

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK****Fathers of the 6 Ecumenical Councils, July 16, 2017**

9:00 AM Lit. + Gerhard Debarry r/by Larissa Wowk

11:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

**Monday, July 17, 2017**

No Liturgy Scheduled

**Tuesday, July 18, 2017**8:00 AM Lit. + Goldie Kodan r/by Daughter, Arlene  
And Grandchildren George, Cindy, Steve**Wednesday, July 19, 2017**

8:00 AM Lit. + Sonny Marcinko

r/by Walter Mastropietro and Family

**Thursday, July 20, 2017****Feast of St. Elijah, Great Prophet**

8:00 AM Lit. + John Ilek r/by Helen &amp; Jeff

**Friday, July 21, 2017**8:00 AM Lit. + Charles, Anna, Nick, Olga Judith  
Dachishen - Legate**Saturday, July 22, 2017**

8:00 AM Lit. and Pan. + Stephen Lahola r/by Family

5:00 PM Lit. + Steve Mysak r/by wife, Anne,  
And Daughters, Janette, Patricia, Susan**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, July 23, 2017***Epistle - Rom 15:1-7; Gospel - Mt 9:27-35*9:00 AM Lit. + Helena Tulys (40<sup>th</sup> Day) r/by Family

11:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

**Festival Committee Meeting**

A wrap-up meeting of the 2017 Festival Committee will be held on Thursday, July 20, at 7:00 PM in the church hall.

**Picnic and Baseball Game**

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a picnic at the Somerset Patriots vs. Bridgeport Bluefish baseball game on Saturday, August 26, 2017. The picnic will be held in the Picnic Area overlooking TD Ballpark starting at 6:00 PM. The game starts at 7:05 PM. Cost is \$26.00 per person, which includes Ticket to game and picnic. RSVP to Charlie Boyko, 732-254-3966, by August 12.

**Assumption Catholic School Technology Fund**

\$1,000.00 - Joanne Kara

\$250.00 - Richard Keller

**Memorial Donations to Church**

\$100.00 - Ann Marie Rogalcheck-Frissell,

In memory of + OLGA RANKIN

\$40.00 - Mrs. Melnyk and Daughters,

In memory of + HELENA TULYS

**Save the Date - 63<sup>rd</sup> Holy Dormition Pilgrimage - August 12-13, 2017**

The popular Holy Dormition Pilgrimage has been held on our property in easy-to-reach Sloatsburg, NY since 1954. It is always held on the weekend before the Feast of the Dormition (Assumption), August 15 (rain or shine). Usually attracting some 4,000 pilgrims, it is the largest annual religious gathering of Ukrainian Catholics in the US. For more info write to sisters:ssminy@aol.com or visit their website: www.ssmi-us.org. A poster with the schedule of all the services is placed on the bulletin board in the Church Hall for your convenience.

**Movement In and Out of the Nave During Services**

Normally, during the Divine Liturgy, the movement in and out of the nave is not restricted, however, there are times when it is considered disrespectful (except in cases of emergency). These times are: during the reading of the Scriptures (Epistle and Gospel), during the Homily, and from the prayers of the Anaphora until the Body and Blood of Christ are returned to the altar after the people have been communed. Parents and adults should be teaching this to our children in word and in action.

**Children's Bible Summer Camp**

The Bible Summer Camp for the youth of our parish children Grades 1 to 5 has been scheduled for Mon-Wedn., August 28-29-30, 2017, 9:00 a.m-3:00 p.m. If you want your child/children to learn about God's love for them and meet other youngsters from our parish, please register your child for this FREE camp. Lunch provided, activities, games, crafts.

We have a sign-up sheet and a registration form in the vestibule. If your child is planning to go, put your name on that sheet and also take home the yellow registration form, fill it out and then return it to the rectory office or give it to Fr. Ivan no later than Sunday, August 20<sup>st</sup>. The chairperson for this year's camp is Mrs. Melanie Fedynyshyn.**TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN**

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's home. All are welcome!
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the back of others' heads.
- Quietly explain the actions of the Liturgy (what the priests, deacon, altar boys are doing)
- Sing the hymns and responses. Children learn how to worship in church by copying you.
- Incidental noise and movement are not reasons to take your child out of church. If a child's crying or movements become a distraction to others, then it is time to leave until they are calm.
- If you have to leave the church with your child, do so but please come back. Our Lord said, "Let the children come to me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of Heaven."
- Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and one another. Let them know that they are at home in our house of worship.

**TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH**

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing! Please welcome our children and give a little encouragement to their parents.

**PRESERVE AND PROMOTE OUR OWN TRADITIONS**

When you enter church, it is customary to first go to the Tetrapod Table up front, in the middle of church – there we are to make the sign of the cross, bow, and kiss the icon and cross displayed there. We then bow and make the sign of the cross again, and then go to light candles or take our place for Liturgy. In our Ukrainian Catholic Churches, we make the Sign of the Cross (holding together the right thumb, index and middle fingers) starting with our forehead, then to our mid-chest, then to our right shoulder first, then the left shoulder. Also in our churches, we do not genuflect (brief bending of the right knee towards the altar) - instead, we make the sign of the cross the Eastern way, and then bow towards the altar. And remember that church is a holy place so try to keep quiet (not to talk or laugh loudly) in the Church before, during, or after the church services. Let's preserve and promote our own and beautiful traditions

**Please take note.**Please remember to take your Sunday Bulletin with you home rather than leaving it on the pew, it will help you to remember the services and the events going on in your church. Much time and effort goes into the publishing of our bulletin so, please use it a resource! If you haven't yet picked up last Sunday's bulletin, it is available on the side table in the church vestibule, or on our website,  
<http://www.assumptioncatholicchurch.net>

### **Church Etiquette**

- Please be on time for services; those arriving late should not approach the Chalice for Communion.
- To receive Communion, one must be a baptized/chrismated Catholic Christian who has prepared by prayer, fasting, alms giving, and regular confession.
- Men, women, and children: please dress modestly for services. The general rule for men and women is to dress appropriately, modestly and respectfully, because we stand before the living God. The people of our church wear everything from casual pants to suits, long dresses to skirts, and shirts with or without ties. Some women wear head coverings, but this is not required. Men are asked not to wear head coverings (baseball caps, etc.) in the nave, the main part of the church.
- Please remove lip balm or lipstick before receiving Communion or kissing the holy icons, Chalice, or Gospel.

### **FROM THE SAYINGS OF THE DESERT FATHERS**

A hunter, wandering through the desert, came upon Abba Anthony while he was making jokes with the brethren; and he was shocked. Wishing to teach the hunter that it is necessary sometimes to relax with the brethren, the old man said to him: "Put an arrow in your bow and bend it." The hunter did so. "Bend it a little more," said Anthony. The hunter obeyed. "And still more," Anthony told him. "But if I draw the string too tight," said the hunter, "the bow will snap." And the old man said to him: "It is the same in the work of God. If in the case of the brethren we draw the string too tight, they will snap under the strain. So it is necessary sometimes to relax with them." When the hunter heard this, he was filled with compunction, and profiting much from what the old man had said, he went his way. And the brethren, greatly strengthened, departed to their own place.

### **I HAVE NO HANDS BUT YOURS**

A soldier in World War II was given the task of gathering up the pieces and fragments of a statue of Christ that was destroyed when the cathedral that housed it was destroyed by bombs and mortar. He found every piece and fragment, and they were turned over to an artist, whose labor of love it was to reconstruct the icon. Even though it took him months, he accomplished the work, and the statue was returned to its pedestal. One part of the Christ was missing, however. The soldier could not find the hands of Christ. Both the soldier and the artisan considered their work incomplete without the hands. However, one day as the craftsman was viewing the statue with the missing hands, he got a wonderful idea. Instead of Christ's hands being raised in blessing, as they originally were, the craftsman placed an ornate, but simple, sign at the base of the handless replica. These were the words of the sign: "I have no hands, but yours." Will you give your hands - your time and abilities - to your church.