

May 10, 2026

Sunday of the Man Born Blind, Sixth 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!*

Propers for this Sunday: pp. 189 - 191

St. George: Divine Services for the Week:

**SUN., MAY 10 ..... SUNDAY of the MAN BORN BLIND**

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

8:30 A.M. ....DIVINE LITURGY, *Mother's Day Breakfast following*

*Intention: + Jane Klacik on the 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of her passing, requested by JoAnn and Francis Hersh*

**THUR., MAY 14 ..... ASCENSION of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ**

6:00 P.M. ....DIVINE LITURGY, **Obligation Holy Day**

*Intention: + Sr. Mary Phillips, requested by Sr. Mary Virginia*

**SUN., MAY 17 ..... SUNDAY of the FATHERS of the FIRST NICEAN COUNCIL**

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

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

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

***Mother's Day Breakfast Today***

Following Divine Liturgy, the Men's Club will be serving a Mother's Day Breakfast in honor of all mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, spiritual mothers, and all who portray(ed) a motherly role. Whether your mother still is with you or not, join us in her honor. ***Everyone is invited to stay for breakfast!***



**Happy Birthday Greetings This Week:**

None for the week

**Wedding Anniversaries this Week:**

May 6: Ed & Isabel Maruhnich

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

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

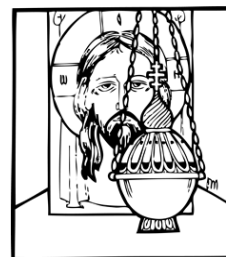
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

**Epistle Readers – May 10: Dan Pinchot – May 17: JoAnn Hersh**

**Ushers – Stand in as needed**

**Troica Holders – May 10: R. Mudron – May 17: F. Hersh**



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

May 10 - 16, 2026

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

**Our Mothers,  
Living and Deceased**

On the fortieth day after His Passover, Jesus ascended into heaven to be glorified with God the Father, Who had sent Him into the world to accomplish the work the Father gave Him to do. In the Ascension resides the meaning and fullness of Christ's Resurrection. Having destroyed the power of death, the Lord now leaves us in order to glorify us with Himself, to "prepare a place" for us and to take us into the blessedness of God's presence in the "heavenly sanctuary ... the Holy Place not made by hands". He goes in order to send the Holy Spirit to bear witness to Him and His gospel in the world, making Him powerfully present in the lives of disciples.

**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

## Many Upcoming Events!

**Sunday, May 10:** Mother's Day Breakfast following Sunday Divine Liturgy, *prepared by Men's Club*

**Thursday, May 28:** Appeal Appreciation Dinner (Announcement in bulletin)

**Friday, May 29:** St. Mary's Trivia Night

**Saturday, May 30:** Solemn Reconsecration of the City of Aliquippa (Flyer in bulletin)

**Sunday, June 21:** Father's Day Breakfast following Sunday Divine Liturgy, *prepared by Ladies Guild*

**June 26 – 27:** St. George Annual Flea Market, Rusyn Kitchen, & Bake Sale (See below)

### Appeal Appreciation Dinner

I will be hosting an appeal appreciation dinner on Thursday, May 28th at 6:00pm at my rectory. So many of you work so hard to put events on for our Church that I want to put on a dinner for all those who have participated in our appeal. **All who have donated to this appeal are most welcome and invited to attend.** Please RSVP by speaking to me, calling 878-226-0878, or email [stgeorgealiquippa@protonmail.com](mailto:stgeorgealiquippa@protonmail.com) by Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.

In Christ,

*Fr. Anthony*

### St. George Annual Flea Market

Our annual Flea Market, Rusyn Kitchen (featuring Pirohi, 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. *We are NOW accepting donations for our annual Flea Market. Any time you have an item to donate, please leave it in the Center.*

*Flyers are available in various places throughout the Church and Center for you to take and share or post. Also, please share on social media. Thank you!*

### Be Lifted Up!

The Ascension of Christ is our elevation. Hope for the body is also invited where the glory of the Head precedes us. Let us exult, dearly beloved, with worthy joy and be glad with a holy thanksgiving. Today we not only are established as possessors of paradise, but we have even penetrated the heights of the heavens in Christ. (St Leo the Great, Sermon 73)

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

**TUE., MAY 12** ..... LEAVE-TAKING of PASCHA

5:00 P.M. .... RESURRECTION MATINS

6:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY

*Intention: For the Holy Souls most in need, requested by Carol Fellenstein*

**WED., MAY 13** ..... ASCENSION of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ

5:00 P.M. .... GREAT VESPERS with LITIJA

6:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY, **Obligation Holy Day**

*Intention: For the Sanctification of all priests and increase in priestly vocations, requested by Carol Fellenstein*

Following ..... Social

**THUR., MAY 14** ..... ASCENSION of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ

9:00 A.M. .... FESTAL MATINS, **Obligation Holy Day**

**FRI., MAY 15** ..... POST-FESTIVE DAY of the ASCENSION

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

*Intention: + Judi Rubino, requested by Prudence Peya*

**SUN., MAY 17** ..... SUNDAY of the FATHERS of the FIRST NICEAN COUNCIL

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

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

*Intention: For the Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of Maren and Petra Guice, requested by Claire Arnold*

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

**SAT., MAY 16** ..... SUNDAY of the MAN BORN BLIND

4:00 P.M. .... GREAT VESPERS

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

*Intention: Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of Omid Dodell, requested by Grant Gaylord*

### Safe Environment Announcement

If you are a parish volunteer and you received an email or call from Heather Hatfield of the Archeparchy Safe Environment office, please see Jackie Pinchot for assistance completing the proper paperwork. Jackie can meet with you in the St. George office to help you submit the clearances needed.

### A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear parishioners,

This week, we have a bit of a schedule change due to the Leave-taking of Pascha and the Ascension. **We will have 5:00pm Resurrection Matins and 6:00pm Divine Liturgy on Tuesday evening at St. Mary's for the Leave-taking of Pascha.** This day, which brings Pascha to a close, is celebrated as a day of Bright Week and is one final celebration of Easter Joy. After this day, the burial shroud, which has been on the altar since Pascha, disappears.

**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Ascension, a Holy Day of Obligation.** Due to scheduling conflicts with cantors, I will have liturgy at St. Mary and St. George only. The schedule is as follows:

Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm Great Vespers with Litija, 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's followed by a social

Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Festal Matins at St. Mary's

6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. George.

I recognize the schedule at St. Mary's heavy this week, but this sometimes happens with a shared priest, such as when we had 2 weeks solid of weekday services at St. George during the Cross of Gratitude's visit.

Next week, I have Archeparchy Clergy Days Tuesday to Thursday. I am hoping to squeeze in a weekday service, but I won't know until I am given the schedule as my attendance is required.

In Christ,

*Fr. Anthony*

### *Sunday of the Man Born Blind*

In today's Gospel (John 9:1-38), we witness an extraordinary transformation—not just of sight, but of faith. A man born blind is healed by Jesus, but his journey does not end with physical sight. Instead, he moves toward a deeper recognition of who Jesus truly is.



At first, he knows Jesus only as the one who healed him. Then, through questioning and opposition, he comes to understand that Jesus is more than just a healer—He is sent from God. And finally, in a moment of grace, he professes his belief: “Lord, I believe,” and worships Him.

This passage reminds us that spiritual blindness can often be more limiting than physical blindness. How often do we fail to see the presence of God in our lives? How often do distractions cloud our vision of faith?

Jesus invites us today to open our eyes—not just to the miracles around us, but to the truth of His love and salvation. Like the man born blind, may we grow in our awareness of Christ and confidently proclaim, “Lord, I believe.”

### *Touched by Divine Light*

St. Ambrose of Milan teaches that the blind man touched by Jesus received more than just his sight. In one instant we see both the power of his divinity and the strength of his holiness. As the divine light, he touched this man and enlightened him. As priest, by an action symbolizing baptism he wrought in him his work of redemption. The only reason for his mixing clay with the saliva and smearing it on the eyes of the blind man was to remind you that he who restored the man to health by anointing his eyes with clay is the very one who fashioned the first man out of clay, and that this clay that is our flesh can receive the light of eternal life through the sacrament of baptism.

You, too, should come to Siloam, that is, to him who was sent by the Father, as he says in the Gospel: “My teaching is not my own; it comes from him who sent me.” Let Christ wash you, and then you will see. (Adapted from Letter 67)

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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

**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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*Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Voskrese! Хрі́сто́сь воскресе! Воистину воскрес!*



# FLEA MARKET



Take Out

*Rusyn Kitchen featuring:*

**PIROHI, HALUSKI,  
STUFFED CABBAGE**

Until sold out

And More!

**BAKE SALE**

**June 26 & 27  
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**St. George Church**



**1001 Clinton Street  
Aliquippa, PA 15001**

*Come and find your treasure and take home some lunch!*

## *A Blessing for Mother's Day*

*Father, we give you thanks for the many gifts you have given us; the gift of life, the gift of those who love us. We thank you today for the gift of our Mothers. We give thanks for our Mothers who have died and for the unique way they have revealed for us your love. We ask that you bless them and keep them in your care until the time comes for us to join them in your Kingdom.*

*We ask your Blessing upon the Mothers who are unable to be with us here today. May they know how much we love and care for them.*

*We pray for birth mothers who have loved their children so much they have shared the gift of their child with those who could better care for them and their needs and give them a secure home. And we pray for adoptive mothers, that they may always know their special role of being a true mother, a revelation of God's love for their children.*

*We ask your blessing upon Mothers who have lost children through stillbirth, crib death, accident and tragedy, war and violence that they may have your continuing strength and courage.*

*We ask your blessing too, upon those who would very much like to be Mothers, but who are having trouble having a child.*

*We ask your Blessing upon the Mothers standing before us here. Give them the strength to live the faithful and loving lives you call them to live. Protect and guide them. Keep them in your care.*

***We ask this Blessing in the name of Jesus, our Lord. AMEN.***





# FAMILY TRIVIA

MAY 29TH

**6 PM DIVINE LITURGY**  
**7 PM TRIVIA**

*PIZZA WILL BE SERVED!*



ST. MARY'S BYZANTINE  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

## SOLEMN RECONSECRATION OF THE CITY OF ALIQUIPPA TO THE SACRED AND IMMACULATE HEARTS

**Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM**

Followed by a mile-long procession through the streets of Aliquippa.

Mayor Dwan Walker will be attending and participating in the Reconsecration. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of the city.



**Sponsored by the Knights of  
Columbus Woodlawn Council 2161**

We will be invoking the Holy Spirit's  
intercession in a special way!



**SATURDAY,  
MAY 30, 2026**

Pentecost Saturday

All are welcome to attend a light  
social in the Church social hall  
after the procession.



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