

ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Jan. 12 Saturday after Theophany

Readings: Eph. 4:7-13; Mt. 4:12-17

4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (Arnold, PA) 6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Jan. 13 Sunday after Theophany

Readings: Eph. 4:7-13; Mt. 4:12-17

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Christmas-Theophany Dinner

Supplications will be offered for+Shedno family, given by Rose Shedno

Thursday, Jan 17 St. Anthony the Great, Venerable

Readings: Heb. 13:17-21; Lk. 6:17-23 **7:00 P. M. Moleben to our Savior**

St. Macarius, Venerable

Readings: Eph. 4:7-13; Mt. 4:12-17

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

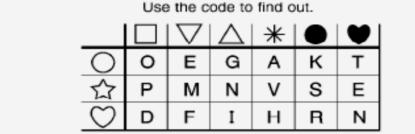
Sunday, Jan. 20 Thirty fifth Sunday after Pentecost

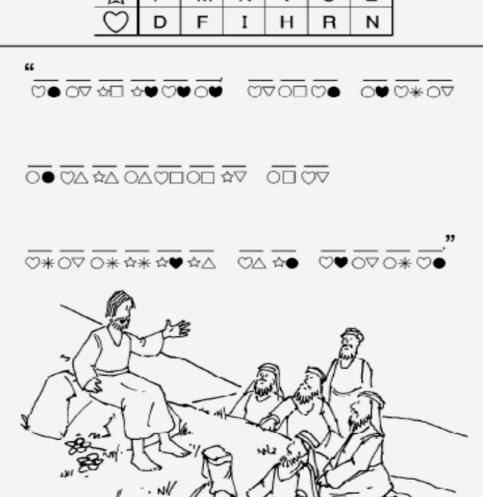
Readings: Col. 3:12-16; Lk. 18:18-27

9:10 A.M. Third Hour 9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+Justyna Czelepis, given by Pyptyk family

Then Jesus started to preach. What did He say?





The Theophany House Blessings



Between the Feast of Theophany and the beginning of the Great Fast-Lent, it is customary in our Holy Church to have our homes blessed by the parish priest with the Holy Water sanctified on this glorious Feast Day. This is an ancient tradition of the Eastern Church and through it we extend the "Blessing of Jordan" into our homes and private places.

This Blessing of our homes underscores and enhances the connection between our parish life and our "HOME CHURCH." It also gives us and our children an opportunity to see our priest in a more personal setting. All of this strengthens our relationship with God and His Holy Church.

Below are some guidelines for this House Blessing and pastoral visitation:

- -In a main room or at the Icon corner place a candle, Cross and/or Icon on a clean linen cloth.
- -You may make a list of all the family members you want prayed for during the Blessing Service, with the living and dead on separate columns.
- -Turn on a light in every room so that Father can see where he is going. Turn off all stereos, TVs, computers, etc. Please have all pets confined or restrained.
- -If you have any Icons, Crosses, religious articles you wish to have blessed, please place them on the table where the Service will take place.

Everyone present when Father arrives should join him around the Icon corner or the kitchen or dining room table. Father will designate one family member to lead him through the house; the rest should follow along and participate in the Blessing Service. Remember that participation is very important.

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, * worship of the Trinity was revealed, * for the voice of the Father bore you witness by calling you beloved son. * And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truth of these words. * O Christ God, you manifest yourself and enlighten the world; * glory to you.



January 13, 2019

Sunday after Theophany, Tone 1; the Holy Martyrs Hermylus and Stratonicus (313-24)

Changeable Part: Pages 25-26
In the Booklet of Changeable Parts
(Small white book)

Announcements:

Today: Nativity Play and Parish Dinner

Following the Divine Liturgy we will gather in our Church hall for our Parish Christmas-Theophany Dinner. Thank you to all who organize, sell tickets and cooked for this event. Mat God bless you!

House Blessing

This week I will continue with the blessing of homes in our parish. Each household that requests this blessing will be contacted by phone to schedule this pastoral visitation. If you wish to have your house blessed, <u>please fill out the form</u> which is available in the Church vestibule.

<u>Please find</u> in the church vestibule a Theophany Card from Patriarch Sviatoslav and a Pastoral Letter of the Ukrainian Catholic Synod of Bishops on God's Word and Catechesis.

Today: Ukrainian Malanka: New Year's Party

Our Ukrainian community will celebrate our 2019 Malanka/Ukrainian New Year's Eve on Saturday evening January 19, 2019 at the Ukrainian-American Citizens' Club in Carnegie. Doors and Ukrainian Kitchen will open at 7:30 PM. Dancing will begin at 8:30 PM until 12:30 AM to the sounds of Fred Yasnowsky and his Orchestra.

Pre-pay at the Ukrainian Federal Credit Union on the Southside, or at Kolos in Carnegie. Tickets are \$15 prepaid, or \$20 at the door. Tickets for youth through college age are just \$5 at the door.

Deadline to register you pre-payment and to request you reserved table, is Thursday, January 17, 2019.

To reserve a table with your friends and family you must call 412-429-1536 and leave a message as to whom you want sitting at your table. Please remember the tickets must be prepaid ...BEFORE ... reserving your table.

Clean-up Decorations

On Sunday, January 20st, following the Divine Liturgy we will have the clean-up of the Christmas decorations. I ask that you please remain in Church to help put away the decorations. The more of us stay behind, the faster it will go. Thanks

Suggestions for 2019

As we enter this New Year do you have any suggestions or requests for 2019? More Divine Services, classes, charitable events, etc.? We are always looking for ways to improve our Church life. Please don't hesitate to let Fr. Ihor know.

Statement of Contribution

Those parishioners who would like to receive a statement of contribution for the year 2018 for tax purposes, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet in the Church vestibule.

Pyrohy

We will reopen on this Thursday, January 17th, 2019. Please come!

Collection- May God bless you...

The grand total for Sunday of January 6, 2018 was \$3,280.00

(Collection: \$2565.00, Loose & candles: \$10.00, Dinner: 285.00, Pyrohy: 398.00)

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



Sunday after Theophany

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The word *repent* has a deep meaning. But at its most basic, the word *repent* is a clarion call to change. It is striking that Jesus - as He is publicly revealed, as He has been shown to be the Son of God at His Baptism – comes forth and begins His ministry by saying, "You must change, the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Our Lord's message demands of us CHANGE. Throughout the Gospels Christ Our Savior makes it very clear that those who will follow Him are going to have to change the way they live; He will not let them follow Him and remain



as they were. He is very clear that He is God, and as God He intends to make demands on His followers. They cannot follow Him and merely add Him to their life as it already is; in following Him the very structure and fabric of their life will be challenged and changed.

Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand! Jesus comes to us today, after we have celebrated His Baptism. He stands before us today and says the very same thing John said: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. I have come not to make your life comfortable. I have come to radically restructure your life. I have come to make demands on you. I have come to change you. Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

God comes to us today and says, "Repent. You have allowed other loves to creep into your heart. You have allowed yourself to be distracted and to forget what is important. You have allowed the mantra of this world, which says, 'Do not be a fanatic, do not be too zealous for your faith,' to take you away from your zeal for God." God comes at this time of renewal, and He says to us, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Someday soon, all of this will be gone. This world will be consumed by fire, and all that we have lived for and worked for will be destroyed. The only thing that will remain is our heart. The only thing that will endure that fire is God, and what we have done for God. Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Change now, before it is too late. Change now, before our Lord returns. Change now, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!