

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

9th Sunday After Pentecost, August 7, 2022

9:00 AM - Lit. + Col. Joseph Petronis - Legate

11:00 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Saturday, August 13, 2022

5:00 PM - Lit. + Charles A. Stek r/by Ann Marie Stek

10th Sunday After Pentecost, August 14, 2022

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

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

11:00 AM - Lit. + Arthur Kara - Legate

For our Visitors this morning!

If this is your first visit to at the Divine liturgy we welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! The Eastern Catholic Church traces her lineage back to the Day of Pentecost, the birth of the New Testament Church. We are liturgical in worship, using the liturgies developed in the fourth century and attributed to St. John Chrysostom, and St. Basil the Great; also, the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy attributed to St. Gregory Dialogos, Pope of Rome. Liturgy literally means, "work of the people," and it seems these services are attributed to these three saints because they were in every sense of the word champions of the people, caring for their flocks with true wisdom and discernment, and not afraid to suffer on their behalf, and on behalf of the truth.

We are the "Church of the Bible" since it was in the bosom of the Church that the New Testament developed and was given birth. We are hierarchical in structure, visibly witnessing to, and manifesting, the reality that the grace of God flows from our one great High Priest and Hierarch, Jesus Christ, through the communion of hierarchs throughout the world to the entire body of the faithful, even to the smallest child.

The apex of our worship experience is to commune with God in the Body and Blood of Christ. He Himself taught in the Gospel of St. John, "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this bread he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh...For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed." (Jn 6:51,55)

In light of this, the Divine Liturgy of our Church is essentially Eucharistic, meaning it is offered in thanksgiving to the One Triune God who continuously sends down the Holy Spirit upon us and the bread and wine that we offer, making these humble things, for us the unworthy, the precious Body and Blood of Christ.

Please note that Holy Communion is reserved only for Catholic Christians who have prepared themselves with prayer and fasting to receive the Holy Mysteries. May the Lord richly bless your worship with us in this morning's Divine Liturgy!

ON VACATION - Our Pastor, Fr. Ivan Turyk will be on vacation through August 19. Rev. Vsevolod Shevchuk of Akron, OH will substitute for him on the weekend.

Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate 68th Holy Dormition Pilgrimage August 13-14, 2022 Sloatsburg, New York.

Our Loving Mother, Under Your Patronage, Welcome Your Children, We beseech You! Most Rev. Paul Chomnycky, Bishop of the Eparchy of Stamford, Homilist. Most Rev. Bohdan Danylo Bishop of the Eparchy of Parma, Presenter. "I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcome me,... " God calls us to give them hope. - Mt.25:35. Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate 68th Holy Dormition Pilgrimage August 13-14, 2022 Sloatsburg, New York. Our Loving Mother, Under Your Patronage, Welcome Your Children, We beseech You! Most Rev. Paul Chomnycky, Bishop of the Eparchy of Stamford, Homilist. Most Rev. Bohdan Danylo Bishop of the Eparchy of Parma Presenter. "I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcome me,... " God calls us to give them hope. - Mt.25:35.

August 1 to 14: the Fast of the Dormition.

The Feast of the Dormition is preceded by a two week fast, referred to as the Fast of the Dormition. Let us resolve as a parish to seek God together during these coming days, and to ask His blessing upon our community.

2022 Parish Summer Bible Camp Recap!

On the first day of our parish Bible Camp in Perth Amboy, NJ, children participated in a memorable day full of fun activities and enriching classes on the theme "Jesus in Paradise". My heart's desire is that these children will take what they have learned on this first day and continue to live it out in every area of their life.

On the second day, the parish youth had the opportunity to expand their knowledge in faith and culture by participating in activities with the theme "Walking with Jesus." The day started with the celebration of the Divine Liturgy by His Grace Bishop Andriy Rabyi and continued with many interesting activities that included: the Bible Trivia session, making sand crosses, playing soccer and basketball, baking with love, and faithful painting. Every year the children look forward to this camp where they form lifelong friendships and experience the joy and beauty of our Catholic faith and Ukrainian culture.

Last Day of Parish Bible Camp - "Luau with the Lord!" In three days of camp, there were lots of good food, amazing projects and many new friendships made. It was heartwarming to see so many children play so well together with such cooperation, sharing, and understanding of each other. A group of 48 children in grades 2 thru 8 who could play and work together for hours without bickering, teasing or drama of any kind is not easy to come by. Thanks to our amazing Principal, school teachers and dedicated parish volunteers and all campers and their families. Guided by the Holy Spirit, they truly created a sense of community through prayer, friendship, and support for these children. It is because of caring parents, children and wonderful volunteers that Assumption parish will continue to grow.

2023 Donation Envelopes

It is that time of year when we prepare a list for next year's church donation envelopes. If there are any changes or corrections to your name or address, please contact the rectory office by phone or email. If you do not have envelopes and wish to be considered an active registered parishioner, please contact the office.

Ukraine Relief

As a parish, we are accepting monetary donations to aid in relief efforts in Ukraine. If you desire to give, simply place your donation (made payable to Assumption Church) in the collection basket in a clearly marked envelope.

BINGO IS COMING BACK !

This September, our parish is looking to restart one of our most important and longest running fundraisers.... Wednesday Night Bingo! Please help spread the word, tell your friends, consider coming out to play or volunteer as a bingo worker. We recently applied for the bingo license and are waiting for the response from the NJ State.

War in Ukraine: Support for children and their education.

Five months of war have been devastating for Ukraine's families. Some of the families with children have already arrived to the USA and enrolled their children to our parish school but are having difficulties with paying full tuition. Some children just came with mom because dads are staying back in Ukraine defending their country. Please consider donating or becoming "School Angel" for a newly arrived student from Ukraine.

Questions and Answers about Our Faith

- ***At the Transfiguration, the apostles seemed to know that the persons conversing with Jesus were Moses and Elijah. How?***

The Gospels do not explain how the disciples were able to recognize Moses and Elijah at the Transfiguration, so any answer is a guess. Possible ways the disciples were able to recognize Moses and Elijah:

Jesus referred to them by name in his conversation with them, and the disciples overheard it. The disciples overheard the conversation, and the context informed them with whom Jesus was speaking. They had something unique about their appearance that made them readily recognizable (Exodus 34:29; 2 Kings 1:8). There was some sort of heavenly announcement that wasn't recorded in the Gospels. Jesus explained to the disciples who they were. They were divinely inspired to recognize them, similar to God's revelation to Peter that Jesus is the Messiah.