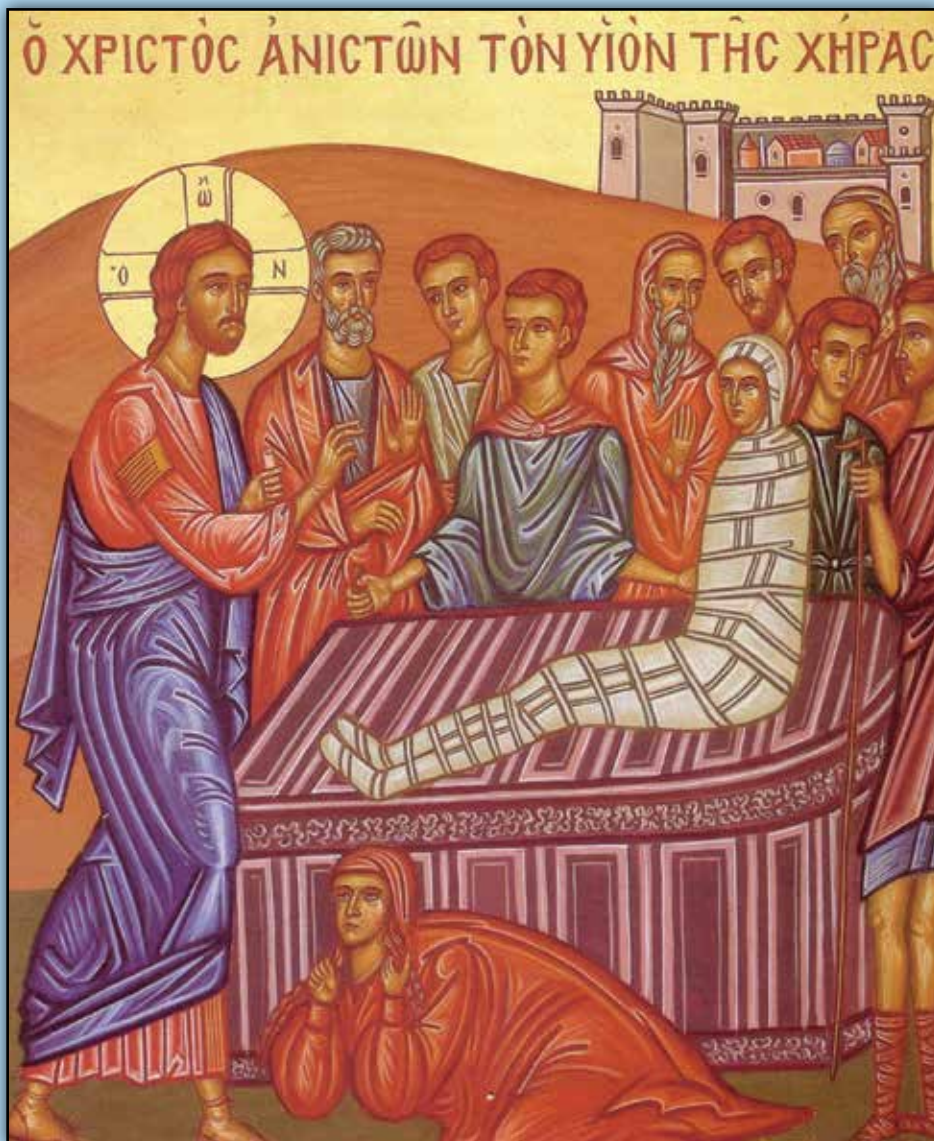


## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of Raising the Widow's Son*

## **October 9, 2022: Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

Epistle: 2 Cor. 9: 6-11

Gospel: Lk. 7: 11-16

**Mon., Oct. 10  
to  
Thurs., Oct. 13**

**No Services:  
National Ukrainian Catholic  
Clergy Conference**

**Fri., Oct. 14**

9:00 + Frank Wysochansky (Legate)

**Sat., Oct. 15**

**No Morning Divine Liturgy.**

2:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm + Robert Westington & Alexandra

Westington (Wife & Grandmother Ilona)

**Sun., Oct. 16**

10:30 For Our Parishioners

### **National Ukrainian Catholic Clergy Conference**

The Ukrainian Catholic Clergy of the United States will be gathering this week in Chicago for a National Ukrainian Catholic Clergy Conference. Because of this National Con-

ference, Fr. Nestor will be away from Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> until Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. In case of an emergency, call any Catholic Priest.

### **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.

## Q & A

**Question:** What is the architecture of the Eastern Catholic Church building?

**Answer:** There are three divisions to a traditional Christian church: narthex, nave, and sanctuary. The narthex is the entrance hall, where the faithful greet God by making the sign of the cross, kissing the holy icons, and lighting a candle symbolizing prayer, sacrifice, and the Light of Christ. The nave is where the faithful gather to worship God. Nave comes from a Greek word, “naos”, meaning “ship.” It signifies the fact that salvation is a life-long process of becoming Godlike. It is a journey towards God. The Sanctuary is

the abode of God, the Holy of Holies. Hence, its name comes from the Latin “sanctus,” meaning “holy.” It is where the clergy offer the Bloodless Sacrifice, the Holy Eucharist or Holy Communion. It signifies Paradise or Heaven. It is demarcated from the nave by the iconostasis, or icon-screen, which does not separate the faithful from God, but rather, announces in holy images the presence of God. Notice that the sanctuary is higher and faces East, the direction from which the Star of Bethlehem came announcing the Advent of the Messiah and from which the Lord will appear in Glory at the Second Coming.

## OUR CONDOLENCES

In your Christian Charity, please remember the soul of + **Marlene Nestrick** who fell asleep in the Lord this past Wednesday evening, Octo-

ber 5<sup>th</sup>. + Marlene was buried from St. Cyril's this Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. May her memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pamyat!

## VICHNAYA PAMYAT (ETERNAL MEMORY)

Eternal Memory - Vichnaya pamjat, memory eternal, is the short prayer that closes our memorial services, which call for laying to rest or remembering the deceased of our community. People may think that this prayer refers only to memory in this world, but the eter-

nal memory is indeed eternal, for what gain would there be if one's name were remembered until the end of time but forgotten in heaven? Thus, it is correct to believe that in prayer we are commending those who have fallen asleep to eternal life in the Kingdom of God.

That is the real meaning of Eternal Memory - vichnaya pamyat. The Bible tells us how the names of the righteous will be inscribed in the Book of Life, while the names of the unrighteous will be forgotten. In the story of the Rich Man and Lazarus, found in the Gospel of Luke, we see that the Lord pronounces the name of Lazarus, who enters the Kingdom of Heaven, but that the name of the rich man, prohibited from entering Heaven, is omitted.

Thus we see that the Church teaches and practices the eternal remembrance of our deceased faithful. We might bear in mind that countless numbers of people have passed through this life without noise or notice, but have received an eternal name in Heaven where neither death nor change exist. We are advised to bear this understanding in mind whenever we sing or hear this short but meaningful prayer.

## **DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS**

The 2023 Divine Liturgy Intention Book has finally arrived. Divine Liturgy intentions may be offered for those who are deceased, ill or for family, friends and special occasions for loved ones. I have noticed that many people in our Parish “order” the Divine Liturgy ONLY on a Saturday or a Sunday. Meanwhile, there are other people who are asking for a Divine Liturgy on a weekend but those days are already

taken by someone who called earlier and “preordered” Divine Liturgies for the whole year.

In order to be fair to everyone, and in order to try to accommodate everyone, no more than 4 Intentions from a family will be accepted for the weekend Divine Liturgies per year. You are always welcome to offer intentions for a weekday Divine Liturgy. There are plenty of openings during the week.

## **HALLOWEEN FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL**

Coming in just a few weeks is our last of the year Food Truck Festival fundraiser.....Saturday, October 15th

and Sunday, October 16th. It will have a Halloween theme, with new games for kids of all ages, a Halloween pho-

to backdrop with props for picture taking, eight food trucks, eight food/drink vendors, nine crafters, basket raffle, entertainment, etc. Flyers are available in the vestibule. Please take a few and distribute them to help with spreading the word.

### **DONATIONS REQUESTED.**

We are requesting assistance with a few areas of the Halloween Food Truck Festival: volunteers to help set up, take down and work at the festival; donation of gift baskets, and donation of baked goods.

**BASKET RAFFLE:** donations of baskets for the Food Truck Festival raffle are needed. Please contact

Michaelene at (570) 209-2026 if you can donate a gift basket to help with this project. Baskets should be delivered no later than Friday, October 15th.

**BAKE SALE:** St. Cyril's will have a stand offering home-baked items for sale. Any items donated will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Theresa Schlacta (570) 575-4902 or Jule Harris (570) 357-6171 if you can bake something. Items should be delivered to the Church Hall on Friday, October 15th, between 4:30 and 7:00. (Please note that "Ginger's Pies" will be a vendor. Baking a pie is not recommended.)

## **PASTIE SALE**

Saints Peter & Paul, Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, North Wilkes-Barre is taking orders for Pasties for pick-up on Saturday, October 15th, 2022. Our Pasties are made with seasoned ground beef and potatoes wrapped in a pie crust pastry and are available with or without onions. Pasties are \$8.00 each and Gravy is available for \$1.00

for an 8 oz. cup. Call (570)829-3051 to place your order. (Please specify with or without onions.) Pick-up from 2:00 to 4:00pm in our School Hall, corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, Wilkes-Barre. Remember, when Baba cooks... everybody's happy!"

## **UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION**

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the United Nations Association will hold its 2022 United Nations

Day Celebration on Thursday, October 20th at the St. Mary's Center in downtown Scranton.

The celebration will begin at 9AM with a breakfast. We hope to include a musical tribute to the courageous people of Ukraine. Our audience will consist of community leaders and students from across Northeastern Pennsylvania. Several students from Ukraine will be in attendance as well as students from other war-torn countries throughout the world.

The theme of 2022 United Nations Day is “Nourishing Peace” to show solidarity with nations devastated by war and violence. The guest speaker will be Michael Fairbanks, an international development specialist and University of Scranton alumnus, who has worked in Rwanda, El Salvador, Cuba, Serbia and other countries, helping to rebuild their economies and civic institutions destroyed by war and geno-

cide.

Today, as our divided world is consumed by conflict, the theme of “Nourishing Peace” is more important than ever. One of the major goals of the UN Celebration is to encourage a dialogue of peace in our community. Students from area high schools and colleges will be made aware of how service to their local community positively impacts their global community.

The people of Northeastern Pennsylvania and all over the world are inspired by the courage and resilience of the people of Ukraine. While it is crucial that young people understand the cruelty and destruction of war, it is even more important that they realize the power of humanity in the midst of such horror.

## **WHITE CANE DAYS**

One of the Olyphant Lions Club’s main means of raising funds to support Community projects is the “White Cane Days.” The Lions solicit funds at various community sites. The Oly-

phant Lions Club will be conducting this activity at our Parish on the weekend of Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you for your continued support.

## **AUTUMN HARVEST TAKE-OUT DINNER**

Autumn Harvest Take-Out Dinner – Sponsored by St. Vladimir Ukrainian

Catholic Church of Scranton, Sunday, October 23 featuring roast beef,

mashed potatoes, gravy, hot vegetable, dinner roll with butter, dessert and bottled water. \$15.00 by advance order only. Pickup between 11:00am and 1:00pm at Parish Center 428

North Seventh Avenue. Basket raffles and 50/50 drawing available. To place order: phone 570 504-1514 no later than Tuesday October 18.

### **PASTA DINNER**

The Women's Society of St. Joseph Melkite Catholic Church on North St. Frances Cabrini Avenue, West Scranton, is sponsoring its annual Pasta Dinner, Wednesday, October 26, 2022. Penne with meatballs, salad, bread, dessert will be available in the

hall for Takeout or Curbside. 4pm to 6 pm. Adults are \$9.00 and children age 5-11 are \$4.00. Tickets at the door or Call ahead/email to preorder for takeout or curbside 570-343-6092, melkite.scranton@gmail.com. See us on facebook or melkitescranton.org.

### **POST RUMMAGE SALE RE-ORGANIZATION AT ST. CYRILS SCHOOL GYM/GARAGE**

Volunteers are needed for Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 starting at 11:00 a.m. Father's Nestor garage needs to be organized for his car to be in, during winter. Also at the school gym, Halloween and Thanksgiving etc.. items to be packed up and donated to a local charity. Contact Lauren at cel l# (646) 241-9443.

### **COLLECTION PROCESSING TEAM...**

The Collection Processing Team for the month of October 2022 is Team #2: Eugene Zinsky, John

Turko, Jr., Leonard Mitchko, and Michael Shumek.

**Sunday Collection for Oct. 1 & 2, 2022: \$**

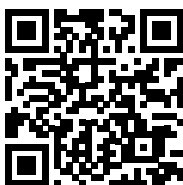
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### *The Church, the Sorrowing Mother*

Although there is grave sin that you cannot wash away yourself with the tears of your penitence, let the mother of the church weep for you. She who intercedes for all as a widowed mother for only sons is she who suffers with the spiritual grief of nature when she perceives her children urged on to death by mortal sins.

We are heart of her heart, for there is also a spiritual heart that Paul has, saying, "Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ." We are the heart of the church, since we are members of his Body, of his flesh and of his bones. Let the pious mother grieve, let the

crowd, too, help. Let not only the crowd but also a multitude feel pity for a good parent.

Already at the funeral you will arise, already will you be released from the sepulcher; the attendants at your funeral will stand still, you will begin to speak words of life, all will be afraid; for very many are corrected by the example of one. They will praise God, who has bestowed upon us such great help for the avoidance of death.

*St. Ambrose of Milan*