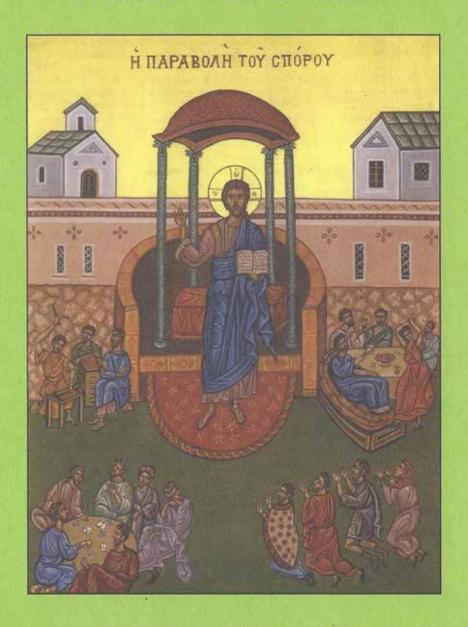
SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



Icon of the Parable of the Sower and the Seed

October 15, 2017: Epistle: 2 Cor. 11:31 12:9		Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost Gospel: Lk. 8: 5-15	
Mon., Oct. 16	8:00	Health & God's Blessings on Fr. Nestor (Morning Liturgy Ladies)	
Tues., Oct. 17	8:00	+ Msgr. Stephen Hrynuck (St. Cyril's Holy Name Society)	
Wed., Oct. 18	8:00	+ John & Helen Nasevich (Ruth Covalesky)	
Thurs., Oct. 19	8:00	+ Debra Altier (Parents Fred & Shirley Jacobs)	
Fri., Oct. 20	8:00	+ Mary & Michael Stanko (Daughter Elaine & Bob)	
Sat., Oct. 21	2:00	Continued Health & God's Blessings on Mrs. Dorothy Chezik (Chezik Children) Confessions Confessions om God's Blessing on Michael & Leona Korzemba (Anniversary)	
Sun., Oct. 22	9:00 11:30	For Our Parishioners + Ann Slaboda (Nancy Kohut & Eugene Beggin)	

Be Happy With What You Have

Should you find it hard to get to sleep tonight, remember the homeless family without beds to sleep in. Should you find yourself frustrated, stuck in traffic, don't despair. There are people in this world for which driving is an unheard of privilege. Should you have a bad day at work, think of the man who has been out of work for years. Should you despair over a relationship gone bad, think of the person who has

never known what it is like to love and be loved in return. Should you grieve the passing of another weekend, think of the woman in dire straits, working twelve hours a day seven days a week to feed her children. Should your car break down, leaving you miles from any assistance, think of the paraplegic who would love the opportunity to take a walk. Should you notice a few gray hairs in the mirror, think of the cancer patient undergoing chemotherapy who wishes she had hair to examine. Should you find yourself at a loss and pondering what life is all about, asking "what is my purpose", be thankful. There are those who didn't live long enough to get the opportunity. Should you find yourself the victim of other people's bitterness, ignorance, smallness or insecurities, remember, things could be worse. You could be them!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Frank and Susan Lesnefsky on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. We pray that Our Lord God may grant them Many Happy and Blessed Years. Mnohaya i Blahaya Leeta! They will receive a special blessing following the 11:30 Divine Liturgy.

Steamtown Marathon

As we know, the Steamtown Marathon shut down half the Valley last Sunday. It made it very difficult, if not impossible, for some Parishioners to come to Church. Just a reminder, if you were not able to make it to Church last Sun-

day due to the Marathon, don't forget to drop off your envelopes for Sunday, October 8th in today's basket on next week's basket. Thank you for your support.

Book Sale

St. Thomas Moore Catholic Parish at St. Joseph Church will hold it 5th Annual Fund Raiser Book Sale. It will be held at St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1625 North Main Ave, Scranton, PA (at Theodore Street, near Green Ridge Street in North Scranton) on Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the lower level of the Church.

Over 1,000 books (soft and hard cover) for all ages: adults and kids.

Lunch and baked goods will be available for purchase. Free Parking at the corner of North Main and Ferdinand Street, Scranton.

Call Paul Campbell or Rev. Eric Berman, Pastor 570-343-0634 for more information.

Books are being recycled, priced to sell cheap, and helps the environment by not being thrown in the trash or to the local dump.

Trunk Or Treat

"Trunk or Treat" for Halloween 2017 will take place in Olyphant on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at the "Wargo-Msgr. Hrinuck-Beckage Sports Complex" at 700 Block of East Grant Street, FernHill Section of Olyphant at 1:00 p.m.

Decorate your car and join the FUN! Over 350 children attended the event in 2016. Volunteers are needed. Contact call David Krukovitz 570-780-4446 or Paula Foley at 570-351-8452.

COME AND JOIN US FOR A FUN, SAFE, FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT! All kids invited (Mid-Vallley Residents) to come in Halloween Costumes. Decorate your trunks/vehicles

for Halloween and hand out treats. The children will go car to car in a safe secure area on the Baseball field.

To REGISTER your car call David Krukovitz 570-780-4446 or Paula Foley at 570-351-8452. Only registered, decorated vehicles will be allowed on the field.

Car Arrival at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday. Trunk and Treating Starts at 1:00 p.m. Child Fingerprinting, Hot Dogs and Hot Chocolate at the Eureka Volunteer Fire Company (across from the Baseball field) 3:00 p.m. with Basket raffle and 50/50 chances.

There will be a prize for 'THE BEST" DECORATED TRUNK VEHICLE only!

BINGO PARTY

Bingo Party featuring The Pampered Chef
Hosted by SS. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church of Simpson
Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 2:00pm
Trinity Hall, 37 Prospect Street
20 games plus Specials and 50/50
Refreshments available
\$20.00 in advance - \$25.00 at the door
Phone Marge at 570 282-5680

State Property Tax Rebate

Genevieve Lupini, Jessup Tax Collector will be available to assist any

qualifying senior citizens with their 2016 State Property Tax/Rent rebate.

The income limit for the rebate is \$35,000, counting only half of Social Security benefits. Renter's limit of income is \$15,000. There are many people who do not realize this program is available to them, which gives rebates of \$250-\$650 or more.

Qualifications: Senior citizen property owners age 65 as of December 31

of claim year; If you are a widow or widower age 50 by December 31 of claim year; permanently disabled, age 18 to 64 may also apply. A reminder: only half of Social Security benefits are counted for income.

Eligibility guidelines and assistance required can be obtained by contacting the Jessup tax office. Must call for appointments, 570-383-1217.

Bus Trip

Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is sponsoring a Christmastime bus trip to New York City on Saturday, December 9, 2017. There will be three stops in Manhattan: the Ukrainian Village on the lower East Side, Bryant Park's Winter Village housing 125 vendors in midtown, and the Christmassy Fifth Avenue area. We'll have an opportunity to buy some tasty Ukrainian goodies, see many beautiful Christmas decorations as only New York City can do it including the famous Christmas tree

at Rockefeller Center and more. Participants can follow the above threestop itinerary or are free to do their own thing for part or all of the day. Departure from St. Vladimir Church, 428 North Seventh Avenue will be at 8:00am and departure from New York City for home will be at 8:30pm. Cost is \$42.00 per person. For additional details and to make reservations contact Paul Ewasko at 570 563-2275. Checks should be made out to St. Vladimir Church and mailed to Paul at 55 Waterford Road, Dalton PA 18414.

Rummage Sale 2017 "Pay It Forward" And Clean Up!!!

"Pay it Forward" was accomplished again by the Parishioners after its 7th Annual Fund Raiser Rummage Sale in September 2017. Items left over from the

rummage sale were donated to "United Neighborhood" in Scranton on October 10th in 2 trucks and a van by Paul Mohila, Michelene Davis, Ron Bartofsky, Lauren Telep and Bob "Hammerman" Kletsko.

Volunteers are still needed to "Clean up" the school gym. We still have a few more tables to "pack up" and get the gym back in order and return the garage to Father Nestor. Plan to come on Tuesday, October 17, 20017 at 10:00 a.m. (It took us 4 months to set up, and we are doing it a few days at a time.)

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The remaining raffle baskets will be at the Rectory, please call Father Nestor at 570-489-2271 to coordinate a time to pick them up: If you know these winners, please let them know. Messages have been left at their phone numbers: Helen 570-903-1*** and Patty Rowland at 570-840-9*** and Howard Smith at 570-766-5*** and Carri Franshetti 570-489-4*** and Clydee Thomas 570-267-1*** and Kristen Ference at 570-780-2*** and Linda Sanplam at 570-309-8***

Information regarding the outcome of the Rummage Sale of 2017 will be printed in future bulletins.

We are very thankful to everyone who volunteers and helps in anyway possible.

Rummage Sale Report

The profit of the 2017 Rummage Sale Fund Raiser has increased 62.45% from the Rummage Sale in 2016 (\$19,026.79 net profit)

Thank you to all of our volunteers, especially Lauren Telep, our Chairwoman. Raffle winners, volunteers and thanks etc.... information will be published in future bulletins.

The 2017 Rummage Sale Fund Raiser Net Profit: \$30,910.61

7 years (2010-2017) of the Rummage Sale Fund Raiser Net Profit: \$98, 910.61

Rummage Sal	e:	\$ 25,893.02	
Jewelry:		1,150.50	
Raffle:		1,485.75	
Kitchen:		1,610.55	
Style Encore (Consignment:	27. 20	
Donations:		1,297.56	
GROSS Profit	:	\$ 31,464.58	
Expenses;		553.97	
NET Profit:		\$ 30,910.61	

Collection Processing Team...

The Collection Processing Team for Eugene Zinsky, John Turko, Jr., Leonthe month of October 2017 is Team #2: ard Mitchko and Michael Shumek.

Sunday Collection for October 7 & 8, 2017: \$

Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for October 21 & 22, 2017

	Altar Boys	Lectors
4:00 pm	Nicholas Muchisky Brett Lowe	Bill Vervan
9:00 am	Patrick Marcinko Cole Marcinko	Pat Marcinko
11:30 am	Brian Radle Jordan Radle	Frank Lesnefsky

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Rev. Nestor Iwasiw, Pastor

The Sower and the Seed

Dearly beloved, the reading from the holy gospel about the sower requires no explanation, but only a word of warning. In fact, the explanation has been given by Truth Himself, and it cannot be disputed by a frail human being. However, there is one point in our Lord's exposition which you ought to weigh well. It is this. If I told you that the seed represented the word, the field the world, the birds the demons, and the thorns riches, you would perhaps be in two minds as to whether to believe me. Therefore, the Lord himself deigned to explain what He had said.

Store up in your minds the Lord's words which you receive through your ears, for the word of the Lord is the nourishment of the mind. When His word is heard but not stored away in the memory, it is like food which has been eaten and then rejected by an upset stom-

ach. A person's life is in danger if he cannot retain his food; so if you receive the food of holy exhortations, but fail to store in your memory those words of life which nurture righteousness, you have good reason to fear the danger of everlasting death. Be careful, then, that the word you have received through your ears remains in your heart.

Remember these words: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." All who were there listening to Christ had ears of the body. But He who said to those same people: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear," was referring, beyond doubt, to the ears of the heart. See then that the discourse which you hear takes root in your heart.

St. Gregory the Great

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