

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**The Publican and Pharisee, February 9, 2014**

9:00 AM Lit. + Anna Markewych r/by Melania Banach
 11:30 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Monday, February 10, 2014

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, February 11, 2014

7:20 AM Lit. + Irene & Vasyl Zastawny
 r/by Tekla Lewkowicz

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

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

Thursday, February 13, 2014

7:20 AM Lit. + Barbara Grausam r/by Bishop Family

Friday, February 14, 2014

8:45 AM Lit. + Michael & Olga Raab r/by Sons

Saturday, February 15, 2014

8:00 AM Lit. + Charles Stek r/by Tulys Family
 5:00 PM Lit. + Mary Makar r/by Daughter, Mary Ann

Sunday of the Prodigal Son, February 16, 2014

Epistle - 1 Cor 6:12-20; Gospel - Lk 15:11-32

9:00 AM Lit. + Msgr. Victor Pospishil

11:30 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

St. Ann's Society

On Tuesday, Feb. 11, the Rosary will be recited at 7:00 PM in church, followed by a meeting in the church hall. Members are reminded to bring their donations for the Gift Auction, as well as their non-perishable food items for the grocery baskets. Hostesses for the evening are: Marie Alvarez, Colette Baginsky, Marjorie Batista and Iliana Castro.

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 and hot dogs. Tickets are available in advance from St. Ann's members or at the door. For more info call the rectory, 732-826- 0767.

Bishop Gabro School Endowment Fund

\$40.00 - Rozalia and Joe, in memory of
 + ARLENE LAMPART

Deanery Meeting

A meeting of our Deanery priests will be held in our church on Tuesday morning, Feb. 11, 2014.

**Heads of Ukrainian Churches pray for
Ukraine in Washington, DC**

Washington, DC -- Patriarch Sviatoslav celebrated a Moleben to the Mother of God for her intercession for a peaceful resolution to the turmoil in Ukraine on Wednesday, February 5, 2014, at the Taras Shevchenko Monument in Washington. Patriarch Filaret of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church also joined the Ukrainian Greek Catholic clergy. Fr. Ivan also attended this event last week, where with many faithful present, all prayed for peace in Ukraine. The Shevchenko Monument has served as a gathering place for the Ukrainian-American community for 50 years. This was especially true during the communist era when Ukrainian-Americans would gather to call attention to the denial of basic freedoms and human rights to the people of Ukraine by the communist overlords.

Mark Your Calendar:**Taras Shevchenko 200th Anniversary**

On Sunday March 9, Assumption parish will commemorate the life of poet Taras Shevchenko with a moving concert of songs, a theatrical play, poems and recitations. The concert is organized by our choir "Boyan" and Mrs. Alla Korostil.

Regular Visitations

Regular visits to the shut-ins of the Parish are made by Fr. Ivan for the purpose of distributing Holy Communion. Anyone who is not able to attend Divine Liturgies may request a home visit by calling the parish rectory at 732-826-0767.

"Youth Gatherings" for the Archeparchy to be held in the Spring.

Dear Parishioners and Youth of our parish,

Archbishop Stefan Soroka is planning to organize "Youth Gatherings" for the Archeparchy that will be held in the Spring of 2014. Fr. Ivan, who is part of the organizing committee, would like to get some ideas from his parishioners, especially the young ones, on how we as the Church can make a difference in the lives of young people by planning and hosting a youth conference/forum/meeting. Fr. Ivan also wants to gather some suggestions for the Youth Meetings, such as: What theme should be used? What format should we follow? More church centered, social, cultural.. church service to begin? What service if so? Retreat type setting... social setting? What age group should we follow? Or break up into smaller groups determined by ages attending? Language to be used? Registration: Publicity, Facebook Diocesan web pages. Please remember, that this is not a vocation drive but a gathering of youth to discern the needs of Youth in our diocese and in our Church.

Please email any ideas to Fr. Ivan at aphinagor@hotmail.com by February 19, 2014. Fr. Ivan and the Archdiocesan Committee will compile a list of the various suggestions and create an outline to work with in the upcoming meeting.

Lent- Saturdays Of The Souls

Our Church teaches us that there is a close bond of prayer between the living and the souls of the departed. Special prayer services known as "Panakyda" (memorials) have been prescribed by the Church to be held at regular intervals, especially on certain Saturdays of the year known as the SATURDAYS OF THE SOULS. On these Saturdays memorial services are offered for the repose of the souls of our beloved departed parents, brothers, sisters, children, relatives and friends. This gives us an opportunity to fulfill our duty or rather our desire, and remember in prayer those departed of beloved memory. In your box of envelopes you will find a sorokousty envelope, requesting inclusion of the names of your departed loved ones. Please list only the FIRST NAMES and return it to the priest by March 2.

Why do we commemorate those who have fallen asleep?

In praying for those who have "fallen asleep in the Lord," we continue to ask that God may have mercy on them in His divine judgment so they may gain the inheritance of the Kingdom of Heaven. The names will be read during the service. Please remember your loved ones by not only submitting their names, but by attending the services to offer your own prayers for their eternal rest.