

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK****12<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, August 28, 2022**

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

11:00 AM - Lit. + Joanie Bigos r/by Ron &amp; Irene

**Tuesday, August 30, 2022**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Russ Fazio r/by Caterina, Ralph &amp; Family

**Wednesday, August 31, 2022**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Steve, Mary Melnykevich r/by Family

**Thursday, September 1, 2022**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Deceased Members

r/by Mariya Salamakha

**Friday, September 2, 2022**

8:00 AM - Lit. Health of Anna, Myroslava, Mariana, Nikol

r/by Iryna Kuzychyn

**Saturday, September 3, 2022**

8:00 AM - Lit. Special intention

5:00 PM - Lit. + Joseph W. Yurechko r/by Lidia Winiarczyk

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, September 4, 2022***Epistle - 1 Cor 16:13-24; Gospel - Mt 21:33-42*

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Elena Fazio r/by Family

**Sunday Coffee Hour!**

We invite everyone to come to the church hall today for refreshment after the 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy. The Coffee Hour is sponsored by the Ukrainian National Women's League of America (UNWLA) branch 135.

**Liturgy Scheule**

On Sunday, September 4, 2022, we return to our regular Sunday Liturgy schedule, with the English liturgy at 11:30.

**Bingo returns to Perth Amboy.**

After a 29 month absence bingo is returning to Assumption parish in Perth Amboy. On September 7, 2022 the Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is reopening Wednesday night bingo at the Assumption School auditorium at 380 Meredith Street.

Closed in March Of 2020, along with just about everything else due to covid-19, the greater Perth Amboy area lost a longstanding and important social event, as well as Assumption parish losing an important fundraiser. Running almost continuously since 1948, Assumption bingo has been a mainstay on the bingo scene. Out of an abundance of caution in regard to its parish school's students and staff the bingo had remained closed despite other activities and businesses reopening.

In May of this year Reverend Ivan Turyk, pastor of Assumption parish, decided the time and conditions were right to restart bingo. The appropriate licenses were applied for and granted. Meetings were held, research was done and preparations were made. Changes were made to the schedule of games to raise the excitement, enjoyment and monetary rewards of playing bingo. A couple of the highlights of the new schedule are the addition of new pull tab games and the increase of the total prize payouts.

The staff at Assumption bingo is anxiously looking forward to greeting old friends and making new ones with re-opening night giveaways and exciting bingo action. Check it out and like them on Facebook at their page "Ukrainian Assumption Bingo."

Bingo is back! Wednesday September 7, 2022, doors open at 6 pm, games start at 7:30 pm, Assumption Catholic School auditorium, 380 Meredith Street, Perth Amboy. For more information you can call the bingo office at (732) 826-1546, the rectory at (732) 826-0767 or email [UkrainianAssumptionBingo@comcast.net](mailto:UkrainianAssumptionBingo@comcast.net).

**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.

\$500.00 - Myron & Maria Rajsz

**Sacraments of Initiation**

Congratulations and Best Wishes are extended to MATTHEW ELIJAH ONUSHKANETS, son of Vasyl Onushkanets and Olena Odnorih, upon receiving the Holy

Mysteries of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist.

**Archbishop Borys Gudziak words on Independence.**

A laboratory, a bulwark, a locus of independence. Independence earned, gained, given by God, therefore deserved, and yet menaced. That is the story of today's Ukraine. It is a story of the whole world. Today Ukraine is the epicenter of global change: our security alliances, our political cooperation, our economy, our ecology, and the global energy system are both bolstered and/or undermined by Russian aggression against Ukrainian independence.

I thank all of you for your solidarity: all Americans, all American Catholics, all people of goodwill. It is with your help that Ukraine is taking and maintaining the biblical stance of David against Goliath. Your solidarity, your help, your prayers, and your correct understanding of what is happening are part of the struggle for the God-given right to be free, to live in dignity, and to celebrate life. For this Ukrainians courageously are facing death.

Ukrainians are saying to the world, "We will not be a colony". Just like Algeria will not be a colony of France, like Peru and Uruguay will not be a colony of Spain, like the US is not going to be a colony of Great Britain, so, Ukraine will never again be a colony of Russia.

I bow my head in prayer and in respect for all those who have given their lives. Tens of thousands have been killed, and hundreds of thousands have been maimed and traumatized defending their independence. We open our hearts and extend our hands to help, to pray. We are called to open our homes to the millions who have been forced to leave because of the Russian violence.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us continue to support the people of Ukraine. Let us be people of God's will that recognize the dignity and liberty of all. Ukrainians are dying for our dignity and freedom. Let us continue to stand with them

**Celebration of the 31st Anniversary of Ukraine's Independence.**

Perth Amboy is one of New Jersey's oldest Ukrainian communities and the center of the community is the Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Assumption. This Wednesday, the Ukrainian community of the Assumption prayed the Moleben Service dedicated to the 31st anniversary of the Restoration of Ukraine's Independence. It has been six months since Russian forces swept into Ukraine and all these months the Assumption community was grieving the heroes who have died during the current war. The main goal of Moscow's aggression is the liquidation of Ukraine as a state and the total destruction of Ukrainians as a nation. The people of Assumption prayed and celebrated, as the Russian forces have failed to capture much of their beloved country, having been pushed back to the east and south of Ukraine.

After Moleben Service to the Mother of God, the youngest parishioners of the church carried the Ukrainian sky-blue and yellow flag to the flagpole in front of the parish school. The Ukrainian flag was raised to the singing of the Ukrainian national anthem.

**War in Ukraine: Support Children's Education.**

Five months of war have been devastating for Ukraine's families. Some of the families with children have already arrived in the USA and enrolled their children in our parish school but are having difficulties with paying full tuition. Please consider donating toward a school tuition of one student that just arrived from Ukraine and in this way become a "School Angel". You do not have to pay full tuition, any donation will be appreciated.

Thanks to the following School Angel Donors:

\$2,500 - Ann Marie Stek

\$2,350 - Peter Kiczula Jr and Karen Irene Smakaj

**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 as this week, all envelopes will be ordered.

**The Rosary for Peace**, led by the ladies of St. Ann Society, will be offered on Saturday, September 3, at 4:15 p.m. All members of the parish community are welcome

to join in praying for peace in Ukraine and throughout the world.