

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK****3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, June 30, 2019**

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + John Mascenik r/by Ronald and Charles

**Monday, July 1, 2019**

8:00 AM - Lit. Special Intention

**Tuesday, July 2, 2019**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Anna Sobczyk r/by Children

**Wednesday, July 3, 2019**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Anna Milanowicz r/by Tom Dochych

**Saturday, July 6, 2019**8:00 AM - Lit. and Pan. + Vasiliy & Magdalena Kolesnik;  
John Konikewich r/by Nick & Olga

5:00 PM - Lit. + Johanna Beres r/by Vera Gochal

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, July 7, 2019***Epistle - Rom 6:18-23; Gospel - Mt 8:5-13*

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

11:00 AM - Lit. + Luigi & Italia Iacuzio  
r/by Ralph & Caterina**"Friends of the Festival" Donations****Patron:**

\$200.00 - Paula Hunchar

**Platinum:**

\$100.00 - Bas Family

**Liturgy Schedule:** For the months of July and August the Sunday schedule will be 9 AM Ukrainian, 11 AM English.**Sincere Sympathies**

Our most sincere sympathies are extended to the families and friends of the following, who were recently called to their eternal reward:

+ STEPHENA LADAY and + MARY ANN MAKAR

- **WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LITURGICAL COLORS?**

Anyone who has at least once attended our church service, has most likely noticed the beauty and festivity of the vestments. The diversity of colors is an inalienable part of the liturgical-church symbolism, a way of affecting those praying. Bright and radiant vestments convey the joy and exultation of God's beauty and greatness, while dark vestments instill within us a sense of repentance and the need to return to God. Since ancient times, the liturgical books have offered flexibility in liturgical color, only specifying whether the vestments worn for a particular feast or season should be light or dark. This has led to various local practices over the years. In the contemporary practice common to many parishes in America, there are six basic color groups.

1. WHITE is used for Pascha, Nativity, Theophany, Ascension, and Transfiguration.
2. PURPLE is used for Great Lent (in some places black is used for Clean Week and Holy Week).
3. GREEN for Palm Sunday, Pentecost, and monastic saints.
4. BLUE for feasts of the Mother of God.
5. RED for feasts of the Holy Cross, St. John the Baptist, martyrs, and for every day of the Nativity Fast, Apostles' Fast and Dormition Fast (except during one of the Great Feasts of the Lord or Theotokos).
6. GOLD is used when no other color is called for as it conveys the riches and glory of God's Kingdom. Finally, special services like funerals, marriages, and baptisms are usually served either in white, gold, or the color of the lenten or festal season.

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**Attention Parishioners!**

When attending church services and events at our church, kindly please park your car properly within the designated parking space lines in the parking lot. This will prevent loss of a space for someone else to park their car. Don't block driveways of our neighbors when you park on streets.

**SERVING OUR COUNTRY.** Please pray for our men and women in the military. God Bless America !

**Parish Festival.**

Dear Parishioners and Friends, for the past few months so many of you have spent countless hours and volunteer time helping to put together our parish festival and make it an overwhelming success. I have seen the cooperation of so many of our parishioners beginning with the Festival Committee who spent many weeks of planning and organizing, to our parish staff who handled raffle tickets sales, ordering and so many details, the volunteers who have worked really hard to make sure the kitchen and food stations were taken care of. I especially want to thank our main sponsor "MEEST", all other sponsors and "Friends of the Festival" whose support was crucial to our success. I have experience such wonderful cooperation from the entire parish family and to all of you I express my sincerest appreciation and gratitude.

God blessed us with perfect weather which helped to bring many people to the Festival. The reviews were wonderful; a lot of people told me that, "It sure is a big crowd this year," and "We had such a great time." Volunteers selling food tickets shared that people came to buy tickets even during the last hour before closing.

We were honored with the presence of NJ Congressman Frank Pallone, Mrs. Wilda Diaz, the mayor of the City of Perth Amboy and His Grace Bishop Andriy Raby, auxiliary bishop for the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy.

A great time and great food was enjoyed by all those who attended. We served 6 thousands of pirohys, 1, 550 Stuffed Cabbages, 250 pounds of kovbasa, 80 cases of the Ukrainian beer ( 20 bottles in a case), hundreds of pieces of homemade desserts and we used 415 pounds of meat to prepare our delicious Shish Kebab.

Thank you to everyone - the Festival Committee members, a chairperson, volunteers who gave up their valuable free time to prepare our traditional Ukrainian food by working many days in a row cooking in the kitchen, to our parish secretary who handled pre-sales, ordering and so many details, ad booklet organizer, ladies who baked, volunteers who decorated the stage and hall, were in charge of money and gift raffles, organized church tour, set up our big tent, picked up food at stores, vendor's organizer, ticket booths sellers, stage/sound volunteers, security, MC's, setup and cleanup crews, servers at the kitchen and bake table, volunteers who picked up trash and washed tables and all the forgotten helpers who made the festival a great success.

A big congratulations to all our dancers who worked so hard at our parish Festival. It was spectacular! I enjoyed seeing the different age groups and I heard so many great compliments about shows. The audience liked dances, music, costumes and props. Some of the audience traveled long distances from other cities to just see our Ukrainian dancers and they were not disappointed. Thank you to the great dance teachers and dancers for bringing our community together to celebrate the art and beauty of the Ukrainian dance!

I am very pleased with the outcome and I hope it will enhance our community spirit here at Assumption. From a financial standpoint, this year's festival looks very good and the final report will be given in July. As your parish priest I thank each one of you, asking Our Lord to continue to bless our parish family on our faith journey.

*God Bless You All. Fr. Ivan Turyk - Pastor*

**85th Annual Ukrainian Seminary.**

The 85th Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day will be held Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at St. Nicholas Church Picnic Grounds in Primrose (just outside Minersville), Schuylkill County, Pa. This annual event is sponsored by the 12 parishes and faithful of the South Anthracite Deanery under the leadership of their respective pastors. His Grace, Metropolitan-Archbishop Borys Gudziak will be the main celebrant and homilist at the 11:00 am Divine Liturgy. Entertainment, Ukrainian arts and crafts, including embroidery and pysanky demonstrations will be available. Pyrohy, holubtsi, kobasa, halushki, home-made soups, home-made cakes and pastries, together with traditional American fare and beverages will also be available. Admission and parking are free. St. Nicholas Picnic Grove and Hall are located on Route 901 one mile north of Minersville in the village of Primrose, Schuylkill County, Pa. (GPS locator: 855 Sunbury Road, Pottsville, Pa.)