

*Epistle- Gal 2:16-20; Gospel - Lk 16:19-31; TONE 4*

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**

**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, October 22, 2023**

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Lydia Kernitsky r/by Christine Kozak

**Tuesday, October 24, 2023**

7:30 AM - Lit. + John, Pauline, William, Anne Berezowsky  
Legate

**Wednesday, October 25, 2023**

7:30 AM - Lit. Denys, Mychailo, Roman and all missing

Ukrainian Soldiers r/by Nadia Horbatyuk

**Thursday, October 26, 2023**

7:30 AM - Lit. + Oleksandara (Lesia) - 9 days

**Friday, October 27, 2023**

8:45 AM - Lit. + George & Barbara Langel  
r/by Kathleen Sapio

**Saturday, October 28, 2023**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Vira and Stepan r/by Yuriy Matviyishyn

5:00 PM - Lit. + Eileen Langan r/by Vera Gochal

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, October 29, 2023**

*Epistle- Gal 6:11-18; Gospel - Lk 8:26-39*

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Elise Pires r/by Steve & Andrea Dzioba

**Religious Education for the Parish Youth and Women of the Parish. Mark your calendar in OCTOBER.**

- Tuesday, October 24, 6:30-8:30 pm - Women (Ukrainian)
- Saturday, October 28. 6:30-8:30 pm - Teenagers (13-18 years old)

**LITURGY INTENTIONS**

Those wishing to have Liturgies offered here at Assumption are asked to make use of the envelopes that have been placed in the vestibule. These intentions can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the rectory. Liturgies for 2024 can now be scheduled. Please call the secretary at the rectory, 732-826-0767, to schedule your masses for specific dates.

**60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Congratulations and happy anniversary to our parishioners Jan and Phyllis Kwiecinski who recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. May

Christ the bridegroom continue to bless your union and that of all married couples in our parish community.

**Christmas Bazaar.**

Assumption Catholic School will be holding its Annual Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 from 11:00 am - 5 pm. FREE admission! As usual, the kitchen will be open serving all kinds of delicious hot cooked meals to eat in or take out. Enjoy an afternoon of old-fashioned family fun. There will be games of chance, vendors, 50/50 raffles, crafts, prizes, and baked goods. All are welcome. Bring your friends and neighbors. ACS has been running an annual holiday bazaar since 1968, one of the longest running bazaars in the area. Call 732-826-8721 for info. This is our in-person event but our virtual bazaar will kick off OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II**

On October 22, we celebrate the pope who inspired the world! Born Karol Wojtyla in Krakow, Pope John Paul II became the first Polish pope. He came of age in the early 20th century, and lived through both the Nazi and communist occupations of Poland. His resistance activities were cultural, operating an underground theater company and entering a secret seminary. He was ordained a priest in 1946, and elected pope in 1978. As pope, the interests that captured his heart as a young man continued -- his pastoral concern for young people, his philosophical emphasis on the human person, and his devotion to Mary and to the mercy of God.

*Pope St. John Paul II is a patron Saint of the Parish Mission of the Sister Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara in Perth Amboy, NJ. We Congratulate our Sisters and ask St. John Paul II, please pray for us!*

**TODAY: The Rich Man and Lazarus.**

In today's Gospel story, we are told that while he was alive, the rich man had the opportunity to treat a poor Lazarus lying at his door as a precious human being and a child of God. Instead, the rich man completely ignored Lazarus. However, Lazarus is a precious human being. He is a child of God. This week, our Lord Jesus Christ will place people before us who will need our help. Remember the words of Jesus, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

**Congratulations**

Congratulations and Best Wishes are extended to JACOB WALTER MORETTI, son of Jason Moretti and

Daniella Holuta-Moretti upon receiving the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist.

**You are in Our Prayers.**

We would like to send our warmest greetings to several who have not been able to attend services for an extended period of time but who follow us by reading the weekly bulletin - Helen Ilek, Joanne Kara, Eleanor Kataryniak, John Redus, Beverly Sarpa, Walter Starek, Nicholas Smolney, Ulana Wowk. You are definitely missed and certainly not forgotten.

**UNWLA Branch 135, Perth Amboy, NJ.**

Following last week's Sunday Liturgy, light refreshments were provided by the Ukrainian National Womens League of America Branch 135. The event helped to raise funds to help the innocent victims of war in Ukraine. The continued war in Ukraine is causing extreme civilian harm and leaving millions without access to food, water and other essential supplies.

At the event, representing the U.S. Committee for Ukrainian Holodomor-Genocide Awareness, Mrs. Maria Flynn explained that while some countries have recognized Holodomor as a genocide, the Congress of the United States of America has not done that yet.

- She requested the support of the Ukrainian community in petitioning the Pulitzer Prize Board to revoke Duranty's undeserved prize for not truthful reporting the Soviet genocide-famine of 1933.
- And also, in commemoration of the 90th anniversary of the Ukrainian Holodomor, the U.S. Committee for Ukrainian Holodomor-Genocide

Awareness requested that all members and organizations sign and distribute an electronic petition to President Biden to recognize the Holodomor as a genocide. You can find these two petitions following this link <https://www.change.org>

**Religious Education for the Parish Youth.**

**Teenagers up to 13 years old gathered in the convent**, where our religious sisters spoke to them about the meaning of life and the way to happiness offered by Jesus Christ, and Fr. Ivan emphasized that each human life is endowed with a spiritual and immortal soul, intelligence, and free will. Many new children came to this gathering for the first time. Everyone was happy to get to know each other, to talk, to meet old friends, to make new ones, to see each other's favorite dishes (the most popular being varenyky, no matter whether the children were born in Ukraine or in America) and sports. At the end they played a game and the girls' team won!

**Last Sunday, for the second time, the young adults over 18 years old met in the convent of the sisters.** This time the theme of the meeting was the heroic generation, that is, young people who are called to follow Christ heroically in spite of the modern ideas of the world, without betraying His teachings, and to live virtuously as He did in the midst of such widespread selfishness. The young people shared their thoughts and observations. As examples served the martyrs-seminarians of the 20th century and a young fallen soldier from the group of youth of the sisters in Ukraine. In a friendly and joyful atmosphere, everyone talked, got to know each other better, played a game and had a good time together.