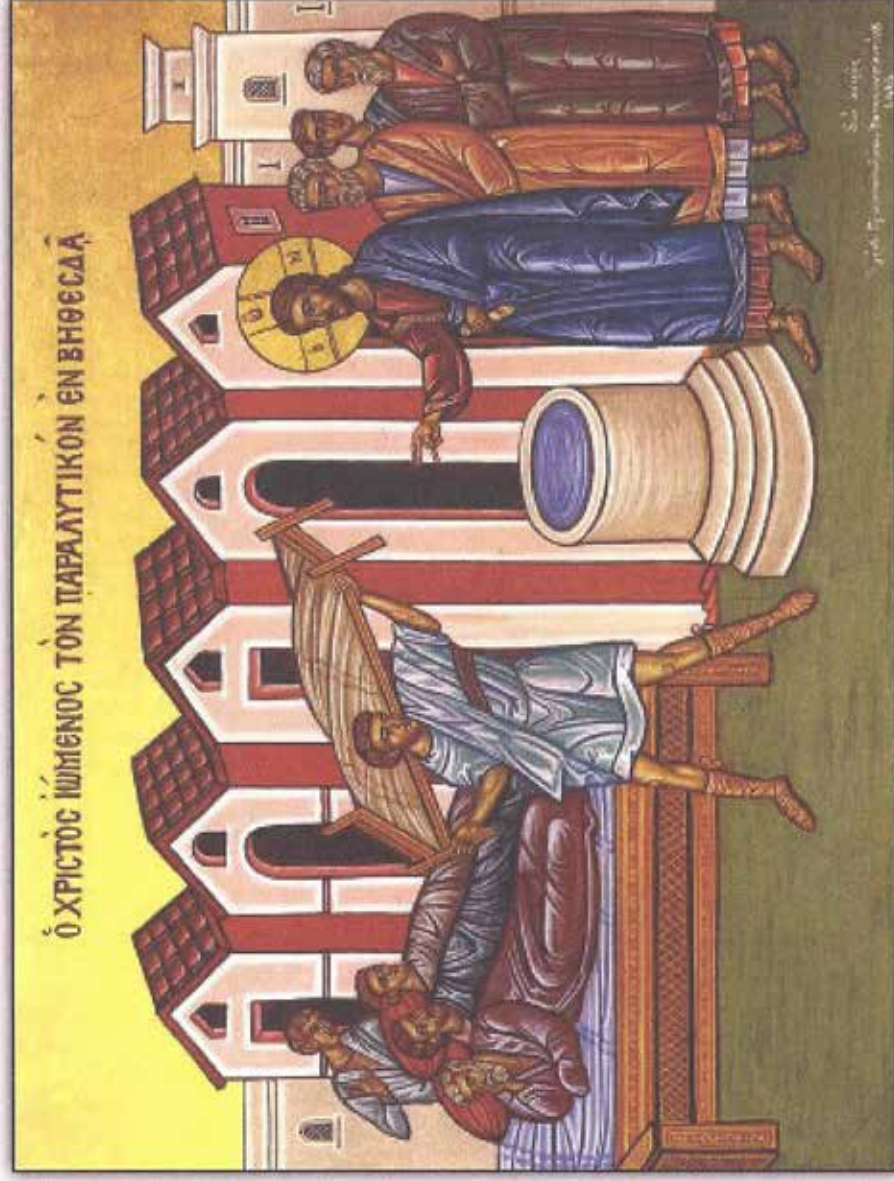


SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Healing the Paralytic*

## July 1, 2018: Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Epistle: Rom. 12: 6-14

Gospel: Mt. 9: 1-8

<b>Mon., July 2</b>	8:00	+ Anna Pronko (Evelyn Cheplick)
<b>Tues., July 3</b>	8:00	+ Dorothy Pompey (George Rojek)
<b>Wed., July 4</b>	9:00	For Our Country
<b>Thurs., July 5</b>	8:00	+ Jill King (Uncle Doc)
<b>Fri., July 6</b>	8:00	+ Jeff Marcinko (Andrea Novak)
<b>Sat., July 7</b>	<b>No Morning Divine Liturgy</b> 10:30 Confessions 2:00 pm Confessions 4:00 pm For Our Parishioners	
<b>Sun., July 8</b>	9:00	+ Patrick Marcinko, Jr. (Tom & Cathy Matkosky)
	11:30	+ Johanna Dutka (Terry & Barbara Chmil)

### New Parish Number

Our old Parish telephone number was “hijacked” and used to scam people. Because of this, it was necessary for us to get a new telephone number.

Our new Parish number is: 570-291-4451. Please make a note of this new number since the old number does not work anymore.

### 4<sup>th</sup> of July History & Trivia -Did You Know...

- The major objection to being ruled by Britain was taxation without representation. The colonists had no say in the decisions of English Parliament.
- In May, 1776, after nearly a year of trying to resolve their differences with England, the colonies sent delegates to the Second Continental Congress. Finally, in June, admitting that their efforts were hopeless; a committee was formed to compose the formal Declaration of Independence. Headed by Thomas Jefferson, the committee also included John Adams, Ben-

jamin Franklin, Philip Livingston and Roger Sherman. On June 28, 1776, Thomas Jefferson presented the first draft of the declaration to Congress.

- Betsy Ross, according to legend, sewed the first American flag in May or June 1776, as commissioned by the Congressional Committee.
- Independence Day was first celebrated in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776.
- The Liberty Bell sounded from the tower of Independence Hall on July 8, 1776, summoning citizens to gather for the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence by Colonel John Nixon.
- June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress, looking to promote national pride and unity, adopted the national flag. “Resolved: that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.”



- The first public Fourth of July event at the White House occurred in 1804.

- Before cars ruled the roadway, the Fourth of July was traditionally the most miserable day of the year for horses, tormented by all the noise and

by the boys and girls who threw firecrackers at them.

- The first Independence Day celebration west of the Mississippi occurred at Independence Creek and was celebrated by Lewis and Clark in 1805.
- On June 24, 1826, Thomas Jefferson sent a letter to Roger C. Weightman, declining an invitation to come to Washington, D.C., to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. It was the last letter that Jefferson, who was gravely ill, ever wrote.
- Both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on Independence Day, July 4, 1826.
- The 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence did not sign at the same time, nor did they sign on July

4, 1776. The official event occurred on August 2, 1776, when 50 men signed it.

- The names of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were withheld from the public for more than six months to protect the signers. If independence had not been achieved, the treasonable act of the signers would have, by law, resulted in their deaths.
- Thomas McKean was the last to sign in January, 1777.
- The origin of Uncle Sam probably

began in 1812, when Samuel Wilson was a meat packer who provided meat to the US Army. The meat shipments were stamped with the initials, U.S. Someone joked that the initials stood for “Uncle Sam”. This joke eventually led to the idea of Uncle Sam symbolizing the United States government.

- In 1941, Congress declared 4th of July a federal legal holiday. It is one of the few federal holidays that have not been moved to the nearest Friday or Monday.

## **HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!!!**

### **Something to Think About**

A father wanted to read a magazine but was being bothered by his little girl. She wanted to know what the United States looked like.

Finally, he tore a sheet out of his news magazine on which was printed the map of the country.

Tearing it into small pieces, he gave it to her and said, “Go into the other room and see if you can put this together.

After a few minutes, she returned and handed him the map, correctly fit-

ted and taped together.

The father was surprised and asked how she had finished so quickly.

“Oh,” she said, “on the other side of the paper is a picture of Jesus. When I got all of Jesus back where He belonged, then our country just came together.

Sooo... When we get Jesus back where He belongs -- our country will come together. In God we trust... the government not so much!

## **From the Chancery on Creains in Church**

Bishop Andriy Rabiý reminds us that the policy of the Ukrainian Catholic Church on bringing cremains into Church remains unchanged, that is, we do not bring cremains into Church. If cremation is desired, the procedure is as follows: the body is first brought into the Church for the Funeral Services; after the Funeral Service in the Church, the body may be cremated.

The cremains **MUST** be interred as would a body involved in Christian Burial, that is, in the ground or mausoleum. It is inappropriate to scatter, dispose of, or save the cremains in any other way, then to have them properly interred immediately after the funeral thus maintaining a sense of decorum, respect and dignity for the human body.

## **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 finan-

cial 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.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations and best wishes to **Emerson John Frenchko**, along with his parents Michael and Lindsey, on the occasion of his initiation into the flock of Jesus Christ. Emerson will receive the Holy Mysteries of Initiation

during the 11:30 Divine Liturgy this weekend. Emerson, we welcome you into our Parish Family and pray that God will grant you Many Happy and Blessed Years! Mnohaya Leeta!

## **Volunteers Needed Monday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>!**

Volunteers are needed to pick-up boxes from St. John Vianney / Corpus Christi Church, Scott Township (2 miles up from Montdale ice-cream shop). Susie Mazzone, Chairman of their Rummage Sale, is kind enough to offer merchandise left from their sale this past week. We need “hands on” .... Merchandise is boxed, the boxes will go on dollies, up the elevator and then loaded on to the trucks and then driven to our School gym. Volunteers are needed with vehicles (trucks/suv’s) and we need the men of the church to lend a helping hand. You may have a vehicle available, but cannot lift boxes, or you can lift boxes and don’t have a truck or SUV. Please come!

Whatever the circumstances, meet us at St. Cyril’s Parking Lot (The Parish Hall- 207 River Street) at 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 2nd. (Or you can meet

up at St., John Vianney/Scott Township at 9:20 a.m.). We do understand all health issues, doctor appointments, watching the grandkids, etc... but your help is needed on Monday. This cannot be left only to the “Women of the Church” to move the boxes. Lauren Telep is home now, recouping from surgery from a broken ankle. Michaelene Davis is taking responsibility to keep the Rummage Sale on course for September. Michaelene can be reached at (570-209-2026) along with Father Nestor (new phone # 570-291-4451) to let them know you are coming on July 2nd. You can still contact: Lauren Telep at 570-383-0319 or NYC-Cell at 646-241-9443. We wish to thank Michaelene for “taking charge” as Lauren is resting and scooting around her home.

## **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) ev-

ery 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 Sverdan 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!

## LUC MEETING

The North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics will meet at 6:00pm, Thursday, July 5, 2018 at Grotto Pizza, 36 Gateway Shopping Center, Edwardsville/

Kingston, PA. Agenda items will include the schedule for summer /autumn meetings, annual picnic and the upcoming October National Convention in Amherst/Bufalo, New York.

## Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day

The Clergy and faithful of the South Anthracite Deanery of Pennsylvania will host the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day on Sunday, July 29, 2018 at St. Nick's Picnic Grove in Minersville, PA. All funds raised will

go to support St. Josaphat Seminary in Washington, D.C. We encourage all our faithful to go and observe 84 years of celebrating our Ukrainian Catholic Faith, culture and heritage. You will have a good time!

## Collection Processing Team...

The Collection Processing Team for the month of July 2018 is Team #:

Helen Pagnotti, Marlene Zelno, Dorothy Zinsky and Cheryl Matuszewski.

## Sunday Collection for June 23 & 24, 2018: \$

### Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for July 7 & 8, 2018

	Altar Boys	Lectors
4:00 pm	Nicholas Muchisky -- Nicholas Chylak	Andrew Augustine
9:00 am	John Nasevich -- Patrick Marcinko	Pat Marcinko
11:30 am	Samuel Sczesniak -- Brian Radle	Frank Lesnefsky

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### *Rise and Walk*

It is easier said than done. Whether the sins of the paralytic were forgiven, only He who forgave them knew for sure. "Arise and walk." Both he who arose and those who saw him arise were able to vouch for this. Hence there is a bodily sign in order to demonstrate a spiritual sign, though its impact is to curb the imperfections of body and soul. And we are given an understanding of sin and many bodily weaknesses to come. Perhaps, too, sins are forgiven first, so that with the causes of infirmity removed health may be restored.

*St. Jerome*

Furthermore, so it could be understood that He was in a body and that He could forgive sins and restore health to bodies, Jesus said,

"That you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins," then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your pallet." He could have simply said "Arise," but since the reason for doing every work had to be explained, He added, "Take up your pallet and go home." First He granted remission of sins; next He showed His ability to restore health. Then, with the taking up of the pallet, He made it clear that bodies would be free from infirmity and suffering; lastly, with the paralytic's return to his home, He showed that believers are being given back the way to paradise from which Adam, the parent of all, who became profligate from the stain of sin, had proceeded.

*St. Hilary of Poitiers*