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Cemetery Project Update (Summary)

Glory be to Jesus Christ!

This presentation will give us the opportunity to share the importance of the cemetery project.

As our Ukrainian Catholic community on the Prairie Provinces has shrunk over the past few decades there is an urgent need to preserve historical memory and ensure that we provide a perpetual care to all our cemeteries.

Cemetery inspection forms would give us the following information/answers:

- General information (Community Contacts, Location, etc.).
- How do we honor the memory of the earliest pioneers? Examples: yearly cemetery services/blessings; general condition of the cemetery, its maintenance, issues, liability problems, and so forth.
- Preserve/save historical memory (Cemetery map, burial records).
- Ensure that communities have funds to provide proper cemetery maintenance.

You probably know that there are 148 cemeteries in our Eparchy. Each one is specific and has a different situation. So, this project will help us gather information and make good decisions for the future.

We have only received 35% of all cemetery inspection surveys so far.

By sharing all the above information, we are asking you to support your clergy in completion of the given cemetery inspection survey.

Sincerely,

Nestor Halaitso

Executive Secretary