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Statement on Russia Invasion of Ukraine
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The College of Bishops, speaking on behalf of the People of God in the Catholic Apostolic Church in North America, calls for a ceasefire in Ukraine and for Russia President Vladimir Putin to withdraw all Russian military forces from Ukraine. We also call on United States President Joe Biden and his administration to continue efforts with other world leaders to get all parties to the table for diplomatic discussions to resolve conflict and to provide humanitarian assistance to the people of Ukraine. More than ever, world leaders need to come together to bolster peace between nations for the good of God's people throughout the world.

The Lord Jesus Christ said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

Our Prayer for the People of Ukraine

Lord, send your Spirit of peace upon the people of Ukraine. Intercede, we pray, to give strength to the weak, protection to the vulnerable, healing to the broken, and light in the darkness.

O God of love and justice – reign down your power to stop invasion and war among the peaceful people of Ukraine.

Invade, we pray, the hardened hearts of those who are aggressors with your peace that passes understanding.

Give us all courage, O Lord, to stand up, speak prophetically, and reach out to help our neighbors in Ukraine.

Guide us to help in small ways to large and extravagant ways. In Christ's name - Amen.

In faith and hope,

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