



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Dec. 18

Saturday before Christmas

Readings: Heb. 11:9-10 & 32-40; Mt. 1:1-5

6:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Dec. 19

Sunday before Christmas

Readings: Heb. 11:9-10 & 32-40; Mt. 1:1-5

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Confession

Supplications will be offered for **+Olha Siweckyj & +Justin Winghart,**
given by Casey Latini

Supplications will be offered for **+Philip Perkun, given by family**

Thursday, Dec. 23

Ten Holy martyrs of Crete

Readings: James. 1:19-27; Mk. 10:17-27

(St. George)

7:00 P.M. Moleben to Emanuel

Friday, Dec. 24:

(St. George)

Vigil of Christmas/Christmas Eve

8:00 P.M. Paramon Vesperal Divine Liturgy

Saturday, Dec. 25

(St. George)

(St. John)

Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Christmas Day)

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

11:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Sunday, Dec. 26

Sunday after Christmas

Readings: Gal. 1:11-19; Mt. 2:13-23

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **+Andrey, +Yustyna Pyptyk and +Yustyna Chelepis,**
given by Pyptyk family



Jesus was called by many names and titles. One of them was "Immanuel," which means "God with us."

Find these names and titles of Jesus in the puzzle below.

They may be found **↑ ↓ → ← ↖ ↗ ↘ ↙**.

Immanuel
Messiah
Master
Word
Savior

Beloved
King
Way
Christ
Bread

Lamb
Rock
Jesus
Shepherd
Light

Redeemer
Son
Lord
Prince
Cornerstone

C	Y	C	B	D	E	V	O	L	E	B	J	S
A	O	H	E	L	I	G	H	T	I	K	E	O
W	E	R	E	D	E	E	M	E	R	W	S	S
H	M	I	N	B	W	M	S	A	R	O	U	A
A	M	S	L	E	O	E	S	D	S	E	S	V
I	A	T	U	R	R	W	A	Y	I	T	N	I
S	N	O	E	L	D	S	E	A	H	G	E	O
S	V	L	A	M	B	A	T	K	I	N	G	R
E	S	B	R	E	A	D	J	O	S	A	V	K
M	U	S	L	D	I	M	M	A	N	U	E	L
P	R	N	I	O	S	H	E	P	H	E	R	D
N	I	O	B	O	R	L	O	M	A	T	O	E
L	O	M	C	R	E	D	E	D	S	R	C	R
A	C	S	D	K	R	E	C	N	I	R	P	C





The Icon of the Nativity of Christ

One of the most famous icons in our Holy Churches is that of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Its symbolism is that of the Creator of the Universe entering history as a newborn babe. The little helpless figure in swaddling clothes represents the complete submission of Christ in the physical conditions governing the human race. Yet He remains Lord of Creation. The angels sing praises. The Magi and the shepherds bring their gifts. The sky salutes Him with a star. The earth provides Him with a cave. The animals watch Him in silent wonder and we humans offer Him one of us, the Virgin Mother.

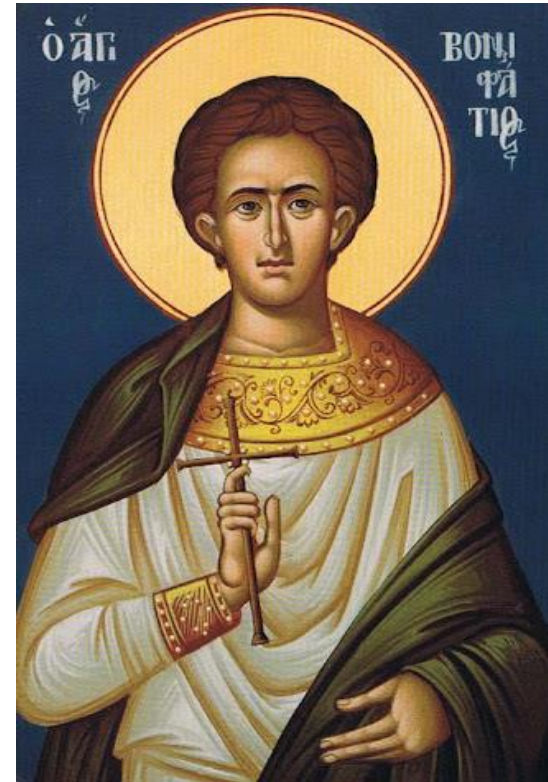
The lower scenes underline the scandal of the Incarnation. The right-hand scene shows the washing of the infant by the mid-wife and her assistant.

It tells that Christ was born like any other child. The scene in the left portrays the righteous Joseph, who, having observed the washing of the infant, is once again assailed by doubts as to the virginity of his spouse.

He is tempted by the devil, who suggests that if the infant were truly divine He would not have been born in the human way. The Mother Mary is in the center, and from her reclining position looks at Joseph as if trying to overcome his doubts and temptations.

When the Lord Jesus was born of the Virgin, the whole creation lit up. Behold: shepherds keep watch, the Magi adore, angels sing hymns of praise, and Herod trembles, for the Savior of our souls has appeared in the flesh!

Today the Virgin gives birth to the One who surpasses all essences, and the earth offers a cave to God, the Inaccessible One. Angels sing His glory together with the shepherds, for unto us is born a Child who is God from all eternity.



December 19, 2021

Sunday before the Nativity of Christ - Sunday of the Holy Fathers, Tone 5; The Holy Martyr Boniface (230)

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Христос Рождается! Christ is Born!



May our celebration of the Feast of the Nativity of Jesus Christ fill our hearts with faith, our minds with hope, and our souls with love for Almighty God and for one another; and for all of you may the New Year 2022 be happy, healthy, and rich in the blessings of our ever-present God.

With love in the newborn Christ,

Fr. Igor and Family

Announcements:

Today: Parish Christmas Renewal

On this Sunday we welcome to our parish family Fr. Andrew Clarke, retired priest of our eparchy and residence of Sheptytsky Arms. Fr. Andrew is here to be our Father Confessor in preparation for the Feast of the Nativity of Christ. As part of our preparation to worthily celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, I ask that you all receive this Sacrament of Healing-Confession.

Welcome Visitors!

We warmly welcome all those who are visiting us today to celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord. It is good to have you all with us! We greet you and welcome you with the love, joy and hope that is so graciously granted to us with the Incarnation of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank You!

Together with my family we want to thank you for all the beautiful Christmas cards we have received during this Holy Season. Thank you all for your prayers, best wishes and generous gifts. May Our Lord reward you with many happy and blessed years!

Envelopes 2022-Calendar 2022

We start the distribution of the Church offering envelopes for the year 2022 and the Church Calendar for 2022. They are available in the hallway off the Church vestibule. Sincere thanks to Thomas P. Kunsak Funeral Home for sponsoring the calendars for 2022. Should you not see your envelopes (or a mistake, or address change), please let Father Igor or Ms. Olga Perkun know, following the Divine Liturgy. Thank you all for your support and generosity throughout the year 2021. *Многая Літа!*

Pyrohy

This past week was one of the busiest week in our pyrohy activity. From the previous week our total income was \$1449.00. An enormous THANK YOU to all our dedicated pyrohy workers. We will reopen on Thursday, January 20st, 2022. Enjoy your well-deserved Christmas vacation!

Collection (St. George) - May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of Dec. 12, 2021 was **\$1,259.00 + \$1,449.00**

(Regular: \$1230.00.00, Loose & candles: \$29.00)

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



Come Back to the House of the Lord

Pastoral to our clergy, religious, seminarians, and beloved faithful of St. Josaphat Eparchy, and to all people of good will everywhere in the world.

V. Our Role as Members of a Missionary Church

“...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near” (Hebrews 10:25 RSV-CE).

Now that we are emerging from darkness into light, what are we going to do regarding our faith in Christ and His Church? Some may say, “I have watched the Liturgy on my cell phone and I like this, I do not need to go.” Others will say, “I have watched the Liturgy on my cell phone and I need to go back to the House of the Lord.”

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations”

Remember these words of Christ Jesus, the Son of God, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age” (Matthew 28:19-20 RSV-CE).

It is safe to say the disciples did not know every nation in the world, but we do and it is a click away. Christ is not only speaking to his disciples, but He is speaking to us, and as His disciples He calls us to go out into the world and evangelize.

What it means to evangelize

To evangelize at its core means to proclaim the Word of God. We may think that evangelizing means only traveling to new places, but it means more than that.

Evangelization begins at home, and it begins with each of us, in our own home, neighborhood, and parish or mission. With our presence, among our families, neighbors, and Church family, we proclaim the Word of God and so become true disciples and evangelists.

Come back to the House of the Lord and praise God with your parish family. Let us grow our Church one mission-parish at a time.