SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

Epistle - Gal 2:16-20; Gospel - Mk 8:34-9:1; TONE 8

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday After the Exaltation, September 21, 2025

9:00 AM - Lit. Special Intention of Myron & Maria Rajsz On their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

7:30 AM - Lit. + Joseph Neubauer - Legate

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

7:30 AM - Lit. + Maryann Smereka r/by Stanley Stempinski

Thursday, September 25, 2025

7:30 AM - Lit. God's Blessings and Health for Marta -

r/by Mariya Hrebeshchenko

Friday, September 26, 2025

8:45 AM - Lit. + Olga Castell r/by ACS

Saturday, September 27, 2025

8:00 AM - Lit. + Bohdan (1 year) - r/by Oksana Helyas 5:00 PM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

16th Sunday After Pentecost, September 28, 2025

Epistle - 2 Cor 6:1-10; Gospel - Lk 5:1-11

9:00 AM - Lit. Health & Blessings for Fr. Ivan

11:30 AM - Lit. + Raymond W. Otlowski r/by Joan & Bob

15th anniversary of Fr. Ivan's service to our parish!

Please join us for a special celebration on Sunday, September 28, immediately following the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, during Coffee Hour. Together, we will honor Father Ivan for his unwavering commitment, compassionate leadership, and the many ways he has touched our lives..

Attention PARENTS: Religious Education For Children.

The First Confession and Solemn Holy Communion Instruction classes led by our Sisters will be held starting SUNDAY, October 5, 2025 for our parish children (2nd Grade, 6-7 years old). Please bring your child to the parish school for the first day of catechism class. The yellow form at the back of the church needs to be filled out and returned to Fr. Ivan or Sr. Veronica by September 28th. Lessons in English are held Sundays in the parish school from 9:00 AM till 10:00 AM.

Designer Bag Bingo

Sponsored by the parish Holy Name Society Sunday, October 5, 2025 from 2pm-5pm.

The afternoon includes 10 rounds of bingo with amazing designer purses as the prize for each round. In addition, there will be an abundance of fabulous raffle prizes, a TRICKY TRAY and 50-50 RAFFLE.

Doors Open: 12:00 pm. Games Start at 2:00 pm Entry Fee: \$30 and and extra sheets packs will be \$20. Kitchen will be open for purchases. FREE COFFEE AND COOKIES.

Pilgrimage. The 94th Annual Pilgrimage to the Mother of God at Fox Chase will be held on Sunday, October 5, 2025. All people of goodwill are welcome! The day will begin with confessions at 8:30 am, and Archbishop Borys will celebrate Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am. The afternoon will include lunch, spiritual programs, Moleben, Anointing for Healing, and the Blessing of cars and buses.

Donation to Church

\$100.00 - In Memory of KEN FRANKEL by Marie, and son Doug

Baptized in the Lord

With great joy, our parish family welcomes the newest Child of God: DAVID TARAS who was received Sacraments of Initiation in our church. To his parents and all family and friends we extend our joyful congratulations!

Parish Catechesis for September:

- September 21 young adults, over 18 years old, Sunday at 11:15 a.m. after coffee
- September 27 teenagers (13-18 years old), Saturday, 6:30-8:30 pm
- September 28 young adults, over 18 years old, Sunday at 11:15 a.m. after coffee

Assumption Parish Welcomes Cardinal's Visit

September 19, 2025, was a truly special day for our parish and school community, as we had the great honor of welcoming Cardinal Mykola Bychok of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Sts. Peter and Paul in Melbourne, Australia. Cardinal Bychok, the youngest cardinal in the universal Church, recently participated in the 2025 conclave that elected Pope Leo.

The arrival of His Eminence was marked by deep emotion and heartfelt celebration. Pastor - Fr. Ivan Turyk, Principal Mrs. Lisette Shumny, and the students of our school welcomed the Cardinal with traditional gifts of bread and salt, beautiful bouquets of flowers, and a special welcome poem prepared by the children.

The Divine Liturgy that followed was celebrated with joy, reverence, and hope. In his homily, Cardinal Bychok reinforced Assumption Catholic School's enduring commitment to faith and learning. His message inspired all in attendance to deepen their relationship with God and continue growing in both knowledge and virtue.

After the Liturgy, the Cardinal lit a candle—handmade by one of our parishioners-and offered a heartfelt prayer for peace in Ukraine, saying:

"We ask You to send Your holy angels to watch over the land of Ukraine. Let this flame be a symbol of hope, a prayer rising toward heaven, and a reminder that light will always overcome darkness".

To conclude the Liturgy, the congregation and ACS students joined together in singing Ukraine's spiritual anthem, Bozhe Velykyi Yedynyi (O Great and Only God).

Following the service, Cardinal Bychok toured the school, met with faculty, and took time to personally speak with many students. He encouraged them to embrace their faith and recognize the God-given potential within each of them. This visit marked the first-ever visit of a cardinal to our church and school community - a historic and unforgettable occasion that filled our hearts with joy and gratitude.

Congratulations!

Last Monday, together with Sister Veronica, Sister Trijtsi, Sister Svitanku, and my parents-who are visiting from Ukraine—we traveled to Washington, D.C., to witness a very special ceremony: nine sisters of the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará professed their final vows. It was a great joy to visit the city where I studied for the priesthood—St. Josaphat Seminary, my alma mater—to participate in the Holy Mass and to witness these brave women consecrate themselves completely to Jesus Christ and to the spread of His Kingdom. Mary, Virgin of Matará, pray for us!

"Yaroslav the Wise - Europe's Father-in-Law".

We invite all parishioners for the screening of the documentary film which will take place on Sunday, September 21, after the 9:00 AM Liturgy, during coffee hour. Organizers of the screening: The Watch Ukrainian! Association in cooperation with Branch 135 of the Ukrainian National Women's League of America.

Admission is free. The film is in Ukrainian with English subtitles. Running time - 58 minutes.

2025 Reporting & Giving Soirée in Whippany, NJ!

at 60 N Jefferson Rd, Whippany, NJ 0798

You are warmly invited to this special event, hosted by Metropolitan Borys Gudziak and the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, which is part of our Jubilee Year of Hope celebration. Join us to hear updates on the Archeparchy's service, challenges, and future, while supporting the New Priests and Personnel Fund-a critical initiative to sustain and grow our Church's leadership.

Tickets: \$175 per person

More details: ukrcatholic.org/fundraisers-2025 Questions or information for tickets, contact us at (215) 627-0143: fundraisers2025@ukrcatholic.org If you are planning to purchase a ticket, please let Fr. Ivan know that you will be in attendance.

