



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

**Saturday, Oct. 5**

**St. Charitina, Martyr**

Readings: Gal. 1:11-19; Lk. 7:11-16

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

**Sunday, Oct. 6**

**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

Readings: Gal. 1:11-19; Lk. 7:11-16

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

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

Supplications will be offered for **+Maria Pyptyk (By family)**

Supplications will be offered for **+Maria Perkun (By children)**

**Saturday, Oct. 12**

**The Holy martyr Probus, Tarachus & Andronicus**

Readings: Gal. 2:16-20; Lk. 8:5-15

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

**Sunday, Oct. 13**

**Sunday of the fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council**

Readings: Gal. 2:16-20; Lk. 8:5-15

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

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

Supplications will be offered for **+Patricia Della Ragione (By Luigi & family)**

Health and wellbeing of Annie Williams, by Char Rumsky



1. Cross out all the vowels.

2. Switch the J and the C, and the D and the F.

3. Delete the 5th, 6th, 8th and 9th letters.

4. Add the letter "U" between the J and F.  
Delete the final letter.

5. Delete the 1st letter and switch the D and F.

6. Change the "F" to an "E", the "C" to an "A", and delete the last letter.

## Two Churches on an Island

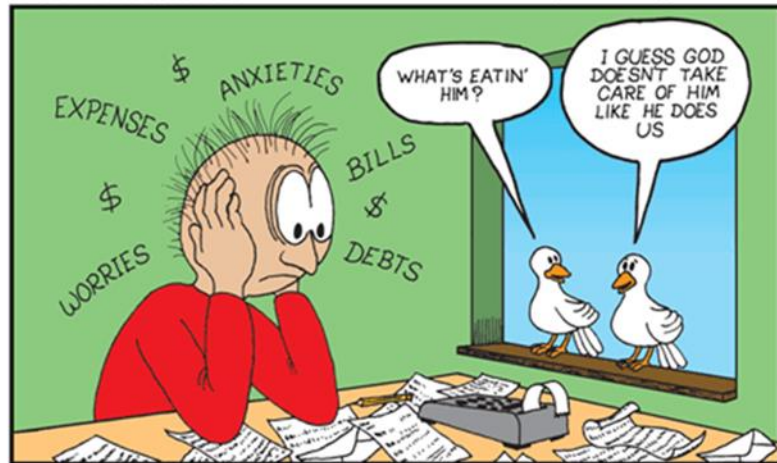
The story is told of a man who was shipwrecked and lived most of his adult life alone on an obscure island on which no other human being had ever set foot. After many years of isolation, a ship came his way and a rescue party was sent ashore.

He welcomed them, of course, then proceeded to show them around. Pointing to a small log cabin, he said, "This is my house. I built it with my own two hands." Then he showed them a second building. "This is my Church," he said. "I built it with my own two hands." Then he showed them a third building, saying, "This is the Church I used to go to..."



### DON'T WORRY

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters

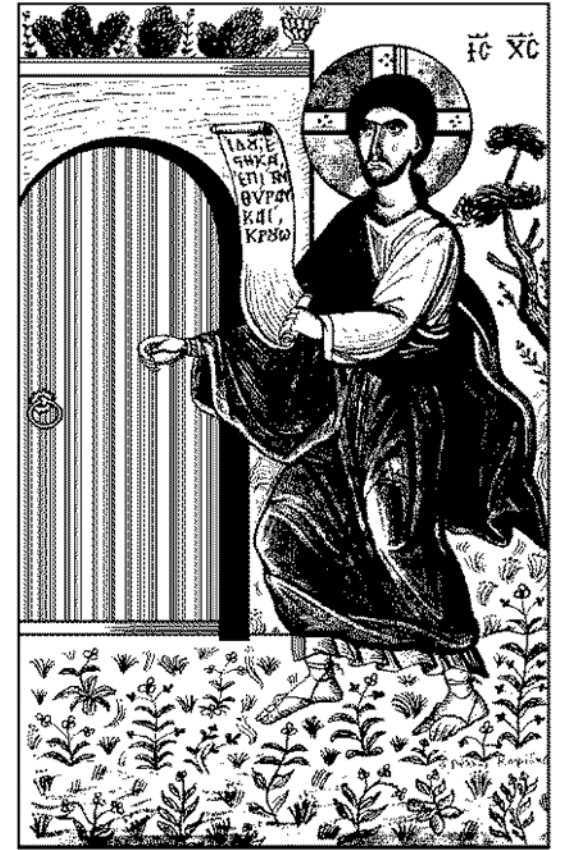


Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?  
- MATTHEW 6:26-27 NIV

## Oct. 6, 2024

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost.  
Octoechos Tone 3.  
✦ The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas.

**Changeable Parts:** See the special insert available in the church vestibule.



## Announcements:

### October: Cancer Awareness

During the upcoming month of October, we will be celebrating, on Thursday evenings, at 6:30 p.m., the Akathist Hymn to the Mother of God "Healer of Cancer." The first Akathist will be served on Thursday, October 24, 2024. Since the month of October is dedicated in our country to National Breast Cancer Awareness, we invite all to this Prayer Service who are in need of the healing touch of the Queen of Heaven. The hymns of this particular Akathist Service will console anyone who is suffering from cancer, or who has loved ones that are ill. Come and bring a friend for this Divine Service that gives strength and hope during a time of suffering and pain.

**Mark your calendar:** The second Adult Religious Class is on October 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Please also mark the other scheduled classes: Nov.14. Special thanks to Mr. Donn Fontana for coordinating this.

**Fall Youth Retreat** is slated for October 12 & 13 at All Saints Camp in Emlenton, PA. Mark your calendar and plan to take advantage of what has proven to be a very enjoyable, as well as rewarding, time. The theme for the retreat is, "Getting to know the Lord through His work". For more information see Michael Spak or see a flier in today's bulletin.

### **Coffee Social**

In the end of every month, after Children's Divine Liturgy, we are planning to have a coffee social. We need sponsors for upcoming coffee socials. If a family or group of individuals wishes to sponsor a coffee social, please let Fr. Igor know.

### **Church School Registration**

Registration forms are now available in the Church vestibule for our St. George's Church School. We ask all our parents to please take & fill out the registration form (one per child). All children, 4-14 years of age, are to be registered for our catechetical program. Remember that it is important that our children receive the proper Eastern Christian Formation. This formation is offered to them here at St. George's. We are blessed with a wonderful catechetical program and instructors. As a Church, let us pray for our children because they are the future of our parish family.

### **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**

Sincere thanks to all our women and men who work so hard on this parish activity. Our total income from last week's sale was **\$381.00** Thank you!

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

The total for Sunday, Sep.29, 2024, was **\$605.00 + \$381.00**

(Collection: \$565.00, Loose & other: \$40.00, Ukraine Aid: \$62.00, Carol Chulack art: \$ 162.00)

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

## *Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*



*As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow...*

The Gospel reading for today about the Widow of Nain is one of the most powerful readings about Christ Our Savior. As He is about to enter a city called Nain, Jesus meets some men carrying the corpse of a young man

who has just died. He is told that he is the only son of a widow. Moved by the widow's grief, Jesus raises the young man from the dead and restores him to his mother. The crowd standing round are terrified, but give glory to God.

We note the great compassion that Christ shows by this and other miracles. Jesus does not need to show by miracles that He is the Messiah and the Son of God (though they do have this effect as well for those who have faith). He performs miracles because He feels sorry for people. The three occasions recorded in the Gospels when Jesus raises someone from the dead certainly show this. He raises the young man at Nain from the dead because of His pity for the widow. He raised Jairus' daughter from the dead because He had compassion on her parents. He raised Lazarus from the dead because He was a very dear friend, and because He felt compassion for his two sisters, Martha and Mary.

We come to the second point. This story when combined with the two other Gospel stories about Jesus raising people from the dead illustrates Jesus' absolute power over death. When he raised Jairus' daughter she had only just died. She was still on her death bed. The son of the widow of Nain had been dead some time and was being carried to the grave. Lazarus had been in the tomb four days, and no doubt his body had already started to decompose. Yet Jesus raised him too! So what does this tell you!

However long a person has been dead Jesus can raise him. That is important for us, because besides physical death there is also spiritual death. In a fallen world we all suffer varying degrees of spiritual death from time to time. Christ Our Savior has granted us eternal life, but none of us, in our sinful state, can experience it consistently. We all suffer periods of spiritual death; some being more spiritually dead than others. But Jesus can save the worst of sinners - anyone who wants to be raised from spiritual death! Amen