



# ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

**Saturday, Mar. 4**

**2<sup>nd</sup> All Souls Saturday**

Readings: Heb. 3:12-16; Mk. 1:35-44

**10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Panahyda**

**6:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (Mckees Rocks, PA)**

**Sunday, Mar. 5**

**Second Sunday of Great Fast**

Readings: Heb. 1:10-2:3; Mk. 2:1-12

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

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

Supplications will be offered for **+Petro Hodowanetc & Sophia Hodowanetc**,  
given by Olech & Motria Hodowanetc

Supplications will be offered for **+Dolores Dedig**, given by Helen Pyptyk

**Thursday, Mar. 9**

**40 martyrs of Sebaste**

Readings: Gen. 7:11-8:4; Prov. 10:1-22

**6:30 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (North Side)**

**Saturday, Mar. 11**

**3<sup>rd</sup> All Souls Saturday**

Readings: Heb. 3:12-16; Mk. 1:35-44

**10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Panahyda**

**6:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (Mckees Rocks, PA)**

**Sunday, Mar. 12**

**Third Sunday of Great Fast/Veneration of the Cross**

Readings: Heb. 4:14-5:6; Mk. 8:34-9:1

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

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

Supplications will be offered for **+Gregory H. Waslo III**, given by Dorothy Waslo

Supplications will be offered for **+Yuriy Hordynskyj**, given by Marta Schur

What will someday happen to the earth and the heavens?

Name the pictured items of clothing. Use the letters to find the answer.

1 2 3 4 5

6 7 8

9 10

11 12 13 14 15

16 17

17 16 15 Y 2 5 12 12

6 15 10 5 1 16 17 16 15 Y

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## ABOUT ST. GREGORY PALAMAS

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This divine Father, who was from Asia Minor, was from childhood reared in the royal court of Constantinople, where he was instructed in both religious and secular wisdom. Later, while still a youth, he left the imperial court and struggled in asceticism on Mount Athos, and in the Skete at Beroea. He spent some time in Thessalonica being treated for an illness that came from his harsh manner of life. He was present in Constantinople at the Council that was convened in 1341 against Barlaam of Calabria, and at the Council of 1347 against Acindynus, who was of like mind with Barlaam; Barlaam and Acindynus claimed that the grace of God is created. At both these Councils, the Saint contended courageously for the true dogmas of the Church of Christ, teaching in particular

that divine grace is not created, but is the uncreated energies of God which are poured forth throughout creation: otherwise it would be impossible, if grace were created, for man to have genuine communion with the uncreated God. In 1347 he was appointed Metropolitan of Thessalonica. He tended his flock in an apostolic manner for some twelve years, and wrote many books and treatises on the most exalted doctrines of our Faith; and having lived for a total of sixty-three years, he reposed in the Lord in 1359.

*“When we strive with diligent sobriety to keep watch over our rational faculties, to control and correct them, how else can we succeed in this task except by collecting our mind, which is dispersed abroad through the senses, and bringing it back into the world within, into the heart itself, which is the storehouse of all our thoughts?”*

- St. Gregory Palamas

### Church Mice

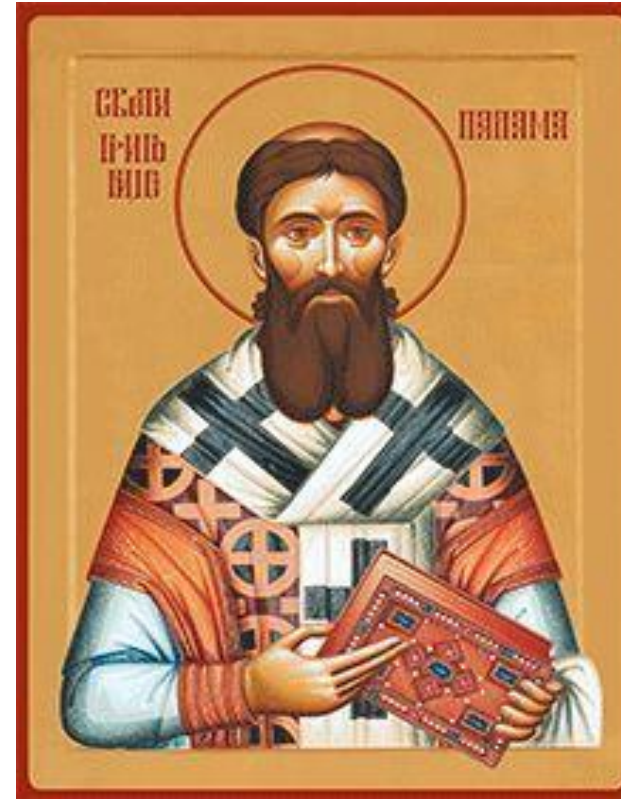
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**March 5 , 2023**

Second Sunday of the Great Fast: St. Gregory of Palamas. Octoechos Tone 6; The Holy Martyr Conon (249-251)

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## **Announcements:**

### **Today: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast**

On the Second Sunday of the Great Fast-Lent, we celebrate the memory of our holy father Gregory Palamas, Archbishop of Thessalonica. He was a defender of mystical prayer (Hesychasm). As a Confessor of our Holy Faith he affirmed that nothing is more important than a ceaseless stream of prayer mounting upward to God. On this day, the Holy Church speaks to us about the mystery of light, which we must come to know, if we want to behold the Resurrection of Christ.

**Mark you calendar: Next Adult Religious Class** on this Thursday March 9th, 2023, at 6:30pm

### **Next Sunday: Daylight Savings**

Just a reminder that Daylight savings time will begin next Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour Saturday evening before you go to sleep.

### Flowers for the Cross

On Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Third Sunday of the Great Fast on which we honor the Holy and Life-giving Cross of Our Savior. According to our Liturgical tradition the Cross is carried from the Holy Altar on a tray of flowers and placed in the midst of the congregation so that we may pay homage to the symbol of our salvation. The beautiful flowers surrounding the Cross signify the fragrance, sweetness and beauty that it has added to life. If you wish to sponsor flowers for the Holy Cross on this upcoming Third Sunday of the Great Fast, you may do so in honor or memory of a loved one. We ask that you use the special envelopes that are available for this purpose in the Church vestibule. Please print the names of your loved ones on this envelope and circle the proper prayer intention. Your prayerful intentions will then be published on that Sunday in our parish bulletin. *“Shine, Cross of the Lord, shine with the light of your grace upon the hearts of those that honor you!”*

### Parish Lenten Mission 2023

Mark your calendars for our Parish Lenten Mission 2023 which will take place Wednesday & Thursday, March 23 & March 30, 2023. A parish mission is a special event that allows us to take some time to look at our lives, values, and direction.

On Thursday evening, March 23, we will celebrate at 6:30 p.m. the Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts at St. George Parish. Following that service Fr. Andrew Clarke, retired priest and our good friend, will have a Lenten homily. Also, Father Andrew will be able to hear confession.

On Thursday evening, March 30, we will celebrate at 6:30 p.m. the Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts at St. John’s parish, Mckees rocks. Following that service Fr. Andrew Clarke, retired priest and our good friend, will have a Lenten homily. Also, Father Andrew will be able to hear confession. Let us come together for the renewal of our souls and bodies in preparation for the Great Feast of the Resurrection!

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Our total income from last week’s sale was **\$1366.00**. Thanks to all our dedicated women and men that come faithfully to be part of this parish activity.

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

The grand total for Sunday of February 12, 2023, was **\$1,997.00**

(Collection: \$1575.00, loose & candles: \$151.00, Ukraine Aid: \$71.00 (included \$25 in memory of +Yuriy Hordynsky), Online donation; \$200.00)

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

### ***Second Sunday of the Great Fast***

Today on the Second Sunday of the Great Fast- Lent, the Church opens before us the well-known page of the Holy Gospel about the cure of a paralytic man. Four men were carrying a stretcher with this sick man but when they came up to the house where the Savior was, they couldn’t enter because of the crowd. Let’s think who were those people carrying the stretcher.

The Holy Gospel doesn’t say that they were relatives: the children of the sick man, a mother, a father, brothers, but it simply said that there were four of them. They were simply his friends, maybe – neighbors. They did their best not for themselves but for the sick man. After all, not every man will try to climb up the roof of somebody else’s house, strip it, lift the stretcher with a sick man there and then lower it with the help of ropes. We can imagine how inconvenient and hard it was. But at any price they wanted to get into the house where Christ was. And Christ saw their faith in this effort and diligence. And the main thing that He saw was, of course, the love towards this man. They were fussing not about themselves but about him, they were waiting for his cure and believed that only the Lord Jesus could save this man who lay on the stretcher as a dead man.

Here before us is a good example for the Fast. The example, that only together people can be saved, supporting each other, loving, believing, helping and then God will help each of us. Because as Christ gets us out from the depth of sin, so He wants us to help each other. Sometimes we can’t help by outward works, but we can help by inner ones, to help by a prayer. Every day prayer for each other, relatives, friends and even for enemies must be pronounced with such persistence and love as those people, carrying a paralytic man, tried to get into the house where Christ was.



### ***Easter Bread-Paska***

On Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, we will prepare Easter Bread (Paska) in our Church hall. The price per a loaf is \$10.00. In the Church vestibule we have a sign-up sheet for placing your orders. I ask you to write down your name and amount of Paska Bread (plain or raisin) you wish to order. You may pick-up your order on Palm Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, following the Divine Liturgy.