

# **ST.GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES**

Saturday, July 8St. Procopius, Great MartyrReadings: Rom. 12:6-14; Mt. 9:1-86:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

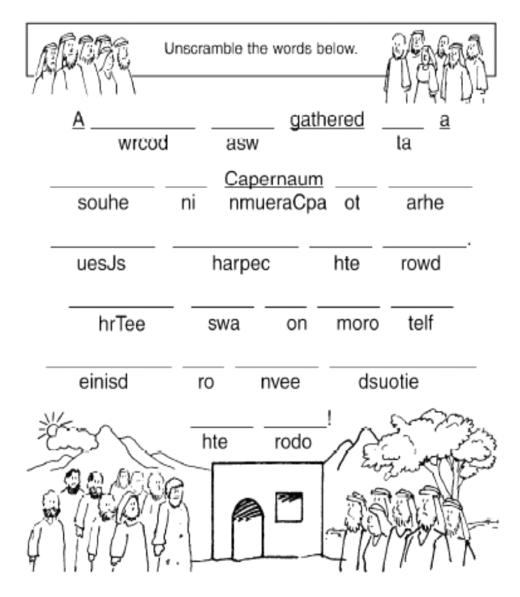
Sunday, July 9Sixth Sunday after PentecostReadings: Rom. 12:6-14; Mt. 9:1-89:10 A.M. Third Hour;9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ **Patricia Della Ragione, given by Luigi & family.** Supplications will be offered for+ **Yuriy Hordynskyj, given by Marta Shchur.** 

- Saturday, July 15St. Vladimir the GreatReadings: 1 Cor. 10:18; Mt. 14:14-226:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, July 16Sunday of the Fathers of Sixth Ecumenical Council<br/>Readings: 1 Cor. 10:18; Mt. 14:14-229:10 A.M. Third Hour;<br/>9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Patricia Della Ragione, given by Luigi & family. Supplications will be offered for+ Olexandra Natalochna, given by Natalia Petrylo.

The Man Who Could Not Walk





#### POSTAL SURCHARGE

A little boy was upset with his parents' financial situation, so he decided to write God a letter.

Dear God,

My mommy and daddy need \$500 for bills and I don't know who else to ask. Could You please help?

Johnny

The letter was received by the local post office and put in the "dead" letters pile. The clerk, being

curious of the letter addressed to God, opened to see what it said. As you can imagine, he was touched by the letter and decided to help. He asked all his fellow workers to 'chip-in' a few dollars to help a family in need. When all the money was collected, it came to \$300. The clerk sent a money order in an official Post Office envelope with the return address simply, GOD.

Several weeks later the same clerk found another letter addressed to God in the same writing. The letter said...

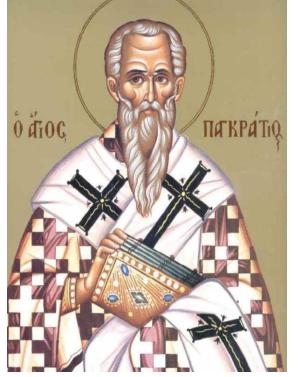
*Dear God, Thank you for the \$300, but next time don't use the Post Office, they have a \$200 service charge.* 

Johnny

#### From the Monastic Fathers...

God is a fire that warms and kindles the heart and inward parts. Hence, if we feel in our hearts the cold which comes from the devil - for the devil is cold - let us call on the Lord. He will come to warm our hearts with perfect love, not only for Him but also for our neighbor, and the cold of him who hates the good will flee before the heat of His countenance.

-St. Seraphim of Sarov



# July 9, 2023

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost. Octoechos Tone 5; Holy Priest-Martyr Pancratius, Bishop of Tauromenia

#### Changeable Parts: Pages 9-10

In the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)

## Announcements:

#### **Our Sympathies**

Our prayers and sympathies are extended to the family and friends of +Lillian Chlibun who was buried from our Holy Church on Monday, July 3, 2023. *May the Lord commit her soul to the place where the just repose and may her memory be eternal- Вічная Память!* 

#### <u>Email list</u>

If you would like to receive a weekly bulletin by e-mail please use a sign-up sheet in the church vestibule. We have parishioners who will be able to send it regularly. Thank you.

**Now Leasing:** Efficiency and 1 Bedroom Apartments. Senior Housing. 62+Income Based. Call Char Rumsky at 412-766-8802 for more information. Immediate openings for newly remodeled units.

#### **Blessing of Vehicles**

We will have on Sunday, July 23, 2023 at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy the Blessing of vehicles (cars, bicycles, etc.). First, we will have the Blessing in the front of the Church and then in the back (Mexico Street). If your children have brought their bicycles, I ask that you leave them in the Church hall during the Divine Liturgy and afterwards bring them to the front of the Church.

#### 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, Thomas Kunsak, Orysia Barshowski, Kathee Shabla, and Rose Shedno.** 

#### **Pyrohy**

Our total income from last week's frozen sale was **\$249.00** Thanks to all our dedicated women and men that come faithfully to be part of this parish activity.

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

The total for Sunday of July 2, 2023 was **\$1915.00 + \$249.00** (Collection: \$1850.00, Loose & other: \$65.00, Pyrohy: \$249.00, Ukraine Aid: \$55.00)

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



But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. - MATTHEW 6:33 NIV

### Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven."

There are two things in this Gospel reading upon which we can meditate. The one is that this man was ill, he was in need; perhaps he was unable either to express his need, or to express the faith that he had in the possibility of healing..., but his friends had faith: faith in Christ, faith in His power to heal, to make whole. And they took this man and brought him to the Lord.



But their faith would not have been sufficient; many were paralyzed, many were sick who did not find friends who

would bring them to the healer. It is not only their faith in Christ; it is also their love to their friend that prompted them to act. And again, it is because this man, in the years when he was whole, was able to call out love, friendship, devotion, faithfulness in their hearts that in the hour of need they came to his rescue.

Here are two lessons for us. The one is that we can bring forth the needs of people: physical, spiritual and other needs; we can bring forth their needs to God if we have faith in His healing power, and our faith can open the gates of salvation for those who perhaps have not enough faith, who might not even be able to say, 'I believe, Lord, help my unbelief' - those who doubt, those who hesitate, those who are uncertain that we can bring them to the Lord. But this is possible only if the person in need has created in us, called out in us love; a love so personal, so faithful that we prove capable of acting. Or pe, if our life in Christ is deep enough that God has seen into our hearts so much of His own compassion, of His own love that we can turn to the unknown, turn to whom we have never heard of, prompted by nothing but by his or her need, and bring him or her to God unto salvation, unto healing.

We must remember both the necessity for us to become capable of love and capable of calling out love around us. And also we must learn to have the daring of faith when we see need around us, and bring it to the Only One who can resolve it...the ONE who can heal. Who can make whole not only bodies, and minds, and souls, but the complex relationship between people. Amen.