

August 23, 2026
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Leave-Taking of the Dormition



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: See Handout

St. George: Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., AUG. 23 **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST,
LEAVE-TAKING of the DORMITION**

8:30 A.M.FESTAL MATINS

10:00 A.M.DIVINE LITURGY, Churching of Cecilia Cushin

Intention: + Louise Fetkovich, requested by Prudence Peya

Following Combined Parishes Church Picnic

TUE., AUG. 25 **Return of the Relics of Bartholomew, Apostle**

6:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Sister Sophia Rose of the Heart of God, requested by Grant Gaylord

WED., AUG. 26 **Adrian and Natalie, Martyrs**

7:00 A.M. FIRST & THIRD HOUR

SUN., AUG. 30**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**

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:

None for the week

Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins

HOME – Eileen Batcha, Marianne Dove, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Neil Jugan, Joe Yuroskey, Marian Yuroskey

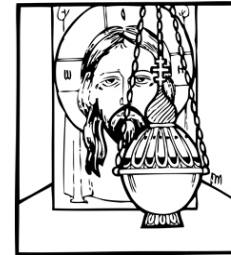
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

Epistle Readers – August 23: Louisa Hersh – August 30: Prudy Peya

Ushers – Stand in as needed

Troica Holders – August 23: R. Mudron – August 30: M. Bobanic



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

August 23 - 29, 2026

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

+ Louise Fetkovich

(In Loving Memory)

Offered By:

Butch & Judy Dzumba



Regular Confessions Offered

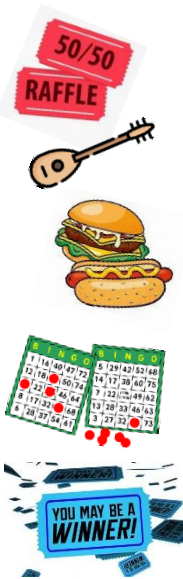
St. George Beginning 5:00 P.M. on Tuesdays and before every Sunday Divine Liturgy
St. Mary Beginning 5:00 P.M. Wednesdays and following every Sunday Divine Liturgy
St. Nicholas 4:00-4:45 P.M. before Vigil Liturgy on Saturdays

Church Picnic Today

Welcome to everyone here today who are joining us for Divine Liturgy and St. George’s picnic for our Byzantine Parishes!

Schedule of Events

- 10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
- 11:30 a.m. – Tickets for Basket raffles, 50/50, and other games of chance go on sale
- 12:15 p.m. – Sevdah concert begins
- 1:00 p.m. – Lunch is served
- 2:00 p.m. – Bingo and other games begin
- 3:00 p.m. – Live auction and winners of basket raffles and games of chance announced



Enjoy Your Day!

Annual Uniontown Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St. Basil the Great at Mt. St. Macrina in Uniontown are hosting their 92nd annual Pilgrimage in honor of our Lady of Perpetual Help, September 5 & 6. For more information, visit <https://www.mtstmacrinacemetery.org/92nd-annual-pilgrimage-2026>.

Light as a Feather

How hard do we hit the stone when we fall upon it? That is determined by the weight of our sins. But repentance can make us as light as a feather. Remember Isaiah 53:5 - *But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.*

(Adapted from the Incomplete Homily on Matthew)

St. Mary: Divine Services for the Week:

- WED., AUG. 26 **Adrian and Natalie, Martyrs**
6:00 P.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
Intention: + Jacob and Klee Young, requested by Micah Young
- THUR., AUG. 27 **Poemen, Venerable**
7:45 A.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
Intention: Special Intention, requested by Mike and Patty Costantino
- FRI., AUG. 28 **BEHEADING of JOHN the BAPTIST, Simple Holy Day**
6:00 P.M. **VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY**
Intention: +Judith Rubino, requested by Helen Cool
- SUN., AUG. 30 **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
10:45 A.M. **THIRD HOUR**
11:00 A.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
Intention: Barb and Bill Kushner 55th wedding anniversary

St. Mary announcement

CHURCH CLEANING HELP NEEDED. We are looking for volunteers to keep our church clean on a regular basis. This involves vacuuming the altar, church, and narthex, spray cleaning the glass, and dusting as needed. This can be done by an individual or teams. For example, teams of two people could each do a week per month if we get enough volunteers. If you are willing to help, please let Fr. Anthony know in what capacity you are able to do so. Thank you!

St. Nicholas: Divine Services for the Week:

- SAT., AUG. 29 **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
5:00 P.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
Intention: Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of Ed Gaylord, requested by Grant Gaylord

I am your Church: Come, worship with me, and support me, and I will serve you all your days.

A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear parishioners,

This Saturday, August 29th is the Feast of the Beheading of John the Baptist, a Simple Holy Day. While not obligatory, this is traditionally a day of strict fast from meat and dairy. Our liturgical celebration for this feast day will be a 6:00pm Vespers Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's on Friday, August 28th.

Thank you to all those who are helping put on our parish picnic. It is always special to come together as a community of Byzantine Catholics in Beaver County to worship and enjoy fellowship with each other. It will be a blast!

A reminder to all volunteers to complete safe environment forms! We must do this to be compliant with Archeparchy and state requirements.

We have two Solemn Holy Days in September, the Nativity of the Theotokos on Tuesday, September 8th (the day after Labor Day) and the Exaltation of the Cross on Monday, September 14th. I will release a schedule for the Holy Days next week, but both present significant logistical challenges so it is likely one feast day will be celebrated at St. George, and one will be celebrated at St. Mary.

In Christ,
Fr. Anthony

Our friends, the Melkite Monks at Holy Martyrs Skete, are having a fall workday on Saturday, September 12th beginning at 8:00am. There are only three monks, and they can use help with some work projects so please consider helping them. Their address is 783 Reno St, Rochester, PA 15074. Please let Fr. Anthony know if you are interested in assisting.

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The Lord said this parable, "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them..."



Today's Gospel reading is the parable of the vineyard. An owner built a vineyard, hedged it around, built a winepress and a tower, and then let it out to tenants. When he sent servants to take the rent, they were beaten and stoned. He sent others, but they did the same. When the owner sent his own son, they killed him.

This parable is addressed to each of us today in a personal sense. The vineyard is our own soul. It is hedged around with prayer, our guardian-angel, and our patron-saint. The winepress is where we offer ourselves to Christ. The tower is our inner Church where we pray to God. We are tenants of our God-created souls. The servants sent to us are all those occasions when God speaks to us. He speaks to us in prayer, He speaks to us through the word of His Scriptures, He speaks to us through every opportunity, every meeting, and every event that comes into our lives. He speaks to us through the presence of His Church in the world.

And how do we react? Do we reject everything sent to us, everything allowed to us, as a chance to do better, to make good our weaknesses? Do we fail to heed God? Do we ignore the Church? If so, then we too beat and stone and kill the servants of God. We are warned today that the Heir is coming.

At the end of the parable of the vineyard, Christ says: "The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it was marvelous in our eyes?" The stone rejected is of course the Rock of Faith, Christ Himself, for He was rejected and crucified. Yet He became the head of the corner and it is marvelous in our eyes. Let us too be rocks of faith then, and though the world will reject us, we too shall become heads of the corner, and it will be marvelous in the eyes of God and men. Glory to You, O God, glory to You!

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Cantors: Jo Ann Hersh, Louisa Hersh, Dan Pinchot

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!

COME CELEBRATE THE

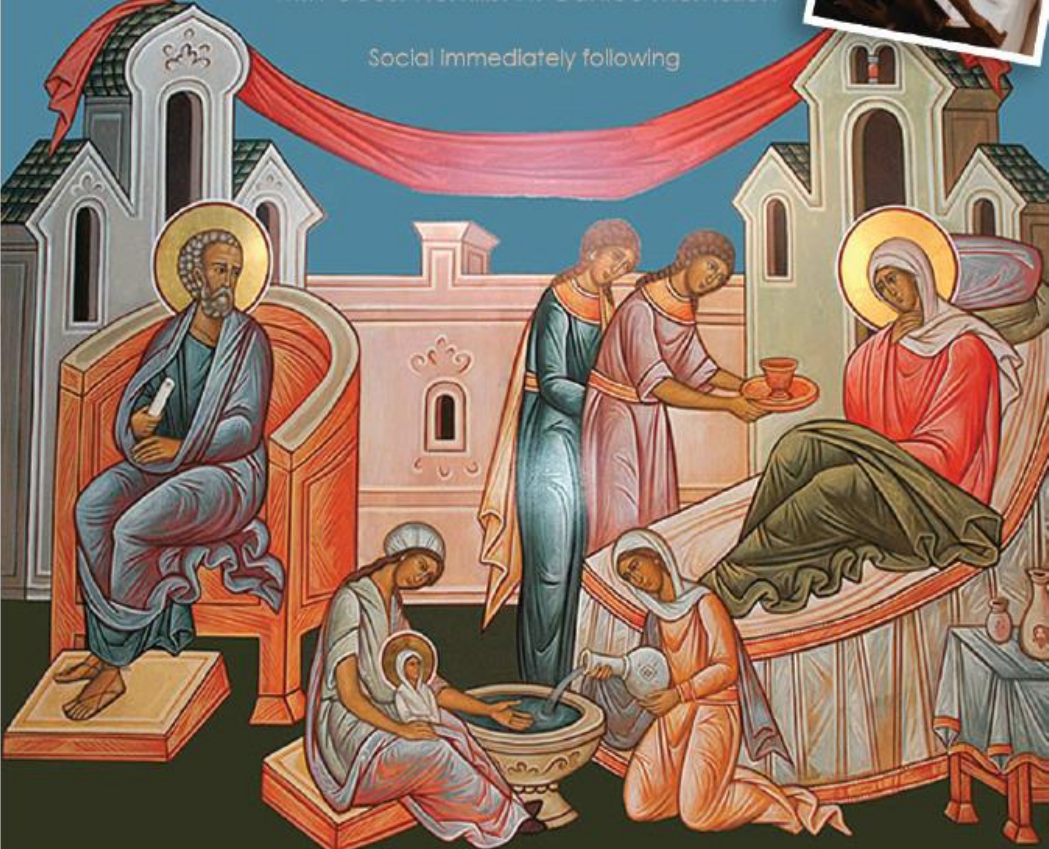
Birth of the Theotokos

SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

St. George Byzantine Church
1001 Clinton Street, Alliquippa, PA

6:00 PM
DIVINE LITURGY
with Guest Homilist Fr. Canice McMullen

Social Immediately following



YOUNG ADULTS, JOIN US FOR A BARBECUE

**SEPTEMBER 13,
2026 @ 5:00 PM**

**5:00 PM GREAT VESPERS
6:00 PM BARBECUE
AGES 18 TO 39**

**ST. MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
624 PARK RD
AMBRIDGE, PA 15003**

