EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 4, 2020

8:40 AM Rosary

9:00 AM Health/Blessings for Holy Ghost Parishioners

Monday, October 5th NO SERVICES

Tuesday, October 6th

9:00 AM **H/B for Allison Durkee** – by Ed & Debby Durkee

Wednesday, October 7th

5:00 PM Confessions in the Sacristy (or by appointment)

6:30 PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, October 8th

9:00 AM + Jerry & Barbara Stecura – by John Stecure

Friday, October 9th

6:30 PM **H/B for Donna & Joe Crookston –** by Katherine Taras

Saturday, October 10th

5:00 PM + Anna, Joseph Sr. and Christopher Skubiak – by Dressler & Skubiak

Families

Sunday, October 11th 19th Sunday after Pentecost

8:40 AM Rosary

9:00 AM Health/Blessings for Holy Ghost Parishioners

Regarding masks when attending the Divine Liturgy:

Dear Parishioners,

The wearing of masks has now been mandated by the Governor while in Summit County and when out in public, including when attending worship services. As always, please try to maintain at least 6 feet distance between family units.

In accordance with this directive and for the safety and comfort of all of our parish family we are asking that you please wear your mask when attending the Divine Liturgy. If you are sick or not feeling well, please consider staying home and watching us live on Facebook. If you do become sick with Covid-19 please let us know as soon as possible!

Thank you for your generosity!

CONGRATULATIONS:

This week Anna Stump (10/07), Timothy Gardner (10/7) and Anna Chrapko (10/07) celebrate their birthdays. May God bless you and grant you many years, *Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!*

Protection of Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church will be having a Raffle. They will be raffling off \$500 worth of Giant Eagle Gift Cards to one lucky person. The tickets are \$2.00 each and can be purchased from any member of St. Mary's Parish or Fr. Sal. The lucky ticket will be drawn on Sunday Nov. 15th. Everyone is welcome to join us at 27275 Aurora Rd. Solon, Ohio at 11:30 for Liturgy and then see the lucky number drawn after.

Emergency Relief Fund:

As you know, this fund, created with a generous seed donation from parishioners from St. Francis de Sales parish can provide HGUCC members with emergency financial aid in times of need. Parishioners can contact Father Sal with total confidentiality to request assistance along with prayers and counseling. Thank you everyone for contributing to this cause! Some of our parishioners have already received help through this fund.

ACME...

Is once again starting up their Community Cash Back to non-profit organizations. Please bring in your Acme store receipts to the social hall so the ladies of the BVM Sodality can partake in this money maker. Last year, Acme paid out \$177.89 for the receipts the BVM submitted. Thank you!

Choir Members Wanted:

We are looking for new members (especially men!) to join our choir to help lead in the responses to the Divine Services. Rehearsals are held on Thursdays. If interested, please see Greg Jindra.

PILGRIMAGE:

Today, Protection BVM parish is organizing a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch in Burton, OH on Sunday October 4th. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00pm. If you are interested to join us, please talk to Fr. Sal for more info. *17486 Mumford Rd, Burton, OH* 44021

Reader's Class:

Greg Jindra would like to begin a class for those interested in learning how to chant the epistles and psalms during Divine Services. Dates and times have yet to be determined. If you are interested, please see Greg.

PLANNING AHEAD:

October 16th & 17th - Pyrohy November 13th & 14th - Pyrohy Listed here are 10 points for fruitful Scripture reading.

- 1. **Bible reading is for Catholics.** The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself.
- 2. **Prayer is the beginning and the end.** Reading the Bible is not like reading a novel or a history book. It should begin with a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to the Word of God. Scripture reading should end with a prayer that this Word will bear fruit in our lives, helping us to become holier and more faithful people.
- 3. Get the whole story! When selecting a Bible, look for a Catholic edition. A Catholic edition will include the Church's complete list of sacred books along with introductions and notes for understanding the text. A Catholic edition will have an *imprimatur* notice on the back of the title page. An *imprimatur* indicates that the book is free of errors in Catholic doctrine.
- 4. **The Bible isn't a book. It's a library.** The Bible is a collection of 73 books written over the course of many centuries. The books include royal history, prophecy, poetry, challenging letters to struggling new faith communities, and believers' accounts of the preaching and passion of Jesus. Knowing the genre of the book you are reading will help you understand the literary tools the author is using and the meaning the author is trying to convey.
- 5. **Know what the Bible is and what it isn't.** The Bible is the story of God's relationship with the people he has called to himself. It is not intended to be read as history text, a science book, or a political manifesto. In the Bible, God teaches us the truths that we need for the sake of our salvation.
- 6. **The sum is greater than the parts.** Read the Bible in context. What happens before and after even in other books helps us to understand the true meaning of the text.
- 7. **The Old relates to the New.** The Old Testament and the New Testament shed light on each other. While we read the Old Testament in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus, it has its own value as well. Together, these testaments help us to understand God's plan for human beings.
- 8. **You do not read alone.** By reading and reflecting on Sacred Scripture, Catholics join those faithful men and women who have taken God's Word to heart and put it into practice in their lives. We read the Bible within the tradition of the Church to benefit from the holiness and wisdom of all the faithful.
- 9. What is God saying to me? The Bible is not addressed only to long-dead people in a faraway land. It is addressed to each of us in our own unique situations. When we read, we need to understand what the text says and how the faithful have understood its meaning in the past. In light of this understanding, we then ask: What is God saying to me?
- 10. Reading isn't enough. If Scripture remains just words on a page, our work is not done. We need to meditate on the message and put it into action in our lives. Only then can the word be "living and effective." (Hebrews 4:12).