

August 30, 2026

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost,
Post-festive Day of the Beheading of the Forerunner



SAINT GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fighting the Good Fight with Faith

Propers for this Sunday: See Handout

St. George: Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., AUG. 30FOURTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST,
Post-festive Day of the Beheading of the Forerunner

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

WED., SEPT. 2 Mammas, Martyr

7:00 A.M. FIRST & THIRD HOUR, Reader Service

SAT., SEPT. 5Zachary, Prophet and Elizabeth

7:45-8:15 AM Confessions

8:30 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Alma Ruiz, requested by Grant Gaylord

1:00 P.M. BAPTISMAL DIVINE LITURGY for Cecilia Cushin

SUN., SEPT. 6 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

8:15 A.M.FIRST HOUR

8:30 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

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*Fr. Anthony will be away until September 2nd. Please call Fr. Joseph Raptosh, our
Protopresbyter, at St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church in Canonsburg at 724-745-7117
in case of a sacramental emergency.*

Wedding Anniversaries:

September 4: Brian & Bethanne Cushin

Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins

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

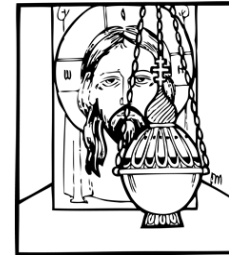
Josephine Maruhnich – **Beaver Elder Care** (616 Golf Course Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001)

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

Epistle Readers – August 30: Prudy Peya – September 6: Jo Ann Hersh

Ushers – Stand in as needed

Troica Holders – August 30: M. Bobanic – September 6: F. Hersh



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP
August 30- September 5, 2026

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

Our Parishioners

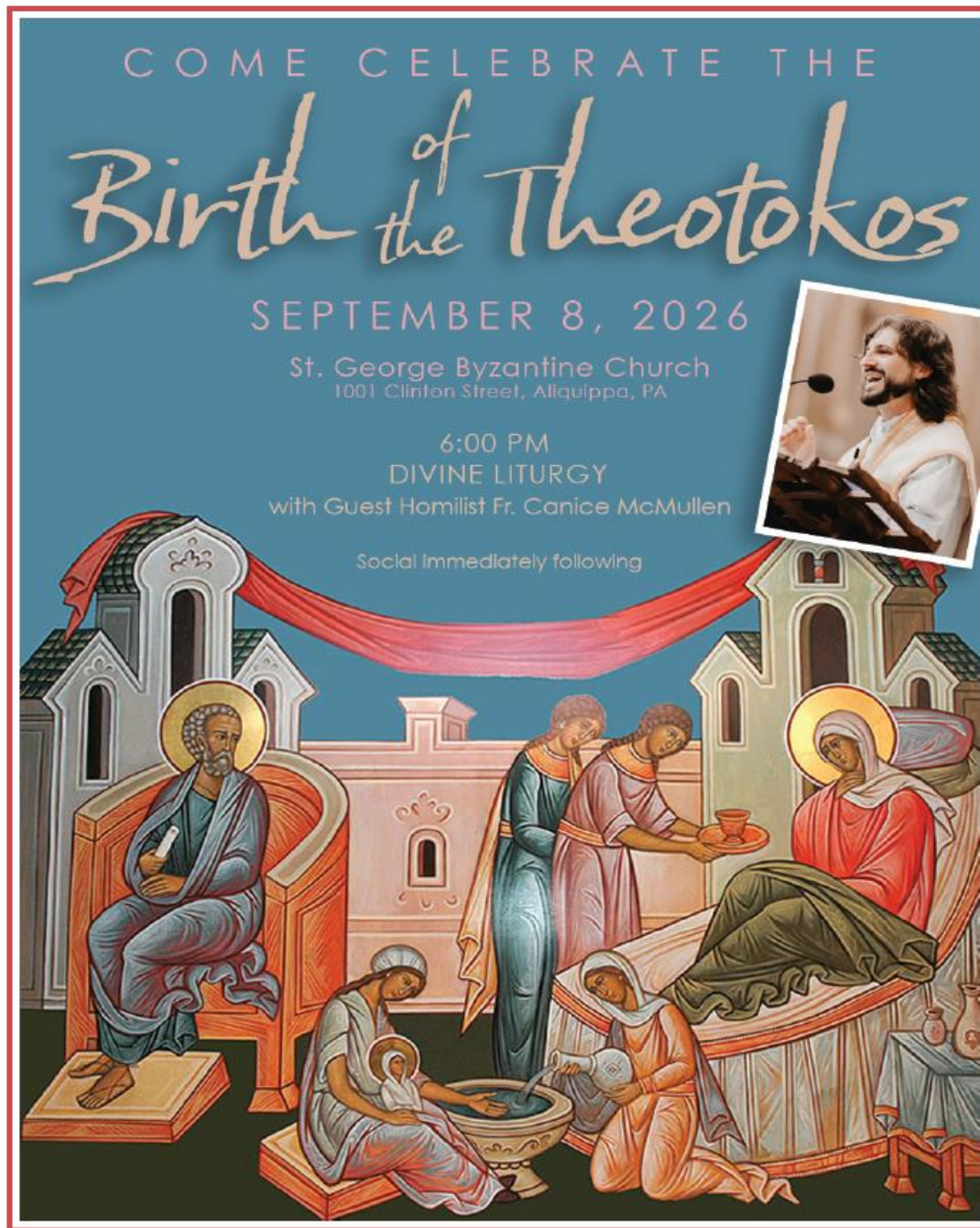
The practice of the Jesus Prayer is simple. Stand before the Lord with the attention in the heart and call to Him, “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me!” The essential part of this is not in the words, but in the faith, contrition, and self-surrender to the Lord. With these feelings, one can stand before the Lord even without any words, and it will still be prayer.

- St. Theophan the Recluse

Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner.

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



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

St. Mary: Divine Services for the Week:

WED., SEPT 2 Mammas, Martyr

6:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of Zaki Ulla, requested by Grant Gaylord

THUR., SEPT. 3 Anthimus, Bishop-Martyr

7:45 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + Judith Rubino, requested by Helen Cool

FRI., SEPT. 4 Babylas, Bishop-Martyr

9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: + James VanVeldhuizen, requested by Micah Young

SUN., SEPT. 6 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

10:45 A.M. THIRD HOUR

11:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of godchildren Maximillian Koshute and David Brandt requested by Melissa Koshute

St. Nicholas: Divine Services for the Week:

SAT., SEPT. 5 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

5:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY

Intention: Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of Dorothea Linden requested by Claire Arnold

Are you prepared to meet the Bridegroom?

The Father has made a marriage feast for his Son by joining the Church to him through the mystery of his incarnation. The womb of the Virgin who bore Him was the bridal chamber of this bridegroom, and so the psalmist says: "He has set his tent in the sun, and He is like a bridegroom coming forth from His bridal chamber." (Psalm 19:5-6) He truly came forth like a bridegroom from his bridal chamber who, as God incarnate, left the inviolate womb of the Virgin to unite the Church to himself. And so he sent his servants to invite his friends to the marriage feast. (St. Gregory the Great)

A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear parishioners,

We received approval to fix the collapsing rectory driveway wall at St. Mary's. This will cost \$11,000. **Thankfully, the parish received an anonymous \$15,500 donation last week which will more than cover the cost.** Thank you to all of our generous benefactors, you are truly a grace.

The young adult event has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 12th. Please see updated flyer.

For the Nativity of the Theotokos, Tuesday, September 8th, there will be one combined Divine Liturgy at 6:00pm at St. George with Guest Homilist Fr. Canice McMullen.

For the Exaltation of the Cross, there will be a 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's.

In Christ,
Fr. Anthony

Welcoming Committee

After hearing multiple parishioners express interest, we will be reviving the **St. George Welcoming Committee** that existed in the past, effective Sunday, September 20th. We have been blessed to have an increased number of visitors to our parish. We want them to feel welcomed, be able to know what liturgical books to use, and to be invited to the coffee hour following liturgy. These volunteers will also be in charge of selling the votive candles prior to liturgy. I would like to have 2 volunteers available per Sunday/major liturgy, which will require showing up no later than 8:00am on Sundays. Depending on how many volunteers we have, *men or women*, we will have a schedule and a rotation. Consider doing this hospitality mission!

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"Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

"Many are called, few are chosen". At first this may seem to us to be a hard saying. And yet when we look around in this country and many other countries and see half-empty or even totally abandoned Churches, then we can see that this is true, for all are called to come to Church, but few choose to come and worship Christ. Today's Gospel reading of the marriage-feast remains as true today as when it was first spoken.



If we ask those who do not come to Church why, they will give various answers... Some hide behind excuses, which mean only that their faith is not a priority for them: I'm too busy. I'm too tired. I'm seeing someone. I don't like the other people. I'm buying a new car. Others at least have the merit of being honest: I have lost my faith! But whatever the reason given, ultimately there is only one reason why people do not come to Church - because they are ignorant of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God, the Comforter, and the Spirit of Truth.

Every Sunday we are invited to a banquet, the banquet of the Kingdom of God, the Eucharistic meal, in which we are united in a sacramental way to the risen Christ, for our personal sanctification and the building of the Church. That is why we start our Liturgy by saying: "Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit". And at the Great Entrance with the gifts, the priest says: "May the Lord God remember in his Kingdom..." And prior to receiving Holy Communion we pray: "Remember me, O Lord, in your Kingdom!"

We can find many excuses not to come to this banquet. But if we really love the Bride, the Church, and if we really love one another, all these excuses become nonsense. When the priest invites the people to the Communion, he says: "Approach with fear of God and with faith!" We come to the Eucharistic banquet full of reverence, faith, and love. So that, after the Holy Communion, we can sing with joy and thankfulness: "May our mouths be filled with your praise, O Lord, so that we may sing of your glory, for you made us worthy to partake of your holy, divine, immortal, pure and life-creating Mysteries. Preserve us in your holiness that we may meditate on your righteousness all day long. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia!"

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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 Stewardship Church and grounds cleaning and maintenance: Every Saturday, Pirohi making: 2nd week of each month, October - May

Слава Иисусу Христу! Слава на вики!