



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Nov. 17

The Holy Martyrs Plato and Roman
 Readings: Eph. 5:9-19; Lk. 12:16-21
4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (Arnold, PA)
6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Nov. 18

Twenty sixth Sunday after Pentecost
 Readings: Eph. 5:9-19; Lk. 12:16-21
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **+Kateryna Havrylak, given by Dabbie Label**
God's blessing upon Michael Pyptyk (99th birthday), by Pyptyk family

Thursday, Nov. 22

Ss. Philemon and Others, Apostles/Thanksgiving Day
 Readings: 1 Tim. 6:17-21; Lk. 18:31-34
9:00 A. M. Divine Liturgy

With prayers offered for our nation under God on this Thanksgiving Day

Saturday, Nov. 24

Sts. Plato and Roman, Martyrs
 Readings: Eph. 2:14-22; Lk. 12:16-21
6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Nov. 25

Twenty seven Sunday after Pentecost
 Readings: Eph. 6:10-17; Lk. 13:10-17
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **+Anna Baran, given by David & Orysia Barshowski**
God's blessing upon Gregory H. Waslo III on his birthday, by wife Dorothy.

But God spoke to the rich man.



Use the code to find the letters.

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| ▨ = D | ▢ = I | ▨ = N | ⊗ = S | ◻ = X |
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God said, "



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Tuning To The Lord



Today Jesus speaks about the attitude his followers should have regarding wealth and possessions. To those who had an abundance of wealth He spoke this parable of a rich fool. The question here is: does the possessor control his wealth or does the wealth control the possessor? There is no other parable in the Gospels which is so full of the words, I, me, my, mine. Instead of finding his happiness in sharing and giving to others, the fool tried to keep his harvest for himself as though his prosperity would never end or he would never have to die. The ancient Romans had a proverb which said that money was like sea water; the more a man drank the thirstier he became.

So long as a man's attitude is that of the rich fool his desire will always be to get more and more - and this attitude is the

reverse of the way of Jesus. No possession will ever save us from illness, catastrophe or death. No possession will ever put its arm around us when we are in pain and say, "I care about you - I will stay with you throughout this time of pain and support you." Only a loving person will be there and no one can be paid to love or care.

Jesus sees life and living as far more than possessions. Wealth and possession inherently have the capability of luring a person into a false sense of security. This is directly opposed to the faith that Jesus says is necessary for entry into the kingdom of God. Faith means that one places one's security in God alone. Faith trusts God in difficult circumstances for one cannot totally rely on persons (even a skilled doctor), institutions or on one's own strength.

Fools, Jesus points out, invest their time and energy in amassing property. The only possessions worth striving for are those which death cannot take away. Wealth can corrupt the best of persons because the possessions can craftily come to possess the possessor and can turn God's world of values upside down. God created mankind in his image in order that mankind might reflect God's creative love to all persons. If one is absorbed in gaining things, persons become manipulated, unimportant and meaningless.

It is tragic beyond words that one may discover too late that one's life has not only been wasted on acquiring things but that there is now no way to change. The cost of foolishness is the loss of eternal life.

Father John Krenzke



November 18, 2018

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 1;

The Holy Martyrs Plato (286-305) and Roman (305)

Changeable Part: Pages 9-10
In the Booklet of Changeable Parts
(Small white book)

As did our ancestors in by-gone years, so now we too offer You, O Lord, praise and thanksgiving for all Your bounties. You have blessed our land beyond measure. You have filled our homes with the bounties of the earth. You give us peace and joy. For everything we praise and glorify Your Holy Name.

Wishing you all a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving Day!

Fr. Igor and Family



Happy

Thanksgiving

Announcements:

Thanksgiving Day

On Thursday, November 22th, our nation under God will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. This is a day set aside to give thanks to Almighty God for the abundance of blessings we receive. Divine Liturgy for this day will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. Please come!

Next Sunday: Children's Liturgy

On the last Sunday of each month, we will have a Children's Liturgy. Children will read the Epistle and collect your offerings. The Homily will be directed to the children, but will contain a message for all. Thank you for bringing your children to this special Liturgy.

Decorating the Church: Saturday, December 1st

On Saturday, December 1st, at 10:00 a.m. we will begin with the decoration of our Holy Church in preparation for the feast of the Nativity of Christ. Please plan to be here so that together we can make our Church look beautiful for Christmas.

Last chance to order: Sarris Christmas Candy sale!

It is time for a Sarris Candy sale fundraiser. As last year, we will have this fundraiser, twice a year, before Christmas and before Easter. Twenty five percent of the proceeds from the sale will go to St. George Church. The order forms are available in the vestibule. Orders are due November 18. Delivery and pickup will be on Sunday, December 16 after Divine Liturgy. You only need to return the price sheet. **Make checks payable to St. George Church.**

St. Nicholas Visit

This year in preparation for the visit of St. Nicholas to our church on December 2, parents and/or grandparents are asked to purchase and wrap a gift for each of their children/grandchildren who will attend the party. Gifts should have a value between \$10 and \$15, be wrapped and labeled with the child's name. Gifts can be delivered to the church hall before Liturgy on December 2. Please follow the value suggestion so that children receive comparable gifts. Thank you for your cooperation. **On the same day, Christmas Cookie workshop,** our Sunday school children will be using their baking skills to bake beautifully decorated sugar cookies for Christmas.

Pyrohy

Our total income from last week's sale was **\$1120.00** Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers for their hard work during this summer. **Help is very much needed with our pyrohy activity as preparation for Christmas! We are in big need of scoopers every Wednesday morning. Also, starting November 28th (Wednesday) we will start extra session of making pierogies and then we will continue on December 5, 12, 19** Thank you!

Collection- May God bless you...

The grand total for Sunday of November 11, 2018 was **\$2,498.00**

(Collection: \$1350.00, loose & candles: \$28.00, Pyrohy: \$ 1120.00)

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



Thanksgiving Day

More than three hundred years ago, a small number of grateful Pilgrims gathered in prayerful tribute to God for an abundant first harvest. This launched a meaningful custom which is one of our most cherished holidays, Thanksgiving Day.

On Thursday, November 27th, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. It is an appropriate time for us to reflect on our blessings. It is a day to express our gratitude to Almighty God for His abundant gifts. He is the source of all blessings, as we pray in the Ambo prayer of the Divine Liturgy: *“For every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from You, the Father of Lights.”*

There is no true prayer without thanksgiving. God expects gratitude. Thanksgiving forces us to take stock of our situations. The blessing we are able to count forces us to conclude we are much better off than we thought we were. Someone once said, “No man is in true health who cannot stand in the free air of heaven, with his feet on God’s free turf, and thank his Creator for the simple luxury of physical existence.”

Today we take good things too much for granted. In the hot dry desert when the sun beats down unmercifully, we treasure water more than gold. After being without food for a few days, we know the importance of food. When our pockets are empty, we realize the value of money. When we are ill, we finally acknowledge the wonders of health. We can go on and on to enumerate how we take so many things for granted and it is only when we are deprived of them that we really begin to appreciate them. We do have reason to be thankful, don't we?

Oh, God, when I have food help me to remember the hungry. When I have work, help me to remember the jobless. When I have a warm home help me to remember the homeless. When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer; and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency and stir up my compassion. Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted.