

July 26, 2026
Ninth 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!
Слава Иисусу Христу! Слава на вики!

Proprs for this Sunday: Resurrectional Tone 8: pp. 161 - 163

St. George: Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., JULY 26 NINTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

8:15 A.M.FIRST HOUR

8:30 A.M.DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + President John F. Kennedy and wife, Jackie, requested by Prudence Peya

Following Blessing of Cars

WED., JULY 29 Callinicus, Martyr

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

SAT., AUG. 1 Procession of the Cross followed by Minor Blessing of Water

7:45-8:15 AM Confessions

8:30 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Aunmol Chahal, requested by Grant Gaylord

SUN., AUG. 2 TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOSTSUNDAY

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

Happy Birthday Greetings:

July 27: Prudence Peya

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

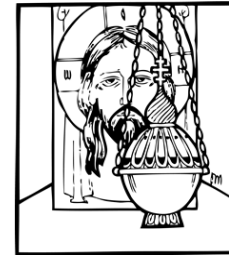
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

Epistle Readers – July 26: JoAnn Hersh – August 2: Dan Pinchot

Ushers – Stand in as needed

Troica Holders – July 26: F. Hersh – August 2: J. Yurosky



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

July 26 – August 1, 2026

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

+ John & Katryn Dulick

(In loving memory)

Offered By:

Family

Teachings of Christ the Savior

“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.” *(Matthew 7:7,8)*

Truth to Live by

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.
(Proverbs 3:9,10)

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

PRAY FOR THE FALLEN AWAY

Join the parishes of St. George's (Aliquippa) and St. Mary's (Ambridge) for a four day mission of prayer for the return of all fallen away Catholics to the beauty of the true Catholic Faith.

ALL CATHOLICS ARE WELCOME!

Monday, August 3

4:15-5:00pm St. Mary Confessions
 5:15p St. Mary Akathist (Marian Hymn) to the Theotokos
 6:00p St. Mary Divine Liturgy with Mystery of Holy Anointing
 Guest Celebrant Fr. Thomas More Sikora, OSB
 Social to follow

Tuesday, August 4

8:30a St. Mary Moleben (Prayer Service) for those suffering from drug and alcohol dependence
 9:00a St. Mary 1st and 3rd Hour
 5-5:45p St. George Confessions
 6:00p St. George Divine Liturgy with guest homilist Deacon Joe Hnat
 Social to follow

Wednesday, August 5

7:00a St. George Paraklesis- Canon of Supplication to the Theotokos
 5:00p St. Mary Great Vespers with Litija for Transfiguration
 6:00p St. Mary Divine Liturgy for Transfiguration with Blessing of Grapes/Fruit
 Guest Homilist: Fr. D.J. Egan
 Social to follow

Thursday, August 6

9:00a St. Mary Festal Matins for Transfiguration
 6:00p St. George Divine Liturgy for Transfiguration with Blessing of Grapes/Fruit
 Guest Celebrant: Fr. Ian McElrath
 Social to follow

St. George Byzantine Catholic Church
 1001 Clinton St Aliquippa, PA 15001
StGeorgeByzantineCatholicChurch.org

St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church
 624 Park Road Ambridge, PA 15003
byzantinecatholics.org

Please be aware, these events take place in two different two locations.
 Double-check the events you plan to attend to ensure you arrive at the correct location.

St. Mary: Divine Services for the Week:

WED., JULY 29 Callinicus, Martyr

6:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + Donald Barry, requested by Matthew and Rose Shaffer

THUR., JULY 30 Silas & Others, Apostles

7:45 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + John Gagliardi, requested by Peter Masciantonio

FRI., JULY 31 Eudocimus, Venerable

9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Thomas Fisher, requested by Patricia Costo

SUN., AUG. 2 TENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

10:45 A.M. THIRD HOUR

11:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + Monta Lee Tomley, requested by George Tomley

St. Nicholas: Divine Services for the Week:

SAT., AUG. 1 TENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

5:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + Judith Rubino, requested by Cynthia Hedzik

"It is a ghost! And they cried out for fear."

This is the way the Lord constantly deals with our fears. He does not hesitate to bring on worse things, even more alarming than before. They were troubled here not only by the storm but also by the distance from the land. Note that He did not too easily remove the darkness. He did not come quickly to their rescue. He was training them, as I said, by the continuance of these fears and instructing them to be ready to endure. *(St. John Chrysostom)*

Parishes Picnic

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 Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear parishioners,

There will be no Tuesday liturgy this week due to a conflict in my schedule.

This upcoming Saturday marks 3 events.

First, we are beginning monthly First Saturday Divine Liturgies at St. George. Confessions will be heard from 7:45-8:15am prior to 8:30am Divine Liturgy, and afterwards if needed. Our Lady of Fatima appeared in 1917 requesting these devotions, and she was speaking to all Catholics!

This particular First Saturday also marks the beginning of the Dormition Fast. This fast goes from August 1st to 14th. This fast dates to the 5th century and traditionally was meant to be treated as strictly as the Great Fast. No meat and dairy were to be consumed the whole time, fish only on the feast of the Transfiguration, and oil and wine on weekends and the Transfiguration only. Technically speaking this fast is optional, but it is a part of our tradition and at the very minimum, it is recommended to abstain from meat on Wednesdays and Fridays. It is a good opportunity to challenge oneself as it is a short fast.

The first day of the fast we will celebrate the feast of the Procession of the Cross and the Minor Blessing of Water at our First Saturday Liturgy. This is a secondary Holy Water blessing that serves basically as a "backup" to the Theophany Water Blessing.

During fasting seasons we devote ourselves to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I encourage everyone to attend our Third Annual Days of Prayer for Fallen Away Catholics next week. There will be opportunities for Confessions and the Mystery of Holy Anointing as we welcome several guest homilists. We also will be celebrating the Solemn Holy Day of the Transfiguration complete with the blessing of grapes and fruits.

In Christ,
Fr. Anthony

Learning To Trust

We have a light fixture over our front door that glints in the sun and is attractive to birds. Every year without fail, a bird tries to build its nest on that light. Because I know that any nest that is built there is bound to fall, I always break up the nests just as the birds begin to make them. After several frustrating attempts, they move to a large maple tree in our garden, and there safely build their seasonal home far from any danger of falling.

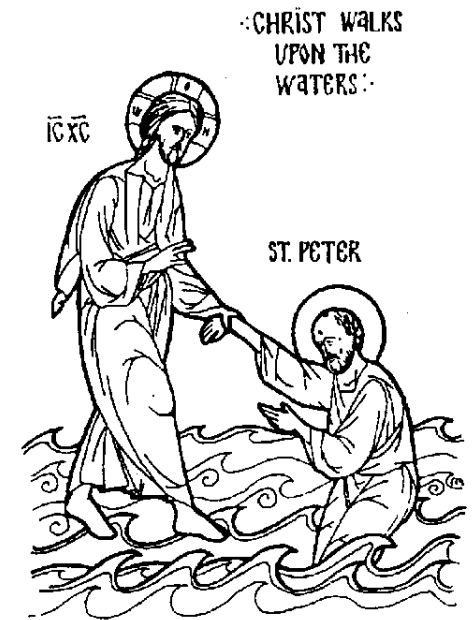
Like those unknowing feathered creatures, we too, oftentimes find that our dreams and plans are frustrated and lead to failure. We cannot help but wonder why God allows the earthly nests that we struggle so hard and work to build to fall apart and crumble before us. But the fact is that we cannot see as God does; if we too could judge events from the perspective of eternity, we would come to understand that God seeks for us a higher destiny, and a place of true serenity and provision for our deepest needs.

Scripture teaches us that God led his people of Israel out of Egypt and into a forty-year journey of hardship in a lonely and forbidding wilderness. And yet, at the end of that journey, they were led from bondage to a glorious land that flowed with milk and honey. From down trodden slaves, He transformed them into a mighty nation envied by others.

How wonderful it would be if we could each learn to trust God in those times when we too experience the dark passages that enter our lives. How reassured we would be if we never questioned God's wisdom and goodness, even at those times when we find him disturbing the nests that we try to build.

When we come to accept the providential care of God with childlike simplicity we soon discover that the barriers we encounter in our lives, can in retrospect, come to be numbered among our greatest blessings.

- Rev. Andrew Demotses



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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

Слава Иисусу Христу! Слава на вики!