



## ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICE

Saturday, Sept. 21     **Holy Priest-Martyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinope;**  
 Readings: 2 Cor. 9: 6-11; Lk. 5:1-11  
**5:00 P.M. No Great Vespers**  
**6:30 P.M. No Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)**

Sunday, Sept. 22     **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
 Readings: 2 Cor. 9: 6-11; Lk. 5:1-11  
**9:10 A.M. Third Hour;**  
**9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy**  
 God's blessing oon all parishioners (By Fr. Ihor)

Tuesday, Sept. 24     **St. Thelca, Proto-Martyr**  
 Readings: Phil. 1:8-14; Lk. 5:12-16  
**9:00 A. M. Divine Liturgy**  
 Repose of Roman, Maria, Hryhoriy

Thursday, Sept. 26     **St. Trophimus & Others Martyrs**  
 Readings: Eph. 5:33-6:9; Lk. 4:16-22  
**7:00 P. M. Divine Liturgy in Ukrainian –church Slavonic language**

Saturday, Sept. 28     **Our venerable Father Cyracius the Anchorite**  
 Readings: 2 Cor. 11: 31-12:9; Lk. 6:31-36  
**5:00 P.M. Great Vespers**  
**6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)**

Sunday, Sept. 29     **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
 Readings: 2 Cor. 11: 31-12:9; Lk. 6:31-36  
**9:10 A.M. Third Hour;**  
**9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy**

Supplications will be offered for **+Bohdan Hubar –one year after his death.**  
**(By daughter Inna Hohosha)**



Simon Peter, James and John left their boats on shore and followed Jesus. What did Jesus mean – they would "catch people"?

Add or subtract letters to find the correct ones to write on the lines.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

S+1   L-4   J-5   R+7   P+7   U-6   Q+4   H+4   M-9



J+2   L-7   F-5   L-8



K+4   Y-5   C+5   J-5   I+9

V-6   I-4   H+7   J+6   H+4   L-7



Q+3   F+9

B+8   I-4   O+4   Z-5   N+5



## ***Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost***



*And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished...*

As we can see in today's Gospel reading, Jesus can bring out the very best that is in people. The Lord can make you your best self. No one else and nothing else can accomplish this. Look at Simon Peter at the Sea of Galilee. If Christ had not crossed Peter's path, he would have lived and died a fisherman. People who lived along the lake saw Peter a big-hearted good fellow, nothing more. Christ saw in him a leader, who would one day speak to three thousand people and get them to be baptized and become Christians. Look at some of the other Apostles and leaders of Christ's Church. St. Matthew as we know was a tax-collector. Most people looked upon him as a traitor and a thief, for the people of Israel disliked those in the employ of the Roman government, and beside this, the collectors often exacted more money from the people than they were supposed to. The crowd had no use for Matthew. But Jesus saw in him the desire to right all wrongs, the desire to serve God, and Christ called him to become a great Apostle and Evangelist. Down through all the centuries of the Church you can find examples of this kind of transformation, in which Christ brings out the best in people. Saul, the persecutor of the Lord, became Paul the chosen vessel of God and the great Apostle and missionary; James and John left their nets by the sea to become also great Apostles and missionaries for the sake of Christ.

Of course, this is not something that worked in the past only; it works today. It can work in us. There are many people today whose lives have been touched by the Lord, and who have, as a result, been transformed into radiant Christians serving their Lord and their neighbor. Peter shows us the process of this transformation. First of all he confesses his weakness. When he came to the realization of Who Christ was he fell on his knees before the Lord in worship. Then he left his old way of living and followed the new way of the Lord.

Let us become aware of Christ's greatness and our smallness, of His holiness and our sinfulness, and then let us bring the light of Christ into our life to transform it to the best.

## ***CALL OF THE FIRST DISCIPLES***



## **September 22**

*Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**Holy Priest-Martyr Phocas,  
Bishop of Sinope (98-117);  
Holy Prophet Jonah (786-46 BC)  
Venerable Jonah the Presbyter,  
Father of Theophanes, Composer  
of Canons  
Theodore the Branded**

Octoechos Tone 1

**Changeable Parts: Pages 11**  
*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts Small white book)*

## **Announcements:**

**On this Sunday we welcome to St. George's our good friend Rev. Michael Lenz OFM.**

We sincerely thank Fr. Michael for celebrating the Divine Liturgy for our parish family and we ask Our Lord to bless him for many happy and blessed years: Многая Лѣта!

### **Thank You!**

Last Sunday we were blessed with great weather for our parish picnic. Thank you all for coming and being part of this happy parish event. We had great food, great games and a wonderful time for Christian fellowship. From the bottom of my heart I want to thank you for your hard work (kitchen, set-up, clean-up), for all the food donations and financial support for our parish picnic. It is always a great joy when we come together to celebrate our faith and love. Thank you!

## Pyrohy

The total income from our pyrohy sale was \$420.00. Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers.

## Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of September 15, 2013 was **\$2149.00**  
(Collection: \$1136.00, Loose & other: \$83.00, Raffle: \$510.00; Pyrohy: \$420.00)

**Special announcement:** Would the individual who made the anonymous \$500.00 donation please contact Fr. Ihor. This was done by postal money order. Our bank will not accept it because it is unsigned. It would be a violation of law for anyone other than the purchaser of the money order to sign it. Thank you )

*Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church!*

\*\*\* **JUST A REMINDER** \*\*\*

*Parish Food Festival: Saturday & Sunday, October 5-6, 2013*

*Many helpers will be needed with the preparations, set-up, kitchen, ...  
Please mark your calendars for these two days!*

**Saturday, October 5**                      **11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, October 6**                      **11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

*Please plan to come on these designated days and hours! Thank you!*



**Please remember the Ukrainian Eparchy of  
St. Josaphat in Parma and your parish of  
St. George in your will.**



## ***A Pattern in Making Disciples***

1) Christ teaches the Word of God, and the Word of God stirs listeners to initial faith.

2) Christ involves the new believer in a specific challenge, and the new believer personally experiences the grace of God; he or she feels unworthy, yet amazed.

3) Christ calls the new believer to become a permanent disciple and co-worker with God. The

new believer freely and totally gives over his or her life to the Lord and has a new sense of mission as Christ's disciple.

We too, are called to DISCIPLESHIP and to lower our nets for that "great catch". Consider, for a moment, the state of the world around us. Consider this city we are in, and the cities and towns nearby. Consider the frightful nature of the world, of the overflowing cup of evil all around us. Consider the huge numbers of confused and frightened people, darting this way and that, like frightened fishes in a great dark sea. Some, though perhaps not all, would doubtless find peace and joy if they could but find Christ, in the fullness in which we find Him in our Holy Church. We need only lower our nets, as Christ bids us, and we can catch them for Him. How do we do this?

We can do it by witnessing for Christ through the lives that we lead. If we are kind, patient, and generous towards our neighbors, that in itself is the beginning of our witness. If we are models of Christian piety in our lives, praying, keeping the fasts, attending Liturgy, and remaining close to the Church, that too is a witness and will attract a larger catch. Finally, we must not be ashamed of Christ's Church by hiding it from those around us. If neighbors or friends or acquaintances have no religious life, or if they are dissatisfied in their current religion, we can invite them to attend Divine Liturgy and introduce them to our Holy Church and our community of faithful. So, let us not be apprehensive in sharing the beauty of our Eastern Church with others. Let each of us strive to follow in the footsteps of the holy apostles Peter, James, and John, by becoming catchers of souls for Christ. Let each of us also put aside all those things that distract us from our real purpose in this life, let us leave those things, as the Gospel says, and, like the apostles, follow Christ. Amen.

