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Dear Editor/Communications Director,

From the post-industrial cities of Ohio and Michigan in the east to the prairies of Nebraska and Kansas in the west, the Byzantine (Ruthenian) Catholic Eparchy of Parma encompasses a vast and diverse territory of 12 Midwestern states. Founded in 1969 to serve the needs of Slavic immigrant families, the eparchy currently ministers to more than 5,200 Catholics in 28 parishes and 6 missions. One of the most effective ways the eparchy fosters unity among this widely dispersed flock is through its *Horizons* newspaper, published every three weeks, which reaches readers not only in the eparchy's 12 states but beyond, in Canada and even Europe.

Your generosity to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal has helped the eparchy improve its outreach through the development of a smartphone/tablet app that includes *Horizons* news stories and daily liturgical readings. In addition, the eparchy established Horizons Press in 2017 to publish prayer resources for underserved Byzantine Catholics. These resources allow the faithful not only to grow in their own personal holiness but also to share their faith more easily with their neighbors.

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If you have any questions or need more materials, please contact me at 202-541-3365 or at ngermain@usccb.org. Thank you for strengthening the Church at home.

Gratefully in Christ,



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