Epistle - Gal 2:16-20; Gospel - Mk 8:34-9:1; Tone 6

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

## Sunday After the Exaltation of the Cross, September 18, 2022

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Maryann Smereka r/by Stanley Stempinski

Friday, September 23, 2022

8:45 AM - Lit. Special Intention Andrea Seifert

r/by Assumption Catholic School Faculty and Staff

Saturday, September 24, 2022

8:00 AM - Lit. and Pan. + George & Maria Tulnew

r/by Nick & Olga Tulnew

5:00 PM - Lit. + Peter Baralecki

r/by Robert & Joan Galetta

16<sup>TH</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, September 25, 2022

Epistle - 2 Cor 6:1-10; Gospel - Lk 5:1-11 9:00 AM - Lit. + Olga Shatynski r/by Family

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

## Back-to-School News.

This year, 11 families who have been affected by war in Ukraine, have arrived in the USA and enrolled their children in our parish school. Some of these new students have arrived in the USA with only mothers as their fathers continue defending county from Russian invasion. Please consider donating toward the 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. For more info call 732 826 0767.

## **School Angel Donations**

\$1,000.00 - Maria Alvarez \$500.00 - Cindy Redus Tarchis

## Religious Education For Children.

The First Confession and Solemn Holy Communion Instruction classes led by our Sisters will be held starting SUNDAY, October 9, 2022 for our parish children (6-7 years old). Please bring your child to the parish school for the first day of catechism class. The blue form at the back of the church needs to be filled out and returned to Fr. Ivan or Sr. Veronica by October 2nd. Lessons are held Sundays in the parish school from 11:15 till 12:15 AM.

## Memorial Donations to Church

\$111.00 - Stanley Stempinski, in memory of +MARYANN SMEREKA

# Warm a child, change a life.

This will be a very difficult winter for people in Ukraine. Most gas heating lines in the country are destroyed due to the ongoing war. Those homes who still have gas heat will be receiving very limited amounts of gas to heat due to Russia cutting the supply of natural gas to Ukraine.

This fall, our parish is taking on a very big task; we will try to raise enough funds to purchase 30 pairs of boots, winter coats, hats, gloves, socks and children's clothing for orphans (ages 1-13) in Ukraine. The orphanage is located in the city of Ivano-Frankivsk and is run by our parish sisters' order in Ukraine. We will try to purchase all items by mid October so we can ship on time before freezing temperatures arrive and before St. Nicholas day. Donations to help orphans who are suffering due to this war would be most appreciated. If you are a parishioner, please use the envelope labeled "Orphans in Ukraine" from your donation envelopes box. We are not accepting used clothing, only monetary donations. Mrs. Helen Cheloc is a coordinator of the undertaking.

# Clergy Retreat

Fr. Ivan will be away from the parish starting Monday, September 19th, through Thursday, September 22nd, on a clergy retreat.

## **Divine Liturgy Intentions.**

It is a holy act to remember individuals in Divine Liturgies. One Sunday Divine Liturgy is always for the People of the Parish but other days are open. We remember our living loved ones on their birthdays, baptismal anniversaries, wedding anniversaries, health needs and indeed any other intention. For our deceased family and friends, we should remember them on the anniversaries of their death as well as any other time we wish. Offertory stipends are traditionally given to the priest for these services but no one is ever denied a Divine Liturgy intention based on a stipend. To pray for one another is a direct teaching of Our Lord and His holy church. "Pray for those who love us and pray for those who hate us." See Fr. Ivan for any scheduling of Divine Liturgy intentions or call the parish office.

Renovating Before the School Bell Rings.
This summer, Assumption Catholic School in Perth Amboy, NJ has had many improvements to the school building and grounds. Our maintenance staff spent a good part of the summer scrubbing, waxing floors and repairing broken or damaged items in order to get our school ready for 174 students.

Here are some of our 2022 upgrades:

- \*We replaced our entire camera systems with three new cameras (middle school I see you switching classes!)
- \*8th grade classroom was painted.
- \*Schools hallways and bathroom were painted.
- \*New Pre-kindergarten bathroom floor was installed!
- \*New Kindergarten toilet too!
- \*New Elkay water bottle friendly "Water Fountain"
- \*Playground re-sealed
- \*4 new Air-conditioning units were installed in upper classes
- \*AND...A BEAUTIFUL revamped lower level multipurpose room. Our new chairs will be in by the end of October
- \*We also ordered new furniture for grades K and 8 and one more .... Who will get it?

The doors of the cleanest and most welcoming school are now open. Parents, we know you want the best for your children! So do we! If you are interested in a school tour, just give us a call at 732-826-8721 and we will arrange a date and time for the visit.

## Ukraine Relief Help Report.

As a parish family, we are committed to pray for peace in Ukraine and to financially support humanitarian assistance for the people of Ukraine. Tremendous THANKS to all of you for your most generous donations towards Ukraine and the needs of the people in times of war. Today I would like to provide a 5th Report of Distribution of the Funds from our parish.

- 1. \$2,000 "Львівський Лицар" (Lviv Knight) волонтерська допомога українським воякам.
- \$1,500 toward a car repair for the 5th battalion, 81st brigade. The vehicle is used for transport of critical supplies and aid.
- \$1,000 for the rehabilitation center of the wounded soldiers
- \$ 1, 000 toward a car purchase for the 110th battalion, 6th brigade.
- \$1,000 Financial Aid towards Individual Families.
- \$500 contributed towards a drone for defenders (201st battalion, 102nd brigade).

Thank you for your generosity.

We look forward to making a difference together. Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, for the end of war and especially for all those who defend the country against Russian aggression.

