



# ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

## Sunday, Dec. 11

### **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 **+Gregory H. Waslo III, given by wife Dorothy**

## Saturday, Dec. 17

### **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. 18

### **Sunday before Christmas**

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

**9:10 A.M. Third Hour**

**9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Confession**

Supplications will be offered for **+Philip Perkun (103<sup>rd</sup> birthday), given by family**

Supplications will be offered for **+Yustyna Chelepis, given by Pyptyks**

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

## Saturday, Dec. 24

### **Vigil of Christmas/Christmas Eve**

(St. John)

8:00 P.M. Paramon Vesperal Divine Liturgy

## Sunday, Dec. 25

### **Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Christmas Day)**

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Festal Anointing

11:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Festal Anointing

(St. George)

(St. John)



## *Guide to the Mystery-Sacrament of Confession*

The following are instructions for the penitent approaching the Mystery of Confession:

Cross yourself twice; kiss the Gospel Book and the Cross; cross yourself a third time. Then, facing the Gospel Book and the Cross, say:

*I confess to the Lord my God before you, reverend father, all my sins which I have committed up to the present day and hour, in deed, word and thought. Every day and every hour I sin through ingratitude to God for His great and numberless blessings to me and His most gracious providence and care for me, a sinner. I have sinned through...*

(Here one should mention specifically all the sins which may be burdening the soul.) At the end say:

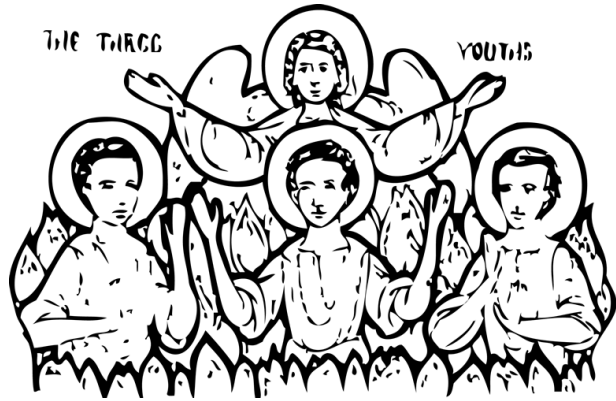
*I have sinned with all my senses, both spiritual and physical, wherefore I repent to the Lord and ask forgiveness. Absolve all my sins, reverend father, and bless me to partake of the Mysteries of Christ. (kneel)*

After the priest has spoken to you and given absolution, get up and cross yourself twice; kiss the Gospel Book and Cross; cross yourself a third time and bow. Then turn towards the priest, bow to him, saying "Thank you, father," kiss the end of the epitrachelion which he is wearing, and go to your place. There, stand or kneel down, say your penance, and thank God for His great mercy.

*St. John says that if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).*



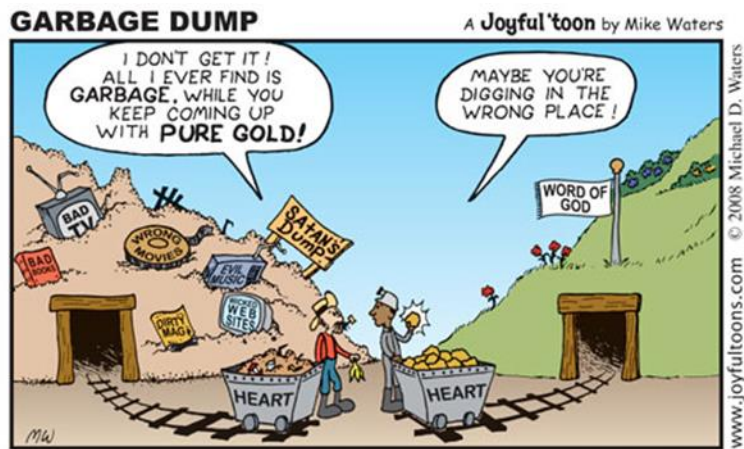
**Prophet Daniel and the Three Holy Youths: Ananias, Azarias and Misael**



Among those who foretold the Birth of the promised Messiah was the holy Prophet Daniel. The Prophet Daniel was one of the four Great Prophets, along with Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel. He lived about 500 B.C. and was born of the tribe of Judah. He was still a small boy when the Jewish people were carried off into captivity to Babylon, but was already renowned for his judicious insight. The Babylonian King, Nebuchadnezzar, made

him a prince in his court because he alone made a true interpretation of the King's dreams. He also interpreted the meaning of the writing on the wall at King Belshazzar's death.

Daniel suffered for his faith in the One True God, including being cast into a den of lions, from which God delivered him. His friends, the Three Holy Youths, were cast into a fiery furnace because they refused to worship an idol of King Nebuchadnezzar. The Holy Prophet Daniel died peacefully in old age after a life of service to the True God Whom alone he worshiped and glorified. Our Holy Church celebrates on December 17<sup>th</sup> the Three Children and Prophet Daniel during the Christmas Lent-Advent Season since they prefigured and proclaimed the incarnation.



The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks. - LUKE 6:45 NIV



**December 11, 2022**

Sunday of the Holy Forefathers  
The second Sunday before Christmas  
Octoechos Tone 2

**Changeable Part: Pages 40-41**  
*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)*



**December 18, 2022**

Sunday of the Holy Fathers  
The Sunday before Christmas  
Octoechos Tone 3

**Changeable Part: Pages 41-42**  
*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)*



## Announcements:

### Holy Mystery of Reconciliation-Confession: Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

Father Andrew Clarke will be here on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**Reminder:** Next Adult Religious Class is scheduled for the Thursday, December 22, 2022

### Welcome Fr. John!

On this Sunday we welcome to our parish family Rev. John Chirovsky. We thank you Fr. John for coming and celebrating the Divine Liturgy for our parish family. We ask Our Lord to bless you in the priestly ministry and your family for many happy and blessed years: *Многая Літа!*

### Prayer List:

Make a point of praying for everyone on the prayer list. If you don't have one, contact the office and we'll send you one. In a special way, at this time, remember the following members of our parish family: **Barbara Fedora, Rose Shedno, Orysia Barshowski, Kathleen Shabla, Lillian Chlibun and Thomas Kunsak.**

### Pyrohy

After almost half a year of the break, we are back to our pyrohy production. As you know we cancel our Pyrohy Festival instead we would like to concentrate on a Christmas sale. So, we are planning every week to make extra, freeze it and have it ready for pre-Christmas sale. Help is very much needed with our pyrohy activity!

Our total income from last week's sale was **\$1,136.00** Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers for their hard work. Thank you.

### Collection- May God bless you...

The grand total for Sunday of December 4, 2022, was **\$1,841.00 + \$1,136.00**

(Regular collection: \$1554.00, Loose: \$72.00, Ukrainian Aid: \$215.00)

*Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and generosity!*



## Dear Ukrainians and our American Friends!



Thank you very much each and every one for your continued prayers and support towards our Beloved Ukraine during this tremendous crisis — WAR in Ukraine, which was started by Russian federation several days ago. These are really difficult times for our Nation, but we believe in God's protection and in our army and all who defend our peace-loving country from Russian aggression.

Many of our friends ask how they may help.

First, your continued **prayers**. This is the most powerful weapon that may be used against enemies, and IT WORKS.

Second, your **donations**. Our Eparchy invites you to make donations to the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine. This can be done as follows:

A. You can donate through the St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church by making checks payable to "St. George Ukrainian Catholic" with memo "Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine", and sending to 3455 California Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212 or through <http://www.saintgeorgepittsburgh.org> PAYPAL and make a memo "WAR VICTIMS AND HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE";

B. You can donate on the St. Josaphat Eparchy website <https://stjosaphateparchy.com> and click on Donate through PAYPAL and make a memo "WAR VICTIMS AND HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE";

3. Encourage local financial and other institutions to make contributions.

4. Additionally what can be done is sharing the news and contacting The White House/President, Congress, Senators, appealing to do more sanctions and military assistance to Ukraine.

**May God bless our Heroes! May God Bless Ukraine! May God bless All of Us!**