Epistle - 1 Tim 4:9-15; Gospel - Lk 19:1-10, Tone 4

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday of Zacchaeus, Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon & Anna, February 2, 2014

9:00 AM Lit. + Teodor Worobel r/by Daughter & Family 11:30 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners Myrovannia after Liturgies

Monday, February 3, 2014

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

7:20 AM Lit. Special Intention Anna Hanna r/by Edith Kovalczyk

Wednesday, February 5, 2014

7:20 AM Lit. + Nicholas Hlywa r/by Nancy & Frank

Thursday, February 6, 2014

7:20 AM Lit. + Mary & Charles Kopi - Legate

Friday, February 7, 2014

8:45 AM Lit. + Hrihiriy, Maria, Ilko, Nastia, Mikolaj, Euchenia r/by Oleksandar Marichak

Saturday, February 8, 2014

8:00 AM Lit. + Helene Korostil r/by Olga Yurechko 5:00 PM Lit. Special Intention r/by Olga Hunchar The Publican and Pharisee, February 9, 2014 Epistle - 2 Tim 3:10-15; Gospel - Lk 18:10-14

Epistle - 2 Tim 3:10-15; Gospel - Lk 18:10-14 9:00 AM Lit. + Anna Markewych r/by Melania Banach 11:30 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Holy Name Society

A meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 8:00 PM in the church hall.

Gift Auction

The St. Ann's Society sponsored Gift Auction will be held on Sunday, March 2, 2014 at Assumption Catholic School Auditorium, 380 Meredith St., Perth Amboy, NJ. Doors open at 12:00 p.m. and auction starts at 2:00 p.m. Admission is \$6. Cake and coffee are included. Great prizes will feature Sony Blue Ray DVD player, Raffles and more. The kitchen will be open for lunch, featuring cabbage & noodles, kielbasa & sauerkraut. Tickets are available in advance from St. Ann's members or at the door. For more information call the rectory, 732-826-0767.

Annual Financial Report

The report has been printed, please pick up one copy per family at the back of the church. If there is any error or discrepancy, please call the parish secretary during business hours, as listed on the back of the bulletin.

Sorokousty Memorial Services

In just a few short weeks, the holy season of the Great Fast (Lent) will once again be upon us. As in the past, we will honor the memory of our beloved deceased with Sorokousty Memorial Services at 9 a.m. on all Saturdays of Lent. This is the service where Fr. Ivan reads aloud in church the names of the deceased. If you would like your deceased family members commemorated during these services, please submit your envelope with the names clearly listed, by March 2. After that date, names of your loved ones can still be submitted and they will be commemorated, but not listed in the bulletin. Please use your Sorokousty envelope if you are a parishioner, if you are not, then write the names on a piece of paper and put it into a white envelope and place it in the collection basket. Please take the time to remember your deceased family members. They hope for our prayers; and in turn they pray for us.

BLESSING OF CANDLES

Christmas Season ends TODAY with the feast Stritennia. Stritennia (the Ukrainian word which means "presentation") refers to the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple by His mother Mary and father Joseph. In our church candles are blessed on this feast, and this is done to emphasize the reference to Christ as " a Light" in Luke 2:32. These candles are used at the Holy Supper on Christmas Eve, at the blessing of the home, in the room of the sick or dying, at Pascha. etc. They are sometimes or "hromnitza" thunder" candles and are lighted during storms and lightning. The lighting of candles is a must in the Ukrainian Church. No service can be held without them. We can trace their use down the centuries from Acts 20:8 where the disciples met for services and " there were many lamps." In the 2nd century, Tertullian wrote: " we never hold a service without candles in order to represent Christ, the Uncreated Light, without Whom we would in broad daylight wander as if lost in darkness." Therefore, at the end of this week's Liturgies, candles will be blessed and distributed to people. Donation per candle is \$1.00.

Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon & Anna

Myrovannia, anointing of the faithful with holy oil will follow each Liturgy of the feast day.

Marriage in 2014-last reminder

Couples contemplating marriage in 2014 are asked to call the rectory and speak to Fr. Ivan before setting a day and making arrangements with a hall. Please note that this year the PRE-CANA Program will be on the weekend of March 29 -30, at St. John's Church in Newark, NJ. Applications can be obtained at: www.stjohnnj.com or ask Fr. Ivan for a copy.

Bishop Gabro School Endowment Fund

\$50.00 - Massopust Family, in memory of

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Why does the priest call us each by name when we come for Holy Communion?

Though we become members of the body of Christ at our baptism, our own individual identity is not taken away. For this reason, when the priest gives each of us a share in the Bread of Life, he calls us by name. The proper name used for Communion is the name we received when we were baptized. The receiving of Holy Communion is a very personal and intimate moment between you and Jesus. If you think the priest does not know your name, help him by saying your name out loud when you approach the chalice to receive. The prayer the priest says: "The servant of God (your name), partakes of the precious, most holy, and most pure Body and Blood of our

Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting. Amen."