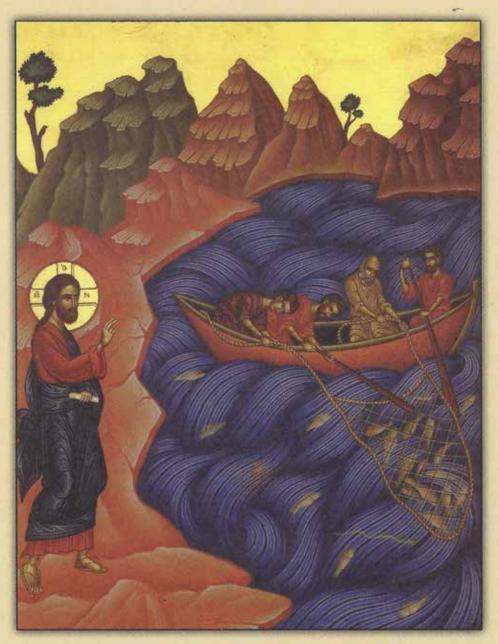
# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Peter and the Apostles, Catching Fish

September 22, 2019: 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Epistle: 2 Cor. 4: 6-10 Gospel: Lk. 5: 1-11			
Mon., Sept.23 No Divine Liturgy Today			
Tues., Sept. 24	8:00 + Jerry Gawron (Michaelene Davis)		
Wed., Sept. 25	8:00 + Michael J. Korzemba (Legate)		
Thurs., Sept. 26	8:00 + Louis & Julia Daniels Family (Dolly Daniels)		
Fri., Sept. 27	8:00 + Joseph Chmil (Matt Beckage)		
Sat., Sept. 28	No Morning Divine Liturgy 10:30 Confessions 2:00 pm Confessions 4:00 pm + Robert Westington (Wife, Ilona)		
Sun., Sept. 29	<ul> <li>9:00 God's Blessings on Lily Grace Smith (Grandfather, Howard)</li> <li>11:30 For Our Parishioners</li> </ul>		

#### 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.

#### 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.

## THE OTHER SIDE

A sick man turned to his doctor, as he was leaving the room after paying a visit, and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side." Very quietly the doctor said, "I don't know."

"You don't know?" the man said. "You, a Christian man, do not know what is on the other side?"

The doctor was holding the handle of the door, on the other side of which came a sound of scratching and whining. As he opened the door, a dog sprang into the room and leaped on him with an eager show of gladness.

Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice my dog? He's never been in this room before. He didn't know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear." "I know little of what is on the other side of death," the doctor continued, "but I do know one thing: I know my Master is there, and that is enough. And when the door opens, I shall pass through with no fear, but with gladness."

## **OUR CONDOLENCES**

In your Christian Charity, please remember + **Joseph Kleszyk** who recently fell asleep in the Lord. + Joseph

was buried from St. Cyril's on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. May his memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pamyat!

#### REMEMBERING SS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS

Our Parish has been serving Ukrainian Greek Catholics and so many others for over one hundred years now. By including Ss. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Olyphant as one of the beneficiaries in your Last Will and Testament, you will help our parish continue its sacred duty of serving the needs of present and future generations of its parishioners. There is no amount that is too small - it all helps! And remember, whatever your own financial

situation may be, you should prepare a Last Will and Testament, to be sure that your estate and possessions will be handled according to your wishes. When making a bequest to our parish, please make sure you use the full name and address: Ss. Cyril and Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church, 135 River St., Olyphant, PA 18447-1435. Thank you, and may God bless and repay you!

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

Religious Education for the school year 2019/2020 will begin on Saturday, October 12, 2019. Grades 3 through 8 will take place in the New Hall as in previous years beginning at 9:00 am and dismissing at 10:00 am. Grades 1 and 2 will take place in the rectory basement. Grade 1 will begin at 10:30 am and dismiss at 11:30 am. Grade 2 will begin at 9:00 am and dismiss

at 10:00 am. All children already registered in our program are expected to return.

To receive First Penance, all children must attend two years of Religious Ed classes. Please contact Sandra Berta at 570-383-9487 to register your child who should be in our first grade program.

#### PRESENTATION ON THE DIVINE LITURGY

"The Divine Liturgy and You: Deepening our Understanding of

Community and the Individual in Prayer" will be the topic of the afternoon presentation by Father Morozowich on Sunday, September 22, 2019 beginning at 3:00pm at Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, 430 North Seventh Avenue. Cosponsored by the nine Ukrainian Catholic parishes Pennsvlvania's Northeastern Anthracite Deanery and the North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics, the event is of special interest to the faithful of both the Catholic and Orthodox traditions. The educational event is open to the general public - everyone is welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served following the presentation.

A Western Pennsylvania native formed in the Ukrainian Catholic Church of his family, Fr. Mark Morozowich pursued a vocation to the priesthood in the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma, Ohio. He served in Pittsburgh and in Butler, Pennsylvania before beginning doctoral studies at the Pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome that yielded a comprehensive study of Holy Thursday Liturgy in Jerusalem and Constantinople from the Fourth to the Fourteenth Centuries. He lectures as an Associate Professor of Liturgy at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC; served as the Associate Dean for Seminary and Ministerial Programs; and, is dean of The School of Theology and Religious Studies. His research focuses upon various topics of liturgical history from penitential practices and the liturgical year to divergent issues in Eastern Christian Mysteries. He has authored many publications including a book and numerous articles. Father has lectured extensively in the United States as well as in Europe and South America. In his spare time, he enjoys gardening, travel, sports and boating.

#### Pyrohy/Pierogy Sale

Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church homemade pyrohy sales resume for the autumn and winter seasons beginning Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 2:00pm to 6:00pm at the parish center, 428 North Seventh Avenue. Cost is \$7.00 per dozen. Advance orders must be placed no later than Tuesday, September 24 at 570 342-3749.

#### St. John Vianney Parish Harvest Festival

THE ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL OF ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH WILL BE HELD AT CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH, ROUTE 438, MONTDALE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, FROM NOON TO 5:00PM IN THE PARISH CENTER. THE FESTIVAL WILL FEATURE A FULL TURKEY DINNER WITH TAKE OUTS AVAILABLE. HUGE BOUNTIFUL BASKETS STAND, WREATH

STAND, A VARIETY OF RAFFLES AND A BAKE STAND. FREE HAYRIDES FOR THE KIDS! HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE. ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. \$12 ADULTS, \$6 CHILDREN. DIRECTIONS: I-81 TO EXIT 201, TURN EAST, 3-4 MILES ON RIGHT. COME ENJOY THE FALL FOLIAGE AND THE WONDERFUL FESTIVAL!

#### RUSYN GENEALOGY AND HERITAGE CONFERENCE

Join the Eastern PA Chapter of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society for the 7th Rusyn Genealogy and Heritage Conference held Sat, Oct 12 from 8:30AM to 4:30 PM at King's College, Sheehy-Farmer Campus Center, Wilkes-Barre, PA. Opening comments by MaryAnn Sivak, President National Organization followed by presentations by John Righetti (One people, 6

churches. How did that happen?), Bill Tarkulich, ("the Battle for Dukla Pass"), Tom Peter, ("The Perils of Pelagia and Petro"), and Kathryn Peters on ("Five Rusyn artists.") Registration fee of \$45 includes breakfast buffet, lunch, and snacks. Contact: Sharon Pohanish Jarrow, 599 Fehr Rd., Nazareth, PA 18064 shangp@rcn.com 610-759-2628. Checks can be mailed to the above address

#### HOLUPKI DINNER

Eureka Hose Co. No. 4 will be sponsoring a Holupki Dinner (Pigs in the Blanket) on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 3:00 to 7:00 pm.

The Dinner will be held at the Fire

Station, 717 East Grant St., Olyphant. Dinner will include two Piggies, mashed potatos, a vegetable, and a roll and butter, and a beverage. Donation is \$10.00.

## RUMMAGE SALE 2019

The Rummage Sale is HERE! Your fellow Parishioners have been working

on the Rummage Sale since the early Spring 2019. March 9th, The FREEZE Sale, August 3, 2019, the Furniture Sale, and now the Rummage Sale September 20, 21, and 22. Stopover to the School Gym for raffle tickets. Plan

to stop for Ukrainian and American food and baked goods prepared by our parishioners. Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday or Sunday. Thank you for your support!

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>

RUMMAGE SALE September 20<sup>th</sup> Friday...9 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., RUMMAGE SALE September 21<sup>st</sup>th Saturday... 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., RUMMAGE SALE September 22, Sunday...9:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. Raffle drawing at 3:00 p.m.

\*\*\*September 23, 2019...Monday - Noon to 4:00 p.m.

\*\*\*September 24, 2019...Tuesday - Noon to 4:00 p.m. (if needed)

\*\*\*Women and Men are needed!!! Men especially are needed to re-organize the gym: Return tables to the New Hall, the Rectory, the Firehouse, return Father Nestor's Garage back to normal, set up gym for the Special Sale (to be announced). Please Note: You can always call Lauren's cell #646-241-9443 to confirm the school gym is open and volunteers are still working.

#### COLLECTION PROCESSING TEAM...

The Collection Processing Team for #1: Jerry Sereditch, Michaelene Dathe month of September 2019 is Team vis, and Gloria Jablonski.

## Sunday Collection for Sept. 14 & 15, 2019: \$

#### Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for September 28 & 29, 2019

	Altar Boys	Lectors
4:00 pm	Nicholas Muchisky Nathan Dennis	Bill Vervan
9:00 am	Patrick Marcinko Nicholas Chylak	Pat Marcinko
11:30 am	Brian Radle Thomas Radle	Frank Lesnefsky

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## Catching Fish

So let me recall with you those two catches of fish made by the disciples at the command of the Lord Jesus Christ: one before His passion, the other after His resurrection. These two catches of fish stand for the whole church, both as it is now and as it will be at the resurrection of the dead. Now, as you can see, it contains countless numbers, both good and bad. After the resurrection it will contain only the good, and a definite number of them.

So call to mind that first catch, where we may see the Church as it is in this present time. The Lord Jesus found His disciples fishing, when He first called them to follow Him. They had caught nothing all night. But when they saw him, they heard Him telling them, "Let down your nets." "Master," they said, "we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." They cast them at the command of the Al-

mighty. What else could happen, but that which He intended? But all the same, He was pleased, as I said, to indicate something to us that He knew would be to our advantage.

The nets were cast. The Lord had not yet suffered, not yet risen again. The nets were cast. They caught so many fish that two boats were filled, and the very nets were torn by that vast quantity of fish. Then he said to them "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." They received from Him the nets of the Word of God, they cast them into the world as into a deep sea, and they caught the vast multitude of Christians that we can see and marvel at. Those two boats, though, stood for the two peoples, Jews and Gentiles, synagogue and Church, those circumcised and those uncircumcised.

St. Augustine of Hippo