Epistle - Acts 20:16-18 & 28-36; Gospel - Jn 17:1-13; FESTAL TONE

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council, June 1, 2025

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Stephen Znaczko

r/by ACS Faculty & Staff

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

7:30 AM - Lit. + Lillian & William Henderson;

Mary & Michael Waverczak - Legate

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

8:45 AM - Lit. Special Intention, Health and Blessings for

Mrs. Lissette Shumny

Thursday, June 5, 2025

7:30 AM - Lit. + Charles and Mary Thomas

r/by Gail & Richard Zaremba

Friday, June 6, 2025

8:45 AM - Lit. +Jose Castillo r/by ACS Faculty and Staff

Saturday, June 7, 2025

9:00 AM - Lit. 8th Grade Graduation

5:00 PM - Lit. Joe Melnykevych r/by Helen & Jeff

Pentecost Sunday, June 8, 2025

Epistle - Acts 2:1-11; Gospel - Jn 7:37-52 & 8:12

9:00 AM - Lit. Blessings and health for Lidya

r/by daughter, Romana Matviyishyn

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

June 1st, International Children's Day.

Please pray for nearly 20,000 of Ukrainian children kidnapped by Russian Federation Invaders. I am grateful to all the members our parish community who lifted Ukrainian children in their prayers and continue advocating for the safe return of all Ukrainian children to their homes and families.

Bingo Help is Needed

The Bingo Committee is looking for new members to work Bingo on Wednesday.... NO experience needed..... Please consider volunteering your time to help this HUGE Fundraiser for our Church and School. THE Benefits!!!! Lots of Fun, Meet New People, See how Crazy Bingo Players are and more! Please Contact Colette:email.....Ukrainianassumptionbingo.net or show up at Bingo!!!

Father's Day - June 15

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." Separate names of living fathers and deceased fathers. Use multiple envelopes if necessary. Please submit envelopes by Sunday, June 8.

Pease Support.

We are taking monetary donations for Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine. Please drop off your donations of support in the church office. Pray for Ukraine and its children.

Thanks and Gratitude.

- A big thanks goes out to the Holy Name Society for replacing the many tattered flags throughout the cemetery. Also thanks for cleaning and painting our church signs, they now look like new. Yourdedication and hard work are commendable.
- Thanks to John Baginsky for making booklets for the Women's Evening of Prayer
- Thanks to Sisters, Maria Alvarez, and Mary Retalis for changing altars linens and for always taking care of the burned wax candles following Sunday Liturgies.

<u>Congratulations</u> to our school Principal Mrs. Lissette Shumny on formally joining the Catholic Church on June 4th, 2025 that happens to be her birthday too! We are so proud of your faith journey and the joyful "yes" you've given to Christ and His Church.

Welcome home!

Ladies' Prayer Night with Our Blessed Mother.

The St. Ann Society of the Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Assumption in Perth Amboy, NJ, sponsored a Women's Evening of Prayer on May 27, 2025. Catholic women from surrounding communities gathered with Assumption parishioners, joining in fervent and prayerful song during a Moleben to the Blessed Mother of God.

The evening began with the arrival of Archbishop Borys Gudziak, Metropolitan-Archbishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia. He was greeted at the church entrance with the traditional offering of bread and a bouquet of flowers. Parish Sisters Veronica, Svitanku, and Trijtsi, members of the Sisters Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará, led the singing of the Moleben, which was celebrated in both Ukrainian and English.

Archbishop Gudziak delivered a beautiful and meaningful homily reflecting on the role of the Holy Theotokos in his life and in the lives of all the faithful. He spoke of the importance of living by faith and highlighted how devotion to Mary, the Mother of God, is central to our spirituality and piety. "Mother Mary always desires to walk beside us," he shared, "to remain close to us, and to help us through her intercession and love."

The Marian hymns for the evening—Immaculate Mary, a beloved Roman Catholic favorite, and Always Protect Us (O Spomahay Nas), a cherished Ukrainian Catholic selection—were sung by all in attendance. These hymns provided a unified expression of faith, beautifully reflecting the universality of the Church.

Following the prayerful portion of the evening, Rev. Ivan Turyk, pastor of Assumption Church and spiritual advisor to the St. Ann Society, invited all parishioners and guests to a reception in the parish hall. The refreshments were prepared by members of the St. Ann Society under the leadership of Mrs. Melanie Fedynyshyn, president of the Society. The gathering was filled with a heartfelt atmosphere of love and gratitude to the Lord for the gift of His Heavenly Mother, who watches over us all. Everyone enjoyed the wonderful meal and the opportunity for fellowship. As the evening came to a close, all present expressed sincere thanks to Archbishop Borys for his visit and for bringing God's blessing to the parish in such a special way. Many agreed that this evening of Marian devotion had nourished both body and soul.

Pentecost Sunday, June 8.

The Feast of Pentecost is called "Green Sunday." The insides of churches usually are covered with fresh branches of green trees. Green branches are also placed on the outside railings and doors of churches, and people also place a green branch on the door of their homes. Clergy and altar boys also wear green vestments, and many in the congregation wear something green. This custom comes from the fact that on Pentecost, 3000 people were baptized into the new faith. Green symbolizes new life, and Pentecost is thought to be the church's birthday. Green means life ... without the Holy Spirit, we are spiritually dead.

Nicene Creed Anniversary, I Believe ...

We say the words every Sunday, but have you ever wondered where the Nicene Creed came from, or why it was written the way it was?

This month marks the 1700th anniversary of the First Ecumenical Council, held in 325 AD at Nicaea, the historic gathering where the Church clarified its core beliefs about Jesus and the Trinity.

The Nicene Creed is a foundational statement of Christian belief and is a story of faith, conflict, and unity that still speaks to us today. For 1700 years, it has been a source of salvation and unity, consolidating the fundamental beliefs of Christians. May it continue to inspire our world to the peace its prayerful profession calls us to.