

ГОЛОДОМОР

HOLODOMOR

1932 - 1933

*80 Year
Commemoration*



*Josyf Cardinal Slipyj
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UKRAINE

BEFORE THE HOLODOMOR - 1932



Food was abundant and the harvest was plentiful!

UKRAINE

“The Breadbasket of Europe”

due to its rich
black soil known
as *chornozem*



STALIN'S COMMUNIST REGIME

They came and took
away all our grain,
livestock and food



THE LAW OF FIVE GRAIN STALKS



On August 7, 1932 Stalin signed a law stating that anyone caught stealing from the “collective farm” – even one wheat stalk would be punished by death or imprisonment for at least 10 years

LAZAR KAGANOVICH

Villages were blacklisted. Food, seed supplies were forcibly removed. Villages were surrounded by military forces. Wheat was taken away and even burned. Lazar Kaganovich was the enforcer.



DURING THE FAMINE



Map of Ukraine
Areas affected
by famine are
marked in gray

HOLODOMOR IN UKRAINE 1932-1933



At the height of the Famine

19 died per minute

1,167 died per hour

28,000 died per day

EYEWITNESS TO THE HOLODOMOR

Mr. Latyshko (left), Mr. Horlatch
(right) holding the official
Holodomor Torch during the 75th
commemoration services



PAINTING ON ROCKS

Commemorating the Holodomor of 1932--1933



SPOONS OF HUNGER, DESPAIR AND PRAYERS



REMEMBERING THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLODOMOR FORGET-ME-NOTS



The forget-me-not is the flower used to symbolize the Holodomor

These flowers have yellow centres and blue petals. Students and staff wear these paper versions of the forget-me-not during Famine Commemorations

HOLODOMOR “H”

Mr. Thomas Malcolm Muggeridge – a British journalist, travelling without the permission of the Soviet government – investigated reports of the famine in Ukraine. He sent reports back to Britain confirming the extent of the famine. In November 2008, on the 75th anniversary of the Holodomor – both Mr. Muggeridge and Mr. Gareth Jones who both witnessed this atrocity were posthumously awarded the Ukrainian order of Freedom to mark their services to the country.



GOVERNMENT OF CANADA APPLAUDS PASSAGE OF BILL C-459

On June 2, 2008 James Bezan, Member of Parliament (Selkirk-Interlake), introduced a Private Member's Bill C-459, which, having received Royal Assent, will establish Ukrainian Famine and Genocide Memorial Day and recognize the Ukrainian Famine of 1932-1933 as an act of genocide.

The Ukrainian Famine and Genocide Memorial Day will be an excellent opportunity for all Canadians to recall this dark chapter in world history and encourage us to never take for granted that we are a nation whose quality of life sets an example for the rest of the free world.

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WHAT REMAINS TO BE DONE?

We, as Canadian citizens and future leaders of a global society continue to face challenges in restoring historical injustices for all victims of all genocides and abuse of human rights.



From bullying to dictatorships in politics – the end result is similar – it is an abuse of human dignity and worth.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE





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