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Sunday before the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross** 

Слава Ісусу Христу!

Welcome to our Parish Вітаємо Вас у нашій парафії

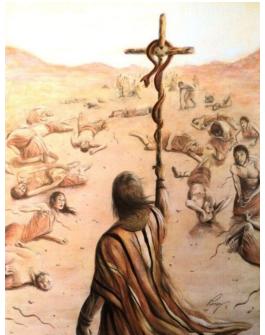
September 10, 2023

Неділя перед Воздвиженням св. Хреста

#### СЛАВА ІСУСУ ХРИСТУ! **GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!**

#### Dear Friends:

Life is a TEST.



Look at the picture on the left... all those people writhing on the ground... they have been bitten by poisonous snakes! Many have already died. We can almost hear the screams, the groans, the cries of: "Moses, help!"

Moses is torn. He loves his people, and has been following orders from the mouth of almighty God Himself to lead his people through this terrible desert, up to the Promised Land.

But these people, for the most part, have been doing nothing but walk and gripe and complain. Gripe and complain.

God cannot stand whiners and complainers, so sometimes he "sends us snakes" to smarten us up. He is leading us to a great land, a Promised Land. In those days, that meant Canaan, the "Land of Milk and Honey". Today, for us, we know He means something even better: Heaven and the Eternal Banquet! So we are to rejoice! and press forward happily, no matter how hard things are on this earth.

In today's Gospel, Our Lord Jesus Christ actually mentions this episode from the Old Testament, as a way to prepare us for His Crucifixion. He tells us, "Listen up, you people. Remember that bronze serpent that God commanded Moses to put up on a stick so that the people could look upon it and be healed? That was only a

symbol for what I am going to do for you! I am the One who will be hoisted up, too, for My people! I shall be hoisted up and nailed to a wooden Cross, and I want all My people -- everyone in the world -- to look up at Me on this Cross, and love Me, and to be sorry for the sin in the world, and to promise to do better. I can heal you! I understand you. I understand your problems, and I can help you. TRUST ME. LOVE ME! For My Father and I love you so much!. We have done so much for you, and we have something even more wonderful to come!"

This coming Thursday is a great holyday, the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Let us show our

love for Jesus by making the effort to go to church this Sept. 14th even though it is a weekday, and look up at the Cross raised high. As Father Michael is still away, perhaps we can go to St. Nicholas church nearby for 7 AM or 7 PM Divine Liturgy, or perhaps to St. Joseph's on Jefferson for Divine Liturgy at 7 PM.

Speaking of "test", here is an interesting thing. Many television preachers enjoy reminding us that the word TEST is inside the word TESTIMONY. "Test" has to come before TESTIMONY. We should be speaking to others about how God has worked wonders in our lives, in our family's life, but there is really no testimony to give others, if there was no test, no trial, no big problem, that we didn't go through first. When we called upon God for help, and perhaps had other family members pray with us, it was amazing how somehow we got through the problem, and are "on the other side" of that terrible thing that so worried us.

Now it is our duty before the Lord to tell others about it! **We should be giving testimony to others**, telling our friends and relatives how good God has been in our lives! When we do that, it is contagious: then others

become more aware of how God is working in their lives, and they begin to give joyful testimony!

This week we will refrain from complaining.

This week we will look afresh upon the Cross of our Saviour and give Him glory and thanks!

This week we will give testimony to someone else, about God's goodness.

God bless us all!

Guest writer

#### **Parish News & Events:**

- **1.** We welcome again today a **Basilian father**, Fr. Gabriel Haber, OSBM who has been asked by Fr. Michael to celebrate our 10 AM Sunday Divine Liturgy today.
- **2. Catechism:** All parents who wish their children to increase in knowledge and confidence, that they may carry the Gospel into the world around them: call the office now, as we are setting up the instruction schedule. 204-582-7535
- 3. Save the dates: Pyrohy-making: Oct. 18th & 19th. Please come and help for a couple of hours!
- **4.** Our parish Praznyk -- Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God ("Pokrova") will be on Sunday, Oct. 1. Please plan to bring your whole family for the 10 AM Divine Liturgy and to the parish dinner immediately following. (Ticket details elsewhere in this bulletin.) We will need an army of volunteers the night before to set up -- please set aside that weekend FOR YOUR BELOVED PARISH!

#### **News & Events Elsewhere:**

- **5. \$300 bursaries available!** The Canon Luhovy Assembly Ukrainian Educational Foundation is pleased to announce that eight bursaries of \$300 each are available to Ukrainian Catholic **students**, **seminarians and religious sisters** of the Archeparchy of Winnipeg who attend post-secondary institutions, seminaries and private Catholic secondary schools. Pick up an application form in our parish office here at BVM, and if you want more info, call Leonard Mariash at 204-668-4358.
- 6. Everyone loves a new twist! When's the last time you thought about Winnipeg trolleys?! Не всі новоприбулих знають що ми в Віннінпезі теж колись їздили тролейбусом! В цю суботу може матимемо нагоду! This coming Saturday might be your chance: see info elsewhere in this bulletin.
- 7. We must grow in faith and understanding: look at these free online courses on the "great books"... amazing variety! The lady who started this whole website idea worked and prayed at Madonna House in Combermere for three years, and hit upon this project. Religious, non-religious... amazing books that you always wanted to read, and better yet, understand, suspecting that doing so will open your mind, make you a better person. Let's check it out now! Just oodles of courses at catherineproject.org. Free!

8. Please continue pray for the success of the Synod in Rome (Sept. 3-13, 2023) which – among other matters – is deliberating the particular theme of "Pastoral Care for the Victims of War". The Synod sake of Your indescribable mercy. You sent

Victims of War". The Synod has already met with Holy Father Pope Francis this past Wednesday.. "I am asking you: pray for our Synod and this meeting," His Beatitude Sviatoslav has

appealed.

Let us pray!





Господи, Ісусе Христе, Боже наш, заради невимовної милості Твоєї Ти Духа Твого Утішителя від Отця низпослав на святих Твоїх учнів і апостолів, і ними Церкву Твою по всій вселенній насадив і утвердив. Припадаючи перед Тобою, як раби недостойні, благодарення за Твої благодіяння народові нашому усердно приносимо і безмірну благість Твою до нас грішних ісповідуємо. Бо від давніх літ країну нашу світлом Твоєї істини просвітив єси і рід наш до спасенного двору святої Церкви Твоєї призвав єси.

І нині споглянь, всеблагий Владико, на рабів Твоїх, разом зібраних, щоб добровгодно звершувати їм упорядкування святої Церкви нашої — подай їм духа премудрості й розуму, вклади в серця їхні дух страху Божого, дух благочестя та ревності про славу імені Твого святого, огороди їх від усяких роздорів, спокус і поділів, щоб з'єднані союзом любові до Тебе, свого Владики, та один до одного, безперешкодно звершували діло служіння свого на збудування Церкви святої, як єдиного тіла Христового.

Прийми, Господи, слізні моління наші про спасення країни нашої від усіх бід і напастей, що напосіли на неї, і не віддай нас у руки ворогів наших лютих, щоб не загинули ми до краю, а щоб спасенні Твоєю всеблагою десницею не переставали в Церкві Твоїй ісповідувати й прославляти всесвяте ім'я в Тройці славимого Бога — Отця і Сина, і Святого Духа.

Lord, Jesus Christ, our God, for the sake of Your indescribable mercy, You sent the Holy Spirit from the Father to Your holy disciples and apostles, and through them You planted and established Your Church throughout the universe.

Falling down before You as unworthy slaves, we offer thanks for Your favors to our people and confess Your immeasurable goodness to us sinners. From ancient years you have enlightened our country with the light of your truth and you called our family to your holy Church.

And now, all-merciful Lord, look upon Your servants, who are gathered together in order to best arrange our holy Church. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, put in their hearts the spirit of the fear of God, the spirit of piety and zeal for the glory of Your holy name, protect them from all discords, temptations and divisions, so that, united by love for You, their Lord, and to each other, they may unimpededly carry out the work of their service for the building of the holy Church, as the one body of Christ.

Accept, O Lord, our tearful prayers for the salvation of our country from all the troubles and calamities that have befallen it, and do not deliver us into the hands of our fierce enemies, so that we do not perish to the end, and so that salvation by Your all-beneficial right hand does not cease in Your Church to confess and glorify the all-holy name in the Trinity of the glorious God -- the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen. (Google translation)

Please pray for the sick and shut-in members of our Blessed Virgin Mary parish, and be in touch with them when you can (cards, short telephone conversations, visits).

"Lord God, please be present to all the ill, infirm and elderly of our parish. You love each and every one...."

<u>River East Care Home:</u> Edward Holowich <u>Maples Care Home</u>: Anna Paslawsky, Eleanor Harik <u>Beacon</u>
<u>Hill</u>: Helen Naherny <u>Riverview</u>: Helen Dolski

Holy Family Home: Lorraine Putasnick, Adam Romanchuk, Fr. Yakowchuk, Helena Dubik, Mary Kozelko

#### **Donations from September 3, 2023:**

Sunday collection: \$1580.00 (41 env.) Church Needs \$ 50 Vichna Lyampa. \$ 35

Seminary **\$-** Ukraine: **\$20** 



Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!

#### Dear Friends and Parishioners,

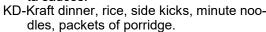
Слава Ісусу Христу! Glory be to Jesus Christ!

The <u>Welcome Home</u> is about to begin another season of ministry and has some needs with which you can help us.

you can help us. **1. Our <u>Food Bank</u>** needs non-perishables such as:

Proteins - canned ham, chicken, tuna, salmon, sardines and beans.

Canned vegetables, canned tomatoes, pasta sauces.



Extras: instant coffee, breakfast cereals, puddings, canned fruit or fruit cups, cookies.

- **2.** <u>Hygiene items</u>: individual size shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, bar soap, lotions, lip balm, tissues, tooth brushes, small tooth paste
- **3.** <u>Volunteers</u>: Looking for a meaningful way to spend an hour or two during the week? How about helping with our Food Bank (Wednesday mornings)? Family Night on Thursdays? Or give an hour on an afternoon to be available to the needs of our mission? Give us a call to see what fits for you! 204-946-5352

Your kindness and generosity are always welcomed with grateful hearts and prayers for God's blessing on you and your loved ones. Gratefully in Christ,

Fr. Larry Kondra, C.Ss.R., Br. Eumir Bautista, C.Ss.R.

Check out their great website: thewelcomehome.ca

# Trolley Tour of Winnipeg's Historical Ukrainian Neighborhoods



Get ready to take a fascinating journey through

time as we explore the rich history of Ukrainian Winnipeg!

Are you curious about the first Ukrainian schools, newspapers, and churches? Do you want to discover the historical significance of iconic halls, professional offices, and artistic centers? How about a glimpse into the intriguing past of the infamous Manor/Manorka Hotel?

Join us for a captivating "Trolley Tour" of Winnipeg's Point Douglas and North End neighbourhoods, led by the renowned historian Orest Martynowych.

This three-hour tour will take you on a journey through Winnipeg's past, showcasing sites of historic and architectural importance.

When: Sept. 16, 2023 1:30-4:30 PM

<u>Where</u>: **Oseredok** (Ukrainian Cultural and Educational Centre) 184 Alexander Ave East.

Cost: \$45/members; \$55 non-members.

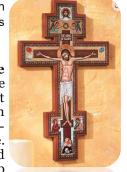
Spaces limited!

Go to oseredok.ca to register

#### The Crucifix I Bought for My Girlfriend (and Three Other Crucifixes) Saved My Soul

This week should be all about focusing more on the holy Cross! Do we have a crucifix in a prominent place in our homes? Do we really look at Our Lord on His Cross when we pray? Do we make the Sign of the Cross with reverence? Here is an interesting article (abridged) about the effect of the Cross in one man's life.

The first crucifix that saved my soul was at the shrine where Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared... A friend and I got hissed at by an old Mexican woman in front of a bloody, realistic, life -sized crucifix on Tepeyac hill. I had wandered far from the faith in high school, and after my first year at the University of Arizona, a friend and I took a trip to Mexico. A Mexico City tour we were on made an unplanned stop on the way to the pyramids, parking at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe for an hour. We wandered around the place, half-interested, and headed up the hill to kill time. The realistic crucifix in the shrine there looked absurd to me, so I made some snide joke about it and we both laughed. That's when an old woman in front of me turned around, stared at me with deep



revulsion in her eyes, and hissed at me like a cat. She looked like my own devout Mexican grandmother, and her fierce reaction was the most personal and authentic religious witness I had ever received in my life. It haunted me for months afterwards. It haunts me now. It made me wonder: Why?

#### The second crucifix was the one at the university I attended in San Francisco.

Soon after returning from Mexico... I registered for a Great Books program founded by Ignatius Press's Father Joseph Fessio. When I signed up for it, I didn't know it was Catholic. But soon, I was immersed in a community of students who went to Mass every night, so I went along with them. A knock on my dorm room door (long story) convinced me to return to Confession, and I became a practicing Catholic who [didn't know much]... But there was the crucifix, taking up a wall of the chapel, like a giant question mark hovering in the dark.

#### The third crucifix was the one I kept kicking accidentally during my first professional writing job.

In my first writing job, I worked for Gjon Sinishta, the sacristan at a stately old San Francisco church. The larger-than-life corpus of a crucifix was kept under his work desk. Gjon had escaped communist Albania and had made a solemn promise to tell the world about the persecution of Catholics there. He hired me to help. In broken English, he would read the remarkable stories of priests, bishops, and religious sisters killed and tortured for their faith, and of heroes like Father Simon Jubani, who kept his faith in years of solitary confinement. It was my job to smooth out the English for him. A year abroad with the Dominicans in Oxford had helped me discover the meaning of the crucifixion. Working with Gjon moved that knowledge from my head to my heart. In one story, soldiers ransacked an Albanian man's home and took away all of his religious books and images. As the soldiers marched away, the man shouted after them, "Here is one cross you will never take from me," and boldly made the Sign of the Cross. It made a huge impression on me to sit for hours writing these things, with Christ's giant wounded body at my feet.

Fourth is the Valentine's Day crucifix I bought for my girlfriend April.

It was in February 1990 that I took a bus downtown to the Daughters of St. Paul bookstore to look for a gift and found a wall crucifix I thought April would like — but it was \$70. That was a lot of money for a college student with a parttime job. I justified the expense by saying, "This will be on the wall of my own house for the rest of my life."

And it is on the wall of my bedroom to this day. It has been there as nine kids came along and woke us up on their birthdays and Christmas. It was there when I got laid off from my first job. It was there through miscarriages and family turmoil, and it was lit up by the lights of the ambulance that came to get April after she suffered a massive stroke in December.

And now I know why the Mexican woman couldn't stand seeing a crucifix mocked: It's the most important thing in the world. It is the place where we meet God where he lives, in suffering and love — because it's where he came to meet us.

Tom Hoopes aleteia.org Feb. 2022



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Myron Fedoruk, president

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**PUZZLE** 

## Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Family #4

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#### Притча про хрест кожної людини

У кожного своя доля і свій шлях широкий, свої можливості і завдання. Один чоловік був невдоволений собою та іншими і часто нарікав: «Хто сказав, що кожен мусить нести свій хрест? Невже не існує жодного способу його позбутися? З мене досить моїх щоденних прикрощів і турбот!»

Тоді Бог уві сні дав йому на це відповідь. Чоловік побачив земне життя людей як безконечну процесію. Кожна людина йшла, несучи на собі великий хрест, крок за кроком, з великими зусиллями просуваючись уперед. Герой нашої розповіді також рухався у цьому безконечному потоці людей і двигав на собі тягар свого хреста. Одначе скоро він зауважив, що його хрест довший, аніж в інших людей. В його голові промайнула думка, ось тому він не може дати собі з ним



ради. Чоловік вирішив трохи вкоротити свій хрест, щоб так тяжко не мучитися. Він сів на придорожній камінь й добряче вкоротив його. Коли знову рушив у дорогу, тоді відчув, що йдеться швидше й легше. Так він дійшов до того місця, де була мета його земної мандрівки. Чоловік опинився перед глибоким проваллям, а по той бік його починалася «земля вічної радості». Ще здалека було видно її дивовижну красу, але туди не було жодного переходу, ані мосту, ані кладки... Проте, люди якось туди діставалися. Вони, як виявилося, знімали з плечей свої хрести, один кінець перекидали на другий бік провалля і по ньому входили в цю казкову землю вічної слави. Кожний хрест мав ідеальний розмір: саме такий, що міг з'єднати обидва краї провалля. Всі люди перейшли. Залишився тільки цей один чоловік — той, що нарікав весь час і вкоротив свого хреста. Тепер він зрозумів, що його вкорочений хрест не дозволить йому перейти безодню смерті. У відчаї він почав плакати: «Ах, якби я знав...». Одначе було вже запізно... Чоловік прокинувся і дякував Богові, що це був тільки сон.

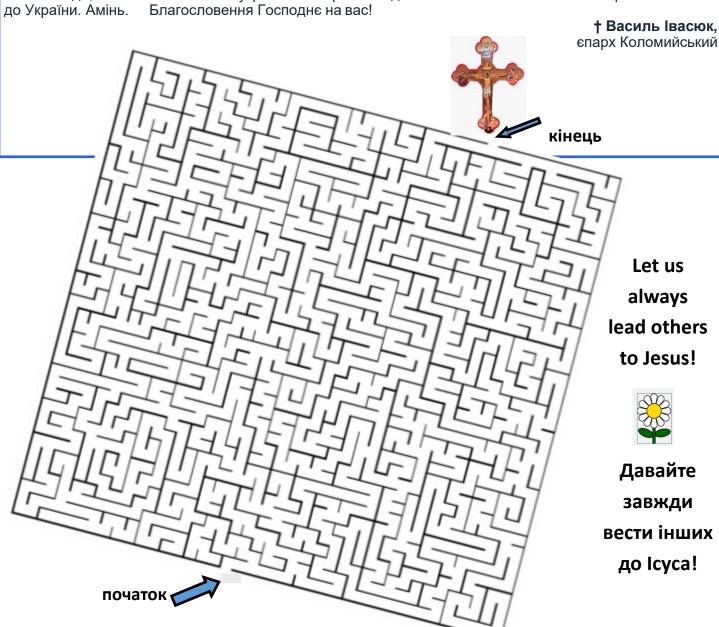
«Щоб усякий, хто вірує в Нього, не загинув, а мав життя вічне». Воздвиження Чесного Хреста допомагає усвідомити, що хрест і воскресіння у житті — нероздільні. Мати, сидячи біля колиски маленького сина, мріє про кращу долю для нього, плекаючи в його серці пам'ять про те, що: «за тобою, завше, будуть мандрувати, очі материнські і білява хата». І справді, де б ми не були, але материнське серце та безмежна любов завжди будуть з нами. І тому вкорочувати свій хрест, тобто втікати від обов'язків свого життя і прикриватися лінивством, тобто пожити для себе, нам може не вистачити довжини хреста для переходу у Царство Боже.

#### Висновки

Син Божий і Син Людський в одній особі зійшов з небес і до смерті хресної виконав свій обов'язок сповна. І тому кожному українцю слід добре вчитися, сумлінно працювати з молитвою на устах, скеровувати владу виконувати свої виборчі обіцянки і законні обов'язки так, щоб люди не втікали з рідної землі

Пресвята Богородице, Мати Божа Неустанної Помочі, прославлена в Коломйській іконі «Це Мати твоя», поверни мир в Україну і рятуй наших дітей-воїнів.

Господи, благослови воїнів української армії та допоможи їм з честю нести хрест з любові до України. Амінь. Благословення Господнє на вас!



### Schedule of Services September 10-17, 2023

Sun., Sept. 10 Sunday before Exaltation of the Holy Cross Pentecost Неділя перед Воздвиженням **NO 8 AM Divine Liturgy** 10:00 a.m. -- Divine Liturgy (bilingual) -- For all parishioners

Mon., Sept. 11 Tues., Sept. 12 Wed., Sept. 13 Thurs., Sept. 14 Fri., Sept. 15 Sat., September 16 **EXALTATION** of the Venerable Theodo-**Priest Martyr Priest Martyr Great Martyr** Saturday after the Exal-**HOLY CROSS** ra of Alexandria Cornelius tation of the Holy Cross **Autonomus Nicetas** 1 Cor. 1:18-24 Galatians 4:28-5:10 Galatians 5:11-21 Galatians 6:2-10 Ephesians 1:7-17 1 Corinthians 2:6-9 John 19:6-11, 13-20 Mark 6:54-7:8 Mark 7:5-16 Mark 7:14-24 Mark 8:1-10 Matthew 10:37-11:1

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#### (Remember: no DL in church in the morning this week until Sunday.)

#### She Hated the Bishop



St. John Chrysostom --"Golden-mouthed" -- was very holy. And every holy man -- every truly good man -- attracts haters. Bad people just cannot stand to have good men around, and often try to bring them down "just because".

We Christians should know this, and expect this.

St. John Chrysostom brought down on his head the hatred of Queen Eudoxia when he courageously criticized the evils of her court. [Just as King Herod's "wife" decided to get rid of St. John the Baptist, this Queen was furious and decided to get rid of this St. John.]

She called together all her counsellors and asked them what would be the best means of doing away with this offending Archbishop.

"Banish him!" suggested one.

"Take away all his property!" advised another.

"Put him in prison!" said still another.

"Put him to death!" recommended a fourth.

Finally a venerable counsellor who seemed to know the saintly Archbishop arose. Slowly, he spoke.

"Your Majesty, to banish Chrysostom is useless. He already considers this life a banishment. Take away everything he has, and he will be as happy as ever! for he hates the things of this earth. Put him into prison, and he will be just as cheerful as ever. Kill him, and he will consider it a service, for death to him will be but the door to a better life. If you really want to do him harm, to punish him, devise some means of leading

The following are the DLiturgy intentions FrMBK has taken to Rome:

Date	Intention	Requested by
Mon., Sept. 11	For Michael Bachynsky & family	friend
Tues., Sept. 12	For ++Anna & Maria Kozlowski, Kristen, Rosemarie & husband Dominique & their daughter Donna	Marion Garrity
Wed., Sept. 13	For the Cortens family	Issigonis family
Thurs., Sept. 14	For +Anthony Fedoruk	son Myron
Fri., Sept. 15	For health of son Eddie Turczyn	Liz Turczyn
Sat., Sept. 16	For the El Shaddai Prayer Group	friends
Mon, Sept.18	For all deceased members of the Nagy family	Anon.
Tues, Sept. 19	Serlou Kinol & family	
Wed. Sept. 20	for +Helen, +Sophia & +Volodymyr	Dmytro Sikora
Thurs., Sept. 21	None scheduled for today	

Chrysostom into sin. Sin is the only thing he dreads, the only evil he fears!"

**Application**: Actual sin, whether mortal or venial, is the only evil, the only thing to be feared and dreaded and avoided. Like all the saints and servants of God, St. John Chrysostom realized this, and for that reason he feared sin more than anything else, even leprosy, for sin is leprosy of the soul. The deadliest and surest killer of peace is sin. Ask Our Lord to help you understand the nature and malice of sin, and above all to avoid all sin at any cost. Fr. L. Lovasik

#### **VIGIL LAMPS** for the week of September 10th:

Sanctuary Lamp/Вічна Лямпа - In loving memory of husband and father Harry Yasenko from wife Agnes, children and grandchildren



Christ Icon – That we may develop a true love for Our Crucified Lord

Mother of God Icon - For birthday blessings for Sally Minsky by SSJ

Request your Vigil Lamp at least a week ahead. This is such a beautiful way of praying, knowing the candle burns for a week for your intention. \$10 each; your preference of lamp will be accommodated whenever possible.



#### Blessed Virgin Mary PRAZNYK

Sunday, October 1, 2023 following the 10:00 am Divine Liturgy OUR PRAZNYK DINNER WILL BE CATERED ADVANCE TICKET SALES ONLY ADULTS -- \$20.00

CHILDREN (6 to 12 years) -- \$10.00 CHILDREN (5 & under)--- Free

Tickets can be purchased before and after the Sunday 10:00 am. Divine Liturgies or by contacting Janet @204-582-5932 or jkuchma@mymts.net DEADLINE for purchasing tickets is Sunday, September 24, 2023

#### WHAT IS "TRUTH"?

There is a rather shocking video still up on the internet - on Yahoo Finance of all places -- that shows one priest hitting another repeatedly... with a crucifix!

Think about this. Violence involving... a crucifix! It's a funeral of a Ukrainian soldier held in July last year in a Ukrainian village in Vinnytsia oblast. You can see the two sides -- Ukrainian and Russian -- glaring at each other over the open coffin. You can see the two Orthodox priests -- one from the Moscow patriarchate, the other from the newer Ukraine break-off -each so sure that he is on the right side. How can we speak the truth, without provoking others to anger? It can be very difficult... we must practice prior prayer, and choose our words well. Do watch the video: https://ca.finance.yahoo.com/video/russian-priest

-attacks-ukrainian-priest-183630075.html