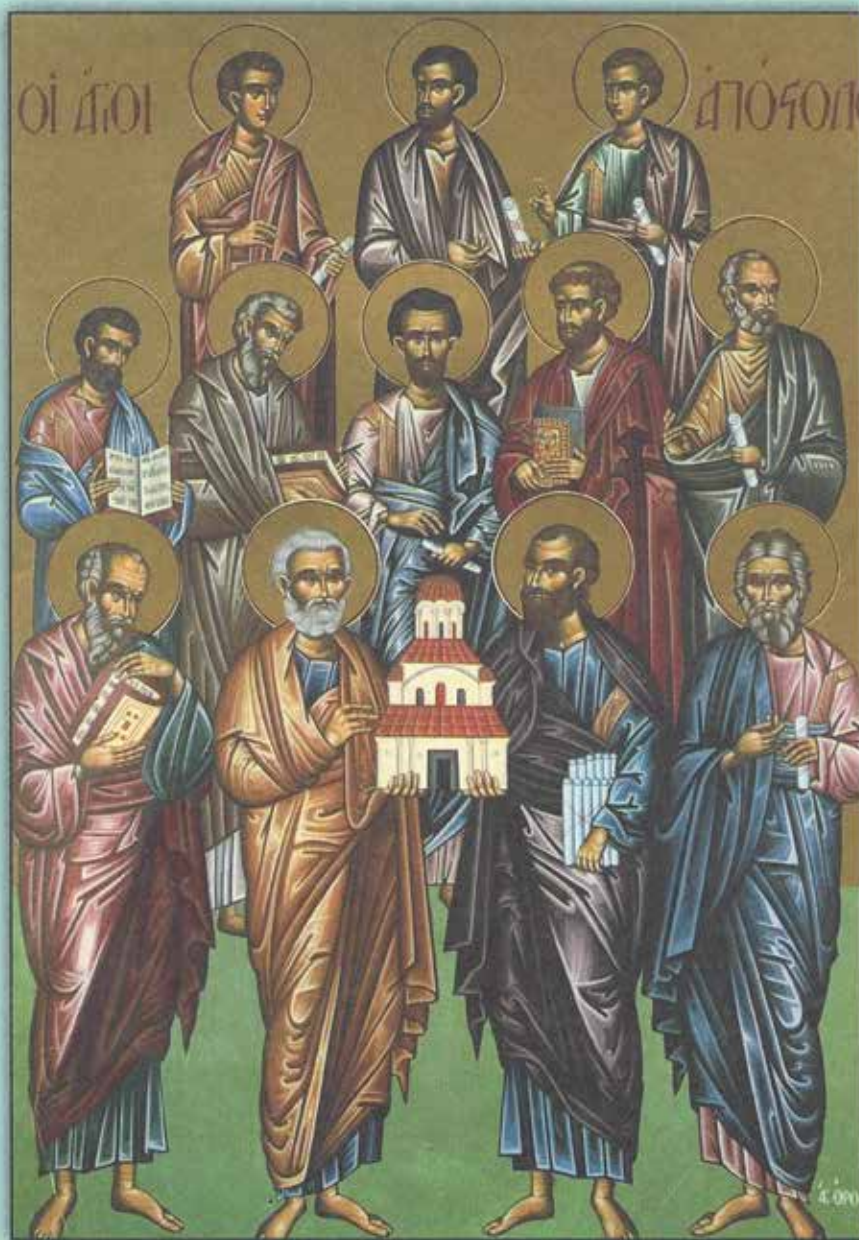


THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Synaxis of the Apostles -- June 30th

June 30, 2019: Third Sunday After Pentecost

Epistle: Rom. 5: 1-10

Gospel: Mt. 6: 22-34

Mon., July 1	8:00	+ Elaine Gruzsky (Matt Beckage)
Tues., July 2	8:00	+ Jadwiga Bak (Michal Bak)
Wed., July 3	8:00	+ John Marsili (Roman & Eileen Kushner)
Thurs., Jul 4	9:00	For Our Country
Fri., July 5	8:00	+ Evelyn & John Yeck, Jr. (Bob & Joan Yeck)
Sat., July 6	No Morning Divine Liturgy 10:30 Confessions 2:00 pm Confessions 4:00 pm + Joseph & Helen Sembrat (Sharon Sembrat)	
Sun., July 7	9:00	+ Patrick Marcinko, Jr. (Howard Smith)
	11:30	For Our Parishioners

4TH 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, Benjamin 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 cel-



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 ship-
- 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 fitted

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!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

There is a meeting of St. Cyril's Holy Name Society scheduled for Sunday, July 14th following the 9:00 Divine Lit-

urgy. All members are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting.

ANNUAL UKRAINIAN SEMINARY DAY

The Clergy and faithful of the South Anthracite Deanery of Pennsylvania will host the 85th Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day on Sunday, July 28, 2019 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 85 years of celebrating our Ukrainian Catholic Faith, culture and heritage. You will have a good time!

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 fi-

nancial 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.

FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

We come to you with yet another important favor to ask: please urge your Representative, Senator and Governor Wolf to grant a religious exemption on the same-sex parent requirement for Catholic adoption services -- commonly known as SWAN (State-Wide Adoption Network).

Gov. Wolf is preventing SWAN providers from denying placement to households with same-sex parents. That goes against what we think is

best for the children—placing them in a home with a man and a woman as parents. Many of these agencies have either shut down or severely curtailed their operations as a result of the Governor's move.

Several legislators are working on our behalf to have this religious exemption placed in the Human Services Code of the budget but it has proven to be a challenge.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

During June, our Archeparchy will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disas-

ters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering. Please use the special "Peter's Pence" envelope in your donation envelope packet box to make your offering. It is not too early to already submit your offering.

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US DURING YOUR VACATION 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 7th , through Sunday, September 1st, 2019, located at:

Crest Community Church

5901 Pacific Ave.
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!

VETS' GROUP

Active Duty, Reserves, Retired - or just served one enlistment period or more... No matter whether you served during war time or peace time. Please join us as we thank you for your service to our country with a free meal and

to meet new people! We meet every second Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm at the Valley Community Library. Please call (570) 489-1765 if you are interested in joining, so we can have enough supplies for each month.

STREET FAIR IN OLYPHANT JULY 27, 2019

SATURDAY ON DELAWARE STREET.

A “Celebration” in HONOR OF OLYPHANT HOMETOWN HERO Banners and the Benefit/Fundraiser for Olyphant Borough FREEDOM FIGHTER statue to be held Saturday, July 27, 2019, from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. On DELAWARE STREET, Olyphant (between Lackawanna Ave. and West Grant Street) sponsored by “O-Town Bar and Grill”, 400 Lackawanna St. is the Sponsor along with Olyphant Borough. Mark Zinsky is the designer of the Statue

Come for the “Battle of the Bands”, “Salute to Veterans”, “Wing Fest Eating Contest” and plenty of food, beverages, raffles, (to purchase)

“Olyphant Sidewalk Sales Days”, the “Mobile Veterans Unit Van”, “The Marine Corps League Color Guard”, Nashville singer “Dani-Elle”, plus Children activities, the Olyphant American Legion Post #327 and the trophy and title contest for the “King and Queen of the Queen City” (Olyphant), ETC...in Olyphant on July 27, 2019 starting at 3:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend this Public Event!!!!

Contact Kim Onda Atkinson, Coordinator of the fundraiser for the OLYPHANT BOROUGH FREEDOM FIGHTER STATUE Event at 570-383-9552.

COLLECTION PROCESSING TEAM...

The Collection Processing Team for the month of June 2019 is Team #2:

Eugene Zinsky, John Turko, Jr., Leonard Mitchko, and Michael Shumek.

Sunday Collection for June 22 & 23, 2019: \$

Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for July 6 & 7, 2019

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

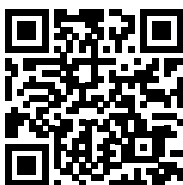
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Prove Your Faith by Your Trust

'Look at the birds of the air,' says Jesus. What a splendid example for our faith to follow! If God's providence bestows an unfailing supply of food on the birds of the air who neither sow nor reap, we ought to realize that the reason for people's supply running short is human greed. The fruits of the earth were given to feed all without distinction and nobody can claim any particular rights. Instead, we have lost the sense of the communion of goods, rushing to turn these goods into private property. The birds do not know famine because they do not claim anything specially for themselves and neither do they have any envy of others. 'Consider the lilies of the field: not even Solomon in all his glory was

arrayed like one of these. If God so clothes the grass which is alive today and tomorrow is cast into the oven, how much more will he clothe one of you?' Listen to these stupendous and uplifting words. With this parable of flowers and grass the Lord urges us to hope that God will also be merciful to us. Nothing is more persuasive than a glance at unthinking creatures who have received such beautiful dress from Providence. Surely we should be all the more ready to believe that human beings, if they entrust themselves completely to God and free themselves of all their worries, will not lack anything.

St. Ambrose of Milan