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A Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine Publication

IN MEMORIAM

On April 2, 2005 Karol Jozef Wojtyla, Pope John Paul II, fell asleep in the Lord. His legacy was great, both as Bishop in Poland and especially as the Pope. Among the many gifts and graces that we have received during his pontificate, we are especially grateful that he beatified martyrs for our Ukrainian Catholic Church. We are particularly grateful that among those beatified was Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky, C.Ss.R.

When I was present at the beatification in Lviv on June 27, 2001, I was deeply struck by the words the Holy Father said during the rite of beatification. He said "By our Apostolic Authority we permit, from now on Nicholas Charnetsky and the 24 Companion Martyrs be called Blessed..." In those words I heard the voice of Peter the Apostle. By the authority he had as Pope, John Paul II, made this proclamation and because he was the Pope of Rome those words carried authority not only on earth but also in heaven. "Whatever you declare bound on earth shall be considered bound in heaven." (Mt. 16:19) Through this it was revealed to us, who we had in All-Saints cemetery. This gave us the impetus to enshrine Blessed Vasyl's holy body in St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church and to invite pilgrims to come and pray for his intercession.

Since the beatification a new moment of grace has come upon the Church of North America - the presence of the holy relics of a Blessed Martyr. The shrine has since become a place of much grace and healing for the pilgrims who visit and those who invoke Blessed Vasyl's intercession. We thank Pope John Paul II for bestowing this grace upon our Church.
- Fr. John Sianchuk C.Ss.R.



Pope John Paul II
May 18, 1920 - April 2, 2005

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EXERPT FROM THE AKATHIST HYMN - IKOS 12

Having fulfilled God's Will, like Christ you laid down your life for our salvation. Now you stand with countless martyrs before His Face. Do not leave us orphaned, but intercede for us that we may be with you as now we sing:

Rejoice, O Wellspring of living water;
Rejoice, O Healing for the sick;
Rejoice, O Ointment for the soul;
Rejoice, O Harbor for the lost!

Rejoice, for you call us to repentance;

Rejoice, for you show us the Face of Christ;
Rejoice, for you heal the broken heart;
Rejoice, for you restore the health of our bodies!

Rejoice, for you do not abandon us;
Rejoice, for you lead us to Christ;
Rejoice, O Bishop for all;
Rejoice, O Martyr for Christ!

**Rejoice, O Bishop and Martyr Vasyl,
glorious Champion for Christ!**

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Testimony of graces received

On May 7, 2003, after attending the Holy Liturgy at St. Paul's Home Chapel, early morning, seven of us ladies, members of the apostleship of Fatima, set out on a one day return trip to Winnipeg, as a means of retreat in prayer and meditation, first to St. Mary's Church in the south part of Winnipeg where we recited the Rosary. Then to St. Joseph's Church to visit the Shrine of Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky, where we had the privilege to take part in a Moleben and pray for our needs by the Shrine.



My prayer was for a healing of my feet, which were bothering me for more than ten years, getting worse every year. This particular year, the shooting pain in my legs were unbearable, and in other cases, I would not have been able to make a return trip such as this, just as a passenger, much less to drive myself. But on this day I was able to drive to Winnipeg, from one end of the city to the other end (south to north) and back home. I did not feel tired, I went to bed without taking any painkillers, slept all night and got up the next morning without experiencing any pain in my legs and feet.

And to this day, two years later, I do not have any pain in my feet or legs, and believe truly that it was through the intervention of Blessed Vasyl that God granted my prayers to come true. And I praise God for granting me this miracle through Blessed Vasyl.

*With faith in miracles,
Anne Chubka
Dauphin, Manitoba*

Please notify the Shrine of any graces received through the intercession of Blessed Vasyl.

PILGRIMS AT THE SHRINE



Youth Group from Drayton, ND



**Young Adults from the
Pope Pius X Society**



**Catholic School of Evangelization,
St. Malo, MB**



**Grade 5 Class from St. Gerard's
Catholic School, Winnipeg**



**St. Bernadette's Catholic Church
CWL group**



**College Students from
Mount Marty College, Yankton, SD**

THANK YOU!!!

Your generous donations make it possible for us to conduct our ministry at the Shrine and to promote the knowledge of Blessed Vasyi throughout the world. Thank you to all the contributors to the Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine. We are grateful to those who have named the Shrine as a beneficiary in memory of their loved ones. May Blessed Vasyi bless each one of you.

Contributions listed below are from February 1st 2005 until April 30th 2005.

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ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE CELEBRATIONS
for the
Feast Day of the Ukrainian Catholic Martyrs
NICHOLAS CHARNETSKY and COMPANIONS
at Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine

MONDAY JUNE 27, 2005

DAY PROGRAM

9:00 Divine Liturgy
10:00 Rosary
10:30 Moleben to the Martyrs
with anointing

Lunch available

1:15 "Fully Alive" Video Presentation
2:30 Acafist Hymn in honor of
Blessed Bishop and Martyr
Vasyl Velychkovsky, C.Ss.R.
with anointing



EVENING PROGRAM

7:00 Divine Liturgy
Pilgrimage Procession
Moleben to Blessed Vasyl
Veneration of Relics
Anointing for Healing

LOCATION: St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church
Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine
250 Jefferson Ave. Winnipeg, Manitoba
for more information call: 338-7321

In Memoriam



"Grant eternal rest to you servant, where there is no pain, no sorrow, no mourning, but life without end."

Phyllis Radlinsky, a dedicated Shrine Volunteer passed away on March 8, 2005 after a brief illness. She was an

active member of St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church, participating in perogy bees, in the Welcome Home, as a member of the UCWL, and a Shrine Volunteer. She was a compassionate volunteer who was most at peace and comfort when guiding pilgrims through the Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine. She will be missed greatly by her fellow Shrine volunteers.

Please consider Bishop Velychkovsky Martyr's Shrine when planning your estate.

Call in Prayer Requests

For a special intention and prayer request you may call or e-mail us. Your prayer request will be placed in the shrine and remembered in prayer every Wednesday evening after the Service in honour of Blessed Vasyl.

SHRINE SCHEDULE

Monday: Shrine is closed
Tuesday to Friday: 10 am to 5 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
Sunday: opened until 1:00 pm

Shrine is open to the faithful during the times of Liturgical Services. The Museum is opened on weekends after each Divine Liturgy.

Group tours are available.
For pilgrimage group tours call for reservations
204-338-7321 or e-mail: **bvshrine@mts.net**

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING - 7:00 pm
Liturgical Service to Blessed Vasyl
(Acafist or Moleben) followed by an anointing with Holy Oil blessed by his relics.

Prayer to Blessed Martyr Bishop Vasyl

*O Lord God, You are praised by the whole world for the marvelous works in your saints. I thank you for the grace you gave to **Blessed Martyr Vasyl Velychkovsky** to be a faithful witness to You unto the point of death. Through his intercession I ask for the following favour _____ for your Name is glorified forever. Amen.*

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