

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

19th Sunday After Pentecost, October 19, 2025
9:00 AM - Lit. For God’s Blessings on Our Parishioners
11:30 AM - Lit. + Raymond J. Otlowski r/by Joan & Bob
Monday, October 20, 2025
7:30 AM - Lit. + Ihor Chobit r/by Chobit family
Tuesday, October 21, 2025
7:30 AM - Lit. + Ceil Good r/by Bob & Joan Galetta
Wednesday, October 22, 2025
7:30 AM - Lit. Special Intention of Gerry Salsini
20th Sunday After Pentecost, October 26, 2025
Epistle -Gal 1:11-19; Gospel - Lk 16:19-31
9:00 AM - Lit. For God’s Blessings on Our Parishioners

A WARM WELCOME to our parishioners, guests and visitors who have joined us in this Divine Liturgy. Thank you for praying with us at the church today! Wishing you a blessed weekend and fruitful, healthy and safe week!

Giving Soirée

Thank you to our parishioners and sisters for so beautifully representing Assumption Parish at the Reporting and Giving Soirée with Archbishop Borys, held on October 11 in Whippany, NJ. It was a meaningful evening of learning about the ministries of the Archeparchy and the ongoing work in God’s vineyard. The soirée brought together 160 guests from across the Archeparchy of Philadelphia. Through silent and live auctions, a 50/50 raffle, and the incredible generosity of attendees, a total of **\$64,305** was raised. We are proud that Assumption Parish in Perth Amboy, NJ contributed **\$3,000** toward this effort. It was truly an unforgettable evening filled with faith, generosity, and community spirit

SingCon 2025 - Pontifical Divine Liturgy

Sunday, October 26, 2025
The Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m (English)
will be celebrated by:

- Most. Rev. Borys Gudziak, Metropolitan and Archbishop of Philadelphia for Ukrainian Catholics in the United States of America
- Most. Rev. Bohdan Danylo, Bishop of Saint Josaphat in Parma (Ukrainian)

Responses will be sung by the combined choir of SingCon participants, showcasing the beauty and richness of our liturgical tradition through united voices. Don't miss this powerful celebration of faith and community! All are welcome.

Liturgies Canceled - SingCon Weekend

Please note the following schedule changes for the weekend of October 25-26, 2025, due to SingCon 2025:

- Saturday, October 25 - No 5:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy
- Sunday, October 26 - No 11:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

We will celebrate only one Divine Liturgy that weekend:
Sunday, October 26 at 9:00 a.m. - Hierarchical Divine Liturgy (English)
We invite all parishioners to join us for this special liturgical celebration

Wedding Bans

For GABY MARANI and STEPHANIE MARIE KARANEVSKII who will be married on Saturday, October 25, at our parish. If anyone is aware of any reason why they should not be married, please make it known to Fr. Ivan.

Come, Learn, and Grow in Faith

- October 19 - young adults, over 18 years old, Sunday at 11:15 a.m. after coffee.

ACS Fall Clothes Drive

Our parish school is accepting donations of gently used clothes. 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.



19th Sunday after Pentecost Gospel.

Jesus tells the parable of a sower who scatters seed—some falls on the path, some on rocky ground, some among thorns, and some on good soil. The seed, He explains, is the Word of God, and the soil represents the human heart that receives it. The Word That Gives Life Christ, the Divine Sower, never stops sowing. His Word is generous, abundant, and constant. Yet the fruit depends not on the sower but on the soil of the soul—on how open we are to receive His grace.

St. John Chrysostom reminds us: *“The fault is not in the sower, but in the ground where the seed falls.”*

If our hearts are hard, distracted, or shallow, the Word cannot take root. But when we listen with humility and perseverance, God’s grace bears fruit—thirty, sixty, or a hundredfold.

Assumption School Christmas Bazaar

Sunday, December 7, 2025
10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Join us for a festive day filled with holiday cheer, great food, and amazing prizes!
Enjoy delicious homemade Ukrainian and Spanish foods, along with desserts and sweet treats. Take part in our Gift Auction featuring fabulous prizes, and don’t miss your chance to win big in our 50/50 Raffle
We are also accepting donations! We kindly ask for new items for the raffle or gift cards of any amount. Your support helps make our bazaar a fun and successful event for the entire community!

Coffee Hour and Fellowship.

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Church Hall after the Sunday 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy.

An Overview of the Ukrainian Catholic Church

The Ukrainian Catholic Church is in full communion with the Universal Catholic Church of Rome yet has its own rite, that is, distinctive liturgies, services, hymns, and prayers. Our Liturgy follows the time-honored, deeply spiritual and symbolic Orthodox Christian traditions of the Eastern or Byzantine Rite (as opposed to the more readily recognized Latin or Roman Rite) of the Catholic Church and remains essentially unchanged since the early centuries of the Christian Faith. There is a heavy emphasis on choral and congregations singing; often our entire Liturgy is sung.
We worship God in the Holy Trinity; we glorify the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit equally. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that He is one in being with the Father. We also believe that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of a Virgin. He was crucified for the sins of the whole world and rose from the grave to grant eternal life. The Universal Church affirms that all Catholics meet all their obligations in the Eastern Church and are welcome to participate in Communion.

Know Your Church... Elements of the Liturgy

- **Antiphons**
Sometimes a fixed refrain is added after each verse of a psalm. In the Old Testament, some psalms already come in this form, with refrains like "for His mercy endures forever!" or "Alleluia! (a Hebrew word meaning "Praise God!").
In the Byzantine tradition, these short refrains were called *troparia*; here are some examples:
Through the prayers of your saints, O Savior, save us!
O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia! Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance! Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us!

An antiphon consists of a set of psalm verses, with each one followed by the fixed refrain, then the small doxology ("Glory to the Father... Now and ever..."), and the refrain once more; this was usually followed by a short litany and a prayer. An "office" of three such antiphons was an ancient feature of the Byzantine Rite. Today, these antiphons are sung in the Divine Liturgy.