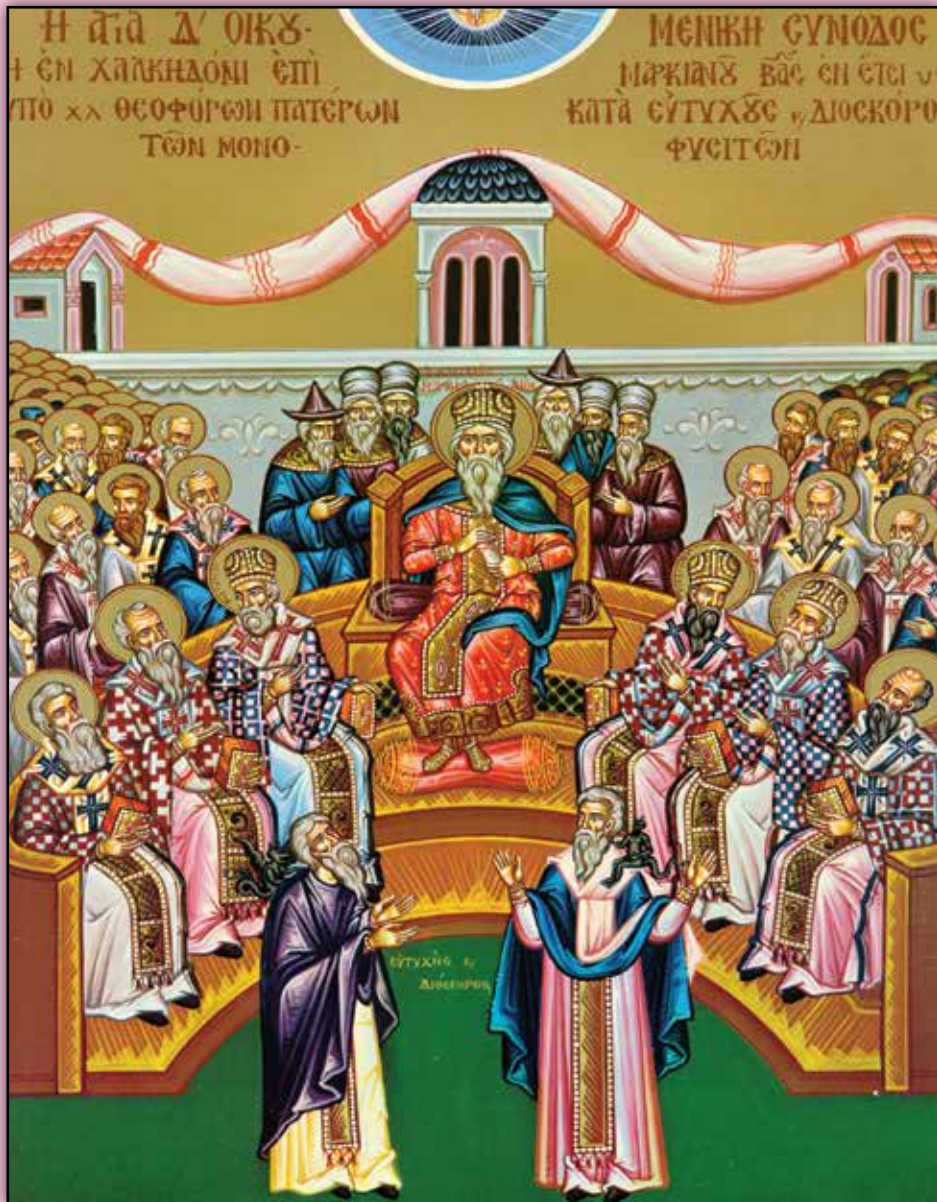


SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS



Icon of the Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils

July 17, 2022: Fathers of the 6 Ecumenical Councils

Epistle: Rom. 12: 6-14

Gospel: Mt. 9: 1-8

Mon., July 18	9:00	+ Mary & Alfred Barkofsky (Marisa Fabri)
Tues., July 19	10:00	Funeral: + Josephine Shemchek
Wed., July 20	9:00	+ Victor Minajew (St. Cyril's Rummage Sale Volunteers)
Thurs., July 21	9:00	+ Charlotte Harris (Jule Harris)
Fri., July 22	9:00	+ Feyzi Tulunay (Tom Drakes)
Sat., July 23	No Morning Divine Liturgy	
	2:00	Confessions
	4:00 pm	+ John Melnick (Shirley Romanovitch)
Sun., July 24	10:30	For Our Parishioners

FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

"Brethren, remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their lives, and imitate their faith."

Today we remember the Fathers of the first six Ecumenical Councils, those pastor-bishops who met in various gatherings from the fourth to the seventh century to combat heresies and formulate canons, or rules, to guide the Church in holy living. We honor these Fathers – indeed, we honor all the saints – because they are friends of Christ, because they show us Christ. The Fathers committed

their lives, many of them as martyrs, to teaching clearly and faithfully the word of God. And so, we are called to consider carefully the outcome of their life and to imitate their faith. We are to follow their examples in never neglecting to do good and to share what we have, for such is the way of the fathers, the way of the saints, and such sacrifices are well-pleasing to God.

One of the reasons our Churches are filled with icons is to aid us in this task. In worship we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, a tre-

mendous company of those who teach us in word and deed the way of Christ. Many of them were mistreated by the world. Like their Lord Christ, they met their end in dishonor, “dying outside the city,” far removed from fame or fortune. For here they had no lasting city, but rather they sought a city which is to come. As a community of faithful we are to remember them, we cling to their relics, we venerate their icons, because we know that they’re not simply dead and gone, buried and forgotten. We know that in Christ they live! Dwelling in the fullness of His presence, they are in a certain pro-

found sense more alive than we are in our present struggles.

And so we ask their prayers, that our lives may become more deeply rooted in the life and love of Christ, just as theirs are. We remember them this day and every day. In the words of St. John of Damascus, who wrote in the eighth century: “Let us carefully review the life of these men, and let us emulate their faith and love and hope and zeal and way of life, and endurance of sufferings and patience even to (the shedding of) blood, in order that we may be sharers with them in their crowns of glory.” Amen

SOME THOUGHTS ON REVERENCE IN CHURCH

When you enter your Church, picture in your mind a very large throne sitting upon the altar. God is sitting there in all His majestic glory with powerful, glorious angels by His side. He is sitting there waiting just for you. How would you act? What would you do? Would you saunter into Church talking and joking? Would you ignore your God sitting there waiting for you? Would you wear shorts and a tank top or would you think that He was worthy of more appropriate dress? Would you want to bow down to Him because

He holds your heart in the palm of His hand?

When He gives you His very body and blood during the Eucharistic celebration, because in His love He wants you to be truly with Him, would you walk out the door without loving Him and giving Him proper thanks? Would you stand around in Church talking and laughing like you were at a cocktail party? Or would you reverence the awesome presence of your God and say to your friends, “Let’s talk outside.”

REASONS I NEVER ~~GO TO MASS~~ SHOWER

A priest in Ireland got tired of listening to people explain why they don't go to mass on Sundays. He wrote this in the bulletin:

1. I was forced to shower as a child.
2. People who shower are hypocrites. They say they are cleaner than everyone else.
3. There are so many different kinds of soap, I could never decide which one was right.
4. I used to shower, but it got boring so I stopped.
5. I shower only on special occasions, like Easter and Christmas.
6. None of my friends shower.
7. I'm still young. When I'm older

and have gotten a bit dirtier, I might start showering.

8. I really don't have time to shower.
9. The bathroom is never warm enough in the winter or cool enough in the summer.
10. People who make soap are only after your money.
(There's More)
 - I get along very well without showering.
 - I work hard all week and I'm too tired to take a shower on the weekend.
 - The first bar of soap I ever used gave me a rash, so I haven't gone near soap since.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Mark Wehrenberg, the son of Mark and Robbin nee Higgins Wehrenberg, will contract marriage with **Allison Carey**, the daughter of Joseph Carey and Christina Turko, on July 30, 2022. If anyone is

aware of any impediments to this marriage, please contact Fr. Nestor. This is the first announcement of Banns for this marriage.

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 Col-

lection envelopes and then can enjoy your vacations.

FROM THE FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

The Food Truck Festival Committee would like to **THANK ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS** who helped to make our second Food Truck Festival of 2022 a huge success!! A financial report will be forthcoming in the near future.

We are very pleased to report that the **BASKET RAFFLE** for the benefit our church raised **\$2,200.00!** **A BIG THANK YOU** to all of the parishoners, family and friends who donated baskets. The basket winners are as follows:

#5	Ann Elaine Srebro	#71	Jule Harris
#8	Aggie James	#74	Erica Uhrin—2 baskets
#12	Annette Novak	#77	Michaelene Davis
#19	Mary Ann Pickerill	#82	Eileen Fauerbach—2 baskets
#24	Maria Wrightson	#83	Barb Halloran
#28	Barb Miller	#93	Dianne Buzon
#36	Marie Natiello	#94	Chris Slocum
#37	Brittany Andrews	#107	Tasha Allen
#39	Karen Spataro	#110	Heidi Killiany—2 baskets
#40	Marie Segilia	#111	Sandra Kierzkuski
#43	Sandy Kosakevitch—2 baskets	#114	Rick Vaw
#52	Brenda Serafini—2 baskets	#120	Theresa Borgna
#55	Janet Melnick	#127	Ada Colon
#64	Harry Krenitsky	#137	Chris Heyl
#65	Weston Krenitsky	#145	Elaine Travis—2 baskets
#66	Jason Essig—2 baskets	#151	Beverly Worlinsky
#70	Michele Jennings	#153	Chrissy Juris

CHICKEN DINNER

“Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will hold a Chicken Dinner as their Why Cook Wednesday Dinner for July. The dinner will be on Wednesday, July 20, 2022 in their school hall on the corner of North River and West Chest-

nut Streets, near the General Hospital Parade in Wilkes-Barre. This dinner will be Take-Out Only and Pre-Orders are strongly encouraged. Dinners will be \$15 and will include; a brined and roasted half-chicken, baked potato, corn, macaroni salad, roll and

dessert. Place your order by calling the School Hall Kitchen (570) 829-3051. Pick-Ups will be from 4:00 to 7:00pm. Tickets

will also be sold for a Basket Raffle. Remember...When Baba Cooks, Everybody's Happy!"

88TH ANNUAL SEMINARY DAY

This event will be held Sunday, July 31, 2022 at St. Nicholas Church picnic grounds in Primrose (just outside Minersville) PA. This annual event is sponsored by the 12 parishes and faithful of the South Anthracite Deanery under the leadership of their

pastors. Plans for the day already include a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with the clergy of the deanery at 11 A.M. and the Food Sale will start at 1 P.M. with delicious ethnic and regional foods prepared by the parishes of the deanery.

21ST ANNUAL LEBANESE-AMERICAN FOOD FEST

Dates: August 12,13,14, 2022

Time:

Fri. Aug 12 4 - 9pm; Sat. Aug 13 4 - 9 pm; Sun. Aug 14 1 - 7pm

Location:

St. Joseph Melkite Greek-Catholic Church
130 N. St. Frances Cabrini Ave (off lower Jackson St)
West Scranton, PA

Brief Description:

Take Out, Curbside or limited seating

Great Lebanese Food and pastries, Local picnic food favorites, variety baskets.

Visit - www.melkite.scranton.org or facebook.com/melkitescranton and check back in August for menu

Contact:

melkite.scranton@gmail.com or rectory 570-343-6092

NOW IS THE TIME TO MOVE FORWARD, AND PREPARE FOR FALL 2022, ST. CYRIL'S RUMMAGE.

Volunteers, are needed and (everybody, somebody, anybody, nobody) can come on On Monday evening, July 18th, starting at 5:30 p.m. and then in the mornings on Tuesday July 19, and Wednesday, and July 20 and Thursday, July 21 Starting at 10:00 a.m. and usually until 1:30 p.m.

At this time boxes and bins are opened, ticketed, placed on the tables and shelves. If you volunteered in the

past, you know how we are organized to get the job done. Plus, we have to keep up with basic maintenance: cardboard boxes, wrapping newspaper, trash, plastic bags, etc... As we unwrap items, the paper and boxes accumulate and need to be properly removed from the gym. We could use your help, on keeping the school gym clean and a safe place to work.

Come and donate your time for this event, because it is a major fundraiser for the church. Now we have one evening and 3 mornings available for you to lend a helping hand. As we start the 12th year of the Rummage Sales, . We need your help to continue for the benefit of St. Cyril's Church. The current volunteers always welcome everyone to join them as we work together, almost as a family to make this fundraiser so successful! Their hard work and dedication are so very much appreciated.

It is time now, during the summer, all men, women and high school students to come and help out for Cyril's Rummage Sale. Contact Father Nestor at 570-291-4451 or Lauren Telep cell 646-241-9443.

Re-read.....This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realize that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blames Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.Anonymous (Please leave this in, perhaps, if read again, they will think how work gets done....or not get done.

Donations can be made when the St. Cyril's school gym is open or call Lauren to set up another time. We accept items due to renovation, cleaning out the attic, basement, and garage, downsizing, moving, and selling the homestead. Share this information with family, friends, and neighbors. All donations are appreciated as this fundraiser benefits St. Cyril's Church.

COLLECTION PROCESSING TEAM...

The Collection Processing Team for the Zelno, Dorothy Zinsky, and Cheryl month of July 2022 is Team #3: Marlene Matuszewski.

Sunday Collection for July 9 & 10, 2022: \$

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The Works the Father Gave Jesus to Accomplish

Those who believe in one God the Father Almighty ought to believe in His only-begotten Son. Jesus says: "I am the door. No one can come to the Father but by me" (Jn 10: 9; 14: 6).

Anyone who does not accept the door cannot possibly reach the Father. Anyone who wishes to pray to the Father should adore the Son, or his prayer is not accepted.

The Son is called Christ, which means anointed, that is, consecrated. He was not anointed by human hands but consecrated by the Father to become a priest forever. He died, but He did not remain, as all human beings do, in the underworld. He is the only one free among the dead.

The Savior becomes all things to all, according to the need of each: to those who

ask for joy, He becomes the vine; to those who wish to enter, He becomes the door; to those who are under the weight of sin, He becomes a lamb, a lamb slain for them. He becomes all things to all, but He remains nonetheless what He is.

He is called by a twofold name: Jesus because He gives us salvation, and Christ because He is priest. He is the healer of bodies and the doctor of souls. As He made whole those who were physically blind, so He gave light to their minds. As He gave the lame the chance to walk, so He urges the steps of sinners in the direction of the way of penitence.

St. Cyril of Alexandria