

April 19, 2026

Sunday of the Ointment Bearers, Third Sunday of Pascha



**SAINT GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*Fighting the Good Fight with Faith*

*Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! ~ Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!*

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St. George: Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., APRIL 19 ..... SUNDAY of the OINTMENT BEARERS

8:15 A.M. .... FIRST HOUR

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

*Intention: + Joanne Futato requested by Richard Mudron*

WED., APRIL 22 ..... St. Theodore Sykiot, Venerable

7:00 A.M. .... FIRST HOUR

6:00 P.M. .... GREAT VESPERS with LITIJA, for St. George the Great Martyr

THUR., APRIL 23 ..... ST. GEORGE the GREAT MARTYR, Patronal Feast Day

6:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY with Patronal Procession

*Intention: + Virginia and Mary Poiarkoff, requested by Sr. Mary Virginia*

Following ..... Social in Bar Area

SUN., APRIL 26 ..... SUNDAY of the PARALYTIC MAN

8:15 A.M. .... FIRST HOUR

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

*Intention: + Mary Ann Jugan, requested by David Jugan*

*Voskrese! Христóсь воскресé! Воистину воскресé!*

**Happy Birthday Greetings This Week:**

April 25: John Gural

**Wedding Anniversaries this Week:**

None for the week

**Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins**

**HOME** – Eileen Batcha, Mary Dickey, Marianne Dove, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Neil Jugan

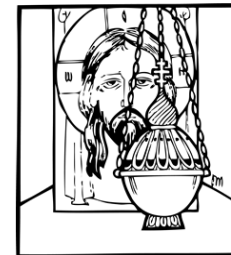
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

**Epistle Readers – April 19: Dan Pinchot – April 26: JoAnn Hersh**

**Ushers – Stand in as needed**

**Troica Holders – April 19: R. Mudron – April 26: F. Hersh**



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

April 19 - 25, 2026

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

The Parishioners

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Христóсь воскресé! Воистину воскресé!

Χριστός ανέστη! Ἀληθῶς ανέστη!

al-Masīh qām! Haqqan qām!

¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡En Verdad ha resucitado!

Foltamadt Krisztus! Valoban Foltamadt!

Hristos a înviat! Adevărat a înviat!

**Proper Posture for Prayer during the Easter Season:** During the 50 days of the paschal season, from Resurrection Matins until the Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost, the proper posture for all prayer is to stand. Standing is a sign of joy. And what greater joy do we have other than the Resurrection of Christ?

## *St. George Happenings...*

### *Patronal Feast Day Events*

**What is a Patronal Feast?** All Catholic and Orthodox Churches are dedicated to the worship of God, of course, and when Christians first became able to build Churches they built them on Holy sites associated with events in scripture, the life of Christ, or over the tombs of the martyrs. And if there was no Holy site at hand, nonetheless a Church would be dedicated in the name of a person or an event marked on the Church calendar. We continue this tradition. In short, our Churches always have their own special feast day. This is sometimes called the Altar Feast or the Feast of Dedication or the Patronal Feast. **The celebration of a parish feast ought to be something special, full of prayer and good fellowship.** It is kind of like a birthday party. It is something that every parishioner should participate in, giving thanks to God for our place of worship, for His innumerable mercies to us, for the intercession and protection of the Mother of God on our walk-through life, for our parish family and our fellowship.

**The Feast Day of St. George, beloved patron saint of our church, is April 23,** There are several services and events planned:

Wed., April 22.....6:00 PM, Great Vespers with Litija
Thur., April 23 ..... 6:00 PM, Divine Liturgy with Patronal Procession, social in bar area
Sat. May 2 ..... 5:00 PM, Anticipated Sunday Liturgy and Parish dinner following
Date TBA ..... Bowling and fellowship night at Sheffield Lanes

*We look forward to wonderful celebrations!*

### *St. George Annual Flea Market*

Our annual Flea Market, Rusyn Kitchen (featuring Haluski & Holupki), and Bake Sale will be on Friday & Saturday, June 26 & 27. Plan on volunteering in any capacity from planning, set-up, advertising, cooking/baking, or working the sale. Details to follow. *We are NOW accepting donations for our annual Flea Market. Any time you have an item to donate, please leave it in the Center. Thank you!*

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*Voskrese! Христось воскресє! Восстину воскресє!*

## St. Mary: Divine Services for the Week:

**TUE., APRIL 21 ..... St. Januarius and Others, Bishop and Martyr**

**5:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY**

*Intention: + Gerard B. McCauley, requested by Mike and Patty Costantino*

**FRI., APRIL 24 ..... St. Sabbas, Martyr**

**9:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY**

*Intention: + Marie Elisa-Jeanne Guerin La Neele, requested by Grant Gaylord*

**SUN., APRIL 26 ..... SUNDAY of the PARALYTIC MAN**

**10:45 A.M. .... THIRD HOUR**

**11:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY**

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

## St. Nicholas: Divine Services for the Week:

**WED., APRIL 22 .....Funeral for Judith Rubino**

**10:00 A.M. .... Funeral Divine Liturgy**

**SAT., APRIL 25 ..... SUNDAY of the PARALYTIC MAN**

**5:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY**

*Intention: + Valentin Papineau, requested by Grant Gaylord*

### *Eternal Memory*

We offer prayerful condolences to the family of Judith Rubino who fell asleep in the Lord on Sunday, April 12. There will be a Parastas on Tuesday, April 21 at 6:30 PM at Tatalovich Funeral Home in Aliquippa and her Funeral Divine Liturgy on Wednesday, April 22 at 10:00 AM at St. Nicholas Chapel in Beaver. ***In blessed repose, grant O Lord eternal rest to the soul of Your departed servant Judith and remember her forever! Vičnaja jej pamjat'!***

### *Go! Tell the World He is risen!*

The women were first to honor the risen Christ, the apostles first to suffer for Him. The women were ready with spices; the apostles prepared for scourges. The women entered the tomb; the apostles would soon enter the dungeon. The women hastened to express their eulogy; the apostles embraced chains for His sake. The women poured oils; and the apostles poured out their blood. (*Peter Chrysologus*)

### A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear Parishioners,

I am saddened to celebrate the funeral of Judy Rubino this week, mother of our St. George parishioners Anthony Rubino and Kara Rubino-Garvey. She was a true woman of faith and was often at all three of our Byzantine Catholic Churches in Beaver County. She has a wonderful faith-filled family and I wish to extend my deepest condolences to all of them.

Due to the arrangements for her funeral and St. George's feast day our schedule this week is abnormal. On **Tuesday** we will have a **5:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's**. We will resume our 7:00am Wednesday Hours this week at St. George.

We will have **6:00pm Great Vespers at St. George Wednesday evening** and then our **normal 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. George Thursday evening with a social in the bar area to follow**.

Looking ahead, a reminder to sign up for the Spring St. Nicholas Liturgy and Dinner at St. Nicholas Chapel on Sunday May 3rd at 4:00pm if you wish to attend. Due to this scheduling change, there will be no Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas Chapel on Saturday, May 2nd.

Additionally, we will have a **5:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. George on Saturday, May 2nd** with a light dinner to follow in honor of its feast day. There will be no liturgy at St. George Sunday, May 3rd.

Finally, the Archeparchy has hired a new Safe Environment Coordinator, Heather Hatfield. She is conducting an audit to make sure all parish volunteers are up to date on clearances so that the Archeparchy is in line with the laws of the state of Pennsylvania. Please see Jackie Pinchot or Patty Costantino, our safe environment coordinators, if you have any questions. I appreciate your cooperation in complying with the requirements.

In Christ,  
*Fr. Anthony*

### *Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women*

In today's Gospel (Mk 15:43-16:8), the Church sets before us the courageous love of Joseph of Arimathea and the faithfulness of the Myrrh-Bearing Women. When the disciples had fled in fear, Joseph, "boldly went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus" (Mk 15:43). At great personal risk, he honors Christ in death when hope seems lost.

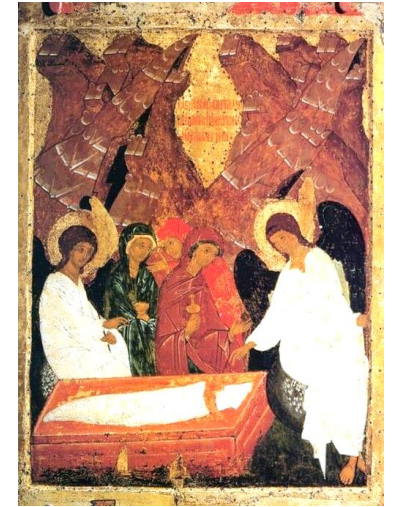
The women, having watched where Jesus was laid, return not with answers, but with devotion: "Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen" (Mk 16:2). They carry spices for a dead body but are instead met with the proclamation of life. The angel announces the heart of the Gospel: "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here" (Mk 16:6).

For Byzantine Catholics, these women are called equal-to-the-apostles, because they are the first to hear, and are sent to announce, the Resurrection. Fear and trembling seize them (Mk 16:8), yet the Resurrection does not depend on perfect courage, only on faithful love that shows up, even in the dark.

This Gospel reminds us that resurrection begins where love refuses to abandon Christ—whether at the Cross, the tomb, or the uncertain moments of everyday life.

#### **Living the Gospel as Missionary Disciples:**

1. Show up faithfully, even when outcomes are unclear—at prayer, at church, for family, or for those who are suffering. God acts powerfully in quiet fidelity.
2. Honor Christ in difficult places, like Joseph did, by choosing compassion and integrity when it would be easier to stay silent or distant.
3. Carry the message of hope, sharing the reality of Christ's Resurrection through simple acts of mercy, encouragement, and forgiveness.



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Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!*

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**Grounds Keepers: Rich Mudron, Rob Dzumba, Francis Hersh**

**Holy Mystery of Reconciliation** ..... Fridays during Lent 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

**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: 2nd week of each month, October - May

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