#### **DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, Oct. 20, 2024

9:00 AM - Lit. God's blessings and health for Ivan Sytar r/by wife Natalia and daughters

11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners Friday, October 25, 2024

8:45 AM - Lit. + John, Pauline, William, Anne Berezowsky - Legate

### Saturday, October 26, 2024

8:00 AM - Lit. + Bohdana r/by Daughter 5:00 PM - Lit. + George & Barbara Langel r/by Daughter, Kathleen Sapio

## 23rd Sunday After Pentecost, Oct. 27, 2024

Epistle - Eph 2:4-10; Gospel - Lk 8:26-39

9:00 AM - Lit. + Anna Kozak

r/by daughter Mariya Derevenska

11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

#### Membership at Assumption Parish

Membership in our PARISH is recognized by participating in the Saturday-Sunday Divine Liturgy and by fulfilling your baptismal responsibility in contributing to our Church Community activities by using your time, talents and treasures. Regular financial donations by use of Sunday envelopes is necessary for our parish to grow and prosper. If you would like to become a registered member, please speak to Fr. Ivan or contact parish office 732-826-0767.

If you are new to our area or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are happy you are joining us to share in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not a home for you, we warmly invite you to become part of our parish family.

<u>Fr. Ivan</u>, will be attending a Clergy Meeting in Maryland this week.

#### St. Ann Society Fall Dinner-Dance

<u>Date</u>: Saturday, November 2, 2024 at ACS Auditorium <u>Time</u>: Doors open at 6:00 pm, Buffet dinner at 7:00 pm <u>Buffet dinner</u>: catered by The Barge Restaurant <u>DJ</u>: Bojo

<u>Tickets:</u> available from members of St. Ann Society, during coffee hour, and at the rectory.

\$75 adults, children 12 and under \$25

#### **Memorial Donation to Church**

\$300.00 - In Memory of + CAROLYN TEREFENKO

#### Parish Catechesis for October at Sisters' Convent:

- 20 youth (from 18 years ): Sunday, 11:15 a.m.
- 22 women (English): Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
- 26 teenagers (13-18 years old): Saturday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

#### **ACS Fall Clothes Drive**

Our parish school is accepting donations of gently used clothes until October 31, 2024. You may drop off your donations at the school, 380 Meredith St., Perth Amboy, NJ before and after school hours, Monday to Friday or our parish basement. As well as clothing, you may donate shoes, handbags, fabrics, bedding and curtains. Fall Cleaning? Donate to benefit the school!

#### Mark your calendar for the Christmas Bazaar

Assumption Catholic School will hold its Annual Christmas Bazaar & Gift Auction on Sunday December 8, 2024, 11 AM to 5 PM. Enjoy homemade, traditional Ukrainian & Spanish foods, Desserts & Treats. Gift Auction featuring Fabulous Prizes, 50/50, Games, many Vendors & Crafters. Free Admission!

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Vitaliy Mitsevskyy and Olha Onushkanets on their wedding day. May God grant them many and blessed years! Mnohaya Lita!

#### **Hurricane Relief**

In the past two weeks, we have witnessed, and some of our parishes and parishioners have experienced, the devastation caused by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. It is truly difficult to understand and comprehend what nature is capable of doing.

At this time, those who have suffered loss in different ways are trying to cope and start to rebuild if they can. As followers of Jesus Christ, we have a duty and obligation to care for the sick, the wounded, and those who have lost everything. As Ukrainian Catholics, we have seen and experienced the generosity of the people of the United States in their support of Ukraine and the people who have and are suffering from the ravages of war. We in turn have an obligation to offer our support and generosity to those here where we live to help them overcome the devastation which has been brought upon them.

In order to do so, we are scheduling a collection in our parishes on the weekend of October 20, 2024, to be sent to Catholic Charities so relief may be given. We ask for your support and generosity so others less fortunate may know they are not alone in their time of need.

With kind regards and prayers, I am in the Lord, Most Rev. Borys Gudziak - Metropolitan-Archbishop

#### Hurricane Relief Donation: Put your Faith into action.

Dear parishioners, on the request of Most Rev. Borys Gudziak - Metropolitan-Archbishop, our parish will have a collection on the weekend of October 20 and 27, 2024, to be sent to Catholic Charities so relief may be given. Please, use an envelope from the back of the church for your contribution. Please, mark the donation to the Hurricane Relief Fund.

## <u>Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month and National Walk to School Safety at ACS!</u>

This week, ACS hosted a vibrant celebration for Hispanic Heritage Month, filled with delicious treats, great music, and community spirit! Students and staff enjoyed a tasty cafecito, guava pastries, and bagels, all while listening to lively music by the talented Mr. Alejandro. It was a wonderful way to honor the rich culture and contributions of the Hispanic community.

We were also fortunate to have the Perth Amboy Police and Fire Department speak with our students about National Walking to school safety, emphasizing safety tips and community engagement.

# Know Your Church. Elements of the Liturgy.

In the Byzantine Rite, psalms are sometimes sung with short hymns called stichera, which provide an explicitly Christian "counterpoint" to the psalm verses. Stichera are usually sung in alternation with psalm verses, and can point out the deeper meanings in the psalms, or adapt them to the particular service or feast being celebrated.

The Church also prescribes specific readings for each celebration of the Divine Liturgy, as well as at other services throughout the year. But just as the psalms are accompanied by stichera, the Scripture readings are accompanied by short hymns which introduce the Scripture readings for a particular service or feast, and prepare us to listen attentively.

These introductions consist of the Prokeimenon which introduces readings from the Old Testament and the apostolic writings of the New Testament, and the Alleluia which introduces the reading of the Holy Gospel.

The prokeimenon and its verses sung by the cantor, and the verses sung after the Alleluia, are almost always taken from the Book of Psalms.

Allelia! Allelia!