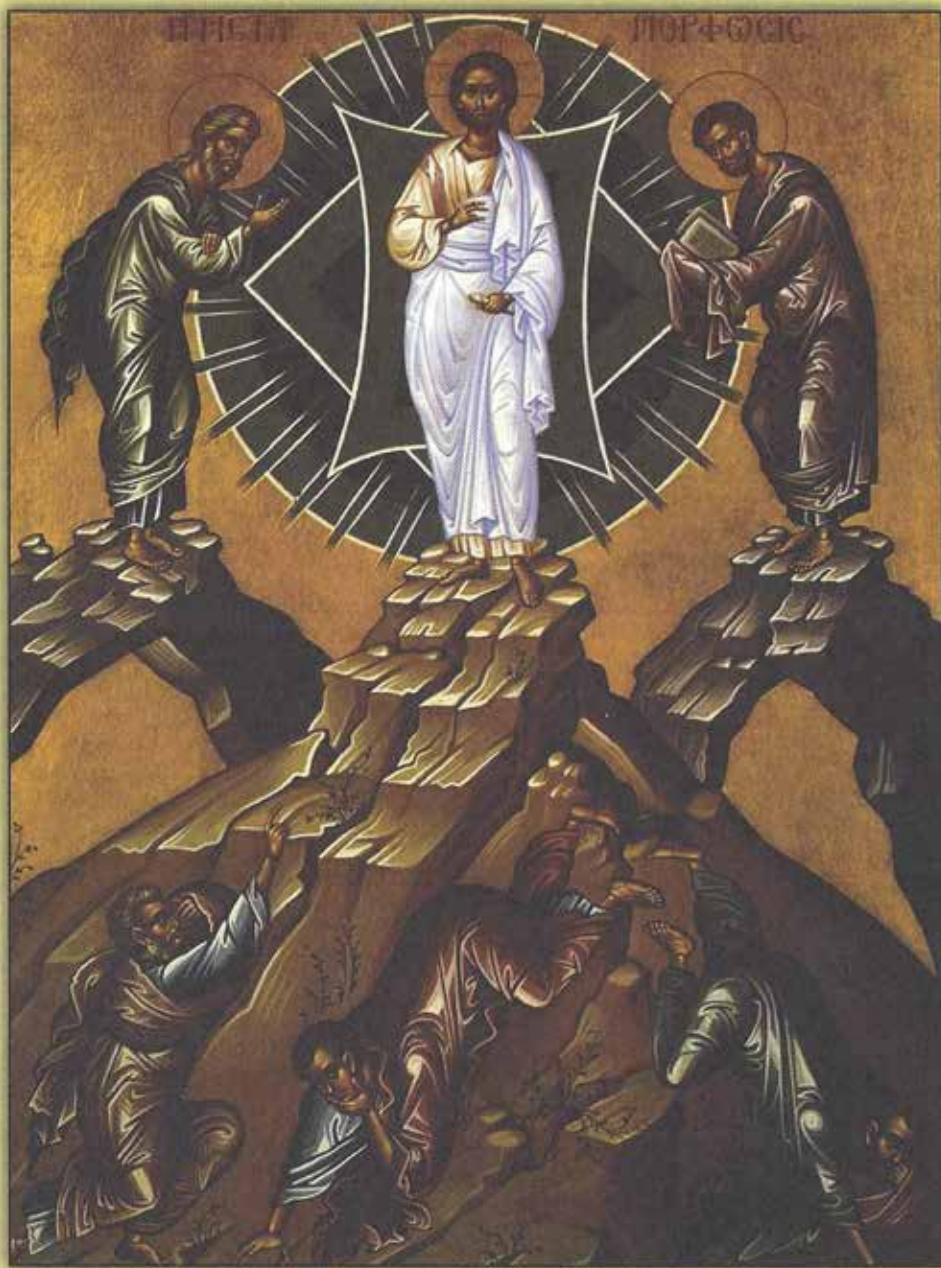


ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of the Transfiguration of Our Lord -- August 6th*

<b>August 5, 2018: Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost</b>	
Epistle: 1 Cor. 9: 2-12 <span style="float: right;">Gospel: Mt. 18: 23-35</span>	
<b>Mon., Aug. 6</b>	<b>Transfiguration of Our Lord (Solemn Holy Day)</b> 9:00 + Jimmy Maslar; + John & Olga Yuhnick (Family) 7:00 pm + Jeff Marcinko (Andrea Novak & Family)
<b>Tues., Aug. 7</b>	8:00 + Jill King (Cousin Joann, Chino & Samantha)
<b>Wed., Aug. 8</b>	8:00 Special Intention (Roman & Eileen Kushner)
<b>Thurs., Aug. 9</b>	8:00 + Johanna Dutka (Shirley Romanovitch)
<b>Fri., Aug. 10</b>	8:00 + Anna Stracka (Nick Depietro)
<b>Sat., Aug. 11</b>	<b>No Morning Divine Liturgy</b> 10:30 Confessions 2:00 pm Confessions 4:00 pm + Ormina (Mina) Shumek (Michael Shumek Family)
<b>Sun., Aug. 12</b>	9:00 + Patrick Marcinko Jr. (Jackie, Rob & Julianna Hunt) 11:30 For Our Parishioners

## **Assistance to Those Who Are Affected**

### **By Floods In Pa**

Recently, many parishes in the central and northern part of Pennsylvania have been affected by floods caused by downpours. Many people have lost properties and personal valuables. Our Archeparchy is asking for your help and consider making a donation, which will be given directly to the parishioners and non-parishioners in the North and South Anthracite deaneries in Shenandoah,

St. Clair, Mount Carmel, Centralia, Shamokin, Marion Heights, Olyphant, Minersville, Middleport, McAdoo, Hazleton, Scranton, Simpson, Nanticoke, Plymouth, Berwick, Glen Lyon, Wilkes Barre, Edwardsville, Frackville, and Maizeville who are in need. Help them to rebuild and restore what was lost.

In your kindness, please consider making a donation and send it direct-

ly to our Archeparchy - Archbishop's Chancery, 810 North Franklin Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123. Attention: US Disaster Recovery Fund. Please make your check payable to: Archeparchy of Philadelphia.

Thank you for your generosity and

consideration!

*There are also envelopes for this fund-raiser located throughout the Church. You can also make a donation using this envelop and drop it in the collection basket.*

## **St. Cyril's Choir Takes A Vacation In August**

For the entire month of August 2018 and through Labor Day Weekend, the 9:00 a.m, Sunday Divine Liturgy will be celebrated in English, just as the 4:00 p.m

Saturday and the 11:30 Sunday Divine Liturgy. Come early for 9:00 a.m. and have more time on Sunday to enjoy the summer.

## **Blessing of Fruit**

Blessing is a very common practice in the Ukrainian Church. The faithful are familiar with many blessings – food, houses, various objects as crosses and medals, and even a personal blessing.

What do these blessings mean? Is the blessing of a house or car and “extra insurance policy?” Is it in fact safer than an “unblessed” house or car? There seems to be a strong dose of superstition in all of this.

In a Christian view however, this distinction between sacred and profane falls apart. For the whole world and all that is in it has been created by God; and He says that it was all “good.” To bless something in this way of thinking means to acknowledge that it is truly

“good,” from God. It means that we see this blessed object as coming from God and as a sign of His Presence among us. To bless then means to see things as they really are, as all coming from God.

On August 6th, the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord is celebrated.

Because the feast falls during the harvest season (especially of fruit), fresh fruit is brought to the Church and blessed.

Blessings are without limits, done at anytime and anywhere, but most properly so on this Feast, for the Feast of the Transfiguration is a celebration of God's Presence in the world and because of this, the changing of the world, its trans-

formation, its transfiguration into God's world. The fruit is an example of the "good things" that "comes from God."

The fruit which was blessed, now is more than mere nourishment and refreshment, it is a sign of God's Presence.

## **L.U.C. Meeting**

Father Walter Pasicznyk, pastor of the Hanover section of Nanticoke's Holy Transfiguration Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, extends a warm invitation to a special celebration of the Transfiguration of Our Lord's Feast Day Parish Celebration on Sunday, August 5, 2018. The day will begin with Divine Liturgy at 10:30am followed by a summer picnic in the church's basement hall and

on the church grounds. At 2:00pm the parish sponsored meeting of the North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics (LUC) will take place. All parishioners and LUC members are warmly welcomed to attend. The parish is located at 240 Center Street, Nanticoke. If you need direction or more information you can call the rectory at (570) 735-2262.

## **Update for the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Rummage Sale (September 21, 22, & 23, 2018)**

Reminder on Monday, August 6th, Holy Day, Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. "Transfiguration" Blessing of Fruit) The school gym will be opened at 10:30 a.m.

Please read the updates for times and dates for this week: August 6-August 11th. (Times may change every week to accommodate our volunteers.) 6 weeks to the Sale, time to plan ahead and be available to volunteer on September 21, 22 and 23rd.....make time to stop into the sale and support your fellow parishioner: buy a raffle ticket or look around you might find something!!!!!!

For additional information: contact Lauren at cell # (646)-241-9443, Michaelene (570) 209-2026 and Father Nestor (570) 291-4451. Anyone interested to help list items on Ebay??? Give Lauren a call ASAP.

The bulletin announcement is your invitation to volunteer!!!! We thank you for whatever time you can volunteer in all areas of this fundraiser.

1. Update: On Monday, August 6th, at 10:30 a.m. After the Furniture Sale, this past Friday and Saturday, we need to reorganize the school gym, and move furniture to Father Nestor's garage, though some furniture will stay in the gym. The tables need to be set up to begin the pre-rummage sale preparation beginning on Tuesday, August 7th. Tables will be moved from the kindergarten hall, Church basement and the rectory basement to the

school gym.

The following men: Paul Mohila, Paul Mitzerak, Bob Kletsko, Ken Kosakevitch, and Michael Hermanovitch, have been so helpful with the logistics of the furniture over the past 8 weeks, we do need additional men volunteers to help out!!!! Moving tables and rearranging racks in the gym can be done in a short period of time. An extra pair of hands, always make the workload so much easier.

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2. Update: On Tuesday, August 7th at 10:00 a.m. we will begin to unpack, price and merchandise the items. Ladies, you can sit at a table, items will be categorized by price and you just mark the price on the sticker. Some will set the items on the specific tables. Come for a few hours!!!! Stay and help as long as you want!!!! Come any time, the doors are open!!! Ladies and gentlemen, Bring your Lunch!! We are starting early because we rather work at an easy pace, then be rushed in September.

5. First week: August 6th-August 11th Call Lauren or Michaelene to check if they are still open in the school gym, (especially due to the hot and humid weather, they can close earlier ) Bring a Lunch!!!!

\*\*Monday (6) Starting at 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 P.M. re-organizing the gym, and setting up tables. Men volunteers are needed. Help out for a few hours, at your convenience.

VOLUNTEER AND DROP OFF DONATIONS during the week, (Raffle donations, “Wine and Spirits” bottles, Rummage Sale items, new or unused items for the raffle etc...)

\*\*Tuesday (7),

Wednesday (8), Friday (10) from 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 pm.

\*\* Thursday (9) from 12:00 noon-6:00 p.m.

\*\* Saturday (11) After the Divine Liturgy, until 5:30 p.m.

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6. “A letter introducing our “Rummage Sale” and stating we are seeking contributions is available in the vestibule. All you have to do is “Just hand the letter to your favorite place or just a local business “ ASAP. They can mail the gift certificate back to the rectory. IF they have “products”, we will supply the basket. Some companies may have to send it to the Corporate office. The raffle will be held September 23,2018 and benefits the Church.

Just follow up or let Lauren know whom you have contacted. We have left letters/received gift certificates/product with: Special thanks to Marcella Gowan for getting: Turkey Hill (Peckville), Kabuki, Subway, Domino’s, Chocolate Creations, Planet Fitness, Violets, Regal Room, Luigi’s, Genetti’s, and Fiorelli’s,

The rest of the Parish can do: Aldi's, Tony's Pizza, O-Town, Coney Island, Toyota, Legendary Auto, La Cucina Restaurant, Kohl's, Target, Dunkin Donuts, etc...and the neighboring stores in their complex... Just drop off a letter!!!! Every donation to our Raffle is very much appreciated. You might be surprised getting donation from stores you just happen to stop in with a letter!!! and follow up with!!!

## **Bunk Beds Needed**

We received a request from Sandy Chekan-sky Dematteo from St. Catherine's Church, Moscow, they are looking for bunk beds for a family with 6 children. If you have them

and would donate them, contact Sandy at 570-241-3915 or St. Catherine's Rectory 570-842 4561. We can work out the logistics!!! as we "pay it forward" to help others.

## **Vacationing at the Jersey Shore?**

For all who are vacationing during the Summer months in Wildwood Crest, NJ, the Ukrainian Catholic Summer Mission in Wildwood Crest invites you to come and worship with us! We celebrate the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom in Ukrainian (homily in English and Ukrainian) every Sunday evening at 6:30 pm from Sunday, July 1st, through Sunday, September 2nd, 2018, located at:

*Crest Community Church*

*5901 Pacific Avenue*

*Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260*

Crest Community Church is located on the corner of Pacific Avenue and Crocus Road. For more information, please contact Father Roman Sverdian at 856-482-0938 or Marusha Cyhan at 609-522-2811. We look forward to having you and your family spiritually refresh yourselves with us during your vacation at the Jersey Shore in Wildwood Crest!

## **It's Vacation Time... (But Not for Church Bills)**

It's that time of year again...Vacation Time. We take time out of our normal routine for rest and relaxation. Sometimes we stay at home; sometimes we take trips to visit friends, explore new places or go on adventures. We may even forget about our normal routines for a little while.

Unfortunately, our bills and financial obligations never take a vacation. This includes our Church's bills, which always seem to INCREASE during summer time. Please, when you prepare to go on vacation, don't forget about YOUR CHURCH! You can always mail in your Sunday Collection envelopes

and then can enjoy your vacations.

## **DORMITION PILGRIMAGE - BUS TRIP**

Scranton's St. Vladimir parish has chartered a 33 passenger bus to the Sunday, August 12, Holy Dormition Pilgrimage on the beautiful grounds of St. Mary Villa in Sloatsburg, New York which is the Motherhouse of our Sisters of Mary Immaculate. The colorful day will be especially graced by our Patriarch Sviatoslav, head of the world-wide Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church; seven bishops of our Church in the United States; Sister Sophia Lebedowicz, Supreme General of the world-wide Order of the Sisters of Mary Immaculate; and, His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York. Join the Sisters, fellow parishioners and their pastors from throughout Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Connecticut in this very special spiritual event.

Departure will be at 7:30am from St. Vladimir Church in order to arrive in time for the 10:30am Pontifical Divine Liturgy. The afternoon consists of Blessing of the Sick, Blessing of Flowers and Religious Articles, Stations of the Cross and Moleben to the Mother of God. Departure for home will be at approximately 4:30pm. Food and refreshments will be available on the Villa grounds. We are told sufficient seating will be available for the Divine Liturgy, however we are encouraged to take a folding chair along for the purpose of relaxing on the grounds of the Villa.

A donation of \$20.00 is requested and check should be made out to St. Vladimir Church. For reservations contact Father Myron Myronyuk by phone at 570 342-7023.

## **Collection Processing Team...**

The Collection Processing Team for the month of August 2018 is Team #4: Ed

Stecco and Joe Smagula

## **Sunday Collection for July 28 & 29, 2018: \$**

### **Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for August 11 & 12, 2018**

	<b>Altar Boys</b>	<b>Lectors</b>
4:00 pm	Brett Lowe -- Nicholas Borowski	John Sakson
9:00 am	Patrick Marcinko -- Cole Marcinko	Pat Marcinko
11:30 am	Samuel Sczesniak -- David Slachtish	Frank Lesnefsky

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Rev. Nestor Iwasiw, Pastor

### *The Holy Chrism*

But you have the anointing [*chrisma* in Greek] that comes from the holy one, and you all have knowledge. I write to you not because you do not know the truth but because you do, and because every lie is alien to the truth. Who is the liar? Whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Whoever denies the Father and the Son, this is the antichrist.

No one who denies the Son has the Father, but whoever confesses the Son has the Father as well. Let what you heard from the beginning remain in you. If what you heard from the beginning remains in you, then you will remain in the Son and in the Father.

And this is the promise that he made us: eternal life. I write you these things about those who would deceive you. As for you, the anointing [*chrisma*] that you received from him remains in you, so that you do not need anyone to teach you.

But his anointing [*chrisma*] teaches you about everything and is true and not false; just as it taught you, remain in him. And now, children, remain in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not be put to shame by him at his coming.

*1 John 2:20-28*