

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**Sunday After the Exaltation of the Cross, Sept. 20, 2020**

9:00 AM - Lit. + Bill Adamshick r/by Joyce & Sons

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

Thursday, September 24, 2020

8:00 AM - Lit. + Vasil & Joanna r/by Kobryn Family

Friday, September 25, 2020

8:45 AM - Lit. + David Mele r/by Tom Dochych

Saturday, September 26, 2020

11:00 AM - Lit. for First Confession and

Solemn Holy Communion children

5:00 PM - Lit. Blessings for Edward & Carol Bishop

60th Wedding Anniversary**17th Sunday After Pentecost, Sept. 27, 2020***Epistle - 2 Cor 6:16-7:1; Gospel - Lk 5:1-11*

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Anna Kuzniak r/by Ana & Ron Mascenik

Reconciliation and First Solemn Holy Communion*Dear Parent,*

May is the month many of you eagerly awaited because it was time for your child to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Solemn Holy Communion (Eucharist) at Assumption parish. Sadly, this year the coronavirus has caused many of our parishes in the Archdiocese to postpone this momentous milestone in the spiritual lives of our children. Not wanting our young students to think they have been forgotten, this fall Assumption parish is planning to offer sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Solemn Holy Communion to boys and girls of our parish.

Reconciliation and First Solemn Holy Communion (Same Day): **Saturday, September 26, 2020** all children are to be in the church hall promptly at 10:00 a.m. Parents will drop the children in the hall and will go to take their seats in church.

Fr. Ivan will hear confession from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the church. After confessions children will go back to the church hall with the catechist teacher Mrs. Nancy Bialkowski and prepare to walk in procession just before the Liturgy and take their places in their assigned seats in the front of the church. The bilingual Divine Liturgy will take place at 11:00 a.m.

As we begin the new catechetical year 2020 let us take time to meditate on the reflections, grow in our love and gratitude for the gift of the Holy Eucharist, sharing that love with those entrusted to our care. May we all Faith-fully navigate through this pandemic, knowing and trusting that God is With Us.

Donation to Church

\$50.00 - Robert & Helen Cheloc, in memory of
+ LYDIA KOSSAK KERNITSKY

Calling All Substitute Teachers.

If you have a bachelor's degree in any field, we need you! We invite you to be part of our Catholic school family by becoming a short or a long time substitute teacher. For more information, call the church office 732-826-0767 or Assumption Principal Mrs. Shumny 732-826-8721.

What should I do when there is a death in my family ...?

Please call the funeral home. The funeral home will call the parish office and speak with the office staff and the pastor, making arrangements, to ensure that the church is available at the desired day and time.

Annual Spiritual Clergy Retreat.

This week, a Spiritual Retreat will be held for priests and deacons of our Archeparchy.

Many Thanks and Blessings to all who have helped and are helping to set up the church building so that it conforms to the requirements laid out by the authorities. And Many Thanks to all who are keeping up the grounds around the church property. May the Lord bless and reward them all.

The Sunday Morning Coffee Social after 9:00 am Liturgy is cancelled until further notice due to the Corona virus.

School Fundraising

Last year Assumption Catholic School started a multi-year effort to bring more Chromebooks to our school with the goal of getting our Chromebook computer to student ratio to 1:1. When the coronavirus pandemic forced a shutdown of our school in the spring of 2020, the newly purchased chromebooks helped us to support hybrid and distance learning. With the plan of purchasing an additional 50 Chromebooks (\$300 each) this academic school year, our goal is to eventually be able to assign each student their own Chromebook, which will be safer than having multiple students use the same Chromebook. If we have to go back to on-line school in November, we want each student to get their own Chromebook to take home for the whole school year. Any donation from our parishioners for this fundraising campaign, big or small, is greatly appreciated.

What was the Virgin Mary's real name?

In the English-speaking world, it is easy to forget that all of the biblical characters had "different" names than what we say in our language. Both Jesus and Mary had names that were originally in Hebrew or Aramaic and had deep spiritual meaning.

The English word "Mary" is a translation of the Hebrew "Myriam," which would have been her real name. First of all the Hebrew form of Mary is *miryam* and some biblical scholars have seen in it the Hebrew words *mar* (bitter) and *yam* (sea). This first meaning can refer to Mary's bitter suffering at the cross and her many tears of sorrow.

Another interpretation of the word *mar* renders Mary's name to mean "drop of the sea" and St. Jerome rendered it in Latin as *stilla maris*, which was later changed to *stella* (star) *maris*. This accounts for a popular title for Mary as "Star of the Sea." Mariners at the time were accustomed to looking at the stars to find guidance and to discern which direction they were going and so calling Mary *Stella Maris* referred to Mary's ability to guide sinners along the path to Eternal Shores.

Basilian Sisters Pilgrimage in Philadelphia.

The Pilgrimage to the Mother of God scheduled for Sunday, October 4, has been CANCELLED. However Live Stream is available on YouTube.

We were hopeful that a modified schedule and comprehensive safety precautions would allow us to host pilgrims in person. However, after further prayer and consideration, we have made this difficult decision to eliminate any possibility of spreading illness. Your health and the health of our Sisters are of paramount importance.

Thank you in advance for your understanding. Be assured that we will continue to remember your intentions and pray for an end to the pandemic.

Sr. Dorothy Ann Busowski, OSBM - Provincial

Religious Education For Children.

Please register your children for the 2020-2021 First Confession and Solemn Holy Communion classes using the following short form. The Catechetical classes will be led by Mrs. Nancy Bialkowski starting SUNDAY, October 11, 2020 for our parish children (6-7 years old). Depending on the number of children, classes will be held at the church hall or sister's convent. We need the total enrollment for each class so we can order books and supplies as soon as possible for the upcoming school year.

Please provide the following information:

Child's Name _____

Parent's Name & Telephone Number _____

Child's Birth Date _____

Current Grade Level _____

Please, register your child on the yellow form at the back of the church or contact Fr. Ivan at 732-826-0767 if you need further assistance. You may also clip along the dotted line above and below and drop this slip, completed, in the collection basket.