

September 17, 2023
Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross



SAINT GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Fighting the Good Fight with Faith

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! ~ Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Слава Исусу Христу! Слава на вики!

Propers for this Sunday: Resurrectional Tone 7, pg. 156 and Exaltation of the Cross pp. 258-260

Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., SEPT. 17 **SUNDAY after the EXALTATION of the CROSS**
8:30 A.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
+ **Raymond Ozimok**, offered by Pricilla & Scott Pharion

The Lord's Day is the original feast day... a day of joy and freedom from work

SUN., SEPT. 24 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
8:30 A.M. **DIVINE LITURGY**
+ **Joseph M. Haber**, 1st year after passing,
Offered by sister, Darlene & John Simunick

St. Mary Patronal Feast Day October 1st

On the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God, **October 1st**, St. Mary's and St. George's will have a combined Divine Liturgy at **10:00 AM** at St. Mary's in Ambridge. This is the parish's patronal feast. Following the Divine Liturgy, we will have a luncheon provided downstairs. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for those who would like to come to the luncheon.



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Happy Birthday Greetings:

None for the week

Wedding Anniversaries:

None for the week

Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins

Eileen Batcha, Rebecca Dickun Marianne Dove, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Mary Ann Jugan, Neil Jugan, Mary Salamon, Marian Yurosky

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

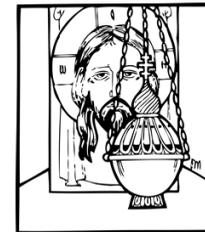
Betty Polas – **Apple Blossom Senior Living** (125 Apple Blossom Way, #307, Moon Twp., PA 15108)

Carol Huchko – **Concordia at Villa St. Joseph** (1040 State St, Baden, PA 15005)

Epistle Readers – September 17: Prudy Peya – September 24: Joanne Futato

Ushers – Stand in as needed

Troica Holder s – September 17: F. Hersh – September 24: R. Mudron



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP
September 17 - 23, 2023

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

+ **Betty Zapko**
(In Loving Memory)

Offered By:

Butch & Judy Dzumba

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Bible Study at St. George: The Story of Scripture, Part 1

Beginning this September, St. George's will be offering an ongoing Bible study, entitled **The Story of Scripture: Part 1**. Beginning with Genesis, we will walk through 100+ of the most significant portions of Holy Scripture, which will give us an overarching view of the *whole, consistent story* of God's interaction with humankind in the Scriptures. The dates for this Fall will be **September 27, October 11, October 25, November 22, December 13**. We will meet at **6:00 PM**. It will be great if you commit to every session, but feel free to join at any time and miss if you need to. Let's dig into the sources of our theology and tradition together and see the mighty works of God! (We will continue with Part 2 in 2024)

Book Study at St. Mary's in October & November

In June of 2022, the United States Catholic Bishops launched a three-year Eucharistic Revival which will culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress in 2024. Recently, Bishop Robert Barron, a well-known theologian, author, evangelist, and apologist, published **This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival**. On three consecutive Sunday afternoons, we will have a book study on this small but powerful and informative book. On **October 29, November 5, and November 12**, we will gather at **3:00 PM** at St. Mary's. Each week we will discuss one chapter of the book, which is available at \$2.00. You may also wish to purchase a book even if you cannot attend the book study.

A Note from Fr. Geoff

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we complete this week of the Holy Cross, we are encouraged by Jesus to "take up our cross and follow him" in the way of the Cross (Mark 8:34). For Jesus, the way of the Cross is a way of suffering and self-sacrifice; it is giving up his own life so that others might have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10). While Jesus *voluntarily* took up his Cross and *willingly* handed himself over to suffering and death, it was sinful humanity - in other words, it was us - who crucified him. He was a willing victim, but we were the ones who committed the sin.

When we say that we must take up our own crosses and follow in the way of Christ, we are not simply saying that we must suffer. *Everyone* suffers at various points in life, *everyone* has difficult times, whether they are following Christ or not. Rather, to "take up one's cross" and follow after our Lord Jesus, is for our life to take a *cruciform* or *cross-like* shape; in other words: to die to self.

This is not a popular concept in a world where self-affirmation and self-definition is the norm. Nor is it very widespread even within the church, where the temptation to self-righteousness and pharisaism is all too frequent. But in order to follow Jesus Christ, we *must* take up our crosses. We must learn the way of humility and self-giving love, a love that must reach even the least lovely of people, those we find most distasteful.

But the paradox is that it is only by such self-giving love - only by taking up our crosses - that we will find true and abundant life. "*For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for my sake will save it.*" (Matt. 16:25). Just as Christ was glorified as he was hanged in agony on the Cross, so we show forth God's glory in our littleness, our humility, and our weakness. And as he most perfectly showed the love of God in his Crucifixion, so we - who glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ - can show forth his love as we willingly love our neighbors with self-giving care.

May the God who called us to this life give us the grace to take up our crosses and follow him!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Geoff

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The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it."

- Mark 8:34-35

On this Sunday after the Feast of the Exaltation we hear the calling to: "...take up his cross and follow me". After "renouncing ourselves", Our Lord calls us to take up our cross. What does that mean? Each and every one of us has his own cross: sickness, poverty, pain or suffering. Jesus did not look for suffering, it was forced on him. He accepted it in love and without losing his trust in God His Father. Following the cross does not mean copying the suffering of Jesus. That would be a presumption. But it certainly means enduring the suffering that befalls us in our own situation, in our everyday life, in our daily obligations, demands, claims, and promises in our family or our calling.



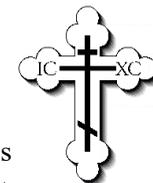
It is impossible to completely refuse suffering without refusing to accept life as a whole, without ceasing to enter into any relationships. Pains, losses, amputations exist even in the smoothest-running life which can be conceived: separation from parents, fading of youthful friendship, the death of people who have figured in our lives, with whom we have identified ourselves, the death of relatives and friends, finally our own death. And here everyone can add his own crosses. What is our attitude in face of the cross? It can be an attitude of revolt against these sufferings, and our life will be filled with bitterness and anger. But we can also unite our suffering to the suffering of Christ on the Cross. Our life will then acquire a new personal quality; through suffering we become more mature, more experienced, more modest, more genuinely humble, more open for others - in a word, more human.

Suffering then, for the Christian, does not need to be a fate to be borne passively, a destiny to which we have to submit. "Suffering is a change experienced by man; it is a mode of coming to be". It is a growth toward a greater, higher, freer, final goal. It is a growth in faith, and hope that suffering is not the ultimate reality. The ultimate reality is God, with whom all suffering will definitively be dissolved in eternal life. That is our faith in the loving God, and that is our hope in the living God.

Protect Your people by Your Cross!

About the Three-Barred Cross

The Three-barred Cross is common to most Slavic countries. The three bars distinguish the Holy Cross as the Cross of Christ, as opposed to other crosses used in Western Christianity. The smaller upper bar represents the sign placed above the Lord's head, which read, "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews". The slanted lower bar reflects the fate of the thieves crucified on either side of the Lord: one side pointing up to Paradise, the other downward to Hades. On either side of the Cross are often pictures the spear used to pierce the Lord's side, and the pole with the sponge used to give Him sour wine to drink.



Are you ashamed of Christ? - One who claims to live in Christ ought to walk as He walked. Would you follow Christ? Then be humble as He was humble. Do not scorn His lowliness if you want to reach His exaltation. Human sin made the road rough. Christ's resurrection leveled it. By passing over it Himself He transformed the narrowest of tracks into a royal highway. Two feet are needed to run along this highway; they are humility and charity. Everyone wants to get to the top – well, the first step to take is humility. Why take strides that are too big for you – do you want to fall instead of going up? Start with the first step, humility, and you will already be climbing. (*Saint Caesarius of Arles*)

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to our parishioners, visitors, and friends. We are glad that you have come to worship with us today and pray that your participation in our parish will be enriching to you. Following every Sunday Divine Liturgy, Fellowship Coffee and doughnuts are served! We invite everyone to join us.



Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance. Grant victory to your Church over evil; and protect your people by your cross.

The Cross, once a tool of death, has become a means to life, an instrument of our salvation; it gives strength to resist temptation, to refrain from gossip or harsh words and it dispels fear. Amen.



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Holy Mystery of Reconciliation Before and after Liturgies, or by appointment

Holy Mysteries of Initiation Contact the pastor

Holy Mystery of Anointing Contact the pastor 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 Everyone welcome to participate

Opportunities for StewardshipChurch and grounds cleaning and maintenance: Every Saturday,

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GOD WITH US INSTITUTE Dynamic faith-filled training and development courses and events in support of ministry celebrations and growth in catechetical ministry and evangelization.

Each month there will be a special reflection to help you dive deeper into the mystery of the Gift of Christ, particularly in the Mystery of the Eucharist. Today's handout is **The Gift of Christ Poured out onto the World.**

Formation Opportunity:

Live Webinar from www.godwithusonline.org. detailed below:

Wednesday, September 21st 8 - 9 p.m. ET

Watch from the comfort of your home!

God With Us Online will be launching their curriculum year on Wednesday, September 21st with a special webinar called **Stewards of the Mysteries: The Great Calling of Every Christian** with Bishop Nicholas Samra. GWU is thrilled to welcome Bishop Nicholas as we enter this year seeking a deeper understanding of our calling to pour out the gift of Christ to the world. Please make sure to join them, **AND INVITE OTHERS!**

Recordings of the live webinar will be posted online within days and can be watched any time after.

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In the *Directory for Catechesis* published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) we are reminded, “*The rites, ecclesiastical traditions and Churches, for in them, distinguished and conspicuous the tradition that has that forms part of the divinely revealed treasures have always contributed to the members of the Eastern Church and to live them, doing all they can*

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RADIO BOOKS ONLINE INSTITUTE

from the inception of biblical history, this being the year 7531. Let us begin again this Church New Year with the Lord Jesus Christ, Who is the Alpha and the Omega – the "A" and the "Z" – the beginning and the End of all things. Make a definite resolution for this to be a very good church year for your individual spiritual life and for our entire parish! A very Happy New Year is extended to all!

St. George Annual Parishes Picnic, Sunday, August 20

We will begin the day with a combined parishes Sunday Divine Liturgy which will be at **10:00 A.M.** with the picnic following. Sign-up sheets are now in the Center. Please let us know if you are planning on attending and how many of your family and friends are coming. There will be many activities including bingo and a bonfire (*Bring your lawn chairs!*).

We will be having the very popular basket raffle and will again take donations of already made gift baskets. Please see Anne Gural about the basket raffle. *Let us come together as church families for our wonderful annual picnic.*



THE BEGINNING OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL NEW YEAR...

Our Byzantine Catholic Church began The Ecclesiastical New Year on Friday, September 1st. For the old testament Jews, the new year began in the month of Tishri which was comparable to our month of September. This was the season of the harvest and the time for offering sacrifices of thanksgiving to Almighty God. According to the Jewish calendar's calculation of the history of creation, this present year is reckoned to be 5784. Christian tradition relates, however, that Jesus began His public ministry in the month of September, leaving His hometown of Nazareth and embarking upon a three-year period as an itinerant preacher. Therefore, the First Nicene Ecumenical Council (325 A.D.) decreed that the church calendar year with the cycle for the various Christian feast days should begin annually on September 1st. Consequently in the Byzantine Empire, the civil year likewise began on the 1st of September, and this first day of the year was called the induction. Our contemporary computation of the civil calendar counts the years from the birth of Christ and begins on January 1st, hence the present year of 2022. However, the Byzantine tradition, the Church's redaction of the liturgical year numbers the years

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The Holy Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

On August 6th we celebrate in our Holy Churches the glorious Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ. This day is one of the 12 major feast days of our Holy Church. By His Transfiguration, the Savior has showed us how people become in the future life, in the Kingdom of Heaven, if they follow God’s Law and how the entire earthly world would be transfigured. The Lord also reminds us that we can be transfigured even now if we lead a truly Christian life.



This important event in Christ’s life on earth occurred not long before His Crucifixion. In order to sustain His disciples’ faith when they would see Him suffering, the Lord first showed them His divine glory. Taking along three of His disciples – Peter, John and James, the Lord ascended a high mountain, called Mount Tabor, to pray. While Christ was praying, the disciples fell asleep from fatigue. When they awoke, they saw that Christ was transfigured: His face shone like the sun, while His garments had become radiant as light. Two prophets – Moses and Elijah – appeared to Him in their heavenly glory and spoke with Him about His forthcoming suffering and death. Seeing all this, the disciples’ hearts were filled with extraordinary joy. When they saw that the prophets were about to withdraw from Christ, Peter, trying to hold them back, cried out: “Lord! It is good for us to be here; if You wish, we will make three tents here: one for You, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” Suddenly a bright cloud enveloped them and out of the cloud they heard the voice of God the Father: “This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased; listen to Him!” In great fear the disciples fell to the ground. Christ came and touched them and said: “Arise and do not be afraid.” The disciples arose and saw Christ in His usual appearance.

Come, let us ascend the mountain of the Lord, and go into the house of our God. Let us contemplate the glory of His Transfiguration, the glory of the only begotten Son of God the Father. From His light, let us receive light; and raised up by the Holy Spirit, let us sing the praises of the consubstantial Trinity forever.

- Litija verse for the Feast

The Transposition of the Image “Not-Made-By-Hands” of our Lord Jesus Christ from Edessa to Constantinople – Aug 16

During the time of the earthly ministry of the Savior, Abgar, ruler in the Syrian city of Edessa, was afflicted with leprosy. Reports of the great miracles performed by the Lord extended throughout Syria (Matt. 4:24) and as far as Arabia at this time. Although not having seen the Lord, Abgar believed in him and wrote a letter requesting Christ to come and heal him. Abgar sent his court painter, Ananias, with this letter to Palestine telling him to paint an image of the Divine Teacher. Ananias was not able to go to near Christ because of the great many people listening to his preaching. He attempted to produce an image of the Lord Jesus Christ from afar, but could not. The Lord called Ananias and promised to send his disciple in order to heal Abgar from the leprosy and instruct him in salvation. Then the Lord called for water and a towel. He wiped His face with the towel, and on it was His Divine Image. The Savior sent the towel and a letter to Edessa back with Ananias. With thanksgiving Abgar received the sacred objects and started healing. He continued healing until the arrival of the disciple Thaddeus, Apostle of the 70. The Apostle preached the Gospel and baptized the Abgar and all living in Edessa. Having written on the Image Not-Made-By-Hands the words, Christ-God, everyone trusting in Thee will not be put to shame, Abgar adorned it and placing it over gates of the city. For many years it was venerated by those who passed through the gates. Edessa, a great-grandson of Abgar, fell into idolatry and was determined to remove the image. In a vision, the Lord ordered the Bishop of Edessa to conceal the image. The bishop and his clergy at night, blocked up the niche with clay tablets and bricks inclosing with it a lit lampada. Many years passed by and the inhabitants forgot about the Holy Object. In the year 545, the Persian King Chroses I, besieged Edessa, and all seemed hopeless. But Bishop Evlavios was commanded by a vision of the Theotokos to get from the enclosed niche the image with which to save the city from the adversaries. Dismantling the niche, the Bishop found the Holy Image; before it burned the lampada and on the clay tablets, with which the niche had been enclosed, was a similar image. After preceding with the Cross and the Image Not-Made-By Hands around the walls of the city, the Persian army miraculously departed. In 630, Edessa was seized by Arabs; but they did not hinder veneration of the Image Not-Made-By-Hands. In 944 the Emperor Constantine Porphyrogenitus (912-59) requested that the Image be brought to the Capital of the Orthodox. With great honor the Image of the Savior Not-Made-By-Hands was brought by the clergy to Constantinople. On August 16 the Image of the Savior was placed in the Pharos Church of the Most-Holy Theotokos. There are several traditions concerning the fate of the Image Not-Made-By-Hands. One is that it was carried away by Crusaders during the time of their dominion over Constantinople (1204-61), but the ship on which Holy Objects had been taken, sank in the Sea of Marmora. Another is that the Image Not-Made-By-Hands was taken about 1362 to Genoa, where it was presented to and preserved in a monastery dedicated to the Apostle Bartholomew.

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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)

Teachings of Christ the Savior

"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

(John 6:53-54)



St. George Church



Haluski Sale, Bake Sale

June 23 & 24

9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

participate in His passion, death, and resurrection through which He renewed all creation, giving it a rebirth. In the act of baptism, we are cleansed and then reborn to a “New Life” in the risen Jesus. We “pass-over” from being slaves of sin and evil to being children of God and heirs to His heavenly Kingdom. As we sing in the Divine Liturgy during the resurrectional period, we who are baptized have “put on Christ” as we are initiated into His Church. We have been purified by His “living waters”; and because of this, at every Divine Liturgy we are able to encounter Him just as the Samaritan woman met Him at Jacob’s Well. We can drink from the very Source of immortality! And once we eat the Bread of Life and drink the Blood of the true Paschal Lamb, we need never hunger or thirst again. Our souls will be nourished by Jesus, our triumphant and glorified !

Who can speak of Your sovereign power, O Christ? Who can count the multitude of Your wonders? As You were seen in two natures on earth, so did You grant a double healing to the sick: You healed the eyes of the soul of the man born blind as well as his bodily eyes, so that he could see You. And he confessed that You are a hidden God, granting great mercy to the world!
Sticheron at the Praises



Христось воскресє! Воистину воскресє!

THE PASCHAL PERIOD’S FIFTH SUNDAY

The theme for The Sunday of the Samaritan Woman is the living water about which Jesus spoke in today’s holy gospel. Through the Mystery of Baptism, this “living water” comes to us as we are initiated into the Christian community—Christ’s Church. In this way, we vicariously

