

ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Sunday, March 3

Third Sunday of Great Fast/Veneration of the Cross

Readings: Heb. 4:14-5:6; Mk: 8:34-9:1

9:10 A.M. Third Hour;

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for + **Alice Baley, Maria Bilyk, Maria Zaverucha,**
given by Jeanne Workman.

Supplications will be offered for+ **Larry Merritt, given by Olga Perkun.**

Wednesday, March 6

Mid-Lent/42 Martyrs of Ammorium

Readings: Gen. 9:18-10:1; Prov. 12:23-13:9

6:30 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (North Side of Pittsburgh)

Thursday, March 7

St. Theophylact, Bishop-Confessor

Readings: Gen. 12:1-7; Prov. 14:14-26

7:00 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (McKees Rocks)

Saturday, March 9

4th All Souls Saturday/40 Martyrs of Sebaste

Readings: Heb. 6:9-12; Mk: 7:31-37

9:00 A. M. Divine Liturgy/Sorokousty-Hramoty

5:00 P. M. NO Great Vespers

6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, March 10

Fourth Sunday of Great Fast/St. John Climacus, venerable

Readings: Heb. 6:13-20; Mk: 9:17-31

9:10 A.M. Third Hour;

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for + **Michael Senko, given by Michael & Vicki Senko.**

Supplications will be offered for+ **Nancy Spikula, given by Maria, Olga Perkun & Anna Merritt.**

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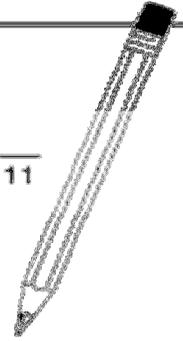
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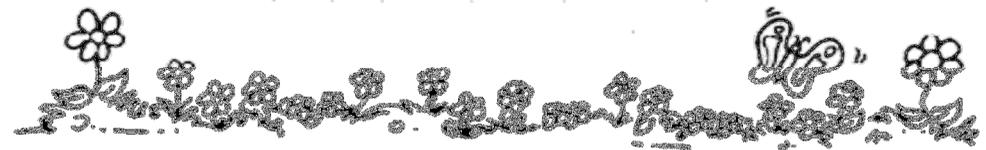
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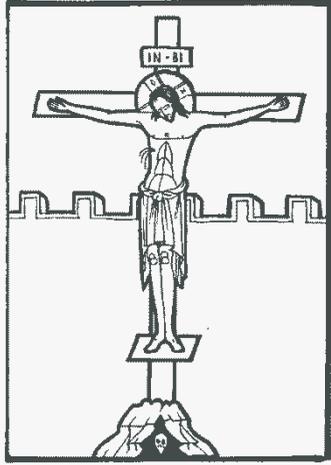
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Veneration of the Holy Cross

This, the Third Sunday of the Great Fast in our Liturgical calendar, is the Sunday of the Veneration of the Cross. It is on this Sunday that we not only remember the crucifixion of Christ, but remember that we crucify our passions with Him throughout the Great Fast-Lent. Additionally, it is on this Sunday, as the hymnography suggests, that we elevate the Cross of Christ as a symbol of victory for the faithful.

This solemn veneration of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross is quite similar to the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrated every year on September 14th. Neither Feast distinguishes between Christ's death and His Resurrection from the dead. In fact, both Feasts celebrate the triumph and the glory of His Cross. This dominant theme is evident in both the hymnography and the Liturgical actions that take place before and towards the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great celebrated on this Sunday.

Today's Festal celebration begins as the priest censes the Cross that is placed on a tray surrounded by flowers, followed by the congregation singing the Great Doxology and "Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us." The priest then exits the North door of the Sanctuary and processes around the Church until he ends at the Tetrapod. Then, facing the Altar he says, "Wisdom, be attentive!" Setting the tray on the Tetrapod, the priest and faithful then sing while he censes around the Tetrapod: "O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance. To all who do battle with sin and evil, grant victory; and by the power of your Cross protect your people." After this triumphant hymn has been sung, the priest and faithful sing the following hymn followed by with a full prostration "To Your Cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your Holy Resurrection!"

As we elevate His Cross may we crucify our passions with Him on the Cross. Then, on the third day, let us raise His Cross, as we have today, as a symbol of victory.



Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 10, 2013 and ends on Sunday, November 3, 2013.

March 3, 2013

Third Sunday of the Great fast

Veneration of the Holy Cross

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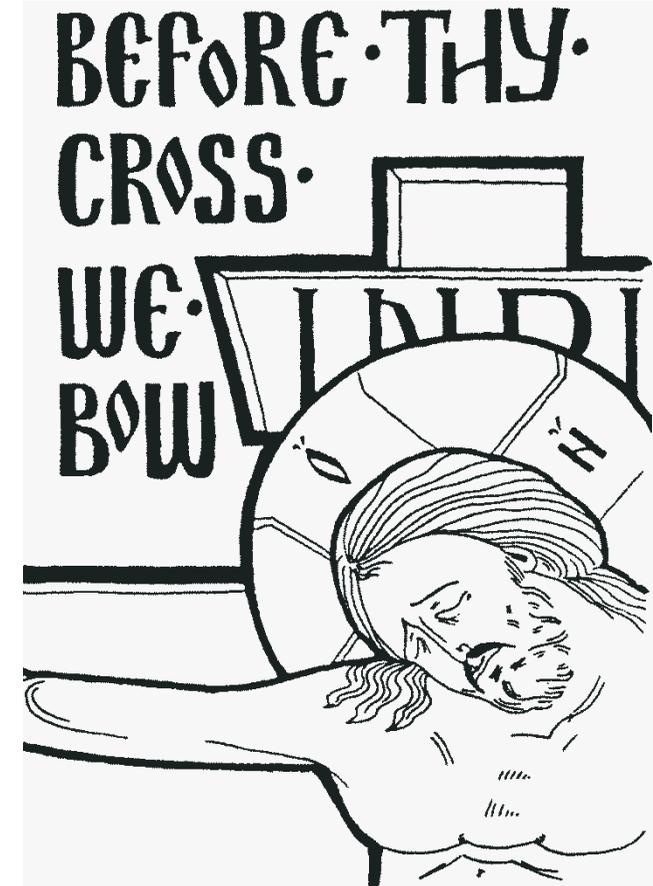
Announcements:

Today: Third Sunday of the Great Fast

On this Third Sunday of the Great Fast we honor and venerate the Holy and Life-giving Cross of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In the beginning of the Divine Liturgy the Cross, adorned with flowers, will be brought out in procession and placed on the Tetrapod in the center of the Church. The Cross stands in the midst of the Church in the middle of the Lenten Season not merely to remind us of Christ's redemption, but also to be venerated as that reality by which we must live to be saved. "He who does not take up his Cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me" (Mt 10:38). Following the Divine Liturgy, please come forward to venerate the Cross of Our Lord as we continue our journey of the Great Fast.

Great Lent Project-Food Bank Drive!

We would like to continue to collect the food for Focus on Renewal (Father's Ryan Center) on McKee's Rocks. Please be generous.



St. George's Parish Lenten Mission

Plan to come for our Parish Lenten Mission 2013 which will take place this year on Wednesday & Thursday, March 13-14, 2013. On Wednesday evening, March 13th, we will celebrate at 6:30 p.m. the Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts. Following this Service, Fr. Michael Lenz, OFM will have a Lenten homily and during the service he will be able to hear our confessions. On Thursday evening, March 14th, we will celebrate at 6:30 p.m. the Anointing of the Sick – Holy Unction. This evening will be led by Sister Mary Virginia, O.Carm. (Corpus Christi Carmelites), convent of Lady of Protection, St. George's Byzantine parish in Aliquippa. Following this evening we will have Lenten refreshments in the Church hall.

Refreshments

Following the Lenten Mission on Thursday evening, March 14th, we will offer Lenten Refreshments for the faithful in our Church hall. We will need your help in preparing and offering these refreshments. If you would like to help out, please let Fr. Ihor know following the Divine Liturgy. Thank you.

St George Easter Kolbasa Sale - Our parish is selling kolbasa for the Easter Season.

We are asking that parishioners buy kolbasa for their own use and also sell some of this fine product to friends, neighbors, and colleagues. The price is \$5.00 per pound and order forms are available in the Church vestibule for placing orders. You must place your order in advance in order to purchase this kolbasa. Payment must accompany your order.

The kolbasa will be available for pickup on Sunday, March 24th (Palm Sunday) after the Divine Liturgy. Thanks to all our parishioners for the continued support of this important parish fundraiser. Special thanks to Nick and Kathy Mikovitz for organization of this fundraiser.

Easter Pascha sale.

Please, use the sign-up sheet in a vestibule, if you would like to order Pascha for Easter.

Willow Branches

As we reach Mid-Lent please remember that we will be in need of willow branches for the blessing of palms and willow branches on Palm Sunday (March 24th). If you are able to obtain willow branches, please let Fr. Ihor know after the Divine Liturgy.

Pyrohy

Our total income from last week's sale was **\$869.00** Thanks to all our dedicated women and men that come faithfully to be part of this parish activity. As was announced last Sunday: **Help is very much needed with our pyrohy activity!**

Collection- May God bless you...

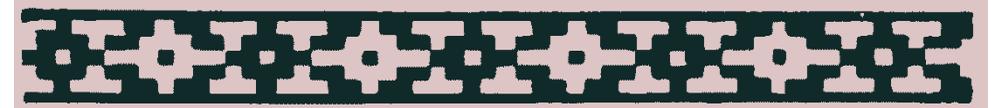
Total for Sunday, February 24, 2013 was **\$1633.60**
(Collection - \$1573.00, Loose & candles - \$60.60)

Donations for the flowers adorning the Cross: Rose Engel in memory of +Michael & Mary Leybick, Leroy Sr. & Leroy Jr. Engel (\$20), Thank you!

Triple Paschal Candle Holder donated in memory of Kathrine Havrylak & Anastasia

Tymczuk, Thank You!

Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and generosity to our holy church!



Are YOU ready for our Lenten Mission 2013?

Last Sunday our Lenten Mission 2013 was announced to all of you. Every Mission is for the parish family a time of special grace. But do we know what a MISSION is? Who is it for? Do I have to attend? Maybe I don't have the time?

My friends....a Parish Mission is for ALL the faithful. In the history of the Church, so called popular mission are series of instructions, sermons, and devotions conducted in a parish for the spiritual welfare of the people. No one will be forcing you to attend this special event in our parish. But the opportunity is here for you to experience personal growth, spiritual refreshment and invigoration. This is a great opportunity for all of us to receive that spiritual cleansing especially during this Lenten Season in preparation for Pascha- Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. One evening will be dedicated to the sick and infirm.

As your parish priest I ask you again to please mark your calendars for these special days during which we are ALL called into a deeper relationship with Our Heavenly Father. Stay tuned for more information next Sunday!