#### **DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**

#### 9th Sunday After Pentecost, August 2, 2020

9:00 AM - Lit. God's Blessings on Our Parishioners 11:00 AM - Lit. + Steve Daisak (40th Day) r/by Family

Monday, August 3, 2020

9:00 AM - Lit. + Kateryna, Emil, Andriy, Vasyl r/by Maria Dzeva

Tuesday, August 4, 2020

9:00 AM - Lit. + Tekla and Wolodymyr Lewkowicz Ann & Roger Allen

Wednesday, August 5, 2929

9:00 AM - Lit. + Walter & Mary Lykosh - Legate

Thursday, August 6, 2020 Transfiguration of Our Lord

9:00 AM - Lit. + Charles, Anna, Nick, Olga, Judith Dachishen - Legate

6:00 PM - Lit. God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Friday, August 7, 2020

9:00 AM - Lit. Michailo and Antonina - son Taras

Saturday, August 8, 2020

9:00 AM - Lit. + Anna B. Pfeiffer

r/by Barbara Daisak and Family

5:00 PM - Lit. God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, August 9, 2020

Epistle - 1 Cor 4:9-16; Gospel - Mt 17:14-23

9:00 AM - Lit. Good Health and God's Blessings for Ihor on his Birthday r/by Parents, Grandmother, Sisters 11:00 AM - Lit. + Stefania, Steve Palyla r/by Family

#### **2021 Donation Envelopes**

We are now in the process of ordering envelopes for 2021. 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 or contact the rectory. Anyone wishing to act as a sponsor for a baptism, confirmation, etc., must be a registered parishioner. THE DEADLINE FOR CHANGES TO NAME OR ADDRESS IS AUGUST 9, 2020.

# 150 Anniversary of the birth

### of Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky.

Venerable Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky made the trans-Atlantic journey many times to see his people in both North and South America. He even came to Perth Amboy in 1921 for a pastoral visit to our Assumption Ukrainian Catholic Church where he met with those early parishioners who worshiped in the old church on Wayne Street. During his memorable visit He inspired the early parish community to persevere in its mission to establish a strong spiritual community of Ukrainian Catholics in Perth Amboy. After his visit numerous organizations were founded and plans for the parish school were set for the future.

## **FACTS ABOUT OUR PARISH**

The Saint Volodymyr Monument in front of our church is dedicated to the Great Prince of Kiev Volodymyr the Great. The blessing and unveiling of the life-sized bronze statue of St. Volodymyr the Great, sculpted by Paul Balog, on April 2, 1989, marked the closing of the Millennium of Christianity in Ukraine observance. Metropolitan Archbishop Stephen Sulyk presided at the preceding moleben service and blessing.

## <u>Website</u>

Bulletin Online! Hey, did you know that our bulletin is online as well as in print format? If you miss picking one up at Church, you can now find it on our website http://assumptioncatholicchurch.net

## Outreach.

Food Pantry donations are always accepted. Place nonperishable food items in chaple in the narthex (vestibule) of the church.

#### Pastor's Corner

It's hard to believe that the summer is half over! Hopefully, August will give us the opportunity to get some rest and refresh before beginning again in September. Whatever you are doing for the rest of the summer, have fun but remember - safety first! As we are asked to refrain from public gatherings, please consider mailing your weekly donation to our church office. The parish still needs to pay its bills. Thank you to everyone who has been sending in their donations during this pandemic times.

## **Special Visitor**

Saturday-Sunday August 8-9<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Roman Mirchuk former pastor of St. John the Baptist church in Whippany, NJ will be serving Divine Liturgies and be available for confession. For the past 5 years, Fr. Romanserved as an administrator of the a small church at the outskirts of Odessa, the southern of Ukraine. During the times of the Soviet Union and after Ukraine got independence, many people from the Western part of the country, who were traditionally Greek (Ukrainian) Catholic, moved to Odessa. Fr. Roman will stay at Assumption rectory until August 12 before he leaves for Ukraine. Please welcome him with support and our warm hospitality!

# <u>Jesus Walks On Water.</u>

In today's reading Jesus tells His Disciples and all of us "It is I; don't be afraid." The disciples had found themselves dealing with a strong wind, probably a cold night. That's why Jesus approached them by walking on water, to show them that He could and to show them that although this was impossible for man to do, with God, all things are possible. Why do we need to know this? Because God has called each one of us to do the impossible. He will always be with us if we are willing to take Him into our hearts.

#### Transfiguration Of Our Lord - August 6

On the sixth of August we celebrate the solemn feast of the Holy Transfiguration in commemoration of the glorious change in appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ on a "high mountain" (Mt. 17:1), which, since the fourth century, Christian tradition identifies with Mt. Tabor. The Fathers refer to Christ's transfiguration as to His "second epiphany" or the second manifestation of His divinity. After Liturgy we will have Blessing of Fruits. If you wish to have your fruit basket blessed, bring it to church. The blessing of fruits i.e., grapes, apples, etc., as well as vegetables on this day, is one very beautiful custom of our Church. The practice signifies the transfiguration of all things in Christ our Savior. "It signifies the ultimate flowering and fruitfulness of all creation in the Paradise of God's Kingdom of Life where all will be transformed by the Glory of the Lord".

# August 1 to 14: the Fast of the Dormition

The Feast of the Dormition (The Falling Asleep of Our Lady, the Most Holy Theotokos) is preceded by a twoweek fast, referred to as the Fast of the Dormition. Fasting, of course, is not holiness itself, but a tool to use on the path to holiness. How else might we supplement our work of fasting? Try spending ten minutes with the Lord in prayer every day. Call on the Holy Spirit to empower you to live a renewed life in Christ. Read a little from the Bible each day. Make an effort to extend love and forgiveness to someone. Let us resolve as a parish to seek God together during these coming days, and to ask His blessing upon our community. Recent rulings has made the Dormition Fast optional, but we should really try to make some effort to keep it to the best of our ability for it is an ancient tradition of the church and an additional way to show love and respect for the Mother of God.

## ACS's Motorcycle Ride!

Thanks to our Family Schoo association for organizing this special evemt/ A motorcycle run and BBQ was a great way to raise funds and awareness of Assumption Catholic School in the city of Perth Amboy, NJ