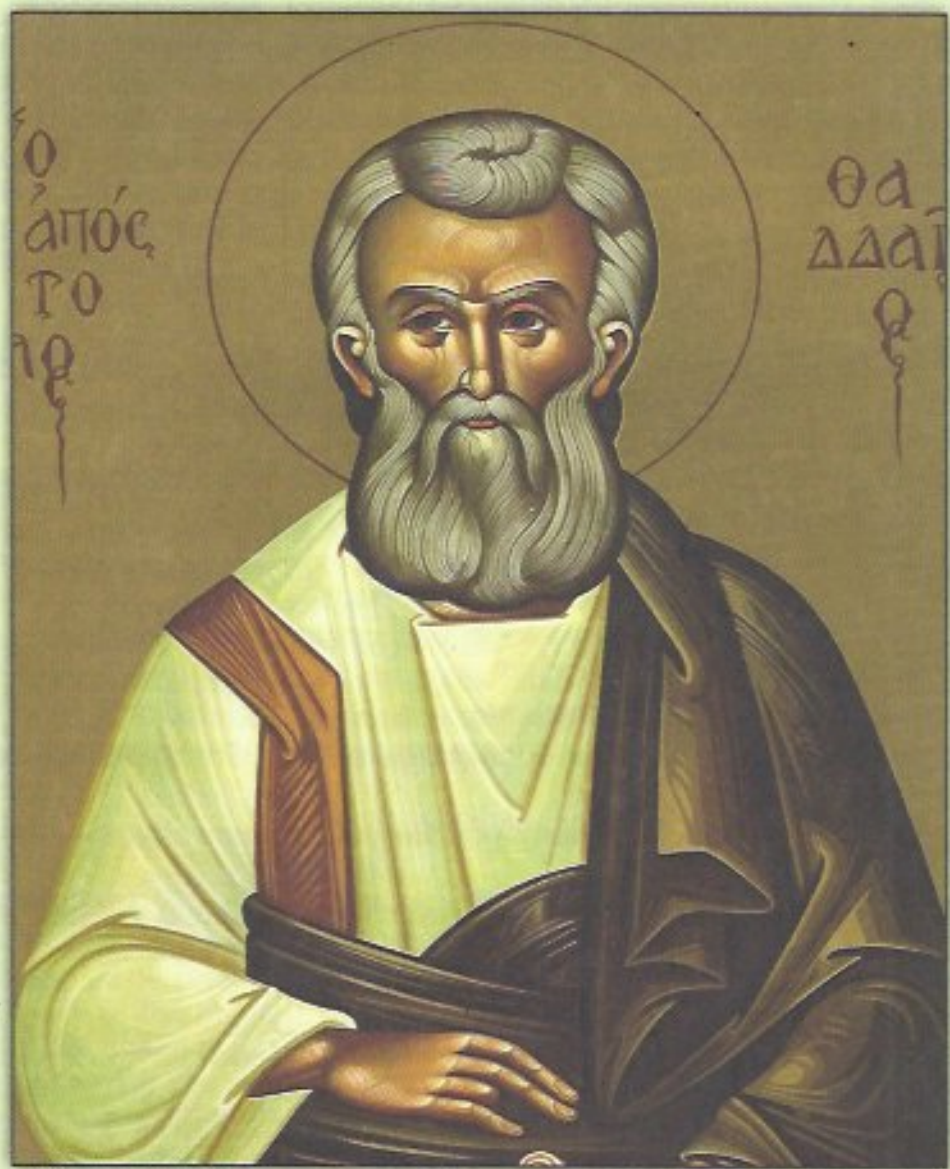


FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Saint Thaddeus -- August 21st

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August 21-28, 2016

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:21:2:4

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) +Josephine & John Romanic – Joann & Judy

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 21, 2016

9:00AM (Ukrainian) For the Parishioners

11:00AM (English) +Josephine Ileczo – Vargas Family

All daily Divine Liturgies celebrated at 9:00AM. Please support the prayer life of our church by your participation.

MONDAY No Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY Special birthday intention : Craig Stoken – Stoken Family

WEDNESDAY +Michael Horon – Peter & Marjorie Brinko

THURSDAY No Divine Liturgy

FRIDAY +Fr Joseph Szupa – Family & friends

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) +John Vedomsky – Peg Hutnik

15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: August 28, 2016

9:00AM (Ukrainian) For the Parishioners

11:00AM (English) +Most Rev. Richard Seminack :Bishop of Chicago

COLLECTION – \$1651.00 Thank you for your generosity and support

Eternal Light & Altar Candles In Memory of +John & Agnes Gutowski – Daniel and Loretta Bodnar

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers

Helen Terleski

Teodozia Sroka

Catherine Kutzler

Olga Turczyn

Mae Kulczykcki

Sophie Troyan

Jean Lakomski

Michael Trusz

Peg Hutnik

Richard Suter

Martha Charon

Olga Bryksa

Julian Trusz

Michael Sidlar

Walter Kiniuk

Joseph Bodnar

Lillian Opp

Frank & Betty Maitiski

Sarah Shanks

Kim Lightcap

Gregory Neff

Stephen Terleski

Sr Judith OSBM

Margaret Dashe

Helen Potak

Anna Drozd

Olga Trusz

Mary Heverling

Frieda Lubosky

Robin Mease

Sr Marina OSBM

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
POSTFEAST DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD**

Troparion (5):

Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion (1):

O Mother of God, in giving birth You still preserved virginity; and in your falling-asleep you did not forsake the world. You are the Mother of Life and have been transferred to life and through your prayers have delivered our souls from death.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion (5):

You, my Savior, descended to Hades, and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates. With Yourself You, as Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death, and delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind. And so we cry out: Save us, O Lord.

Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (2):

The grave and death did not detain the Mother of God. She prays perpetually and is our unfailing hope of intercession; for He Who dwelt in the womb of the ever-Virgin, transferred to life the Mother of Life.

Prokimenon (5):

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation, and for ever.

Verse: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

Epistle: Reading of the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians

Brethren: The one who gives us security with you in Christ and who anointed us is God; he has also put his seal upon us and given the Spirit in our hearts as a first installment. But I call upon God as witness, on my life, that it is to spare you that I have not yet gone to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; rather, we work together for your joy, for you stand firm in the faith. For I decided not to come to you again in painful circumstances. For if I inflict pain upon you, then who is there to cheer me except the one pained by me? And I wrote as I did so that when I came I might not be pained by those in whom I should have rejoiced, confident about all of you that my joy is that of all of you. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you with many tears, not that you might be pained but that you might know the abundant love I have for you.

Alleluia Verses:

Verse (5): Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared.

Gospel: (Mt 22,2-14)

The Lord told this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."' Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. He said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."

It is truly right.. (Or the Hirmos of the Feast):

Seeing the dormition of the most Pure One, the angels were filled with awe at how the Virgin went from earth to heaven.

Hirmos: In you, O Pure Virgin, the laws of nature were overcome: in giving birth you remained a virgin and in your death heralded life. You remained a virgin after giving birth and remained alive after death, always saving your descendants, O Mother of God.

Communion Verse:

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

25th ANNIVERSARY OF UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE

There will be a Ukrainian flag raising ceremony in Bethlehem City Hall Plaza on August 24th at 1:00PM: 11 W Church Street. To honor the 25th Anniversary of Ukrainian Independence. The Ukrainian community in the Lehigh Valley invite you to join with them in solidarity and support of our brothers and sisters in Ukraine who struggle to maintain their independence and freedom as a democratic state against the onslaught of Soviet oppression.

Please join us as we honor the courage and conviction of all those working to build up their sovereignty, spirituality and freedom through democratic principles.

PRAYER PETITIONS FOR LITURGY

There will be prayer petitions for Ukraine as they celebrate their independence day during the Liturgy. At the end of Liturgy there is a prayer by Kievan Metropolitan Ilarion in the 11th century which we will recite together asking God to bless our brothers and sisters and ourselves as we support and pray for those in need of courage, freedom and faith.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Our Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy invites you to it's **Wedding Anniversary Celebration** on Sunday October 16, 2016. Metropolitan Archbishop Stefan Soroka invites you to celebrate your wedding anniversary at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at a Divine Liturgy at 11:00AM in your honor followed by a banquet for all couples and guests. Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church. Cost is \$50.00 per couple \$30.00 for guests. Deadline for registration is October 1, 2016

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS to Craig Stoken this week. May God grant him many more healthy happy years ! Mnohaya lita!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MEETING

There will be a meeting on Wednesday evening at 5:30PM at the rectory office for anyone interested in helping with the Religious Education Classes. Your input, support and time would be greatly appreciated, Thank you.

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to Eric Hale and Donna Hale for repairing the window weights and ropes to get our windows working again safely at the chapel. God bless you!

IN BLESSED MEMORY

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **+Most Rev. Richard Seminack**, Bishop of Ukrainian Catholics for Chicago Diocese. Bishop Seminack had served in many parishes throughout the Archeparchy and for the last 12 years had served as Bishop of Chicago. After funeral services at St Nicholas in Chicago he will be buried from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia on Friday August 26th beginning with a Divine Liturgy at 10:30AM. May his memory be eternal! **VICHNAYA PAMYAT!**

UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY August 24

Archbishop Stefan invites all to celebrate Ukrainian Independence Day in Philadelphia on August 24 at 12:45PM as the Ukrainian Community gathers at Philadelphia City Hall at Broad and Market Streets. There will be a short program offered for peace in Ukraine and the support of our brothers and sisters. All are invited.

UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL August 20-21 Lehighton

The Ukrainian Homestead in Lehighton PA is celebrating their Annual Festival August 20-21 from 12:00PM-8:00PM. There are stage shows Saturday and Sunday and a Divine Liturgy with Archbishop Soroka at 11:00AM Sunday. All are invited. See the fliers in the vestibule of the church for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Our Religious Education classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:00PM in the church hall. All children are encouraged to register by using the forms in the vestibule of the church. This year we will be covering stories from the Bible. We will begin with the story of creation through the coming of Jesus in the New Testament over the next few months. Many of our children are not familiar with the history or stories from the Bible. It is a necessary basis for their faith so please support our efforts. There will be two groups :Ages 5-12 and 13-18. Any children wishing to make their First Confession and Solemn Communion this year should register with Fr Dan. Classes will begin on Tuesday September 6, 2016.

PYROHY TO START: September 6-7

We will resume our monthly pyrohy sale on September 6 & 7. If you would like to place and order please use the order form in the vestibule of the church or call the rectory at 610-252-4266 to place your order. Pyrohy are \$6.00 a dozen.

HOLY GHOST T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

Anyone wishing to purchase a Holy Ghost t-shirt there are still small/ large/ and xtra large available in the dark blue. T-shirts are \$10.00 and support our Tower Repair Fund. Thank you

TRICKY TRAY DONATIONS

We will be holding our Annual Tricky Tray Fundraiser on October 16, 2016. We have sent a letter out to all of our parishioners asking for your support of \$50.00 for each family to help us prepare the prizes. The Tricky Tray is one of our major fundraisers and helps us to meet our goal of maintaining our church here in West Easton. Fliers will be available soon to distribute. If anyone is willing to help us solicit prizes from the local businesses please see Fr. Dan or John Drozd after the Liturgies. Thank you.

\$50.00 : Elizabeth Poleschuk, Paulette Bellis, Bill and Ruth Hutnik, Anna Drozd, John Drozd Jr, Patty Veresink, Barbara & Shawn Maloney, Marion & Teodozja Sroka, Sharon Komanesky DeVito, Ted & Rosemary Veresink, Michael & Olga Trusz

UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL: TRYZUB August 28, 2016

The Ukrainian American Sports Center at County Line and Lower State rds in Horsham PA invite you to the 25th Annual Ukrainian Festival from 12:00-8:00PM. A vibrant outdoor summer Concert of Ukrainian Dance Music and Song celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Ukraine's independence. Performer for the day: "Voloshky" and "Iskra" Dance ensembles, "Vox Ethnika" and "Living in Song" Ensemble and Chamber Choir. A Ukrainian "zabava" dance will follow the show. Food, BBQ, refreshments baked goods will be available. For more info: 267-664-3857 or www.tryzub.org

CALL TO PRAYER: CENTRALIA PA

On Sunday August 28, Assumption of the BVM Ukrainian Catholic Church in Centralia is sponsoring a day of pilgrimage and prayer from 12:00PM – 4:00PM. A Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 12:00 noon with Archbishop Soroka with Fr Wasył Kharuk as the homilist. The Assumption Church has been designated as a "Door of Mercy" during this jubilee year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis. There will be a Living Rosary at 2:30PM, and a Moleben to the Mother of God at 4:00PM. There will be a food service from 1-4:00PM and handicap parking with shuttle service available. All are invited.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS, SISTERS AND SEMINARIANS AND FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE.

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If you wish to join Holy Ghost Church and become a member of our parish family please contact Fr. Dan at the parish rectory to register with us.

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion. Classes are required for parents and godparents prior to sacrament. Please contact the parish office

Marriages: Couples wishing to be married must be registered in the parish and attending Pre-Cana classes. One year notification is required.

Anointing of the Sick/Visitation of the Sick: Anyone wishing to be visited with Holy Communion and/or anointed for healing, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish office.

Confession: Regular confession helps us in our journey of faith.

Confessions will be held

Saturday's from 5:15PM-5:45PM Sunday from 10:15AM-10:45AM

You Are the Light of the World

The Lord called His disciples the salt of the earth because they seasoned with heavenly wisdom the hearts of men, rendered insipid by the devil. Now He calls them the light of the world as well, because they have been enlightened by Him, the true and everlasting light, and have themselves become a light in the darkness.

Since He is the Sun of Justice, He fittingly calls His disciples the light of the world. The reason for this is that through them, as through shining rays, He has poured out the light of the knowledge of Himself upon the entire world. For by manifesting the light of truth, they have dispelled the darkness of error from the hearts of men.

Moreover, we too have been enlightened by them. We have been made light out of darkness as the Apostle says: For once you were darkness,

but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light. He says another time: For you are not sons of the night and of darkness, but you are all sons of light and of the day.

Saint John also rightly asserts in his letter: God is light. ... This is why the Apostle says: Among them you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life.

If we fail to live in the light, we shall, to our condemnation and that of others, be veiling over and obscuring by our infidelity the light men so desperately need. As we know from Scripture, the man who received the talent should have made it produce a heavenly profit, but instead he preferred to hide it away rather than put it to work and was punished as he deserved.

St. Chromatius

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