

June 21, 2026
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:

SUN., JUNE 21 **FOURTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**

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

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

Intention: Health and Welfare of Father Anthony, requested by Prudence Peya

Following **Father's Day Breakfast**

TUE., JUNE 23 **BIRTH of JOHN the BAPTIST, Solemn Holy Day**

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

Intention: + Connie Hersh, 1 year after passing, requested by Francis & JoAnn Hersh

WED., JUNE 24 **BIRTH of JOHN the BAPTIST, Solemn Holy Day**

7:00 A.M. **FIRST HOUR & THIRD HOUR**

SUN., JUNE 28 **FIFTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**

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

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

Intention: + Raymond Ozimok, requested by wife, Phyllis

5:00 P.M. **GREAT VESPERS with Litija, Sts. Peter and Paul, Prime Apostles**

6:00 P.M. **Bonfire** **Holy Day of Obligation**

Happy Birthday Greetings:

None for the week

Wedding Anniversaries:

None for the week

Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins

HOME – Elizabeth Bare, Eileen Batcha, Marianne Dove, Butch Dzumba, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Neil Jugan

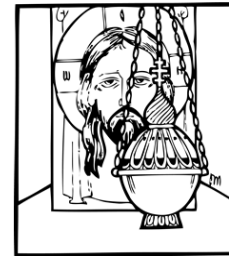
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

Epistle Readers – June 21: Prudy Peya – June 28: JoAnn Hersh

Ushers – Stand in as needed

Troica Holders – June 21: Chris Winslow – June 28: R. Dzumba



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

June 21 - 27, 2026

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

+ Michael Popovich

(In loving memory)

Offered By:

Daughters



“Look today to John the Baptist, an enduring model of fidelity to God and his Law. John prepared the way for Christ by the testimony of his word and his life. Imitate him with docile and trusting generosity.”

-St. John Paul II

Regular Confessions Offered

St. George Beginning 5:00 P.M. on Tuesdays and before every Sunday Divine Liturgy

St. Mary Beginning 5:00 P.M. Wednesdays and following every Sunday Divine Liturgy

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

This Week...

St. George Flea Market

Bake Sale, Rusyn Kitchen featuring: Pirohi, Haluski, Stuffed Cabbage

MANY NICE ITEMS HAVE BEEN DONATED! EVERYONE please PRAY, come, and bring your friends to our Flea Market THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JUNE 26 & 27. Also, tell EVERYONE you know about our Flea Market! Come and browse and take home some lunch & baked goods.

We are Still Accepting Donations all Week

Bakers Needed for Flea Market Bake Sale!!

Our Bake Sale is very popular, and we are hoping for a nice selection of baked goods. Please consider baking for our Bake Sale if you are able. You may bring your baked goods any time by Friday morning. Thank you for your help and support with this major fundraiser!

Save the Date

Our annual Church picnic will be on Sunday, **August 23**. 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 themed baskets. Many fun things are being planned! More details to follow.

A Celebration of Marriage

Metropolitan William and the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh will honor all those couples celebrating their milestone wedding anniversary of 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65 and beyond years during 2026. The Archeparchial celebration will take place at St. Elias Church, Munhall on Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 3:00 PM. **Please submit your names to Fr. Anthony by July 15** if you are celebrating one of milestone anniversaries this year, so that your names can be submitted to the Chancery. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 21: Father's Day Breakfast following Sunday Divine Liturgy

June 26 – 27: St. George Annual Flea Market, Rusyn Kitchen, & Bake Sale

June 28: Sts. Peter and Paul Vespers and Bonfire, flyer in bulletin

July 9: First "Life and Liturgy" Adult Education Theology on Tap

August 3 – 6: Days of Prayer for Fallen Away Catholics, details upcoming

August 23: Annual Church Picnic, details upcoming

St. Mary: Divine Services for the Week:

WED., JUNE 24..... BIRTH of JOHN the BAPTIST, Solemn Holy Day

6:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + William Mazur, requested by Jonathan Dohanich

Following Social

THUR., JUNE 25 Febronia, Venerable Marty

8:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + Bobby Melotti, requested by Carol Fellenstein

FRI., JUNE 26 David of Thessalonica, Venerable

9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + William Mazur, requested by Jonathan Dohanich

SUN., JUNE 28 FIFTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

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:

SAT., JUNE 27 FIFTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

5:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + Nan Cameron, requested by Karen Luksis

A Prayer for Fathers

O Eternal and Almighty God, the Heavenly Father of us all: we pray to You on this festive day for all of our fathers. We commend them to Your paternal protection, and we beseech You to always look favorably upon them in order that they may always behold the joy of their children and their children's children. Fill them with that same paternal love that You, our Eternal Father, show toward your Only Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And grant that all of our fathers may ever be sustained in those same paternal qualities that You, as the Father of the human race, show toward all of us, Your children. We implore You, O Heavenly Father, on this special day honoring all of our fathers, to graciously hear us and have mercy on them.

Everyone attending today is invited to stay for the Father's Day breakfast.

A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear Parishioners,

This Wednesday is a Solemn Holy Day, the Birth of John the Baptist. We will have a 6pm Vespers Divine Liturgy at St. George Tuesday evening. Wednesday we will have our normal morning hours at St. George and a 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's **followed by a social.**

Please support St. George's annual flea market this Friday and Saturday, thanks to all who are helping organize.

Monday, June 29th, the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul is a Holy Day of Obligation for Byzantine Catholics. As we have the same duty to attend Divine Liturgy (Vespers or Matins also "counts") on a Holy Day of Obligation as on a Sunday, I am celebrating 3 Divine Services to give everyone ample opportunities to celebrate this wonderful feast. The schedule is as follows:

Sunday, June 28th 5:00pm Great Vespers followed by a Bonfire at St. George

Monday, June 29th 11:00am Divine Liturgy at St. George

Monday, June 29th 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary followed by a social

Please note, that there is separate obligation for the Sunday and Holy Day. I.E. you cannot double-dip with Sunday evening Vespers to cover both the Sunday and the Holy Day :) Attending 2 separate Divine Services is required.

In Christ,
Fr. Anthony

Embrace Faith

There is no coercion with God. He always has a goodwill towards us. He gives reliable counsel to men and angels (who are also rational beings), to whom He has given the power of choice. Those who yield obedience therefore possess what is good freely and justly. It is given by God but preserved by themselves.... The human spirit is possessed of free will from the beginning, and God is possessed of free will, in whose likeness man was created. Man is advised to hold fast to the good and thereby be responsive to God. This refers not only to works but to faith as well. God preserved the human will free and under self-control, as is shown in Jesus' words to the centurion: "*Go. Be it done for you as you have believed.*"

(St. Irenaeus, From Against Heresies)

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

In today's Gospel (Mt 8:5–13), on the 4th Sunday after Pentecost, we encounter the striking faith of the centurion, who approaches Christ with humility and trust: "Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed." For Byzantine Catholics, this moment echoes in every Divine Liturgy as we prepare to receive Christ, reminding us that true faith is rooted not in our worthiness, but in our confidence in the Lord's mercy.



The centurion, a man of authority, recognizes a greater authority in Christ. He trusts fully in the power of His word: "Only say the word..." This faith astonishes even the Lord, who responds, "I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel." Today, as we also celebrate Father's Day, we are invited to see a model of spiritual fatherhood—marked by responsibility, humility, and care for those entrusted to us. The centurion intercedes not for himself, but for his servant, reflecting a fatherly heart that seeks the good of others with quiet strength and selfless love.

In our own lives, whether as fathers, spiritual leaders, or members of a family, we are called to imitate this living faith—one that trusts, intercedes, and acts with love.

Living the Gospel as Missionary Disciples

1. **Practice humble trust:** Begin each day with a simple prayer—"Lord, only say the word..."—entrusting your needs to God.
2. **Intercede for others:** Like the centurion, pray regularly for family, friends, and those in need.
3. **Lead with quiet strength:** Fathers and leaders can model faith through steady, loving presence rather than words alone.
4. **Live your faith daily:** Approach each moment—work, family, struggles—with confidence in Christ's power at work within you.

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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 StewardshipChurch and grounds cleaning and maintenance: Every Saturday,

Pirohi making: 2nd week of each month, October - May

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Life and Liturgy

A Monthly “Theology of Tap” style Adult Education Series (21+) with Fr. Anthony

Talks begin at 7:15 pm in the Social Hall Bar area
Drinks & snacks provided!



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1001 Clinton St.
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Thursday, July 9	6:30 pm <i>Moleben To Jesus, the Lover of Mankind</i> 7:15 pm Byzantine Divine Liturgy: Outdated or A Venerable Form of Worship? The priest facing East, lots of chant, an all-male sanctuary, and Communion on a Golden Spoon.
Thursday, Aug. 20	6:30 pm <i>Akathist to the Dormition of the Theotokos</i> 7:15 pm Happy New Year! Our Liturgical year starts Sept. 1. When we feast and when we fast and why throughout the year.
Thursday, Sept. 17	6:30 pm <i>Moleben to the Holy Cross</i> 7:15 pm The Divine Office (The Hours, Vespers, and Matins): The Heartbeat of our Church's Prayer Life
Thursday, Oct. 22	6:30 pm <i>Akathist to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary</i> 7:15 pm We're In This Together: Why Byzantine Catholics should appreciate the Traditional Latin Mass and why Traditional Roman Catholics should appreciate the Divine Liturgy.
Thursday, Nov. 5	6:30 pm <i>Moleben of Thanksgiving</i> 7:15 pm Latinizations or Genuine Developments? Do Daily Divine Liturgy, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Rosary have a place in the Byzantine Catholic Church?
Thursday, Dec. 3	6:30 pm <i>Emmanuel Moleben</i> 7:15 pm Questions & Answers with Fr. Anthony! All questions are welcome relating to the talks, Divine Liturgy and tradition, and anything else you might have always wanted to ask!

Family

BONFIRE NIGHT

TO CELEBRATE
THE FEAST OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

SUNDAY, JUNE 28



GREAT VESPERS— 5 PM
BONFIRE— 6 PM

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