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Diocese of Dallas to join Pope Francis and bishops around the world in Historic Prayer for Peace in Ukraine and Russia

Bishop Burns will join the Holy Father in consecrating the two countries to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Bishop Edward Burns will join the Holy Father Pope Francis in the consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, March 25. Bishop Burns will commemorate this event by inviting all to join him in praying the Rosary at 11:30 am followed by Mass at 12 o'clock noon at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe located at 2215 Ross Avenue in Dallas. The prayers will be offered for an end to the war and a true and lasting peace. The Mass will include the same Prayer of Consecration the Pope will offer at the Vatican.

Bishop Burns encourages people to participate. "Most of us are deeply disturbed as we watch the tragedy of war unfold in Ukraine. I am grateful to our Holy Father for this opportunity to consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on March 25. As we join in this sacred act, and through the intercession our Blessed Mother, we will pray that the Prince of Peace will answer our prayers and help us be in solidarity with those who suffer through this devastation." For those who cannot attend in person, the Rosary, Mass and prayer of consecration will be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/dallascath or www.youtube.com/dallascath.

Bishop Burns has invited pastors at the 77 Catholic churches in the Diocese of Dallas to join him at the Rosary and Mass or to hold similar services in their local parishes.

The Holy Father Pope Francis has asked bishops around the world to join him in this prayerful effort. Learn more about this and the history behind his plan to consecrate Russia and Ukraine at <http://www.texascatholic.com/2022/03/18/pope-asks-bishops-worldwide-to-join-consecration-of-ukraine-russia/>.

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