PENTECOST SUNDAY Epistle - Acts 2;1-11; Gospel - Jn 7:37-52 & 8:12; Festal Tone

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
Monday, June 1, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Maria Kuzyszyn
r/by Dmytro and Olga Bilecki
Wednesday, June 3, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Lillian, William Henderson;
Mary, Michael Waverczak - Legate
Thursday, June 4, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. health for Leonid Shikman
r/by Halyna Lavriv
Friday, June 5, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Stefan Palka r/by Patricia Bernstein
Saturday, June 6, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Peter, Pauline, Dn. Arthur, Mildred, Arthur
r/by Irene Dochych
5:00 PM - Lit. + Joe Melnykevich r/by Family
Sunday of All Saints, June 7, 2020
Epistle -Heb 11:32-12:2a;
Gospel - Mt 10:32-33, 37-38 & 19:27-30
9:00 AM - Lit. God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

TODAY: Pentecost - the descent of the Holy Spirit.

Pentecost is the celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit. This feast also marks the conclusion of the Easter season. At Pentecost, we celebrate the completion of Christ's work of salvation and the beginning of the work and movement of the Spirit among us. This is the day the Church was born and the apostles were anointed to preach the Gospel of Christ. Today the Spirit lives in the Church and in each one of us and prays on our behalf. Through the Gospel, the Holy Spirit renews the Church and leads it to perfect union with Jesus Christ.

It must be noted that the feast of Pentecost is not simply the celebration of an event which took place centuries ago. *It is the celebration of what must happen and does happen to us in the Church today*. Each Pentecost brings us an opportunity for grace. We all have died and risen with Christ in our baptism. We all have received his Most Holy Spirit in our Christmation. Jesus sends us the Spirit, the breath of the Father. We are the "temples of the Holy Spirit". The Spirit reveals Christ to us and forms Him in us so that we may reveal Him to others. Our souls should be open to the many gifts the Spirit has given to the Church and the faithful. We need to submit to the voice of the Spirit and be guided wherever it leads.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth, Who are everywhere present and fill all things, Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of Life, come and dwell within us; cleanse us of all that defiles us and O Good One, save our souls.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in these Holy Gifts! I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot receive You now, I place before You my whole life and hope, O loving Master; and I ask, pray, and entreat You: Make me worthy to partake in a mystical way and with a pure conscience of Your awesome and heavenly Mysteries: for forgiveness of sins, for the pardon of offenses, for communion of the Holy Spirit, for the inheritance of the kingdom of heaven, for confidence before You, and not for judgment or condemnation. I embrace You as You enter and abide in me, and I unite myself completely to You. Permeate my soul and body, and never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Father's Day - June 16

Please remember to use your Father's Day Remembrance envelope so that your father's name may be included in the Divine Liturgy. Please write your father's name clearly. Do not put "same as last year." Separate names of living fathers and deceased fathers.

SCHOOL NEWS: Our three top academic achievers.

Even though Assumption Catholic School in Perth Amboy, NJ is temporarily closed because of the coronavirus outbreak, the ACS school administration and dedicated teachers still found a way to deliver some good news to three deserving seniors. Escorted by a group of wonderful Perth Amboy Police Officers, ACS honored the top three academic achievers. The excitement was genuine as the sirens rang out and Father Ivan, Mrs. Pickering, Mrs. Garcia and the principal Mrs. Shumny presented each student with posters, and a special gift in recognition of their hard work. We are honored to announce:

- Caeleb C: Assumption Catholic School's Class of 2020 Valedictorian
- Nazariy B: Assumption Catholic School's Class of 2020 Salutatorian
- Shayla C: Assumption Catholic School's Class of 2020 Honorable Mention

Members of each student's families were as excited as we were! Many blessings to each one!

Congratulations 2020 Graduates

If you have someone in your family who will be graduating from Kindergarten to College this year, please submit their name and a short narrative to the Rectory Office.

Please Email to: assumptionchurch@verizon.net

Help is offered.

Are there any parishioners who are struggling at this time due to the Covid-19 unemployment and shut down? St. Ann Society would be willing to purchase gift cards for ShopRite or Walmart to help deserving parishioners in need. It would be anonymous. Only Fr. Ivan would know who the recipients are. Our Christian ladies from St. Ann Society would just like to help in some way. Please call me at 202-368-2408 if you or someone you know needs help.

Church open for private prayer.

We are getting closer to being open but I ask for your continued patience. Since only the priest and his cantor assistants are allowed to enter the church for the foreseeable future, we wanted to give you the opportunity to PRIVATELY pray in the church. Following the Archbishop's directives our Church will be open for private prayer on Saturday, from 10 am to 4 pm. Limited number of visitors at one time (no more than 10) according to NJ state guidelines and social distancing (minimum of 6 feet between visitors) to be observed. Wearing of masks required for all those making visit. Faithful from at risk groups as identified by CDC/NJ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH should remain at home.

Church Donations

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver their weekly envelopes to the Parish Office when they're unable to come to Divine Liturgy. Even in these times of so many changes, suspensions and disruptions, our bills to run our Parish and School still need to be paid. If you are financially able, please continue to support our us. You may mail your donations, drop them off at the office or put them in the mailbox slot in the front of the Parish Office. Last week we \$2,723 in donations received to support our parish. Thank you for your continued support and understanding. Stay well and God bless!

Livestreamed Liturgies.

Join our live streamed Divine Liturgy every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on Facebook at

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