



# MINISTRY UPDATE 2022



# LETTER FROM BISHOP DAVID

Dear Friends,  
Glory be to Jesus Christ!

As we look back at 2022, we call to mind the many blessings received during this past year and we remain ever-grateful for our family and friends!

This year, we celebrate the family and the domestic church, that place where God's love accompanies us in the unfolding of God's plan of salvation for humankind. Now, more than ever, the Church is called to accompany families as they discover what it means to be the domestic church in today's world, especially as they pass on the faith from one generation to the next. Here are just three projects to highlight...

In 2022, the parishioners, faithful, and friends of the Eparchy of Edmonton remained steadfast in their support for the people of Ukraine through their generous donations and prayers. Together we have raised over \$2,500,000 which helps treat the wounded, feed the hungry, and fund eparchies, parishes, and the Sister Servants in Ukraine who minister to those fleeing the war-torn areas of Ukraine.

2022 also included a focus on the development of Image to Likeness, a Ukrainian Catholic religion curriculum being developed by the Eparchy of Edmonton and its partners with a vision to form children and youth as Christian disciples, helping them strengthen their relationship with God so they can bring the light of Christ to the world.

After running a survey in January 2022, we discovered there was a very strong interest in developing a unique Ukrainian Catholic app. Overwhelmingly, there was a strong response to developing an app focused on prayer and presented in the English language. We aim to initially launch this app in December of 2022.

A lot has been accomplished in 2022 and there's still a lot to look forward to in 2023!



Bishop David Motiuk  
Eparchial Bishop



# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

## Family and Life Ministries

- **Resource Library:** Managed the study programs, DVDs, and audio and video resources, children's resources, parish resources, of the Resource Library.
- **Image to Likeness:** continued development of the new Ukrainian Catholic Religion Program to be used in Ukrainian Bilingual Schools, parishes, and at home.
- **Ministry Events:** coordinated Men's Conference, Women's retreat, Family Faith and Friends Parent group, Children's Care for Creation Poster Contest, Virtual Lenten Series presentations, Virtual Catechist Conferences, Social Mission of the Church Retreat, Domestic Church virtual sessions, and Table for Two.
- **Faith Forward Content:** supported faithful in the eparchy by writing numerous educational faith articles, created faith resources for families, parishes, and individuals including podcasts, liturgical year activities, and Sunday Gospel-based children's lessons. Compiled and distributed the Eparchial Program Guide, provided Social Mission of Church resources, prayer resources, and more!
- **Bishop's Gala:** Coordination and organization of the Bishop's Gala, the Eparchy of Edmonton's annual fundraiser.



*Bernadette  
Mandrusiak*



*Andrea  
Leader*



*Deacon Cyril  
Kennedy*

## Inter-eparchial Marriage Tribunal

- Through the declaration of nullity process, continuing the ministry of journeying with those who are divorced and hope to remarry in the Church.



*John  
Vizza*

# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

## Communications

- **St. Macrina Bookstore Online:** Coordinated the temporary St. Macrina Store Online initiative, where 175 items were distributed throughout Canada in 8 months.
- **Aid to the Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine:** Assisted in the promotion and fundraising of the Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine with over \$2.6 million raised.
- **Resource Library:** Coordinated the promotion, combination, and reorganization of the Eparchial Library and the Resource Centre into one centralized Resource Library with the first members signed up in 2022.
- **iPraises App:** Created and coordinated the launch of the iPraises app, expected to launch in December 2022.
- **Family and Faith Blog:** Coordinated the Family and Faith blog which has seen over 2000 views.
- **Digital Outreach:** Recorded videos that garnered over 410 000 views in 2022, grew social media, and grew mailing list subscribers.
- **Website management:** Assisted parishes in launching websites, coordinated the Patriarchal Catechetical Commission website, and coordinated the Eparchial website which saw over 100 000 visits in 2022.



*Ben  
Windsor*



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Hotsaliuk*

## Resource Library

- **Eparchial Library:** cataloged over 1500 books and periodicals in 2022.
- **Resource Library Blog:** Assisted in the creation of the Resource Library blog.



*Victoria  
Kostyniuk*



*Oksana  
Maszczak*

# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

## Safe Environments

- **New Safe Environments Policy:** We launched the Eparchy's new policy for safer environments in our parishes and ministries. The policy covers our approach to providing safer environments in our parishes, screening and training for our clergy, religious, employees and volunteers, as well as methods for reporting abuse within our church. It also outlines the Eparchy's approach to seeking justice, care and healing for all.
- **Resources:** We have also developed a myriad of resources to help Pastors and Volunteer Screening Coordinators with onboarding new employees and/or volunteers within their parish communities. Check out the Safe Environments' tab on the Eparchy's website for more information.



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Vizza*

## Chancery

- **Lay Leadership and Diaconal Formation Program:** fostered “active disciples” whereby the faithful – laity, consecrated, monastic, and clergy alike – use their God-given gifts and talents to build up the Kingdom of God as active participants, not just spectators, both in their own faith journey as well as in the life of the Church.
- **Parish Hub:** contributed to the content on Parish Hub where individuals can access and share information directly related to developing, growing, and managing parishes.
- **Eparchial Grants:** Distributed Youth Evangelization grants, Church Maintenance and Improvement Grants, and the Humanitarian Aid Settlement Grants to further assist our parishes.