

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**Sunday of All Saints, May 26, 2024**

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

11:30 AM - Lit. Health and Blessings for Joanne Kara

Monday, May 27, 2024 - Memorial Day

9:00 AM - Lit. + Deceased Veterans of Our Parish

10:00 AM - Panykhida Service at the Cemetery

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

7:30 AM - Lit. Health of Tetiana, Ihorchyk, Taras and others

6:30 PM - May Devotions to the Mother of God

Thursday, May 30, 2024

9:00 AM Lit. For all children who have been illegally taken by Russia since the war began

Friday, May 31, 2024

7:30 AM - Lit. + Olga Yurechko

Saturday, June 1, 20249:00 AM - Assumption Catholic School 8th Grade Graduation

Lit. Special Intention Stelle Gadek

God's Blessings on her 100th Birthday r/by Helen Ilek

5:00 PM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

2nd Sunday After Pentecost, June 2, 2024*Epistle - Rom 2:10-16; Gospel - Mt 4:18-23*

9:00 AM - Lit. + Rev. Roman Mirchuk (40 days)

11:30 AM - Lit. + Matthew Winkler r/by wife, Roseann

Memorial Day Liturgy and Services at the Cemetery.

Monday, May 27th we will pause to remember all the men and women who have served in our armed forces, especially those who have given their lives in service to our country. This Memorial Day, we will celebrate Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am. During Liturgy we will remember all men and women who have served or currently serve. After the Liturgy, we will go to our parish cemetery. We will gather at the Resurrection Grotto at the main entrance of the cemetery for a 10:00 a.m. Panykhida Service then proceed to bless the graves of our deceased loved ones. Come and pray for your deceased family members. The Holy Spirit reminds us *"not to reject the traditions of our elders, which they have learned from their fathers"* (Sirach 8:9)

Children Praying for Children

Ukrainian National Womens League of America's initiative "Return Ukraine's Children" is organizing prayer services throughout the U.S. on International Children's Day, June 1st. Ukraine says more than 19,000 children have been illegally taken by Russia since the war began.

On Thursday, May 30 we invite all parishioners for a special 9:00 am Divine Liturgy with Assumption Catholic School Students for all illegally abducted children to be successfully returned to Ukraine from Russia.

Baptized in the Lord

With great joy, our parish family welcomes the newest Child of God: SOPHIA SEMANIUK who was recently Baptized and Chrismated in our church. To her parents and all family and friends we extend our joyful congratulations!

8th Grade Graduation

Please join us in celebrating all of our graduating eighth graders! All are invited for the 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy on Saturday, June 3, 2023. A reception for the 8th grade and their families will be held in the school hall following the Liturgy.

May Devotions

This week, the last Moleben service in the month of May will be offered at our church on WEDNESDAY at 6:30 p.m. instead of Tuesday. Join us in honoring her, who God first honored, by choosing her to be the Mother of His Son.

Donation for Aid to Ukraine

\$9,500 - Bohdan and Halyna Jasinski (Medical Career Institute). Funds to purchase two drones for Ukrainian soldiers.

Donation to Church

\$100.00 - Helen Ilek, in honor of lifelong parishioner, STELLE GADEK, on her 100th birthday

Today: Sunday of All Saints.

The first Sunday after the Feast of Holy Pentecost is observed by the Eastern Church as the Sunday of All Saints. This day has been designated as a commemoration of all of the Saints, all the Righteous, the Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Shepherds, Teachers, and Holy Monastics, both men and women alike, known and unknown, who have been added to the choirs of the Saints and shall be added, from the time of Adam until the end of the world, who have been perfected in piety and have glorified God by their holy lives.

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES (or proud parents)

We'd like to recognize all our graduates in our bulletin. Please submit the name of your graduate, school and degree earned or school they are graduating from and college they will be attending. Email the information to assumptionchurch@verizon.net

Wedding Banns

Banns of marriage are announced for Nazarii Rehei and Alina Ryshytnychenko who plan to be united in the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony in our parish on June 8, 2024. Anyone having knowledge of any obstacles to the proposed marriage has an obligation in conscience to make it known to the pastor as soon as possible.

Father's Day - June 16

Please remember to use your Father's Day Remembrance envelope so that your father's name may be included in the Divine Liturgy. Please write your father's name clearly. Do not put *"same as last year."* Please indicate if father is living or deceased. **Please submit envelopes by Sunday, June 9.**

The Cemetery is a Holy Place

As we prepare for Memorial Day, which is where we civilly observe the blessing of graves, it is worth the time to reflect on the significance of the cemetery in our faith lives. Most people find cemeteries as morbid places, but people of faith should not find them so as they hold the relics/earthly remains of those faithful who have gone before us.

The cemetery is a holy place because it houses the bodies of our forefathers and foremothers who are resting in peace until the Last Judgment. On the crosses and monuments are inscriptions, or messages, that testify to our Love for those who have already left this world. Although the cemetery is a place of sorrow where we may even shed tears, it is also a place of hope and prayer because it reminds us of our Lord's Resurrection, His triumph over death.

Where better to think of our own earthly end and our future life than in the cemetery? All of us will die one day. We are not on earth for centuries, but for a few decades, and sometimes even less than decades. The cemetery reminds us to prepare ourselves for God's righteous judgment. After we die our bodies will lie here until they are raised again at Christ's Second Coming. If we have been faithful Christians, our souls will go to be with the Lord, beyond the grave, awaiting the Final Judgment.

In the cemetery, it is good to pray for the reposed (those who have already died.) Here, our prayers for them are especially alive and fervent. Those who have reposed need nothing more from us than our prayers.

Lest We Forget

On Memorial Day, we pray for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice: Those men and women in service to our country who died to protect our freedom and the freedom of others in our world. *"All gave some, Some gave all."* Eternal Memory. Vichnaja Pamjat.

Selfreliance FCU

Sunday, June 2nd at the coffee hour, Selfreliance FCU representatives will make a presentation to our parishioners about our Credit Union and the products/services they offer.