour's death has set us free. He that was held prisoner of it has annihilated it. Death, where is thy sting? Christ is Risen, and life reigns. Christ is Risen, and no dead remain in the grave." (Paschal Epistle of St. John Chrysostom).

God not only grants us a life here on earth, but today we celebrate and praise God's unfathomable grace and love for us all, because through the power of the Risen Lord "corruptible mortality has put on incorruption and mortality has put on immortality" (1 Cor 15:54). Immortality is granted to us by the Lord, the source of the boundless joy of our faith because no one in our life can grant us anything more valuable and more important than the immortality given to us by the Risen Lord.

We live in the 21st century. It would seem that humanity has achieved much and has actually made great strides in scientific and technical progress. Many people and nations live in material abundance. And the world should have also become wiser based on its historical experience. Unfortunately, war, hatred, and violence continue. Those with greater strength dominate over those who are weaker. Individuals and entire nations ignore God and His Commandments and show that we are living in eschatological times.

Material wealth or the desire to acquire material wealth does not always provide a guarantee for people that they will have a quiet and happy life. Instead, these can often cause troubles for others, and may even lead to self-destruction. The loss of a sense of sin and holiness leads to tragedies in people's personal and public life. People do not know what they live for and often do not see the meaning of life.

The meaning of life for every Christian is found in the words contained in the joy of Pascha: "Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life." (Paschal Tropar). The Risen Lord is the way, the truth, and the life for all of us (Jn 14:6). God has granted us the right to choose to live with Him or without Him. He is the way. Let us not doubt for a second, but choose the road that leads to Him. He is the Truth. Let us know that our heart can find peace only in Him. He is the life. Let us know that through His death on the Cross and His Resurrection, He grants immortality to all of us.

We, the episcopate of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church Beyond the Borders of Ukraine, prayerfully appeal to the Risen Lord that He grant peace, joy and spiritual renewal to our God-loving Ukrainian people in Ukraine, in the North and South Americas, in Western Europe, and in Australia and New Zealand. Beloved in the Risen Christ "on this chosen and holy day, the Feast of Feasts, and the Festival of Festivals, we bless Christ to all the ages." (Paschal Matins, Canticle 8).

Truly, Christ is Risen!

With Archpastoral Blessings,

† YURIJ

Metropolitan, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada

† ANTONY

Metropolitan, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Diaspora

† IOAN

Archbishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Diaspora

† JEREMIAH

Archbishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Eparchy of Brazil and South America

† ILARION

Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada

† ANDRIY

Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada

† DANIEL

Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA



+ + For the Joy Set Before Us + +

"Who for the joy set before Him endured the Cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Heb 12:2)

How can we understand the path to a blessed and Heavenly life with our small and Earthly minds? Paradoxically, it is by looking ahead to learn how to make suffering in this world a blessing. It is what Jesus did throughout His life, and especially in His suffering and death on the Cross. If we are concentrating just on seeking pleasure and avoiding pain in our life we will "miss the mark" which is the meaning of "hamartia" or sin in the original written Greek New Testament. This is not just an abstract or neutral missing, but a moral choice and its subsequent consequence. To find our way in this world we too must look for guidance and help, as St. Paul did, by "fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith."

Let us turn our hearts toward Jesus Christ today, for in this holy season when His Cross "was a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles" (1 Cor 1:23), we look beyond the present moment and with the joy set before us behold on the Eighth Day, His glorious and holy Resurrection. Look up, look up. The Lord of Glory has come! Amen.

The Monastics at St. Isaac of Syria Skete and at the Convent of St. Silouan and the Faithful at St. Nicholas Church and the Staff at Orthodox Byzantine Icons and St. Isaac's Bookstore.

The Power of Memory - Chornobyl Thirty Years Later

Thirty years ago, in the early morning of April 26, 1986, even as the Orthodox Church was about to embark on its holiest of weeks leading to the joy of Easter, the Chornobyl nuclear power plant in Ukraine exploded, creating the worst nuclear disaster that the world had seen up to that time.

The consequences of the disaster were felt far and wide: in the extension of contaminating radioactive particles into Russia, Belarus, as well as countries to the North and West; in human desertion and ecological destruction of vast surrounding areas; in long-lasting and permanent damage to health and loss of human life estimated at one million premature deaths.

With this painful background of experience and knowledge, what can we conclude as conscientious citizens? What can we resolve as committed believers? And what can we profess as responsible leaders? First, we must never forget. We must forever remember. We must recall the names of all those, known and unknown, who lost their lives as a result of our actions, just as we must retain vivid in our heart and mind the tragic consequences of our failures. Memory is a powerful attribute in religion, and particularly in Christianity where it becomes a transformative force. It is the way in which we relate to the past, change our attitude and conduct in the present, and assume responsibility for the future.

Second, we have reached a point in technological development where we must learn to say "No!" to technologies with destructive side effects. We are in dire need of an ethic of technology. In the Orthodox Church, we profess and confess that God's spirit is "everywhere present and fills all things" (From a Prayer to the Holy Spirit). However, we must also begin to embrace a worldview that declares and demonstrates the biblical conviction that "the earth is God's and everything in it" (Psalm 23.1) so that we may refrain from harming the earth or destroying the life on it. We have been gifted with unique resources of a beautiful planet. However, these resources of underground carbon are not unlimited—whether they are the oil of the Arctic or the tar sands of Canada, whether they are the coal of Australia or the gas in Eastern Europe. Moreover, with regard to nuclear energy specifically, we cannot assess success or sustainability purely in terms of financial profit—the disasters at Three Mile Island (1979), Chornobyl (1986), and Fukushima (2011) have amply demonstrated the human, financial, and ecological cost. Nor, indeed, can we ignore the other problems of nuclear power, such as waste disposal and vulnerability to terrorist attacks.

Third, we have reached a point in our economic development where we must learn to say "Enough!" to the mentality of consumerism and the competition of market economy. It is time to be honest with ourselves and with God, acknowledging that the Christian gospel is not always really or readily compatible with the ways of the world; indeed, the message of Jesus Christ and the Church Fathers aims at restraining the crude passions of greed and avarice.

Finally, we have reached a point in our global civilization where we must learn to say "Yes!" to another reality beyond ourselves, to the Creator of all creation, before whom we should kneel in humility and surrender in prayer, recognizing that he and everything he created is for all, not just our

own selfish desires. Perhaps the greatest lesson and recollection from Chornobyl is that we must share the world with all people. What we do in the world and for the world affects people's lives—their health (with the inestimable number of cancer victims), their nourishment (with the inconceivable contamination of food), as well as future generations (whether with the insufferable birth defects and the indiscernible impact on our children). This is the lesson that, in the Church, we call communion. It is the foremost definition of "God as love" (1 John 4.8) and the highest expression of human love.

This new kind of thinking—this new ethic that aspires to "a new heaven and a new earth" (Rev. 21.1) —is what should be taught in every parish and every corner of the world. Chornobyl should be a lesson about restraint and sharing. We must show compassion; we must demonstrate respect; and we must make peace, not just with our neighbors, but also with the whole of creation.

As the Mother Church of Ukraine, we fervently pray that the memory of Chornobyl be eternal and not in vain.

At the Ecumenical Patriarchate, April 26, 2016

Bartholomew

Archbishop of Constantinople-New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch

To our parish family, friends, and visitors: Christ IS Risen! Indeed He IS Risen! We greet each of you with these words, unchanged over two millennia, which show the love of our Savior. He suffered scourging, torture, crucifixion, and death to open the gates of Hell and the doors of Paradise—so that our lives would not end at death. The joy of His Resurrection fills each of us this day—and should do so all the days of our life. We share in this joy our love for Him and for each other. May the Light of Christ fill every corner of your life and may His Grace and Love fill your heart, mind, and soul! Al Maseeq Am! Christos Anesti! Christos Voskres! Christo Amafufuka! Christ IS Risen! The Holy Ghost Parish Family, Parish Council, Father Bob, Pani Gina, Reader Alexander, and Matthew Popichak