

WELCOME TO ASCENSION

VE YOUR PEOPLE, OH GOD, AND BLESS YOUR INHERITAN

We are only allowing between 22 and 44 people in Church and 20 people in Church Hall

SUN	NOV 15	24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Eph 2: 14-22 Lu 10:25-37 Divine Liturgy for Our Parishioners and + Emil Hertz by Betty Mae Hertz
Tus	Nov 17	8:30am Divine Liturgy for Our Parishioners and HGB St Luke's Icon Guild by Fr. Alex 6:00pm ADVISORY BOARD MEETING IN CHURCH HALL 7:00PM MEN'S CLUB MEETING
Wed	Nov 18	8:30am Divine Liturgy for Our Parishioners and + Travis Chuff and Family by Mark and Anne Chuff After Moleben to the Theotokos -Special Intentions-For Peace in Our Country
Thu	Nov 19	8:30am Divine Liturgy for Our Parishioners and HGB Morgan Kelly by Ann Kelly After Short Bible Reflection 6:00pm "ROSARY" Prayer for Protection and Healing of the coronavirus and all serious illnesses by Men's Club
SUN	NOV 22	25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Eph 4: 1-6 Lu 12:16-21 Divine Liturgy for Our Parishioners and + John Labanush by Betta Labanish

Read Full Bulletin online [www. ascensionva.org](http://www.ascensionva.org)

HAPPY THANKSGIVING !

God bless America!!!

Prayer to Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom His love commits me here:
ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen

We Would Welcome Some Helping Hands to Keep Our Church Clean and
Disinfected. Due to Covid 19 We Still Need to Clean the Church Before
and After Every Liturgy. If You Would Like More Information, or If You
Can Help, especially on a Monday or Wednesday, Please Speak with Kathy
Alexander (566-8637) or Linda Lechman (714-3515).

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO DONATED
SUPPLIES FOR CLEANING OF CHURCH. FROM LINDA AND
KATHY, THANK YOU EVER SO MUCH.

LIVE-STREAMING DIVINE LITURGY AND PRAYERS

Ascension of Our Lord Byzantine Catholic Church is providing live
broadcasts of Divine Liturgy and prayers on the internet for those who would like
to experience our worship and pray with us. The divine liturgy will be livestreamed
on AscensionVA's YouTube channel on Sunday, November 1
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFrYPWRdt-4HCsBpXdxAmhg/>
A link to scheduled YouTube livestream will be posted at AscensionVA's Facebook's
page.
<https://www.facebook.com/Ascension-Byzantine-Catholic-Church-100862511741107>

Are you aware of any organization or church that is selling used church pews? Desired length 12 feet. If so, please speak to Thomas (Tom) McGraw.tel: (804) 932-8098

Those of us attending Sunday Liturgy are aware that we are having a limited hospitality with social distancing. For the past several weeks we have had four ladies volunteering as hostesses. Now that we have the system organized, we feel that two ladies can adequately handle hospitality each week.

We are now asking for additional volunteers to take part so that the same ladies are not working each week or even every other week. Please think seriously about helping out. Everyone seems to be happy that we have reinstated hospitality and it would be nice if everyone who participates would also volunteer to help.

Please contact Chris Noonan (cdfnoona@gmail.com) to be added to the roster.

Thank you! Ann Kelly for Chris Noonan

FINANCIALS

**Total Contributions: Monthly Dues -825.00 Holyday 0.00
Offertory -809.00 Non-Monetary Donation – 0.00 Fuel -0.00 Rainy Day
Fund-0.00 Candles -1750.00 Religious Education -0.00
IN – \$ 1809.00; OUT— \$ 5080.95**

Happy November Birthdays

16th Ann Kelly; 16th Delores Clinton; 18th Natalie Collins; 20th Michael Yackanich; 22nd Morgan Kelly; 26th Patrick Cook; 30th BettyMae Hertz; 30th Suzanne Cook

Sanctuary Lamp: HGB Margan Family... by Katarina Margan

Tetrapod Lamp: HGB Vinson Family... by Lolly Vinson

Theotokos & Child Lamp: HGB Merle & Theresa Philips... by MaryAnn Drumtra

Christ Teacher Lamp: HGB Michael Noonan... by Chris Noonan

John Baptist Lamp: HGB John Alexander... by Lee & Kathy Alexander

Protection of Theotokos Lamp: HGB Patrick Alexander... by Lee & Kathy Alexander

St. Nicholas Lamp: For Our Parish and or Peace in Our Country

Anyone who is interested in learning the liturgical music on their own could take online courses through the Metropolitan Cantor Institute. The

Free courses can be found on their website: <https://mci.archpitt.org/online/>

“Lord, teach us to pray” Luke 11:1

True Praying involves knowing beforehand what to request from God. Praying is asking for something definite. The mind is given over entirely to God, thinking of him, of what is needed, and of what has been received in the past.

The very first step in prayer is a mental step. We must be taught through our intellect. And only as far as the intellect is given over to God in prayer will be able to learn how to pray.

Lord Jesus, just like Your disciples long ago I ask of You today, “teach me (us) to pray.” Amen.

SHOEBOXES

It's that time of year again! Here are the details on the shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse: Shoeboxes will be available at church which you can pick up and fill OR if you are out shopping and do not have a box, you can still pick up items and the secret Santa elves will fill the boxes for you! Here are the do's and don'ts for shoebox shopping: Girl or Boy age groups 2-4, 5-9, 10-14(The group with the greatest need is older boys)

One wow item: Stuffed animal (please make sure it will fit in a shoebox! Ball (Soccer, Football or other) can be bought deflated.

Please enclose a pump (with extra pins if possible) for inflation. An outfit of clothing. Musical Instrument (Recorder or Harmonica)

Do's: Personal Care Items, Clothing and Accessories, Crafts and Activities, Toys, Personal Note

Don'ts: Candy, Toothpaste, Gum; Used or Damaged Items, War Related Items such as Toy Guns, Knives and Military Figures; Chocolate or Food; Seeds, Fruit Rolls or other Fruit Snacks; Drink Mixes (powdered or liquid); Liquids or Lotions; Medications or Vitamins; Breakable items such as Snow Globes or Glass Containers; Aerosol Cans.

Website www.samaritanspurse.org will give extra details on shoebox items. You will find excellent suggestions there. If you prefer, you can also make a donation online.

Drop off deadline for boxes or bags of items is Today.

The secret Santa elves will take it from there!

Thank you everyone!

Bishop's 2020 Appeal

By now, everyone should have received a letter from Bishop Kurt outlining all the good things that our Eparchy of Passaic does. To do these good things, obviously takes money. Please be generous to the Bishop's Appeal this year. I am asking everyone to consider a pledge of at least a dollar a week, \$52, which you could spread over a couple of months. If you can pledge two, three, even five dollars a week, \$260, that would be wonderful..If God has blessed you richly, please consider a larger pledge even ten dollars a week, \$520. In any event, please pledge something. I am asking everyone to pledge and contribute to The Bishop's Appeal this year. The goal is 100% participation. Thank you for your consideration. Father Alex



**HUEY CARDEN, FATHER OF JEFF CARDEN FELL ASLEEP
IN THE ARMS OF THE LORD ON SUNDAY 11/08. PLEASE
KEEP THE CARDEN FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

ETERNAL MEMORY – VICHNAYA PAMYAT

Parishioner to Parishioners

Our Daily Bread - The virtue of Hope, and God's everlasting love. We are imperfect due to the original sin of Adam. Our sinful nature leaves us open to another type of attack from Satan. A spiritual attack that causes us to become discouraged, lose hope and could eventually lead us to despair.

It begins often with the realization of our many sins and past offenses. We try ever so hard to amend our life, only to find that we fall into sin again. Even sins we have confessed and have been forgiven can come back to haunt us. We start questioning if our sins were really forgiven. Visions rush in upon us of our past sins, vividly accusing us, showing us to be weak and inadequate. Some come to think that their sins are so great, how could they be forgiven. Satan uses this type of attack frequently to torment us, to accuse us, to make us feel shame, inadequate and unworthy.

Those who succumb to this attack, will start to lose all hope of being saved. Then, like weeds in a garden, those poor souls will fall deeper into the habit of sin and their sins will multiply and grow. Their sins will tend to worsen as time goes by, until their soul is lost to the light of God, just like weeds choke out the garden from sunlight and causes it to die.

This situation left unattended will lead to despair. As we read in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, *"By despair man ceases to hope for his personal salvation from God, for help in attaining it or for the forgiveness of his sins. Despair is contrary to God's goodness and justice.."* (CCC2091). Remember, the virtue of Hope sustains us during times of difficulty.

Recognize Satan's attack! Satan's goal is for us to lose hope and despair. Remember first that our God has an everlasting love for each of us. God will never forsake us. ***"For Christ also died for sins once and for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God.."*** 1Pet 3:18.

If you find yourself under this type of attack, immediately turn toward God. Use prayer to drive back the attack. Say the Jesus prayer. *Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner*, or *"Jesus, I trust in*

you." Anyone of your emergency "Go To" prayers that we have discussed.

After you drive back the attack, seek to renew and strengthen your Hope in God. We need to constantly fortify our Hope by cultivating our Faith in God, just like we do when we cultivate a garden to get rid of the weeds. We do this through prayer, studying the bible, receiving the sacraments and by the grace of God, for God is merciful and freely gives His grace to us for our salvation. The stronger your faith in God, the more solid your hope will be.

Yes, we've sinned but the truth is the Lord loves us with an everlasting love and God's love is far more powerful than any sin.

Love Dad