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A Message from Archbishop Michael Mulhall to the People of the Archdiocese of Kingston Archdiocesan Second Collection for Ukraine

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My Dear Faithful of the Archdiocese:

In recent weeks, the world has seen and heard the devastating news of the war in Ukraine and read the reports of the suffering of her people. We have all been moved to support Ukrainians in prayer, solidarity and humanitarian aid.

I invite you to make a financial contribution to Ukrainians locally and abroad by contributing to a special Archdiocesan second collection on **Sunday, 1 May**. Please place your donation in an envelope, marked "Ukrainian Collection". You are asked to include your name and address on the envelope so that your contribution can be recorded, and an income tax receipt can be issued by the parish. Cheques are to be made payable to the parish. All donations from parishioners will be forwarded to the Chancery Office and donated to three organizations assisting with humanitarian support and aid:

1. The Mayor's Fund for Students from Ukraine - The Ukrainian Canadian Club of Kingston, with the support of the mayor, is raising money to support Ukrainian international students who are studying in Kingston but are unable to return home.
2. Catholic Near East Welfare Association – They are providing humanitarian aid directly into Ukraine and to Ukrainian refugees in neighbouring countries.
3. Ukrainian Canadian Congress – They also are providing humanitarian aid directly into Ukraine.

If you have Ukrainian or Russian neighbours and friends, I encourage you to check in with them, drop off a meal or card letting them know we are thinking of them and holding them in our thoughts and prayers.

Finally, Fr Roman Rytsar of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic parish of St Michael the Archangel, Kingston, has been invited to preach and concelebrate at the Sunday Masses at St Mary's Cathedral on 23 and 24 April. You are welcome to attend one of the Masses or follow the Mass online.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Michael Mulhall
Archbishop of Kingston