



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Dec. 4

St. Barbara, the Great Martyr

Readings: Col. 1:12-18; Lk. 17:12-19

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

Sunday, Dec. 5

28th Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Col. 1:12-18; Lk. 17:12-19

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **health and welbeing of Dr. Sabina Daroski, given by grateful patient.**

Supplications will be offered for **+Gregory H. Waso III, given by family.**

Monday, Dec. 6

St. Nicholas the Wonderworker

Readings: Heb. 13:17-21; Lk. 17:12-19

(North Side) 7:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy

Repose of **+Joseph & +Pavlina Havrycej, by Pyptyk family**

Saturday, Dec. 11

St. Daniel the Stylite, Venerable

Readings: Col. 3:4-11; Lk. 14:16-24

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

Sunday, Dec. 12

Sunday of the Forefathers

Readings: Col. 3:4-11; Lk. 14:16-24

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **+Ruth McCarthy, given by son Bill Marshal & family**

It is important to say,
"Thank you!"

When someone does something good for or to us, we must not be ungrateful. Give thanks!

Here are some ways you might thank God, parents and others. Circle the ways in the puzzle. The words can go across or down. The letters that are uncircled have a message. Write them in order on the lines below.

card
song
smile

hug
kiss
love

handshake
praise
deeds

words
prayer



And the message is...

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Raising children to be disciples of Christ

The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith, which spiritually nourishes and strengthens those who receive it with an openness to God. Our tradition emphasizes the importance of children being strengthened through reception of this holy mystery. Ensuring that one's family receives the Eucharist will reinforce the bonds of faith and love in a household, and

will help children to grow spiritually.

Raising children to be disciples of Jesus in today's environment is challenging. For this reason, families will benefit from belonging to a faith filled community. Participating in a parish family provides much needed support in shaping children to become mature, faith filled adults.

Church attendance instills in children something precious: the gift of faith. This faith will be an anchor to help them weather the storms of life.

A call to families

In addition to church attendance, families are encouraged to:

1. Pray together. Set aside time each day to pray together. If daily prayer is not possible, pray together two or three times each week. Creating a routine – and sticking to it – will help you develop the habit of prayer, which will yield great spiritual benefits.
2. Read scripture together. With its feasts and seasons, the Church's liturgical calendar sanctifies time. Reading the Sunday Epistles and Gospels together will help you and your children develop a better understanding of the pivotal events of salvation history, which the Church calls to mind each year. This will allow you to participate more fully in Divine Liturgy.
3. Designate a place in your home for prayer. Adorn this space, or prayer corner, with holy icons. Icons enrich a family's spiritual life by bringing the sacred into the home. In our tradition, families often have three icons in such a prayer corner: one of Jesus Christ, another of the Mother of God, and a third of Saint Nicholas. Christ, as the Head of the Church Body, is the model for the husband, the head of the family. The most holy Mother of God with the Child Jesus is the perfect model for the mother and the children. Saint Nicholas is an example of compassion and hospitality.



Dec. 5, 2021

Twenty-eight Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 3;
Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Sabbas the Sanctified (532)

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Announcements:

This Sunday-December 5th, 2021-Decorating the Church and Hall

As part of our preparation for the Nativity of Christ, we will be decorating our Holy Church and Church Hall on Sunday December 5th after Divine liturgy. Please stay and help.

Feast of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker

On Monday, December 6th, we celebrate the Feast of the saint Nicholas of Myra, Archbishop. To celebrate this Feast Day we will have on Monday evening, December 6th, a Divine Liturgy at 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday- December 12: Visit from St. Nicholas

At the end of the Divine Liturgy St. Nicholas will be here to visit the children of St. George's. **All children** are to come forward to welcome St. Nicholas to our parish (parents may accompany the smaller children). As St. Nicholas enters our Church let us all sing together that beautiful hymn "O khto, khto Nikolaya lyubit-Those who love Nicholas the Saintly".

Order Your Nut Rolls

We will be preparing nut rolls for this holiday season. In the Church vestibule sign-up sheets are available to place your orders. The price per a nut roll is \$12 and you will be able to pick up your order before Sunday, December 19th following the Divine Liturgy in the Church Hall.

Pyrohy Help

As we come closer to Christmas, our pyrohy workers are very-very busy with our pyrohy production. These upcoming weeks will be our busiest. We really need your help on Thursday morning with scooping starting at 9:00 a.m. Also, we will need your help with the production itself. Please come and give us a hand with this important parish fundraiser. The more of us come together, the easier it will be for all of us.

Our total income from last week's sale was **\$156.00** Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers for their hard work. Thank you.

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

The total for Sunday of Nov. 28, 2021 was **\$887.00 + \$156.00**

(Regular: \$615.00.00, Loose & candles: \$22.00, Online donation: \$250.00)

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



Holy Mystery of Reconciliation-Confession: Sunday, December 19th

Father Andrew Clarke will be here on Sunday, December 19th, to administer the Mystery of Reconciliation to those who wish to receive it. We will begin with the prayers from the Order of Holy Confession at 9:15 a.m. Let us all come and approach Holy Confession to prepare ourselves to worthily celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



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.

III. The Role of Families

As we lived through the darkness of the pandemic, many of us found our families to be sources of light. Our families are gifts from God, and they are intended to be wellsprings of mutual support and spiritual growth.

The Church teaches that the family is “the domestic church” and that it is the primary place where the faith is passed on. In explaining how the family serves as domestic church, our catechism, Christ Our Pascha, calls the family “the primary cell of the Christian community” where “parents are the first evangelizers and educators of their children” (COP 656).

Preparing children to become faithful adults

Parents have the special task of preparing children to one day face the world independently, as adults. How they raise their children shapes who their children will become as adults.

Worshiping together in church – as a family – is an irreplaceable experience that yields lasting spiritual rewards. By choosing to belong to a faith community as a family, and participating in the liturgical life of the Church as a family, parents can help ensure that their children inherit the gift of faith.

Choosing to bring one's family to church – or conversely, choosing to stay home – communicates to children a message about what is most important to their parents. Attending church instills in a child the belief that faith is something to value, that it is a priority. Deciding not to attend church, when it is safe to do so, conveys the message that faith is not a high priority. These are lessons children remember.

Forming children to worship liturgically

Experiencing the worship of our Ukrainian Greek Catholic tradition, with its singing, incense, processions, and colorful iconography, leaves a lasting impression on a child.

Although the results are not immediate, participating in worship week after week will draw a person closer to God, and will change them. Our liturgy reminds us that when we worship God on earth we join in the worship taking place in heaven, where the angels and saints are gathered around God's throne in an eternal, heavenly liturgy. Participating in this worship has a formative effect on who a child will become.