ST. MICHAEL UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH JULY 2017 REPORT TO PARISHIONERS

AUGUST DATES:

August 1-14: We are in the midst of the Dormition Fast (Spasivka), which is the shortest fast in the year. Please try to do some penitential acts and fasting, simply for the sake of self-discipline in preparation for the feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God.

Sunday August 6: Feast of the Transfiguration (Spasa). Bring fruit to church to be blessed.

Tuesday, August 15: Dormition (Uspennia) of the Mother of God. Divine Liturgy at 7:00 PM. Bring flowers and herbs (including herbal teas) to be blessed.

August 18-20: Father Andriy in Olympia Washington, preaching at pilgrimage and at Deanery meetings in Anacortes Washington from August 21-23.

Sunday, August 20: Divine Liturgy at 12:30 PM with Father Rankin serving.

Saturday, August 26: Ukrainian Independence Day celebration at Taras Warvariw home. Guest Speaker: Dr. Mark van Hagen, ASU.

Tuesday, August 29: Fast day - the Beheading of St. John the Baptist. (No liturgy because Fr. Andriy is in Canada.

Tuesday, August 29 to Monday, September 18: Fr. Andriy at Sheptytsky Institute for beginning of first semester at a new university.

Monday, September 18 to Friday, September 22: Fr. Andriy at compulsory Chicago Eparchy Clergy Retreat in Mundelein, IL.

THUS: Sept. 3, 10, and 17, Divine Liturgy will be served at 12:30 PM by Fr. Rankin.

Feast of Nativity of the Mother of God will be transferred from Friday, Sept. 8 to Sunday, Sept. 10. Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross will be transferred from Thursday, Sept. 14 to Sunday, Sept. 17. Please note that Sept. 14 is a Fast Day. Don't forget to keep the fast on all Wednesdays and Fridays of the year if you are able, except when a feast of the Lord or the Theotokos falls on that day.

Deep thanks to everyone for all the amazing work done for the visit of Patriarch Sviatoslav. Issues of the Tucson Diocesse's Catholic Outlook newspaper, with two articles about the visit, are available for everyone as a keepsake. Also, the New Star carried an article in the August issue that is now online, An article with photos was submitted to The Ukrainian Weekly, but it does not yet seem to have appeared.

<u>BIBLE STUDY</u>: Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 PM at the Rectory. Just finishing early stories in Genesis and about to begin the story of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. All are welcome!

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COLLECTIONS: July 1: \$1,144. July 9: \$875. July 16: \$806. July 23: \$590. July 30: \$1,925. Total July Collections: \$5,340. Candles: \$99. Dues: \$75. Icon Sales: \$27. Donations to defray costs associated with Patriarch's visit: \$700. In memory of Lubomyra Lutz: \$100 (Juliana Osinchuk). Blessed Virgin Mary "Shrine": \$75 (Yura and Lesia Terleckyj). Bishop's Appeal: \$350 (Richard and Joanna Cole). Second Collection: \$77. Stained Glass Window: \$400 (Zenon Korytko). Financially, St. Michaels just broke even for the first six months. All future projects and plans need to be costed and funding secured and approved before beginning.

SISTERHOOD LUNCH RECEIPTS

July 9: \$72 thanks to Pani Halyna Chirovsky

July 16: \$48 thanks to Luba and Joseph Cybulsky and Ksenia Lutz July 23: \$83 thanks to the Maciborski Family and David McDonald July 30: \$106 thanks to Marta Terletska. Gift Box Receipts: \$52.

AUGUST LUNCH SCHEDULE

August 6: Open

August 13: Yura and Lesia Terleckyj

August 20: Bohdan Gojnycz

August 27: Open

CHURCH CLEANING

Thanks to Yura and Lesia Terleckyj (July 10), and Ihor and Zenia Kunasz (July 31). Volunteers needed for August!

<u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u>: Please pray for Father Andriy Chirovsky, Tony Reznowski, Olya Korytko, Zenon Korytko, Stefa Szubak, Skibicky Family, Ron Cherinko, Olia Brody, Maria Gojnycz, and Bishop Benedict.