DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday of All Saints, June 7, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. God’s Blessings on Our Parishioners
Tuesday, June 9, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Frank Shary r/by Tom Dochyc
Wednesday, June 10, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Fr. Gus Molodowtiz r/ by Fr. Roman
Thursday, June 11, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + Helen and Frank Morgan - Legate
Friday, June 12, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + John Ilke r/ by Helen & Jeff
Saturday, June 13, 2020
9:00 AM - Lit. + John, Catherine, Andrew, Mary Bodnar;
Rose Chapel - Legate
5:00 PM - Lit. + Frank Clements r/ by Joyce Adamschick
2nd Sunday After Pentecost, June 14, 2020
Epistle - Rom 2:10-16; Gospel - Mt 4:18-23
9:00 AM - Lit. God’s Blessings on Our Parishioners

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 and deceased fathers.

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 church. 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 received $4,753 in donations to support our parish. Thank you for your continued support and understanding. Stay well and God bless!

Thank You,
• Marie Alvarez - for changing altar linens in our church for the Summer.
• Joseph Britton and Holy Name Society men - for placing American flags on our parish cemetery.
• Nadiya Prydyymirka - for planting flowers around the church and rectory.

Livestreamed Liturgies.
Join our live streamed Divine Liturgy every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/ivan.turk

Bible Study
This week, read with Fr. Ivan, the whole Paul’s letter to the Romans. Unlike us, Paul couldn’t meet his congregants on social media; he traveled extensively around the Mediterranean region proclaiming Christ, defending the nascent faith and leaving newly founded infant churches in his wake. To them he would send a letter or letters to keep up their spirits, cheer them on and admonish them when they went off in the wrong direction.

Metropolitan Borys Gudziak: “From Heart to Heart” is a proposal of an approach.
One year ago, on June 4, 2019 Bishop Borys Gudziak was enthroned in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia as the seventh Archbishop of Philadelphia and Metropolitan of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States. The beginning of his new ministry occurred in the context of the ‘From Heart to Heart’ Week of Prayer, Celebration, Unity, and Mission. On the occasion of this anniversary the ‘From Heart to Heart’ documentary - 17-minute film was created and directed by Petro Didula, which includes scenes from the enthronement ceremony led by His Beatitude Sviatoslav. The Divine Liturgy was attended by almost half of the bishops of the Synod of the UGCC, the Papal Nuncio Archbishop Christopher Pierre, the Cardinals of New York and Newark, and the former Archbishop of Philadelphia Charles Chaput, as well as by some 2000 lay persons. The program of the week included an inaugural lecture by George Weigel, a theological conference at the Catholic University of America, a Youth Day, a Healing Service, a festive barbecue and even an impromptu children’s football game in which the Metropolitan played quarterback. The film’s director presents a mosaic of impressions and reflections of participants of different ages, backgrounds, and languages. The documentary features Philadelphians who prepared the celebrations and those who came from different corners of North America, Europe, and Ukraine “as if this new bishop to Philadelphia with love” in the words of one commentator. The film touchingly presents the coming together of the diverse worlds in which Bishop Borys Gudziak has lived and served.

“This film, like the Week itself, shares a vision with the archeparchial community. It proposes an approach. Together we are searching for ways to answer the question on how to be Christians, the Church, Eastern Catholics of Ukrainian origin in the dynamic culture of twenty-first century America,” said Metropolitan Borys.

He noted that it is symbolic that the documentary is shown during the week when Christians who follow the Gregorian calendar have already celebrated the Sunday of the Pentecost, and those who follow the Julian calendar are still awaiting it. “Ultimately our ministry should be God’s work, not ours. We strive to open ourselves to the gifts of the Holy Spirit: understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord, to live and share them so that His fruits – charity, generosity, joy, gentleness, peace, faithfulness, patience, modesty, kindness, self-control, goodness, and chastity – come to life,” stressed the metropolitan.

The first year has been for the Metropolitan a year of encounter and becoming acquainted with parishes, schools, the youth, and civic organizations representing all waves and generations of the Ukrainian emigration. Before the quarantine restrictions set in, Archbishop Borys visited 43 of the 63 parishes of the Philadelphia Archeparchy. “I am getting to know twenty-first century America. I was received warmly and fraternally not only by the faithful in the Ukrainian Catholic community, but also by Roman Catholic bishops, American universities, and the Catholic media,” the archbishop said. “We need to reach out and share the charisms of our Church beyond historic ethnic confines, while continuing our ministry to new immigrants. The coronavirus crisis and deep divisions in American society indicate that there is great need for dedicated selfless service.”

“From Heart to Heart” was produced in Ukrainian and English. It can be viewed in both languages on the Philadelphia Archeparchy online resources.

English Version: https://youtu.be/nvV4Jdj6w8
Ukrainian Version: https://youtu.be/eWAzSn5kSvk

You can also watch on Zhyve TV at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TEqm9apW7Po&featu reinforce=youtu.be
Nazariy Bilichak is an ACS “original” and has been a student with us since Kindergarten. He is very involved at our school. He belongs to Track, Soccer, Basketball, and Bulldog News (he is our Youtube admin!). In addition, Nazariy belongs to our parish and is a trusted altar boy.

His academic accolades include taking Algebra I Honors at St. Thomas Aquinas and being a distinguished member of the ACS Chapter of the Junior Honor Society. Nazariy will be most remembered for always being reliable and being one of Mrs. Shumny’s go to helpers.

This is what he has to say:

What is your favorite class trip you’ve taken at ACS?
My favorite trip that I have taken at ACS has to be the trip we took to Six Flags Great Adventure because it was just a great experience and was very fun with all my teachers and friends.

What was your Jobs of the Future Project topic in 7th grade?
My Jobs of the Future Project topic was a sports agent. It is still my dream to grow up and become a sports agent to this day. I learned so much from this project.

What will you miss most about ACS?
What I will miss most about ACS is the family feeling and all the traditions we have at ACS. ACS is just so special and unique compared to other schools.

What is your favorite subject at school and why?
My favorite subject at school is definitely Math. It has never been very hard, sometimes a fun challenge for me but the subject comes easily to me and it’s interesting.

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**ONGOING PRAYER INTENTIONS DURING COVID-19:**

- For God’s protection for all of God’s children, for the health and safety of everyone during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, we pray to the Lord.
- For continuous coordinated efforts among individuals, nations and societies as we all work together to prevent further spread of the coronavirus, we pray to the Lord.
- For healthcare workers and all who are on the front-lines, especially those in positions of vulnerability as they work to serve their neighbors, we pray to the Lord.
- For those who are sick and suffering, especially for those who are isolated and without help, for their healing, we pray to the Lord.
- For those who have died, for eternal rest for their souls, and for peace and comfort for those they left behind, we pray to the Lord.

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**Eighth Grade Dinner and Show:**

We could not let our long ACS tradition of an eighth grade Farewell Dinner end! Thanks to the Class of 2021 we still gave the graduates a party - virtually of course!

The seventh grade surprised their eighth grade classmates sol by performing a skit about the successes of the Class of 2020. They talked about what each of the eighth graders would be doing 20 years from now. The Class of 2020 surprised the seventh graders with their words of wisdom for surviving eighth grade.

At the end of the fun, the Class of 2020 read their Last Will and Testament. Each graduate left a little something with an explanation about why they were leaving it. To top things off, pizza was delivered to each of the eighth grader’s doorsteps. The 8th graders loved the surprise.

All in all, the Class of 2020 was able to make some memories of their final days at ACS, and the Class of 2021 was given the baton for the leadership of the school next year. A little different than what we are used to, but still a tradition that will be remembered by everyone!

**ACS staff makes special visits to valedictorian and salutatorian students.**

Escorted by a group of wonderful Perth Amboy Police Officers we honored the top three academic achievers. The excitement was genuine as the sirens rang out and Father Ivan, Mrs. Pickering, Mrs. Garcia and Mrs. Shumny presented each student with posters, and a special gift in recognition of their hard work. We are honored to announce:

1. **Caelb C:** Assumption Catholic School’s Class of 2020 Valedictorian
2. **Nazariy B:** Assumption Catholic School’s Class of 2020 Salutatorian
3. **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!