

September 28, 2025
Sixteenth 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!

Propers for this Sunday: See Handout

St. George Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., SEPT. 28 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

8:30 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

For the People of St. George, St Mary, and St. Nicholas Chapel

THUR., OCT. 2 Holy Bishop-Martyr Cyprian

6:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Tony and Anna Navarini, requested by Gio Navarini

SAT., OCT. 4 Our Venerable Father Francis of Assisi

9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of Jessica Sonnett requested, by Jordan and Samantha Sonnett

11:30 A.M. AKATHIST

SUN., OCT. 5 NO LITURGY AT ST. GEORGE

Reception Today - We extend a warm welcome to our parishioners, visitors, and friends.

We are thankful that you have come to worship with us today with the **Cross of Gratitude**.

We invite you to join us following the Sunday Divine Liturgy for a social in the Center where we will meet and thank Vitaliy Sobolivskyy and his family, custodians of the Cross of Gratitude, for all their sacrifice in bringing the mission of the Cross to the world. We also welcome Aliquippa Mayor Dwan B. Walker.

Birthdays

September 30: Dan Pinchot

Wedding Anniversaries:

None for the week

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

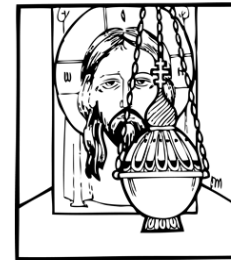
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

Epistle Readers – September 28: Dan Pinchot – October 12: Prudy Peya

Ushers – Stand in as needed

Troica Holders – September 28: R. Mudron – October 12: M. Bobanic



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP
September 28 – October 4, 2025

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

Our Parishioners
Living and Deceased

Protected by your appearance, O Mother of God; today, we devout people solemnly celebrate. Gazing up on your most pure icon, we fervently say: Protect us with your holy veil, and deliver us from all evil imploring your Son, Christ our God, to save our souls.

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...

Women’s Day of Recollection on Saturday

This **Saturday, October 4**, is our day of Recollection for women at St. George Church. The day includes Divine Liturgy, Continental breakfast, guest speaker, Akathist, and fellowship. **Flyers are in the Narthex. Sign-up today!**

Pirohi Sale next Week!

Our pirohi sale returns on **Friday, October 10** and will continue the second Friday of each month thereafter. Our pirohi project raises money to help support our Church **AND BRINGS US TOGETHER FOR A SENSE OF COMMUNITY**. It is the community that unites us to our Creator, and unites us to one another, in a communion of love! Join us for this important tradition for our St. George Church by volunteering and/or purchasing pirohi.



Pirohi workdays:

We will peel potatoes on **Saturday, October 4**, following the Women’s retreat.
Monday & Tuesday, Oct. 6 & Oct. 7 at 9:00 AM, and
Thursday, Oct. 9 at 9:00 AM
Friday, Oct. 10 beginning at 6:30 AM
Any amount of time you can help will be GREATLY appreciated!

Cross of Gratitude Final Day

The mission of the Cross of Gratitude, that we have participated in, is dedicated to the 2000th jubilee of the Crucifixion, death and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ to be celebrated in the year 2033 and to visit all capitals of the world with the hope of uniting all nations of the world into one family before the Cross of Jesus Christ, who suffered for every one of us. Its pilgrimage has taken it to 46 capitals throughout Eastern and Western Europe including Lviv, Kiev, Warsaw, Prague, Vienna, Brussels, Stockholm, Vilnius, Madrid, Dublin, Copenhagen, Helsinki, Bern, Zagreb, Andorra la Vella, Lisbon, Oslo, Athens, Reykjavik, Rome, Paris, Amsterdam, Berlin, London, Vatican. While in the United States, the Cross has visited The Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington, D.C., and Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family, St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia, also churches in Chicago and New Jersey. Eventually, it will go to Asia, Africa and Australia. **We are thankful that the Cross of Gratitude pilgrimage has come to Aliquippa!**



St. Mary Divine Services for the Week:

- TUE., SEPT. 30** Protection of the Theotokos, **Solemn Holy Day**
5:00 P.M. **ALL-NIGHT VIGIL**
Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Tony and Anna Navarini, requested by Gio Navarini
- WED., OCT.1** Protection of the Theotokos, **Solemn Holy Day**
10:00 A.M. **THIRD & SIXTH HOUR**
6:00 P.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
+ Daniel Koshute request by Mark and Susan Koshute
- FRI., OCT. 3** **Holy Bishop and Martyr Denis the Aeropagite**
9:00 A.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
For a Holy and healthy delivery of baby Mary Sonnett, requested by Jordan and Samantha Sonnett
- SAT., OCT. 4** **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
7:00 P.M. **GREAT VESPERS**
- SUN., OCT. 5** **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
9:45 A.M. **MATINS**
11:00 A.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
For the St. Mary Pirohy workers, requested by Fr.

St. Nicholas Chapel Divine Services for the Week:

- SAT., OCT. 4** **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
5:00 P.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
For the People of St. George, St. Mary, and St. Nicholas

The Holy Protection of the Mother of God, October 1

On October 1, 911, during the reign of emperor Leo the Wise, there was an all-night vigil in the Blachernae church of the Theotokos in Constantinople. Standing near the rear of the church was St. Andrew the Fool for Christ, and his disciple Epiphanius. At four o'clock in the morning, the Theotokos appeared above the people with a veil spread over her outstretched hands, as if to protect them. She was surrounded by angels and saints. Seeing this, Andrew asked his disciple, “Do you see the Queen and Lady of all is praying for the whole world?”



A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear Parishioners,

It was a true blessing having the Cross of Gratitude at St. George! Thank you to all those who helped put on these special divine services and host our many guests.

Wednesday, October 1st is the Patronal Feast Day of St. Mary's. All services for this feast will be held at St. Mary's. Please note the Tuesday Evening Vigil at 5:00pm, as well as 10:00am Third- and Sixth-Hour Wednesday morning, which are not part of the normal schedule. **Socials will be held both Tuesday and Wednesday evening following Divine Services.**

Please sign up for the Women's morning of recollection for next Saturday at St. George!

Note that there will be one combined Sunday morning liturgy next Sunday at St. Mary's at 11:00am (Matins preceding at 9:45am), followed by parish open house. Please sign up, so we know how much food to get. We will still have the 5:00pm liturgy at St. Nicholas Chapel on Saturday, as well as 7:00pm Great Vespers at St. Mary's on Saturday.

Early morning Wednesday and Thursday hours are cancelled until the week of October 12th due to various scheduling conflicts.

Next week, I will be on required clergy retreat the evening of October 5th to 9th. If anyone is sick or in need of sacramental care, please tell me now, as none of the Archeparchy priests will be available, and in fact, the Roman diocese has their priest convocation that week as well. I will be checking my cellphone in case of an emergency, but I will be 2 hours away and there will be very few priests in the area for me to reach out to if a problem were to suddenly arise.

In Christ,
Fr. Anthony

Follow Christ and He will astonish you with blessings!

After toiling the whole night Simon and his companions caught nothing. But in the name of Christ they let down the net and immediately it was full of fish. ... Many have taken part with the holy apostles in their labors, and still do, especially those who inquire into the meaning of what is written in the holy Gospels. For the net is still being drawn, while Christ fills it, and calls to conversion those who, according to the Scripture phrase, are in the depths of the sea (that is to say, those who live in the surge and waves of worldly things).

(St. Clement of Alexandria)

Protect Your people by Your Cross

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He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets."

In today's Gospel reading we are told of one of the miracles of Christ. That miracle is a great haul of fish. The Gospel starts with a scene of fishermen washing their nets. We learn that one of the fishermen is Peter. Our Lord tells Peter to take Him out in one of the boats for a catch of fish. Peter explains his doubt because they were fishing all night and caught nothing. However, Peter follows the Lord's command. When Peter drops his net at the Lord's command, it is filled to the breaking point. Peter's response to this miracle is to ask the Lord to depart from him because he is a sinful man. Our Lord's response is that from now on, Peter and his partners, James and John, will catch men instead of fish.

God performs miracles to remind us that He is watchful over the world, that God governs the world and orders it. Thus, what may seem to be the natural order of things in the minds of people is disturbed by the action of God. God is the creator and order of the world. As our Lord says, "With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26). Miracles also remind us that without God they can do nothing. Saint Paul reminds us of this when he says, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that plants anything, neither he that waters; but God that gives the increase" (I Corinthians 3:6-7).

There is a proverb that is similar to this that says, "Men propose, but God disposes." We often have many desires in our hearts and minds. We plan many things. Many of these plans remain as unrealized ideas. Other plans get put into action, ending in failure, while still other plans are put into action, ending in success. These plans are those that were adopted by God.

The plans that are adopted by God are His, are like Him, and come from Him. All that is not from God, like God, and are not God's, are rejected by God. We are reminded of this in the Psalms, where it says, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it" (Psalms 127:1). If we plan or build something in our own name, it will fail; but if we plan and build to honor God, it will be successful.

·CALL OF THE FIRST DISCIPLES·



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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 2nd Friday of each month, Oct. - May

St. George Ladies' Guild & Men's Club... All men & women are members and welcome to participate

Opportunities for StewardshipChurch and grounds cleaning and maintenance: Every Saturday, Pirohi making: 2nd week of each month, October – May, Flea Market and food sale: June

Each of us has a role and responsibility to share the faith with others!

ST. MARY'S PATRONAL FEAST DAY

Events Schedule

**TUES
SEP 30**

All Night Vigil (Vespers
and Matins)
5:00 PM — Social to follow!

**WED
OCT 1**

Divine Liturgy
6:00 PM — Social to follow!

**SUN
OCT 5**

Matins and Divine Liturgy
9:45 AM Matins 11:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Food and Parish open house to follow!

For more details and updates about these events, please
visit our website or follow us on social media
stmaryambridge.org



WOMEN'S MORNING OF RECOLLECTION

ST. GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
1001 CLINTON ST., ALIQUIPPA, PA

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Cost to attend: \$10

Register by emailing stgeorgealiquippa@protonmail.com
or by calling 724-375-2742

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

9:00 am	Divine Liturgy
10:00 am	Continental breakfast
10:30 am	Guest speaker Melissa Sartori Topic: <i>"Finding Peace In Prayer"</i>
11:30 am	Akathist

About the speaker:
Melissa is a wife and mother of five, living in Beaver Falls and homeschooling her children. She and her husband met at the University of Pittsburgh where they both went on to become campus missionaries with Focus.

