SAINT ANDREW THE FIRST CALLED APOSTLE
UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF BOSTON
24 ORCHARDHILL ROAD, JAMAICA PLAIN, MA 02130
Fr. Roman Tarnavsky, Pastor
Fr. Roman's Cell 617-780-4968 frromant2017@gmail.com
www.Ukrainianorthodox.org

Sunday, August 23, 2026

The Beheading of the Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John - August 29

Saturday, August 22, 2026 10:00 AM There will be a Panahyda memorial service for the departed members of the Dmytrenko, Mateuk, Iwashkiv, Ziurko, Kajko, Golondzowsky, Charyna and Wons families. May Their Memory Be Eternal.

Sunday, August 23, 2026 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy – No Coffee Hour today. Please attend the Ukrainian Independence Day Picnic at Christ the King Ukrainian Catholic Church

Monday, August 24, 2026 – Ukrainian Independence Day – Flag Raising at Boston City Hall (see flyer below for details.)

Sunday, August 30, 2026 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy – We sincerely thank Tetiana Gladchenko for hosting Coffee Hour today. We extend thanks to Nadia Annese and Yana Rubina who hosted last week's Coffee Hour.

Happy birthday greetings are extended to all those who have birthdays in August: Yuri Petriv (August 10), Tetiana Gladchenko (August 11), Vsevelod Petriv (August 12), Olga Tymoshchuk (August 12), Halia Banadyga (August 18), Ilyana Sawka (August 27), Kateryna Parshikova (August 28), Ahda Kyrychok-Zarba (August 28) and Leonid Kondratiuk (August 28). May God grant them many happy years!

If you would like us to honor you or a family member on your birthday, we would be happy to include that in our birthday greetings.
If you would like to sponsor a bulletin in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone's anniversary or birthday or just to offer good wishes, please send your information to Jane Yavarow and make a donation of your choosing to the church.

VARENYKY FOR SALE! Buy some delicious frozen varenyky to take home. Just heat and serve!

St. Olha's Sisterhood wants you! Will you offer your talents to help the church? St. Olha's Sisterhood welcomes all new members! **Next Meeting – September 20, 2026**

Please keep Archbishop Daniel, Metropolitan Antony, Mrs. Angelina Grundhoff, Mrs. Marion Musial, Mr. Vasyl Stan, Mr. Ralph Annese, and Ms. Sasha Kondratiuk in your prayers.

O Physician of souls and bodies, O Christ our God, who didst bear our infirmities and carry our sorrows: visit and heal Thy servant, (name), granting him/her relief from pain and restoration of health. Raise him/her up from his bed of sickness, strengthen him/her with Thy grace, and grant patience and peace to those who care for him/her. For Thou art the Source of healing, and to Thee we offer glory, together with Thine Eternal Father and Thy Most-Holy, Good, and Life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen

Dear Archbishop Daniel and Fr. Vasyl Pasakas, who have been so devoted and attentive to my personal comfort and care, and to all our beloved clergy and lay faithful- and my loving family:

ALL GLORY, HONOR, AND PRAISE BE TO OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST!

During these days, I have been deeply moved by the outpouring of love and prayer that has surrounded me. Your cards, text messages, telephone calls, emails, and messages through social media continue to arrive each day. I read them with profound gratitude. More importantly, they continually turn my mind and heart toward our Lord Jesus Christ - the true Physician of our souls and bodies, the Source of our strength, and the center of all healing.

Please know that your prayers are not simply received; they are deeply felt within my heart and soul. They have become a source of consolation and encouragement as I walk through these days of uncertainty and now begin the path of treatment that lies before me.

I want to share with you personally the reason for this message. Following extensive medical testing, I have been diagnosed with a form of cancer known as non-Hodgkin lymphoma. While hearing the word cancer naturally carries a certain weight, I receive this diagnosis with faith, hope, and trust in God. My physicians have assured me that this is among the more treatable forms of cancer, with strong possibilities for remission and, in some circumstances, cure.

The course of treatment before me will be lengthy and will require patience, strength, and perseverance. Yet I enter it neither frightened nor alone. The Lord is with me, and I know that the prayers of the Church surround me. With God's grace, the skill and care of my physicians, and your continued prayers, I am determined to walk this road faithfully and to bring the treatment to its completion.

There is no need to say much more at this time. I simply wanted you to hear these words from me and to know that, even as you pray for me, I continue to pray for you each and every day. A spiritual father never ceases to carry his spiritual children before the Lord, and I ask only that you continue to carry me in your prayers as well.

Whatever days the Lord places before us, we receive them from His loving hand. In sickness and in health, in moments of uncertainty and in moments of consolation, Jesus Christ remains our hope, our strength, our healing, and our life.

May the Most Holy Birth-Giver of God spread her protecting veil over all of us, and may our Loving Lord grant us the strength to place ourselves completely into His providential care.

In the Unending Embrace of our Loving Lord,

+ ANTONY

Your Metropolitan and Spiritual Father

Artist Vasily Ilkovich

Statement of the Council of Bishops of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and Diaspora on the Occasion of the 35th Anniversary of the Independence of Ukraine

To the Reverend Clergy and Faithful of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the United States of America and Diaspora, and to all people of goodwill: With profound gratitude to Almighty God, the Council of Bishops of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA and Diaspora joins the people of Ukraine and Ukrainians throughout the world in commemorating the **35th Anniversary of the restoration of Ukraine's Independence**, proclaimed on August 24, 1991. This historic day marked not merely the rebirth of a sovereign state, but the renewal of a people's God-given right to live in freedom, preserve their faith, safeguard their cultural heritage, and shape their future according to the principles of truth, justice, and human dignity.

This anniversary carries particular significance as our nation in the United States celebrates the 250th anniversary of American independence. Though separated by history and circumstance, both nations bear witness to the enduring truth that freedom is never inherited without sacrifice, nor preserved without courage. The United States became a beacon of liberty through the steadfast commitment of those who believed that human dignity is rooted in the Creator. Ukraine likewise continues its own journey of defending these same sacred principles, demonstrating to the world that freedom is both a gift from God and a solemn responsibility entrusted to every generation. For well over a century, Ukrainian Americans have faithfully nurtured the spiritual, cultural, and national identity of their ancestral homeland while contributing with gratitude and loyalty to the life of the United States. Through the vision and sacrifice of clergy, community leaders, educators, veterans, scholars, and countless faithful families, our communities have preserved the Ukrainian

language, traditions, Christian faith, and historical memory. Today, that same spirit continues as Ukrainian Americans tirelessly support humanitarian relief, advocate for justice, welcome refugees, and stand beside the courageous men and women of the Armed Forces of Ukraine who defend not only their homeland but the fundamental values of freedom and human dignity.

As Orthodox Christians, we recognize that the strength of Ukraine has always been rooted not merely in its borders but in its spiritual inheritance. From the Holy Baptism of Kyivan Rus', through the witness of saints, hierarchs, monastics, clergy, fathers and mothers, and faithful believers across the centuries, generations have been formed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Their lives remind us that authentic patriotism is inseparable from holiness, that love for one's homeland is expressed through sacrificial service, and that every Christian bears responsibility for the welfare of both neighbor and nation. Today, however, this celebration is tempered by sorrow. For more than four years, the people of Ukraine have continued to endure the devastating consequences of Russia's brutal and unjust invasion. Countless lives have been lost, families have been separated, cities and villages have been destroyed, and millions continue to carry the wounds of war in body, mind, and spirit. Yet amid unimaginable suffering, the Ukrainian people remain steadfast in faith and hope. We also express our profound gratitude to the nations, communities, churches, humanitarian organizations, and countless friends throughout the world whose generosity, prayers, and unwavering solidarity continue to sustain the people of Ukraine during this darkest chapter of its modern history.

As we commemorate this sacred anniversary, we also recognize that the story of Ukraine is not lived in isolation. Across the nations of Western Europe, Australia, North and South America, generations of Ukrainians have established vibrant communities that preserve the Orthodox Christian faith, and the rich spiritual and cultural heritage of their ancestors. United by prayer, historical memory, and a common calling to serve God and neighbor, these communities continue to share in the joys and sorrows of the Ukrainian people. Together, they bear witness that the bonds of faith, compassion, and mutual responsibility transcend national borders, reminding us that the suffering of one people becomes the concern of all who seek truth, justice, peace, and the God-given dignity of every human person. As the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the United States of America and Diaspora, we reaffirm our unwavering commitment to pray, to serve, and to stand with the suffering. We call upon our clergy and faithful to continue supporting humanitarian ministries, caring for refugees, comforting the grieving, advocating for peace founded upon justice, and remaining faithful witnesses to the Gospel of Christ, who alone grants a peace the world cannot give.

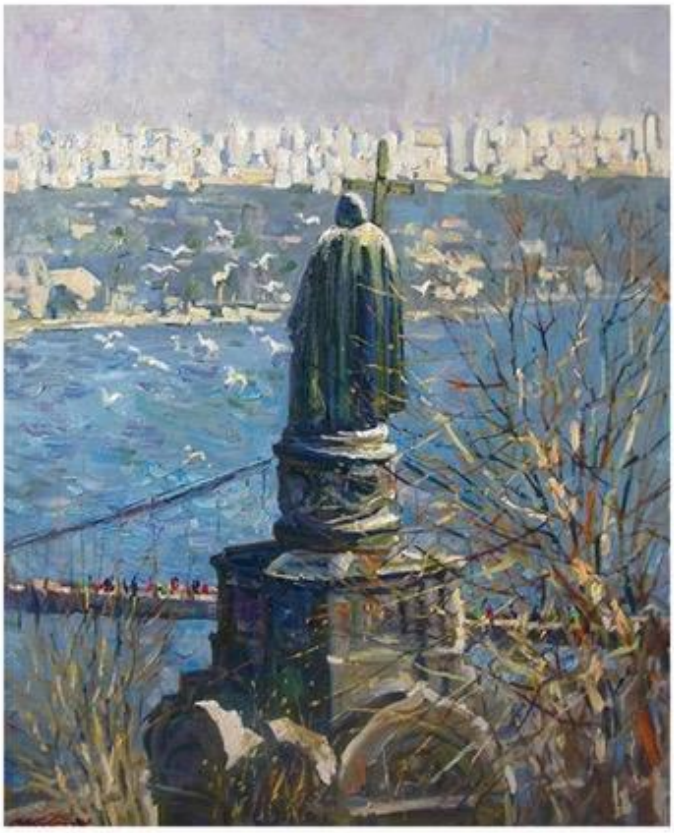
On this sacred anniversary, let us pray that the Lord will strengthen the defenders of Ukraine, comfort every family mourning the loss of loved ones, heal the wounded, protect the innocent, and grant wisdom to all who bear responsibility for the future of nations. May He bless the people of Ukraine with a just and lasting peace, preserve the unity of its people, and grant that future generations may live in freedom, dignity, and faith.

Through the prayers of the Most Holy Birth-Giver of God, the Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Prince Volodymyr and Princess Olha, and all the saints of the land of Ukraine, may the Lord bless and strengthen all people who labor for truth, justice, peace, and reconciliation.

+Antony *Metropolitan of the UOC of the USA and Diaspora*

+Jeremiah *Archbishop of the Ukrainian Orthodox Eparchy of South America*

+Daniel *Archbishop of the UOC of the USA and Diaspora*



Artist Viktor Kovtun

INDEPENDENCE DAY
OF UKRAINE IN BOSTON
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2026
NOON – 1 PM
BOSTON CITY HALL PLAZA
Flag Raising Ceremony
Support Ukraine!
Stand with your friends.
1 City Hall Square,
Boston, MA 02203
uccaBoston@gmail.com
35
YEARS OF
INDEPENDENCE
1991 - 2026

35th
ANNIVERSARY of
UKRAINIAN
INDEPENDENCE
PICNIC
UKRAINIAN FOODS
CRAFTS
Sunday August 23rd, 2026,
12 noon - 3:30 pm
Christ the King Ukrainian Catholic Church
146 Forest Hills St, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130
for additional Information:
UCCAboston@gmail.com
SUPPORTED BY:
UFCU
UKRAINE FORWARD

When he was in Ukraine, Father Roman purchased some new vestments, altar server robes, wedding crowns and candle sticks. We will bless these items in September. If you would like to sponsor any of these items, please see Fr. Roman or our treasurer, Len Kondratiuk. Any amount you care to donate would be greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU!
A generous sponsor has purchased all six altar server vestments!

Two Wedding Crowns

$130 each

Thank you!
A generous
sponsor has
purchased these
vestments
for regular
Sunday
Divine Liturgy

Eight
oil burning
candle sticks
$50 each

Artist Anastasiia Chudnivets

Host a Coffee Hour! All families, men and women, young and old - are welcome to volunteer for Coffee Hour once (or more!) during this year. Sign up with friends and relatives, if you like. With your help, we can hold a Coffee Hour every Sunday and raise much needed funds for the church. It's simple to do. Sign up for a particular date in the kitchen. On your given Sunday, bring some baked goods and/or pastries to church. They can be store bought or homemade. It's your choice. Also bring a gallon of milk. The coffee will be made for you. After church, serve the coffee and pastries. After the Coffee Hour is over, attend to the clean-up. It's as simple as that! If you have questions, please call Val Dingle, 603-969-7990, or speak to someone at church. This is one small thing everyone can do to get involved and help out at St. Andrew's.

WE WELCOME ANY AND ALL DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH, LARGE OR SMALL. We are most grateful for your kindness. Your donation is essential to the church. From your contribution, we pay the priest's salary and health insurance, as well as pay the utilities for the church including water, heat, electricity, lawn care, general maintenance, special projects and winter related necessities including snow plowing.

Checks should be made out to: St. Andrew Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Boston
Please offer your donations during the church collection or send your dues and donations to:
Mr. Leonid Kondratiuk, Treasurer
53 Vernon Road
Belmont, MA 02478

Artist Olga Gulyaeva

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA - УКРАЇНСЬКА ПРАВОСЛАВНА ЦЕРКВА США

AUGUST CELEBRATIONS - В СЕРПНІ СВЯТКУЄМО

1 **Procession of the Precious Wood of the Life-giving Cross of the Lord**
Start of Dormition Fast
Винесення Хреста Господнього.
Початок Успенського Посту

6 **THE HOLY TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST**
ПРЕОБРАЖЕННЯ ГОСПОДА БОГА І СПАСА НАШОГО ІСУСА ХРИСТА

9 **Apostle Matthias**
Апостола Матвія

15 **THE DORMITION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY**
УСПІННЯ ПРЕСВЯТОЇ ВЛАДИЧИЦІ НАШОЇ БОГОРОДИЦІ І ВСЕДІВИ МАРІЇ

24 **Ukrainian Independence Day**
День Незалежності України

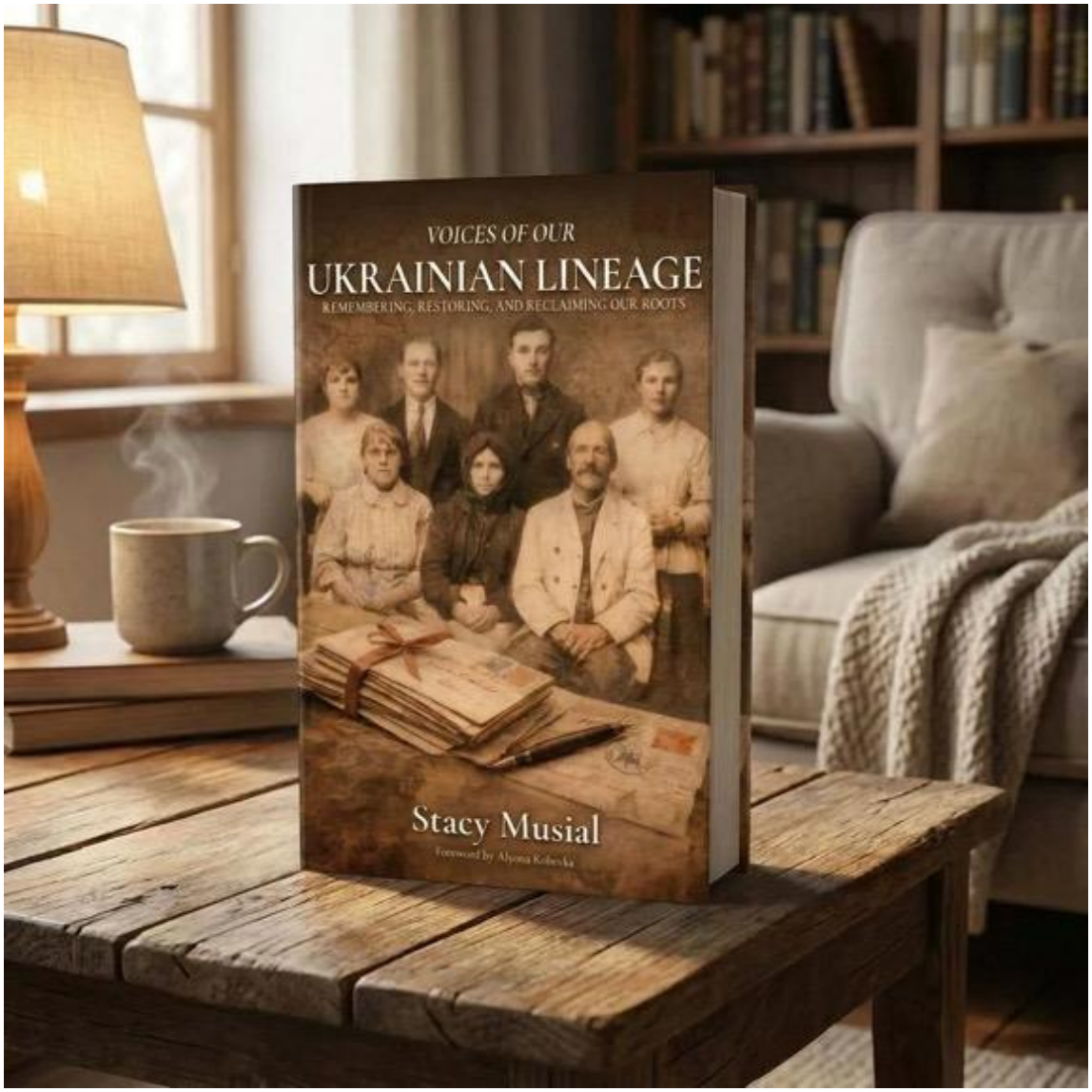
29 **The Beheading of the Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John** **Fasting Day**
Усікновення глави Пророка, Предтечі і Хрестителя Господнього Іоана - Пісний день

KONTAKION - TONE 7

On the Mountain You were Transfigured, O Christ God, And Your disciples beheld Your glory as far as they could see it; So that when they would behold You crucified, They would understand that Your suffering was voluntary, And would proclaim to the world, That You are truly the Radiance of the Father!

TROPARION - TONE 7

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Your glory to Your disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Theotokos. O Giver of Light, glory to You!



Stacy Musial, granddaughter of our parishioner Marion Musial, has written a book about her Ukrainian family, The REMICKS. John and Annie Remick, along with their children Michael, Paul, Alice and Marion were founding members of this church. Copies of this book may be purchased from the link below.

Stacy Musial wrote:

Hi everyone! 💙💛💙💛💙

I'm so excited to finally share that Voices of Our Ukrainian Lineage is officially available to order in the US! UA

If you'd like to order a copy, you can do so here:

https://stacymusial.com/voicesofourukrainianlineagebook

(You'll be taken to my secure checkout page.)

Thank you to each of you who has encouraged me, shared your family stories, and supported this journey.

While this book tells the story of our own family's journey, it is about so much more than our family. Through the lens of one Ukrainian lineage, it explores the universal themes of ancestry, migration, loss, resilience, belonging, and the ways family stories shape who we become. It also reflects much of the ancestral healing work I've dedicated myself to over the years, inviting readers to reconnect with their own roots and discover how understanding the past can bring greater meaning, healing, and connection in the present.

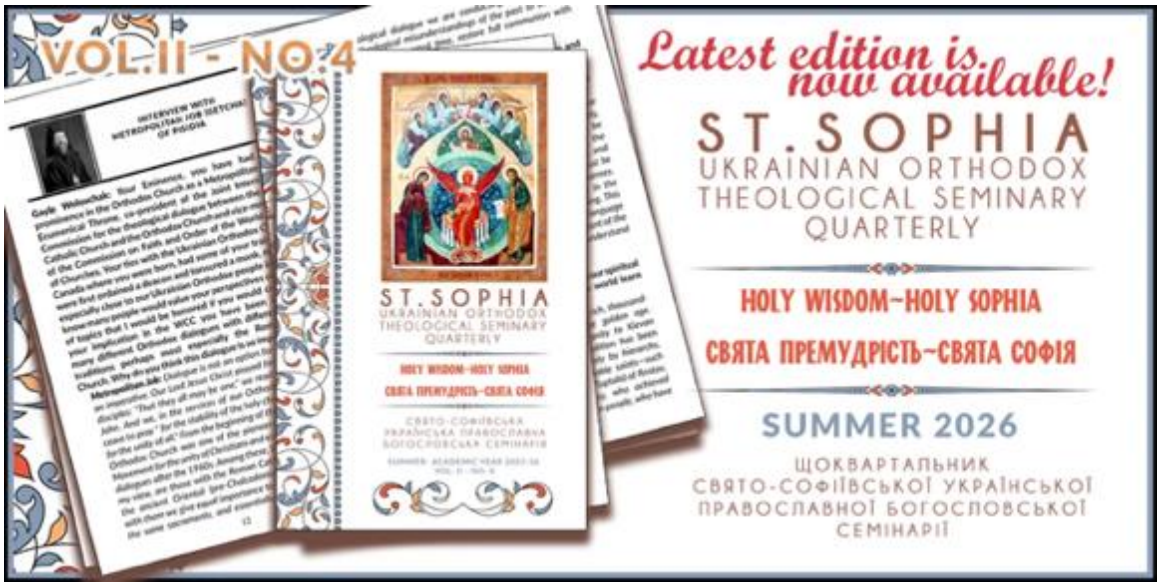
I don't believe I have everyone's email addresses in the family, so I would be so grateful if you would share it with friends, family, on social media or anyone who loves history, genealogy, Ukrainian heritage, or exploring the deeper stories that connect us across generations. Every share helps these voices continue to be remembered. I'm happy to share the media kit that I have created. If you would like access to pictures and details for distribution.

With love and gratitude,

Stacy 💙🌻💛

Stacy Musial, LCSW, EMDR, RYT
Stacymusial.com
(970) 236-1866

New Posting:

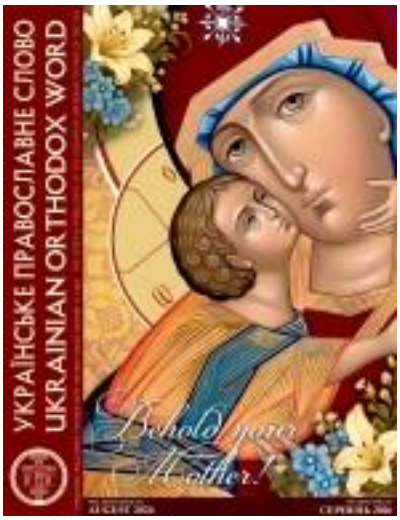


https://stsuots.edu/files/Quarterly/2026/St-Sophia-Seminary-Qaurterly-Summer-vol2-No4.pdf

NEW! August 2026 Issue

Click the link below to read this issue

https://uocofusa.org/files/publications/UOW/2026/August-UOW-2026.pdf



PRAY FOR UKRAINE

МОЛИТВА ЗА ВОЇНІВ І ТИХ ХТО ПОТЕРПАЄ ВІД ВІЙНИ

Боже Великий, Боже Всесильний! Ми, грішні діти Твої, у покорі сердець наших приходимо до Тебе і схиляємо голови наші.

Отче! Прости провини наші та провини батьків, дідів і прадідів наших.

Прийми нині, благаємо Тебе, щиру молитву нашу і подяку нашу за безмежне милосердя Твоє до нас.

Вислухай наші молитви і прийми благання сердець наших.

Благослови нашу Батьківщину Україну, перемогу над ворогом, долю, мир та щастя їй дай.

Премилосердний Господи, усім, хто вдається до Тебе з благанням, милість Твою подай.

Благаємо Тебе, Боже, за Воїнів і Захисників, за братів і сестер наших, за вдовиць, за сиріт, за калік і немічних, за тих, хто в окупації і полоні, за тих, хто в скрутних життєвих обставинах, за біженців і за всіх тих, хто Твого милосердя та допомоги Твоєї потребують.

З'єднай нас усіх в єдину велику Христову сім'ю, щоб усі люди України нашої єдністю й перемогами славили величне Ім'я Твоє завжди, і нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні.

Амінь!

УКРАЇНСЬКА ПРАВОСЛАВНА ЦЕРКВА США

*** PRAYER FOR SOLDIERS *** AND THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM WAR

O Great God, Almighty God! We, Your sinful children, come to You in the humility of our hearts and bow our heads.

Father! Forgive our sins and the sins of our fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers.

Accept now, we beseech You, our sincere prayer and our gratitude for Your boundless mercy toward us.

Hear our prayers and accept the supplications of our hearts.

Bless our homeland Ukraine, granting prosperity, happiness, peace, and victory over her enemies.

Most merciful Lord, grant Your mercy to all who come to You in supplication.

We beseech You, O God, for the soldiers and defenders, for our brothers and sisters, for widows, orphans, the crippled and the infirm, for those who are under occupation and in captivity, for those in difficult life circumstances, for refugees, and for all those who need Your mercy and help.

Unite us all in one great family of Christ, so that through our unity and victory, all the people of Ukraine may glorify Your majestic Name, now and ever and to the ages of ages.

Amen!

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA