THOMAS SUNDAY Epistle - Acts 5:12-20; Gospel - Jn 20:19-31; Festal Tone

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

<u>Thomas Sunday, April 28, 2019</u> 9:00 AM - Lit. + Olha & Ivan Wowk r/by Ulana
11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
Myrovannia, Distribution of Artos
Tuesday, April 30, 2019
8:00 AM - Lit. + Harry & Tessie Terefenko; Anna Balinski
7:00 PM - Devotions to the Mother of God
<u>Wednesday, May 1, 2019</u>
8:00 AM - Lit. + Mary Shary r/by Tom Dochych
<u>Thursday, May 2, 2019</u>
8:00 AM - Lit. Kataryna r/by Petro & Mariia Kichula
Friday, May 3, 2019
8:45 AM - Lit. Special Intention Ed Mullen r/by ACS
Saturday, May 4, 2019
8:00 AM - Lit. + Wolodymyr & Tekla Lewkowicz
r/by Ann & Roger Allen
5:00 PM - Lit. + Anna Baralecki r/by Halyna Tulys
Sunday of the Ointment-Bearers, May 5, 2019
Epistle - Acts 6:1-7; Gospel - Mk 15:43-16
9:00 AM - Lit. First Solemn Holy Communion
11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Women's Evening of Prayer

On Tuesday evening, May 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., the ladies from St. Ann's Society invite all ladies from our parish to participate in a Moleben to the Blessed Mother of God, followed by a homily "Blessed are the pure of heart: The life of Mary" preached by Very Rev. John Seniv, Pastor of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Church in Northampton, PA. It is our hope that you will join us not only in these prayerful devotions, but also in fellowship afterwards in our church hall as guests for refreshments.

Mothers Day

On Sunday, May 12, 2019, we will remember all of our Mothers at the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy. There will be petitions for their health and continued blessings, and a requiem service, panachyda, for all our Mothers who have died, that the Lord God remembers them. The names of mothers and donors will be listed provided the envelopes are turned in by April 29.

Moleben to Mary - Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m.

2019 Ukrainian Cultural Festival - Perth Amboy, NJ

The 7th Annual Assumption Parish Ukrainian Cultural Festival will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 12 noon to 9:00 p.m. on the parish grounds. With free admittance the festival will feature dazzling performances of Ukrainian dancers at 2:00 p.m. and at 4:00 p.m. in the school hall. A live band will play outdoors from 5-9 p.m. There will be delicious homemade Ukrainian food, Ukrainian beer, delicious desserts, vendors, a church tour, a beautiful basket raffle and 50/50 Cash Raffle.

For vendors, (\$100 per table) call Rozalia Czaban at 973-763-4273 or Rozaliamc@aol.com. For advertisement of your business in the festival booklet or more information call 732-826-0767 or visit www.assumptioncatholicchurch.net

Support the Festival - Become sponsor or a booster!

That's right....for \$10, you can become a booster for the festival. Your sponsorship helps us make the festival bigger and better each year. For more information, please see next page of the bulletin.

Donation to Church

Many thanks to Donna Pankulics who donated \$500.00 in memory of her parents, JOHN & KATHERINE MELNYK. The donation was used to purchase 50 new liturgy books for the church. HAPPY EASTER! If your are joining us for the first time, Welcome! If you are joining us again, Welcome Back! If you are not sure why you are here, Welcome Anyway! Please know that you are always welcome here at Assumption.

Artos Bread

At the conclusion of Divine Liturgy today we will have a Myrovannia and distribution of the Artos (Paska bread). This loaf represents the Risen Christ as the Bread of Life. The loaf has remained in the church for all of Bright Week for veneration. The icon on the loaf is the icon of "Christ, the Bread of Life"

Inauguration of the Ministry of our new

Metropolitan Archbishop Borys Gudziak

Tuesday, June 4, 2019: Enthronement

- 11:00 am Hierarchical Divine Liturgy presided by His Beatitude Sviatoslav and Enthronement.
- 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Reception for all on the Cathedral grounds. After the Divine Liturgy, the bishops are invited to spend time with the faithful.
- 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Artistic/concert program
- 6:00 pm Hierarchial Vespers

Our parish will have a bus for this historic event. The bus will leave Assumption parish on Tuesday, June 4th at 7:45 a.m. and leave Philadelphia at 5:00 p.m. If you are interested in going, please REGISTER TODAY ON THE FORM at the back of the church. The cost is \$10 per person.

Why do we stand, and not kneel,

from Easter to Pentecost?

In the tradition of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, it is not correct to kneel at anytime from Easter to Pentecost. Despite the fact that other churches do it or "visitors...are surprised" does not change the fact that kneeling is not proper during this time. In the Ukrainian Catholic Tradition, the action of kneeling and prostrating is a penitential posture. It is the position of a sinner seeking forgiveness. It is NOT a position of adoration (as it is in the West). This is why it is practiced so often in the Lenten season.

Standing is the proper position for giving praise and thanks to God in the spirit of joy and happiness. During the Paschal Season (Easter to Pentecost), the time for repentance, and fasting, is over. It is the time of our salvation for "Christ is Risen!" We express our joy, thanksgiving and adoration for this fact and the fact that we who have "...been baptized into Christ and put on Christ" have also risen with Him. It is for this reason that kneeling is improper during this holy season. To kneel during this season is to imply that you do not accept the Resurrection of Christ. By standing for all prayer, (even private before and after services) we are demonstrating, in a bodily way, that you believe that "Christ is risen from the dead, and by death He has trampled death and to those in the graves He has granted life."

Notre Dame will get temporary wooden church to accommodate the faithful.

The "ephemeral cathedral" will be built in front of the great cathedral. Catholics who wish to go to Mass at Notre Dame in Paris may not have to wait five years until the fire-ravaged cathedral is rebuilt. An "ephemeral cathedral" made of wood will be built in front of the church as soon as the site is secure and the esplanade reopens, said Msgr. Patrick Chauvet, rector of Notre Dame, who added that Paris mayor Anne Hidalgo had backed the plan. According to a report in The Guardian, the temporary wooden church will also be open to tourists, who come in the millions to see Notre Dame every year.

Sincere Sympathies

Our most sincere sympathies are extended to the family and friends of the following, who on Good Friday fell asleep in the Lord:

Rev. Father Deacon Michael Waak Nicholas Lyszyk