

NEWSLETTER



Dear Friends,



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April has been a busy month for our global community. We celebrated our very first virtual Easter, developed new family traditions, made pysankas at [online workshops](#), showed off our Paskas on zoom, joined [virtual church services](#) with our families worldwide.

We shared memories of tragic Ukrainian history, [commemorating](#) the victims of Chernobyl and the victims of [Operation "Wisla"](#) forced deportation. The painful memories of these events live in the heart of every Ukrainian.

UWC continued its daily work in the virtual world, meeting high-profile government officials, Heads of Churches, international organizations and key partners to develop our cooperation and jointly counter Russian aggression.



Videoconference with Vadym Prystayko, Deputy Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine

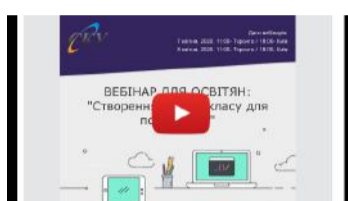


Online-meeting with His Beatitude Sviatoslav, Head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, (UGCC)



Videoconference with His Beatitude Epifaniy, Primate of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine

I'd like to thank all the volunteers from the UWC COVID-19 Task Force: our educators continue to share their best practices, we launched the ["Best Distance Learning Lesson"](#) competition. We also continue the psychological support webinars for our communities.



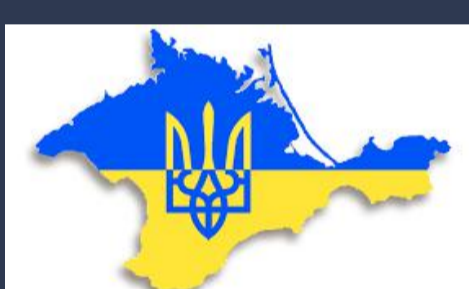
We also have many heartwarming stories of kind help and support to share in this newsletter. We are looking forward to May – a month to unite in remembrance and honoring traditions of the Ukrainian people. In this newsletter, we are announcing important events and campaigns, which we hope you can join. Preserving our history and traditions, especially in the virtual world, is our duty to the future generations of Ukrainians.

EVENTS IN MAY

Remembrance

May 8 – Victory in Europe Day.

Information from UWC and Ukrainian Institute of National Remembrance about the Ukrainian World War II, heroic contribution and losses of the Ukrainian people ([infographics](#), [videos](#), [banners](#)) to share on your social networks and in the statements #NeverAgain



May 18 – Crimean Tatar Deportation Memorial Day. Share the history of the deportation, the story of modern-day Russian occupation of Crimea, support Crimean Tatar communities in your countries.
#КримЦеУкраїна #CrimeaIsUkraine

TRADITIONS

May 21 is Vyshyvanka Day! Let's share the colourful diversity of our vyshyvankas. Join UWC flashmob:

- Take a photo in your favorite vyshyvanka
- Share the story of your vyshyvanka on social media
- Use the hashtag #VyshyvankaDay



APRIL

UWC in Action

Ukrainian World Congress Dismayed by US-Russia Statement

Ukrainian World Congress Dismayed by US-Russia Statement In response to the joint statement of the US & Russian Presidents commemorating the 75th anniversary of the "meeting on the Elbe", UWC called upon the US and the international community to stand up to Russian aggression and stop trying to appease a modern-day dictator. [Read more](#)



UWC defends against ban in the Russian Federation

The Ukrainian World Congress (UWC) is challenging the July 2019 decisions by the Prosecutor General and Ministry of Justice of the Russian Federation that declared UWC an undesirable organization and banned its activities in Russia. [Read more](#)

Ukrainian World Congress warns Ukrainian authorities against politically motivated justice

UWC addressed the Ukrainian authorities due to the indications of pressure on the independence of the judicial and law enforcement authorities, attempts of persecution of political opponents and convolution of events of the Revolution of Dignity. [Read more](#)



Congress of Ukrainians in Latvia provides medical supplies to Pryluky hospital

Congress of Ukrainians in Latvia and Latvian non-governmental organizations sent 1.5 tons of medical supplies for the central hospital in Pryluky. [Read more](#)

New Jersey Plastunka makes medical masks for hospitals

Melasia Vovk from Newark Plast (New Jersey, US) started making multi-use masks to provide to the hospitals. [Read more](#)

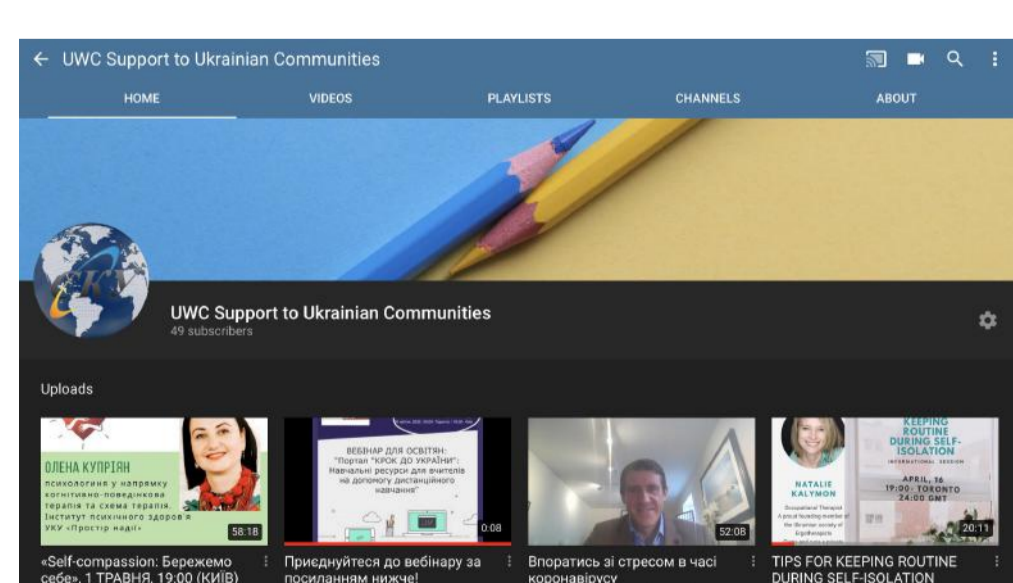


Renata Roman, UWC COVID-19 Task Force Chair: We want every Ukrainian to understand that "they care about me"

Renata Roman speaks about Task Force key priorities: support to Ukrainian communities, psychological support sessions and webinars for teachers, as well as cooperation with key partners and support to Ukraine. Read the interview ([in Ukrainian](#))



Task Force Webinars available on our Youtube Channel: UWC support to Ukrainian Community! Subscribe for our latest updates!



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