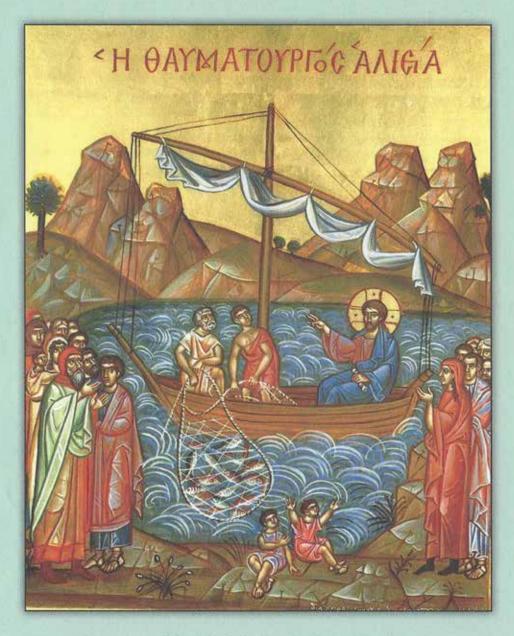
#### **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



Icon of the Call of the Apostles (Luke 5:1-11)

September 23, 2018: 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Epistle: 2 Cor. 9: 6-11 Gospel: Lk. 5: 1-11			
Mon., Sept. 24	8:00	+ Rose Marie Kordish (Andrea Novak & Family)	
Tues., Sept. 25	8:00	+ Ann & Jacob Jablonski (Daughter Gloria)	
Wed., Sept. 26	8:00	+ Theresa Krenitsky (Ron & Joanne Barkofsky)	
Thurs., Sept. 27	8:00	+ Spryn, Straha & Elkins Families (John Spryn)	
Fri., Sept. 28	8:00	+ Tom Matkosky (Joe & Diane)	
Sat., Sept. 29	10:30 2:00 4:00 pr	No Morning Divine Liturgy Confessions Confessions om + Robert Westington (Wife Ilona)	
Sun., Sept. 23	9:00 11:30	For Our Parishioners + Mary & Joe Vladika (Olyphant Hose Co. #2)	

### **Burning Candles in the Church**

One of the devotional practices in our Church is the beautiful custom of burning candles in front of sacred shrines, icons or relics. It is symbolic of the sacrifice of the Christian soul in order to shine with divine graces, confident in the example and intercession of the saints. So the candle burns itself up to give out light. Light symbolizes Christ,

"The Light of the World." When attending the Divine Liturgy on Sunday or any Worship Service, the believer may obtain a candle(s) next to the candle stand in front of the church, accompanied by a donation. The faithful will then light the candle, make the sign of the cross, say a prayer and return to the pew.

## Making the Sign of the Cross

Christians often wear crosses on their bodies (e.g., on a chain around the neck, or on a special pin), and trace the sign of the Cross on themselves during

prayer, as a visible expression of their faith. To make the sign of the Cross, use your right hand: Hold together the tips of your thumb, index finger, and middle finger, while bending your ring and pinky fingers against the palm of your hand. The first three fingers together express our faith in the Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The two bent fingers show our belief in the two natures of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who was both perfect God (divine) and perfect Man (human).

When the Pharisees and the Saducees were testing Jesus Christ, to find out for themselves if He was the Son of God, a lawyer asked Him which is the greatest of the commandments. He answered, "Hear,

O Israel, the Lord your God is one, and you shall love the Lord your God with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength."

We remember this when we make the sign of the Cross! With your hand in the special position, touch your forehead (for the mind), then your stomach (for body and soul), then your right and left shoulders (for strength). Make your movements slow and deliberate, rather than quick and sloppy.

### **Reception of Holy Communion**

Parishioners who have canes or walkers or are a bit unsteady on their feet, are invited to come up and stand inside the first pew on Mary's side of the Church to receive Communion. Father will come down to you. Perhaps a good time to come up to the first pew would be right after the Our Father, so you will be in place inside the first pew when Communion time arrives.

We don't want anybody to fall and get

hurt. Also, this helps prevent accidents with the Holy Eucharist.

And to ALL parishioners: please do not close your eyes when you receive communion. Just tilt your head back, open your mouth wide as though your are yawning, and do not touch the spoon or close your mouth or lips on the spoon. And do not say "Amen," since the priest already says it for you during his prayers at the moment you are receiving.

### From the Chancery on Cremains in Church

Bishop Andriy Rabiy 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 inap-

propriate 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.

#### The Wooden Bowl

A frail old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law, and four-year-old grandson. The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred, and his step faltered. The family ate together at the table. But the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult. Peas rolled off his spoon onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled onto the tablecloth. The son and daughter-in-law became irritated with the mess. "We must do something about Grandfather," said the son. I've had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and food on the floor. So the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner. Since Grandfather had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wooden bowl.

When the family glanced in Grandfather's direction, sometimes he had a tear in his eye as he sat alone. Still, the only words the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food. The four-year-old watched it all in silence.

One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing with wood scraps

on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, "What are you making?" Just as sweetly, the boy he responded, "Oh, I am making a little bowl for you and Mama to eat your food when I grow up." The four-yearold smiled and went back to work. The words so struck the parents that they were speechless. The tears started to stream down their cheeks. Though no word was spoken, both knew what must be done. That evening the husband took Grandfather's hand and gently lead him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days, he ate every meal with the family. And for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork was dropped, milk spilled, or the tablecloth spoiled.

Children are remarkably perceptive. Their eyes ever observe, their ears ever listen, and their minds ever process the messages they absorb. If they see us patiently provide a happy home atmosphere for family members, they will imitate that attitude for the rest of their lives. The wise parent realizes that every day the building blocks are being laid for the child's future. Let us be wise builders.

### Rummage Sale Update

This is it! The week-end of our 8th Annual Fundraiser Rummage Sale. Hours on Saturday, September 22nd and Sunday, September 23 open from 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. We hope to see you at this fundraiser.

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#### 1. CHECK IT OUT!!!

On September 20, 2018, PAHOMEPAGE.com (channel 28 and 22) video taped a TV segment for our 8th Annual Rummage Sale. It can be viewed on PAHomepage.com Subject is "St. Cyrils Rummage Sale"

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE: OVER 105+ baskets and Food and Refreshments!!!

There is still time to purchase Raffle tickets (the best purchase is 15 tickets for \$5.00) with over 105 baskets for a chance to win: Gift certificates from a variety of restaurants, grocery stores, "Wine and Spirit", \$59.00 in USPS Stamps, Homemade afgan, Autumn decorations, \$100.00 Money tree, Lottery tickets, Coleman;s grill, Homemade pasta basket, health and beauty baskets, auto supplies, novelty throw rugs, etc....and so many more!!!! The raffle drawing IS AP-PROXIMATELY 2:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, You do not need to be present to win!!!

We have over 25,000 items, All priced and marked to sell. Stop by, you just might find something.

Stop by for some home-made Ukrainian food and American food along with baked goods and refreshments.

3. Time and dates for this week: September 22-23 24- (Please note the time changes for the week) Contact: Lauren 646-241-9443, or Michaelene (570) 209-2026.

# 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage to the Mother of God Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great

This year's 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage honoring the Mother of God will be held on Sunday, September 30, 2018 on the grounds of the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Saint Basil the Great in Fox Chase Manor, PA. The

theme of this year's Pilgrimage is "A Call to Personal Prayer."

The day begins with the opportunity for confession starting at 9:00 am. A Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00 am by our

Ukrainian hierarchy and clergy. The homilist for the Divine Liturgy and Moleben will be His Grace, Bishop Benedict Aleksiychuk, Eparchial Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Nicholas in Chicago. Lunch will be available afterwards, featuring traditional Ukrainian food. The day will conclude with a prayer service (Moleben) at 4:00 pm at the Grotto.

Special programs on prayer for children and adults!

For further information, please call 215-379-3998 x17 or visit the Sisters' website at www.stbasils.com or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Sisters-of-the-Order-of-St-Basil-the-Great-Jenkintown-PA/28 0623061977867?fref=ts.

#### St. Vladimir Parish Annual Flea Market

The Annual Flea Market sponsored by St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will be held in the Parish Center, 428 North Seventh Avenue, Scranton on Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Doors will not open before 9:00am. This

event benefits the Parish Children's Religious Education Program. Ukrainian and American foods will be available for purchase as well as a theme basket raffle. To reserve a table or for additional information phone Daria at 570 963-1580.

#### **Basket and Gift Auction**

Annual Basket & Gift Auction! Sunday, October 14, 2018 at Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church Hall, 131 N. Beech St, Mount Carmel. Doors open at 11:30 AM, Auction begins at 2 PM. Browse & Bid on Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 11 AM to 2

PM. Need not be present to win. Great Food to Eat In or Take Out! Great Prizes! Check the event on our FB page (#SsPeterAnd-PaulMC) for updates on our prizes! Hope to see you there!

### **Wedding Anniversary Celebration**

This year, on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 10:30AM in our Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Philadelphia, Pa. Bishop Andriy Rabiy will join with our married faithful in celebrating the Divine Liturgy honoring Married Life.

We invite all of our married faithful wishing to celebrate their wedding anniversary in this very special way to come and join in the celebration! It will be a celebration of their love and commitment to each other in the holy state of Matrimony and a witness to the world of their life-long commitment to the Holy Mystery of Crowning, the Sacred Sacrament of Matrimony.

During the Divine Liturgy, they will renew their wedding vows, as they gather with other jubilarians from throughout the Archeparchy to celebrate their love, faith, and commitment to each other in the presence of Almighty God and family and friends.

After the Divine Liturgy, a dinner with Bishop Andriy will be an opportunity for all to break bread together.

### **Bus Trip**

Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is sponsoring a Christmastime bus trip to New York City on Saturday, December 8, 2018. There will be several stops in Manhattan: the Ground Zero area for part of our group who have already made advance 911 Museum reservations; Little Italy; the Ukrainian Village on the lower East Side; Bryant Park's Winter Village housing 125+ holiday vendors in midtown; and, the Christmassy Fifth Avenue area. We'll have an opportunity to enjoy an Italian lunch, buy some Ukrainian goodies and chachkas, see many beautiful Christmas decorations as only New York City can do it including the famous Christ-

mas tree at Rockefeller Center and more. Participants can follow the above itinerary or are free to do their own thing for part or all of the day. The 55 passenger Martz bus will leave from St. Vladimir Church. 428 North Seventh Avenue at 8:00am and departure from New York City for home will be at 8:45pm. A portion of the proceeds will be given again this Christmas to the orphans of St. Nicholas Orphanage in Kolomyia, Ukraine. Cost is \$42.00 per person. For additional details and reservations contact Paul Ewasko at 570 563-2275. Check should be made out to St. Vladimir Church and mailed to Paul at 55 Waterford Road, Dalton PA 18414.

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

The Collection Processing Team for the month of September 2018 is Team #1:

Roger Barren & Jerry Sereditch

### Sunday Collection for September 15 & 16, 2018: \$

#### Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for September 29 & 30, 2018

	Altar Boys	Lectors
4:00 pm	Samuel Sczesniak Brett Lowe	Michael Shumek
9:00 am	Patrick Marcinko Nicholas Chylak	Pat Marcinko
11:30 am	Thomas Radle Jordan Radle	Frank Lesnefsky

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#### Christ Continues to Catch People

He told Simon and his companions to sail off a little from the land and to let down the net for a draught. But they replied that they had been toiling the whole night and had caught nothing. However, in the name of Christ, they let down the net, and immediately it was full of fish. By a visible sign and by a miraculous type and representation, they were fully convinced that their labor would be rewarded, and the zeal displayed in spreading out the net of the gospel teaching would be fruitful. Within this net they should most certainly catch the shoals of the heathen. But note that neither Simon nor his companions could draw the net to land. Speechless from fright and astonishment for their wonder had made them mute,

they beckoned to their partners, to those who shared their labors in fishing, to come and help them in securing their prey. For many have taken part with the Holy Apostles in their labors, and still do so, especially those who inquire into the meaning of what is written in the holy Gospels. Yet besides them there are also others: the pastors and teachers and rulers of the people, who are skilled in the doctrines of truth. For the net is still being drawn, while Christ fills it, and calls to conversion those who, according to the Scripture phrase, are in the depths of the sea, that is to say, those who live in the surge and waves of worldly things.

Saint Cyril of Alexandria