

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**22nd Sunday After Pentecost, October 29, 2023**

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

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

Tuesday, October 31, 2023

7:30 AM - Lit. + Deceased Family members

r/by Maria Dzeva

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

7:30 AM - Lit. + Joseph & Ethel Melnykevich - Legate

Thursday, November 2, 2023

7:30 AM - Lit. + Ivan Makaruha (40 days)

r/by Mariya & Volodymyr Derevenskiy

Friday, November 3, 2023

8:45 AM - Lit. Special Intention r/by Iryna Kuzychyn

Saturday, November 4, 2023

9:00 AM - Lit. + Ihor Sytar (1 year) r/by Family

5:00 PM - Lit. + John & Mary Konyk - Legate

23rd Sunday After Pentecost, November 5, 2023*Epistle - Eph 2:4-10; Gospel - Lk 8:41-56*

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Peter Baralecki r/by Sr. Yosaphata

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.

Memorial Donations

\$2,500.00 - Ann Marie Stek, in memory of STEK & PIKUS Families

\$100.00 - Joe & Rozalia, in memory of + NANCY SCALA MAKAR

School Donation for Teachers' Laptops

\$3,000.00 - Andriy Kachala

Ukrainian Humanitarian Aid

\$4,000.00 - Parish Holy Name Society

*The funds were used to supply the defenders in Ukraine with modern drone and equipment to counter the invasion.***Religious Education for the Parish Youth and Women of the Parish in NOVEMBER.**

- Friday, November 3, 6:30-8:30 pm - children (up to 7 years old, including 2nd grade)
- Saturday, November 4, 6:30-8:30 pm - teenagers (13-18), 6:30-8:30 pm
- Sunday, November 5, 6:30-8:30 pm - young adults (18 and over) - Trip to New York
- Tuesday, November 7, 6:30-8:30 pm - women (English)
- Friday, November 17, 6:30-8:30 pm - children (8 -13, 3rd - 6th grades)
- Tuesday, November 21, 6:30-8:30 pm - women (Ukrainian)
- Saturday, November 25, 6:30-8:30 pm - teenagers (13 -18)

Christmas Bazaar.

Assumption Catholic School will be holding its Annual Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, December 3rd, 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 30th, 2023.

Today's Gospel Reflection

Do you ever feel driven by forces beyond your strength? A man who was possessed and driven mad by the force of many evil spirits found refuge in the one person who could set him free.

Both Mark and Luke in their Gospel accounts of this incident describe this demonic force as a legion (Mark 5:9 and Luke 8:30). A legion is no small force - but an army 6,000 strong! For the people of Palestine who were often hemmed in by occupied forces, a legion - whether human or supernatural - struck terror!

Jesus took pity on the man who was overtaken by a legion of evil spirits. The destructive force of these demons is evident for all who can see as they flee and destroy a herd of swine. After Jesus freed the demoniac the whole city came out to meet Him. No one had demonstrated such power and authority against the forces of Satan as Jesus did. They feared Jesus as a result and begged him to leave them.

Why would they not want Jesus to stay?

Perhaps the price for such liberation from the power of evil and sin was more than they wanted to pay. The Lord Jesus is ready and willing to free us from anything that binds us and that keeps us from the love of God. Are you willing to part with anything that might keep you from His love and saving grace?

THANK YOU

- Parishioners who support parish financially and those who send donations by mail
- Parish organizations for supporting activities in our parish.
- Those who prepare Coffee Hour on Sundays
- Altar servers who serve during our liturgies, Lectors who read the Epistle, cantors, choir members who sing the Liturgies.
- Ushers who collect donations and Greeters who welcome people and distribute bulletins.
- We thank anyone for sharing time, talent and treasure for the good of our Church. God bless you all!

Feed the Hungry in Our Community.

During the entire month of NOVEMBER, our parish will have a special collection of nonperishable goods and children's new toys for the needy people in Perth Amboy, NJ. Please leave your donation in the Church foyer or downstairs on the bench next to the bulletin board.

"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?...". And the King will answer and say to them, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even to the least of them, YOU DID IT TO ME." - Matthew 25:35-40

Congratulations

Congratulations and Best Wishes are extended to MATTHEW LOCHMAN, son of Igor and Yaryna (Vasyuta) Lochman, upon receiving the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist.

The Rosary for Peace, led by the ladies of St. Ann Society, will be offered on Saturday, November 4, at 4:15 p.m. All members of the parish community are welcome to join in praying for peace in Ukraine and throughout the world.

Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.