

July 6, 2025  
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



**SAINT GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*Fighting the Good Fight with Faith*

*Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! ~ Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!*

Proprs for this Sunday: Resurrectional Tone 3: pp. 135 - 137

**St. George Divine Services for the Week:**

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**SAT., JULY 12 ..... SUNDAY of the FATHERS of the FIRST 6 ECUMENICAL COUNCILS**

**7:00 P.M. .... Great Vespers**

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**8:30 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY**

+ **Connie Hersh**, requested by Ed & Isabel Maruhnich

**Birthdays:**

None for the week

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

July 12: Dwight & Mary Dickey

**Please Pray for Our Sick, Shut-ins, and those in need of prayer**

Eileen Batcha, Rebecca Dickun, Marianne Dove, Joanne Futato, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Mary Ann Jugan, Neil Jugan, Mary Elizabeth Olack

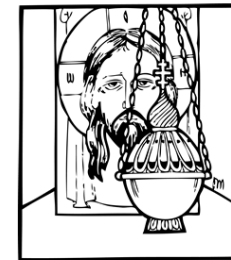
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

Betty Polas – **Apple Blossom Senior Living** (125 Apple Blossom Way, #307, Moon Twp., PA 15108)

**Epistle Readers – July 6: JoAnn Hersh – July 13: Dan Pinchot**

**Ushers – Stand in as needed**

**Troica Holders – July 6: F. Hersh – July 13: R. Mudron**



**THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP**

**July 6 - 12, 2025**

*Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:*

**Judy Hagan**

*(Health & God's Blessings)*

Offered By:

**Chuck & Dottie Hagan**

**Prayer to the Mother of God, Searcher for the Lost**

O Mother of God, through your virginal conception and birth-giving, your Son, Jesus Christ, Our God, took flesh to redeem the likeness that had fallen. We now beg of your compassion, seek those who bear the likeness of your Son through the grace of baptism, and unite them once more to your holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. Render those who bear your Son's image not unto the prince of this world, but unto their Heavenly Father for Whom they were created. Make them to know the beauty of our Father's house, that they may recognize that better is one day in his courts than a thousand elsewhere. Quicken their repentance that they, like David, fashion praise with their lips and offer their contrite spirit upon the altar of mercy. For you, who sought your Son tenderly in the temple and who made ministers like servants His servants of the miracle at Cana, seek the lost. Stay with them in their temporal sufferings, as you did with your Son at His crucifixion, that they may know that death is certain, life is short, and merely a prelude to the inexhaustible joy of eternal life with your Son, prepared for those who seek Him in this life. In this, may your Son be glorified, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever, Amen.

**Regular Confessions Offered**

St. George ..... 4:45-5:45 P.M. on Thursdays and **before** every Sunday Divine Liturgy

St. Mary: 4:45-5:45 P.M. on Wednesdays and **following** every Sunday Divine Liturgy

St. Nicholas ..... 4:00-4:45 P.M. before Vigil Liturgy on Saturdays

Beaver County Byzantines Happenings...

4 Day Prayer Mission July 22 - 25

Flyer in today's bulletin...

Mother of God,  
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Catholic Conversations: Time for the Lord to Act, Continues Thursdays

Our Adult Education series at St. George continues Thursdays after 6:00 PM Divine Liturgy through August 7 (No session July 24). We are deepening our understanding of the Divine Liturgy, the heart of our Byzantine Catholic faith and opening the treasures of our worship, its theology, structure, and sacred beauty. You can join even if you missed the first sessions.

Save the Date

The annual parishes picnic on the grounds of St. George Church, will be on Sunday, August 17. St. George's Men's Club will once again be supplying and grilling the meats, and St. George's Ladies Guild will be preparing the main side dishes and setting up the picnic buffet. Everyone is asked to bring (potluck) side dishes, desserts, or beverages. We are once again having the very popular basket raffle and will be accepting donations of various theme baskets. More details to follow.



Stay for Fellowship Hour

We extend a warm welcome to our parishioners, visitors, and friends. We are thankful that you have come to worship with us today. We invite you to join us following the Sunday Divine Liturgy for Fellowship Coffee and doughnuts in St. George Center today and every Sunday!

We invite EVERYONE to STAY and join us.



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9:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY  
+ Jane Black, requested by Christine McCauley

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11:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY  
+ John Moskorisin, requested The Barclay Family

St. Nicholas Chapel Divine Services for the Week:

SAT., JULY 12 ... SUNDAY of the FATHERS of the FIRST 6 ECUMENICAL COUNCILS  
5:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY  
For the People of St. George, St. Mary, and St. Nicholas Chapel

The Fathers on Scripture

Some argue that the Centurion, by his description, implied the reason why he had not brought his servant to Jesus saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress," as though he was at his last gasp, or even as Luke said, he was "at the point of death." In my opinion, however, the reason he had not brought him in was itself a sign of his great faith, even much greater than those who let the patient down through the roof. Because the Centurion knew for certain that even a mere command was enough for raising the servant up, he thought it unnecessary to bring him.

St. John Chrysostom, the Gospel of Matthew, Homily 26.1

**A Note from Fr. Anthony**

Dear parishioners,

I am going to experiment with the morning schedule and offer 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Hours at 7:30am on Tuesday and Thursday at St. Mary's and 7:30am on Wednesday at St. George. We've had a good response at St. Mary and my hope is by offering it at St. George it will allow people living on the other side of the river to go to a short service (25 min) before work. If it's too exhausting for me I may reduce the number of times I offer this service but I want to give it a try.

We have our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual days of prayer for fallen-away Catholics coming up July 22<sup>nd</sup> to July 25<sup>th</sup>. I would highly encourage everyone to make an effort to attend some of the many services offered and to invite others. We have four excellent guest homilists for the evening liturgy.

First, Fr. Nathaniel Tapsak, the administrator of Holy Trinity Parish in Sykesville, PA and Nativity Parish in Dubois, PA. I spent a semester at the seminary with him when I was getting ready to serve our parishes and he is an excellent priest with a beautiful singing voice.

Second, Fr. Luke Iyengar, who is being ordained today at the Cathedral! It will be a joy to welcome a newly ordained priest of our Archeparchy who grew up in nearby McKees Rocks.

Third, Fr. Joe Freedy. Fr. Joe is the parochial vicar of Divine Grace parish in the Roman Diocese of Pittsburgh. He is known as one of the best homilists and speakers in the Pittsburgh area. He was a Division 1 college football player and played against Ben Roethlisberger before becoming a priest.

Finally, Fr. Thomas Bailey, a Benedictine Monk. He serves as the vice-rector of our Byzantine Catholic seminary and the priest at St. Mary's Romanian Catholic Church in McKeesport.

Sign-ups for ECF will be coming out shortly. After consulting the pastoral council, as well as the families involved, we will be doing one combined Beaver County ECF.

We have 11-12 children at St. Mary's coming regularly and 2-4 at St. George. Without higher numbers, it is impossible to run separate programs. We will be having classes Sundays approximately twice a month at 10:00am at St. Mary's which works best for most of the families involved and allows children to attend either parish (or St. Nicholas Chapel) for liturgy. However, we intend to have activity at St. George as well, especially since it has the longest-running ECF in the Archeparchy and wonderful facilities. We have several special events planned at St. George (which will be announced in greater detail) including a family Olympics, a teaching on Rusyn Christmas traditions before our annual St. Nicholas party, an Easter Basket making class, and a short vacation Bible school. I understand it may be disappointing to some to no longer have separate programs and I can appreciate that. However, we simply do not have volunteers to run two separate programs, and I believe it is best for the children to be learning in larger groups with more students their age. Given that we only had 3 children regularly attending the two parishes combined last summer I believe this is remarkable growth and a good sign for the future of the parishes.

In Christ,

*Fr. Anthony*

***Fourth Sunday after Pentecost***

*But the centurion answered Him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have You come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, He marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith."*



The Gospel story of the centurion tells us about a man whose faith exceeded that of the Jewish people, although he himself was a pagan. A person dear to him was ill and he came to Christ, asking for a miracle, asking that the Lord should have mercy on him. Christ answered the man saying, "I will come, I will heal him." This is where the amazing centurion's faith was manifested. So often when we pray, we ask the Lord insistently to come close to us, to make His presence felt, so that we may clearly feel His power. This man acted with great simplicity, saying to Christ: "No don't trouble yourself to come. I am a sinful man and not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but just say the word and my servant will be healed." One word from God - that was what the man asked for, not the joy of contact which we all long. We ask the Lord that He should fulfill our requests and, in addition to that, grant us the miraculous joy of His presence.

The centurion appreciated in his heart how holy the Lord was, how great, and was ready to forgo this joy if only his friend, his servant would recover. Often we could turn to God and say, "Help me, Lord. I do not need to know what is happening, nor to feel Your action; only do Your will, silently, as it were from a distance, unnoticed by me." If only we were able to turn to God with such faith, with such a feeling of His holiness, how close the Lord would be. He is always close, He is always approaching us, but we can sense Him only with a loving and humble heart. A spark of love we sometimes have, but there is not much humility. So, if we were to turn to God and say, "Lord, let the good, the holiness that my soul longs for be fulfilled for my dear ones, and me you can leave out. Pass me by on your way to them", how the Lord would rejoice at the love which is ready to lay down its life, its joy, for others. Amen.

-Metropolitan Anthony of Sourozh

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Grounds Keepers: Rich Mudron, Rob Dzumba, Francis Hersh

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation ..... Thursdays 4:45-5:45 P.M. & before Sunday Liturgy  
Holy Mysteries of Initiation ..... Contact the priest  
Holy Mystery of Anointing ..... Contact the priest prior to surgery or in the event of illness  
Holy Mystery of Marriage ..... Contact the pastor six months prior to wedding  
Pirohi Sales ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month, Oct. - May  
St. George Ladies’ Guild & Men’s Club... All men & women are members and welcome to participate  
Opportunities for Stewardship .....Church and grounds cleaning and maintenance: Every Saturday, Pirohi making: 2<sup>nd</sup> week of each month, October – May, Flea Market and food sale: June

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5:15 pm • Akathist (Marian Devotion)  
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w/Guest Celebrant: Fr. Nathaniel Tapsak  
Social to Follow!

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THU. EVENTS HELD AT ST. GEORGE'S

7:30 am • Moleben (Prayer Service)  
For Those Suffering from Drug and  
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