

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**20th Sunday After Pentecost, October 10, 2021**

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Dolores Peles r/by Tom Smith

Monday, October 11, 2021

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

7:30 AM - Lit. + Harry, Mary Fedynyshyn - Legate

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

7:30 AM - Lit. Special Intention

Thursday, October 14, 2021

7:30 AM - Lit. + Natalia and + Anastasia

Friday, October 15, 2021

8:45 AM - Lit. + Julian Torres r/by ACS

Saturday, October 16, 2021

8:00 AM - Lit. + Nykonor, Yakylyna Zinkevych r/by Family

5:00 PM - Lit. + Helena Kawanka r/by Stanislawa Tobiasz

Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council, October 17, 2021

Epistle - Gal 2:16-20; Gospel - Lk 8:5-15

9:00 AM - Lit. + Joseph Walter Yurechko

r/by Vladimir & Halyna Lojko

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

Religious Education For Children.

Please register your children for the 2021-2022 First Confession and Solemn Holy Communion classes. The Catechetical classes will be led by Mrs. Nancy and Kenny Bialkowski, starting this SUNDAY, October 10 for our parish children (6-7 years old). Classes will be held at the Assumption Catholic School building from 10 -11 am. 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.

Orchid Flower Donations.

The lovely orchid flowers we see this week on the side altars of our church were recently donated by the following people:

- Yuri and Iryna Rashkevych - for 15th Anniversary of Marriage
- Ann Marie Stek - in memory of mother, Anna Stek
- Olga Yurechko - God's Blessing and health.

The bright colors remind us of God's beauty. What better way to lift our spirits and remember nature's beauty than to include some of that beauty in our own church worship. Throughout the year, please buy orchids, bring them to our church as a donation and place them before the side altar. You may designate to Fr. Ivan that you are placing flowers in honor a friend or family member, to remember a loved one, to celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or for any reason you wish.

Say the Holy Rosary.

October is a special month dedicated to Mary. She, above all the saints, point us toward Christ. Like any good friend (the saints after all are our friends walking with us in this life), Mary is there to help us from her place before the throne of God. During this month we focus especially on the great prayer of the Rosary. The Rosary is a great weapon for our spiritual combat both in our own struggles and in the struggles of those whom we love and care for. Sometimes we feel utterly helpless in helping others - here is a way to intercede for them and bring great grace into that fight. The Rosary is a great gift. Let us pray it well for ourselves and others. One last recommendation - put a rosary on your pillow as a reminder to pray before you go to bed.

- *"The Rosary is a long chain that links heaven and earth. One end of it is in our hands and the other end is in the hands of the Holy Virgin...The Rosary prayer rises like incense to the feet of the Almighty. Mary responds at once like a beneficial dew, bringing new life to human hearts." Saint Thérèse of Lisieux*

NEXT Saturday, October 16th at 4:15 pm , please join me in our parish as we pray the Rosary for our parish and for our nation.

Welcome Sisters!

This Sunday, we welcome to our parish Mother Mary of the Immaculate Conception Ambrogio, Provincial Superior of the Sisters Servants of the Lord the Virgin of Matará, SSVM who joins us at the Liturgy and later discusses with Fr. Ivan and Bishop Andriy Rabyi, the final details of our new sisters work and stay at the parish convent. As you already know, Sr. Veronica is already here in America and Sr. Maria is coming on October 18.

Let's pray that they have a successful apostolate in our Assumption community and help many people come closer to the Lord through their service.

WHO ARE WE?

Often churches advertise their 'welcome' to different groups of people - like a coffee shop listing the different sorts of available beverage - but then you might not fall into one of the categories! Just like anywhere else our congregation has people who are good at celebrating difference and some who just get on with people. This welcome piece talks about the warmth of welcome, the quality of welcome, the depth of welcome that we hope you find here at Assumption Church. The welcome that we've found in the heart of God, we'd love to share with you too. All are welcome here. But, we extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, filthy rich, dirt poor, yo no habla Ingles or don't speak Ukrainian. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail, or could afford to lose a few pounds. You are welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up, or just got out of jail. We don't judge you if you've been in church every Sunday your whole life, or haven't been since your niece's baptism. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We offer a special welcome to those who work way too hard, don't work at all, can't spell, have a PhD or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts, WE WELCOME YOU!

RESPECT LIFE MONTH 2021 | REFLECTION

St. Joseph: Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ "came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph". The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come. While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God's plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, *"God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child"*.

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, "in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat'". His "yes" to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us. During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him *"an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble"*.

Joseph shows us how to say "yes" to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was "chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true 'miracle' by which God saves the child and his mother." May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life.

Dear St. Joseph, you who were "able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence," help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.