

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**14th Sunday After Pentecost, August 26, 2018**

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

11:00 AM Lit. + Joanie Bigos r/by Ron & Irene

Monday, August 27, 20188:00 AM Lit. + Katherine Brandafi (40 days)
r/by Son Emil and Family**Tuesday, August 28, 2018**8:00 AM Lit. for Health and Blessings of family members
r/by Olga Galagoza**Wednesday, August 29, 2018**8:00 AM Lit. for God's Blessings for Lubomyr
r/by Kalna Lubomira**Thursday, August 30, 2018**

No Liturgy Scheduled

Friday, August 31, 2018

8:00 AM Lit. + Steve and Mary Melnykevich r/by Family

Saturday, September 1, 20188:00 PM Lit. for Health of Oksana, Yuriy, Iryna
r/by Ihor and Nadia Ckalinichouk

5:00 PM Lit. + William Adamshick r/by Joyce, Mike, Bill

15th Sunday After Pentecost, September 2, 2018

Epistle - 2 Cor 1:21-2:4; Gospel - Mt 22:35-46

9:00 AM Lit. + Katarzyna Hnat

r/by Sister, Bobbie and Family

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

Children's Bible Summer Camp.

The Summer Camp for parish children Grades 1 to 5 has been scheduled for Mon.- Wed., August 27-28-29, 2018, 9:00 a.m-3:00 p.m. in our church hall. Every day, we'll pray, make crafts, participate at various outdoor activities, and have lunch prepared by Fr. Ivan at the church rectory. Under the leadership of Mrs. Melanie Fedynyshyn we will strive to teach children about Christ and their need for a Savior at an early age as well as how to grow in their relationship with Him.

The Divine Liturgy During the Centralia Call to Prayer Marian Pilgrimage Will Be Broadcast On EWTN

On Tuesday, August 28 at 3:30 PM ET, EWTN will telecast the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy celebrated by Bishop Andriy Rabyi, Bishop John Bura, Bishop Ronald Gainer and Bishop Kurt Burnette, which was recorded during the Call to Prayer Marian Pilgrimage in Centralia, Pa. Responses were sung by the choir of Ukrainian National Shrine of the Holy Family, Washington, D.C. Watch on your EWTN TV Channel or at the following website:

www.ewtn.com/multimedia/live_player.asp?sat=dome

2019 Donation Envelopes

We are now in the process of ordering envelopes for 2019. If there are any changes to name or address, please contact the church secretary. If you did not receive envelopes and wish to be a **registered parishioner**, please fill out the blue registration form at the back of the church and drop it into the collection basket or contact the rectory. Anyone wishing to act as a sponsor for a baptism, confirmation, etc., must be a registered parishioner.

Liturgy Schedule

On Sunday, September 2, 2018 we will return to our regular Sunday Liturgy Schedule, 9:00 & 11:30 AM.

A Blessing of the Backpacks and the School Year

As we prepare to welcome back the staff and pupils to our parish school for the new academic year, we ask that ACS students and all children of our parish who attend different schools to bring their backpacks to Divine Liturgies on Sunday, September 2nd at 9:00 am or 11:30 am to have them blessed. Prior to this blessing at the end of Liturgy, all children and youth in the congregation are asked to come forward, bringing their backpacks to be blessed.

27th Anniversary of Ukrainian Independence**Prayer for Ukraine.**

Almighty Father, You said that when two or three are gathered in your name - you would be among them. Remembering Your words and having received the land of Ukraine for our heritage, we ask you today to prove us mindful of this great blessing.

Bless our ancestral homeland Ukraine and these United States with honorable works, sound learning, and good manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion;

from pride and arrogance. Defend liberty which is an expression of your Divine Will. During this time of difficulty throughout our ancestral homeland Ukraine fill our hearts with gratitude, and grant the people of Ukraine, and all of us the grace to continue to trust in You and Your mercy as we did in previous days of trouble. We ask this for we know that you are a gracious and loving God in whom we are blessed through the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, always now and ever and to the ages of ages. AMEN.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

- **Are Byzantine Catholics really Catholic?**

Unequivocally, YES. We are Catholics in union with the Bishop of Rome (the Pope) whom we recognize as the visible Head of the Catholic Church. The Catholic Church is a communion of churches. It is composed of churches from the Eastern Tradition and Western Tradition, also known as Roman Catholic. The Eastern churches, also called Eastern rites, help to complete the fullness of the Catholic Church, both historically as the customs developed over centuries and theologically. As Catholics, Eastern and Roman Catholics share the same faith and same sacraments; the way of expressing them differs. The difference is that we Eastern Catholics have a distinctive way or rite of expressing our faith in regards to Liturgy and customs.

There are many Eastern churches, each with their own heritage of theology, liturgy, and discipline developed with their own respective languages, and ecclesiastical organizations. They are identified by their national origin, such as Ruthenian and Ukrainian (those of eastern Slavic descent), Hungarian, Romanian, Armenian, Chaldean (Iraq), Maronite (Lebanon), and Syrian.

- **What is the Byzantine Catholic Church?**

At the Last Supper, after Jesus changed bread and wine into His own Body and Blood, He told His disciples to "Do this in Memory of me." This they did. As the disciples brought the Gospel to different parts of the world, they adapted ceremonies of the Liturgy to the customs and music of that people. In the end, four great centers of Christianity emerged with distinctive Christian customs, but the same faith. These centers were located in the great cities of Jerusalem, Antioch, Rome and Alexandria. A couple of centuries later when the capital of the Roman Empire was moved to the Eastern city of Byzantium and renamed Constantinople, an adaptation of the Antiochian way of celebrating Liturgy was made. Thus a new center of Christianity arose in Constantinople and her ritual became known as the Byzantine Rite. From Constantinople the Slavic peoples of Eastern Europe were converted by Sts. Cyril and Methodius and naturally followed the Byzantine Rite

OFFICE closed, Monday -Friday from 9-3pm

Our parish secretary Anna will

be off this week and Fr. Ivan

will be involved with the Bible Camp,

so in case of an emergency call

his cell 202-368-2408 or call the office after 3 pm.

**Reminder for families of individuals who are admitted to hospital.**

If you or a family member is admitted to hospital and you wish to have a priest visit, please be sure to have someone call the rectory to make this request. Your pastor may have no other way of knowing that you are in hospital, as privacy legislation restricts the information that can be given to him by the hospital.

Holy Name Society

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