



TIMOTHY CARDINAL DOLAN

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Dear Family of the Archdiocese of New York.

This Friday, March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation, our Holy Father will be consecrating and entrusting Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary at 5:00 p.m. Rome time. I will be joining in that consecration from Saint Patrick's Cathedral immediately prior to the Noon Mass. If you can't be there in person, you can follow the livestream on the Cathedral website [here](#). A copy of the prayer of consecration follows.

The following auxiliary bishops of the archdiocese will also recite the prayer of consecration in their home parishes at Noon.

- Bishop Dominick Lagonegro - Saint Columba, Hopewell Junction
- Bishop John O'Hara – Saint Charles, Staten Island
- Bishop John Bonnici - Saints John and Paul, Larchmont
- Bishop Peter Byrne - Saint Anselm, Bronx

The consecration in the Cathedral will take place before the Ukrainian Cross which has been residing in the Cathedral for the last two weeks. This special cross, which has travelled around the world, has become a symbol of hope and trust in the Lord during this time of unspeakable horror and tragedy that has been unfolding in Ukraine. If you're by the Cathedral in the next few days, please stop in to visit the cross and say a prayer for the suffering people in Ukraine.

Many of you have asked how to help support the Ukrainian people, particularly the efforts of the Church in Ukraine. This week's issue of *Catholic New York* has a list of Catholic agencies providing relief, especially for Ukrainian refugees. You can find it in the print copy, or by visiting [the website here](#).

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Lent, I am,
Faithfully in Christ,

+ *Cardinal Timothy Dolan*

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