

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**18th Sunday After Pentecost, October 8, 2017**

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

11:30 AM Lit. + John Patulak Jr. r/by Family

Monday, October 9, 2017

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

7:30 AM Lit. Health of John Wawrzynski r/by Mary Ann

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

7:30 AM Lit. + Anna Baralecki r/by M.S.M.G.

Thursday, October 12, 2017

7:30 AM Lit. + Harry & Marie Fedynyshyn - Legate

Friday, October 13, 2017

8:45 AM Lit. + William Kelly r/by ACS Faculty

Saturday, October 14, 20178:00 AM Lit. and Pan. + George & Maria Tulnew
r/by Nick & Olga

5:00 PM Lit. + Josef & Eva Rylyk

r/by Marie Frankel and Family

Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council, Oct. 15, 2017*Epistle - 2 Cor 11:31-12:9; Gospel - Lk 8:5-15*

9:00 AM Lit. + Nastia Yurechko r/by Luba Bilowchtchuk

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

Calendar Dinner Dance

St. Ann Society will sponsor the annual Calendar Dinner Dance on Saturday, Oct. 21, 2017, in the school auditorium. Enjoy a night of dining and dancing: appetizers and a lavish buffet by *Palms Plaza* and DJ music by *Touch of Class*. Doors open at 6:00 PM, buffet at 7:00 PM. As always, byob. Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased by calling the church office at 732-826-0767, or from members.

Autumn Breakfast Buffet

The Holy Name Society will sponsor an all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet on Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Assumption Catholic School cafeteria, 380 Meredith St., Perth Amboy, NJ. The menu includes eggs, pancakes and waffles made to order, bacon, sausage, hash browns, egg soufflé, fruits, juice and coffee or tea, and more... Tickets are available following liturgies or by calling Charlie Boyko at 732-254-3966. Adults, \$10; teens 12-17, \$5; children under 12 free.

Memorial Concerts

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the establishment of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army, whose members sacrificed their lives fighting for a sovereign, independent Ukrainian state during World War II. Equally important is the 70th Anniversary of Akcja "Wisla", the forced deportation of over 150,000 Ukrainians from their ancestral lands. These are momentous milestones in the history of Ukraine and the Ukrainian American diaspora. In this historic commemorative year, a National Committee has planned a cultural evening of solidarity and remembrance. On October 14, 2017, at 5pm, a Memorial Concert will take place at the Ukrainian American Cultural Center in Whippany, NJ. On October 15, 2017, at 2pm, a Memorial Concert will take place at the Ukrainian Educational & Cultural Center in Philadelphia, PA. Among other performances, the featured entertainers will be Taras Chubay and the Pikkdardiyska Tertsiya, all well-known artists from Lviv, Ukraine.

St. Ann Society

The Rosary will be recited on Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the church. A meeting will follow in the church hall. Hostesses are M. Cahn, C. Grausam and C. Iacuzio.

A Tupperware Party will be held at the meeting. Ellen the Tupperware Lady will take orders and display some terrific items. Or, you can go online to order:

<http://www.tupperware.com/?fundraiser=59d42a759b4483644971def4>

You can also call Colette at 732-501-3431 if you have any questions or wish to place an order.

WHO ARE WE?

Often churches advertise their 'welcome' to different groups of people - like a coffee shop listing the different sorts of available beverage - but then you might not fall into one of the categories! Just like anywhere else our congregation has people who are good at celebrating difference and some who just get on with people. This welcome piece talks about the warmth of welcome, the quality of welcome, the depth of welcome that we hope you find here at Assumption Church. The welcome that we've found in the heart of God, we'd love to share with you too. All are welcome here. But, we extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, filthy rich, dirt poor, yo no habla Ingles or don't speak Ukrainian. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail, or could afford to lose a few pounds. You are welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up, or just got out of jail. We don't judge you if you've been in church every Sunday your whole life, or haven't been since your niece's baptism. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We offer a special welcome to those who work way too hard, don't work at all, can't spell, have a PhD or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts, WE WELCOME YOU!

**TRAGEDY CONFRONTS OUR THOUGHTS
AS TO THE VALUE OF LIFE**

By Metropolitan Stefan Soroka

The recent tragic loss of life and well-being in Las Vegas and from the terrorism act in Edmonton, Canada, preceded by the loss of life and major hardships experienced as a result of hurricanes in the Caribbean Islands, Puerto Rico, Florida and Texas have caused all of us to reflect on the preciousness of life. As we pray for the victims of these tragedies, we reflect on the gift of life each of us is given. One's thoughts during prayers are filled with thanksgiving for the gift of life. We renew our personal resolve to value and cherish this precious gift of life shared with loved ones. Hopefully each of us will be motivated to give greater thought and commitment to efforts to value and protect life from the conception of life to natural death. Perhaps our best testimony to the innocent lives lost in the tragedies of recent weeks could be our own commitment to ensure respect for life from conception to natural death.

The gift of life is endangered by destructive forces of nature, and the manipulative and controlling hearts and minds of humanity. Innocent life is daily taken by those who advocate abortion and euthanasia. Our efforts are needed to support people in every stage of life. Can we do more to advocate and assist those who are mentally and physically handicapped? The weak and elderly also require our love and attention for their special needs.

Let's cherish the gift of life given to us generously by God. Express our gratitude to Almighty God in our prayers and with thankful hearts. Our expressions of gratitude ought to lead us to active commitment to love and serve in whatever ways are presented to us in the journey of life. Each October we renew our commitment for RESPECT FOR LIFE! Celebrate the giftedness of life given to us by God.

Senior Citizens Club will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 12:00 noon in the church hall. Hope to see you there!