

ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

- Saturday, May 11Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Apostles of Slavs
6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, May 12The Sunday of the Paralytic Man/Mother's day
Readings: Acts. 9:32-42; Jn. 5:1-159:10 A.M. Third Hour
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Jane Chulack, given by Colleen Billings. Supplications will be offered for+ Mihaylo Pyptyk, given by Lillian Chlibun.

- Wednesday, May 15 Mid-Pentecost
- Sheptytsky ArmsReadings: Acts. 14:6-18; Jn. 7:14-30Sheptytsky Arms9:30 A. M. Service of Holy Eucharist- Mass (Latin rite)Repose of Antoniy, Anthony, Kateryna Fedyna
- Thursday, May 16St. Theodore, Venerable
Readings: Acts. 10:34-43; Jn. 8:12-207:00 P.M. PAC Council at Rocks
- Saturday, May 18Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Apostles of Slavs
Readings: Acts. 11:19-26 & 29-30; Jn. 4:5-42
6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, May 19The Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
Readings: Acts. 11:19-26 & 29-30; Jn. 4:5-429:10 A.M. Third Hour
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Mihaylo Pyptyk, given by Perkun family. Supplications will be offered for+ Jane Chulack, given by Robert & Christine Pietrandrea. What did Jesus do for the lame man?

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The Sunday of the Paralytic Man

One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked.

Today, the Fourth Sunday of the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha, we commemorate the healing of the Paralytic Man at the pool of Bethesda. We remember

this event that not only transformed the life of the paralytic physically, but spiritually as he was led to a conversion and to a righteous life. Moreover, we celebrate this event as it exemplifies Jesus' Divine Power to give life. As we commemorate this event detailed in the Gospel of John, does it induce a transformation similar to that of the paralytic in our lives? Granted, we may not need to be lifted from a bed where we lay physically paralyzed, but spiritually can we make such a boast that we do not need the Lord's Divine Power? Are we able, a mere three weeks after His glorious Resurrection to carry His light that was passed to each of us and walk in His brilliance? My guess is that each of us, to some degree, whether we are willing to admit to ourselves or not, is waiting for the water to be stirred in our life that brings about that healing of body and soul and sets us on a righteous path.

The water though has already been stirred! Let us not forget that at our baptism we were baptized into Christ through our immersion into the water of the font. We were freed from the paralysis of sin and given life in Christ. Similarly, then, we should TODAY celebrate our spiritual transformation along with the paralytic and as Jesus said, "sin no more".

The Paralytic was like an unburied dead man, and when he saw You, O Lord, he cried out: Have mercy on me, for my bed has become my grave. Of what use is my life? I have no need for the Sheep Pool, for there is none to put me into the water. Therefore, I come to You, O Fountain of all healing, that with all I may cry to You: O Lord Almighty, glory to You!



<u>Changeable Part:</u> Pages 10-11 In the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)

Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!

O Lord, our God, look down with merciful eyes upon our humble and earnest petition which we fervently offer to You today on behalf of all of our mothers. Shower Your heavenly graces upon them. Grant that they may always behold the joy of their children and their children's children. Fill them with that same maternal love that our most holy Lady, the God-bearer, and ever-Virgin Mary showed to Your Only-Begotten Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. And, grant that all of our mothers may ever be sustained in the image of our heavenly mother, the Most Pure Virgin Mary. We pray to You, O heavenly Master, on this special day, honoring our mothers to graciously hear us and have mercy on them.

<u>May 12, 2019</u>

Fourth Sunday after Pascha. Sunday of the Paralytic, Octoechos Tone 3; Our Holy Father Epiphanius, Bishop of Cyprus (403); Germanus, Patriarch of Constantinople (733)



Our Parish Family wishes special blessings upon all our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and spiritual mothers on this Mother's Day. Grant them, O Lord, many happy and blessed years! Многая Лima! Христос Воскрес!

Announcements:

Today: Sunday of the Paralytic Man

We celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Pascha which is dedicated to Christ's healing of the Paralytic Man of which we read in today's Gospel reading from John 5: 1-15. The man is healed by Christ while waiting to be put down into the pool of water. Through Baptism in the Church we, too, are healed and saved by Christ for eternal life. Thus, in the Church, we are told, together with the paralytic, to *"sin no more that nothing worse befall you"*.

PAC Meeting

On Thursday, May 23rd, the meeting of the Parish Advisory Council will take place at the church hall at 7:00 p.m. This meeting is open to all parishioners. I ask all members of the PAC to please be present for this important meeting.

<u>The Ukrainian Technological Society (UTS) scholarship application</u> season runs from April 15 through July 6. Our territory is the entire tri-state area. Students, please apply ASAP, since your high school or college transcript (including spring semester 2019) is a HUGE part of the application process, and often high schools and universities take up to three weeks to send transcripts. For more information: utspgh.org

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for the Sunday, May 5, 2019 was **\$1,147.50**

(Collection: \$1005.00, Loose & candles: \$11.50.00, Mother's Day: \$131.00)

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

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You Don't Know My Mother

A teacher asked a boy this question: "Suppose your mother baked a pie and there were seven of you - your parents and five children. What part of the pie would you get?"

"A sixth," replied the boy.

"I'm afraid you don't know your fractions," said the teacher. "Remember, there are seven of you."

"Yes, teacher," said the boy, "but you don't know my mother. Mother would say she didn't want any pie."



Christ our Pascha Catechism Quotes:

Humankind – the Crown of Creation Based on the above, Gregory of Nyssa teaches that the dignity of the human being lies in the fact that by its very nature humanity is higher than all creation, since it was created in the royal image of its creator and freely and with full authority rules over its desires. The dignity of humankind is in the image of God. The Lord himself preserves human dignity as inviolable and cares for the human being: Who else is there that ministers to you more faithfully than I? All creation I created to serve you; the heaven and the earth serve you: the one with its moisture, the other with its fruits. For your sake the sun serves with its light and with its warmth, and the moon and the stars lighten the night. For your sake the clouds nourish the earth with rain, and the earth brings forth all manner of grasses with their seeds and the trees with their fruits to serve you. For your sake the rivers bear fish and the wastes rear beasts. (#120)

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As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem. -Isaiah 66:13 NIV