

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK****Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council, October 16, 2022**

9:00 AM - Lit. + Francois Saada r/by Helen Cheloc

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

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

7:30 AM - Lit. + Helen &amp; George Melnykevich r/by Family

**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**7:30 AM - Lit. + Dolores Peles r/by Michael, Carol, Steven,  
Scott Natalie, Brian, Briana**Thursday, October 20, 2022**7:30 AM - Lit. + Ewdokia Kasian (40<sup>th</sup> Day)  
r/by Walter & Luba Kasian**Friday, October 21, 2022**

8:45 AM - Lit. + John, Pauline, William, Anne Berezowsky

**Saturday, October 22, 2022**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Deceased r/by Oksana

5:00 PM - Lit. + Michael Palyla Sr., Stefan Palyla r/by  
Family**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, October 23, 2022***Epistle - Gal 1:11-19; Gospel - Lk 16:19-31*

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

11:30 AM - Lit. Sp. Int. Kenneth Bialkowski (70<sup>th</sup> Birthday)  
r/by wife Nancy**Welcome!**

If you are new to our area or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are happy you are joining us to share in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not a home for you, we warmly invite you to become part of our parish family. If you wish to register with our parish, please email [assumptionchurch@verizon.net](mailto:assumptionchurch@verizon.net). We invite everyone to come to the church hall for coffee and refreshment after the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Liturgy.

**From the Chancery: Save the Date...**

Metropolitan Borys Gudziak cordially invites you to support the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia at the Benefit Luncheon taking place on Sunday, October 30, 2022 at the Ukrainian American Cultural Center of New Jersey in Whippany, NJ. Gathering 12:30 - 1 pm, Luncheon 1 pm. An INVITATION LETTER with an enclosed reply card can be found on the table in the vestibule. Please take one and reply no later than Friday, October 21, 2022.

Join Metropolitan Borys for this fundraising event as the Archeparchy continues to serve its faithful and support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine.

- *Special thank you to Andy Wowk, Roman Wenyj, Melanie Fedynychyn, Olia and Oleksij of our parish who agreed to be part of the Outreach Committee for the Benefit Luncheon.*

**Mark Your Calendar**

Our parish Holy Name Society is sponsoring a Handbag Bingo on Sunday, November 13, 2022. Doors Open: 12:00 pm, Fun begins at 2:00 pm. \$25 - Admission. In addition to a chance of winning amazing designer purses, there will be an abundance of fabulous raffle prizes and 50/50.

**Religious Sisters and Parish Youth Gathering!**

Last week, Mother Veronica of the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará, and the local superior at the convent at Assumption Parish in Perth Amboy, NJ, together with two sisters who recently arrived from Ukraine, Sr. Maria of the Trinity and Sr. Maria of Svitanok opened their convent door for the parish youth for an evening of recreation, fellowship and prayer.

The evening began with prayer, as the Religious Sisters and the young people filled the convent chapel with their angelic voices. Following prayer, all gathered in the living room and watched a movie "The Butterfly Circus", a short film that follows one man through his journey from ridicule to greatness, from despair to hope. After watching the film, children joined Sisters for a discussion about this film and how it relates to their faith and daily lives.

The evening concluded with dinner of homemade pizza and an impressive performance by a Sopilka (Ukrainian flute) by Sr. Maria of the Trinity. The youth

were excited to have the opportunity to gather for a day of praying, cooking, playing, learning, and sharing faith with one another.

**The Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council.**

Today we celebrate the memory of the holy Fathers of the 7th ecumenical council. It was gathered against the heresy of iconoclasts, which emerged in the 8th century. Supported by several Byzantine emperors, this heresy lasted for about a century and troubled the Church deeply. The iconoclasts denied the veneration of icons and of all holy images, on the grounds that images were banned in the Law of Moses.

The seventh Ecumenical Council ended almost fifty years of iconoclast persecution and established the veneration of the holy icons as basic to the belief and spirituality of Christ's Church. As the Synaxarion says, "It was not simply the veneration of the holy images that the Fathers defended in these terms but, in fact, the very reality of the Incarnation of the Son of God."

**Bingo News.**

We are going to have a themed Bingo on Wednesday, November 2. It is the Mexican Holiday "Dia De Los Muertos" or Day of the Dead. It starts on ALL Saints Day Nov 1 and ends on Nov 2. It is a day when the Mexicans remember their deceased loved ones. They put up an "ofrenda" and decorate with flowers and food and place pictures of those they remember that they have lost. The Kitchen will have a special menu to include empanadas, rice & beans, nachos and more. All are invited, door opens at 6 pm and game starts at 7:30 pm.

**FINALLY! They are here!!!**

After waiting and waiting, the new desks and chairs have arrived! Mrs. Shumny and the Class of 2023 delivered long awaited desks to their own homeroom, Grade 5 and Kindergarten. The desks have been in her plans for a few years now. Due to the pandemic and other roadblocks, the order has been kept on the backburner until this summer. Having all of the proper funding through grant money, the order was put in and then we just had to wait! While the Class of 2023 knew they were getting new desks, it was a total surprise to the Class of 2026. Thank you Mrs. Shumny and Father Ivan from the bottom of our hearts!

**Religious education in the parish.**

This week, Sister Veronica and the religious sisters from the Servant of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará, SSVM offered a religious class in Ukrainian to women from the parish on the topic "The Roles of Husband and Wife in Marriage". It was said that a husband needs his wife to be his companion and a wife is called to be her husband's best friend. Sisters are also planning to offer these classes in English.

**REQUESTS FOR THE DIVINE LITURGY - 2023**

It is a beautiful part of our Byzantine Catholic tradition to have the Divine Liturgy celebrated for a special intention or for health and God's blessings upon a LIVING person, or for the repose of the soul of a DECEASED person.

There are only few intentions left for Fr. Ivan to celebrate this year.

Special dates may be requested, but they may not always be available. If this is the case, you will be notified of a rescheduled date and time. If you would like to request a specific date, please do so now.

**Religious Education For Children.**

Attention all parents! All parish children (6-7 years old) are strongly encouraged to be involved in the Church Catechetical School. Please sign your kids up using the signup blue form in the back of the church. The Catechetical classes are led by our Sisters and held every Sunday in the parish school from 11:15 till 12:15 AM. Please call Fr. Ivan at 732-826- 0767 if you need further assistance.

**Thank You**

Our School expresses thanks to Rostyslav Kostetskiy for the job he has done sealing school windows for winter.