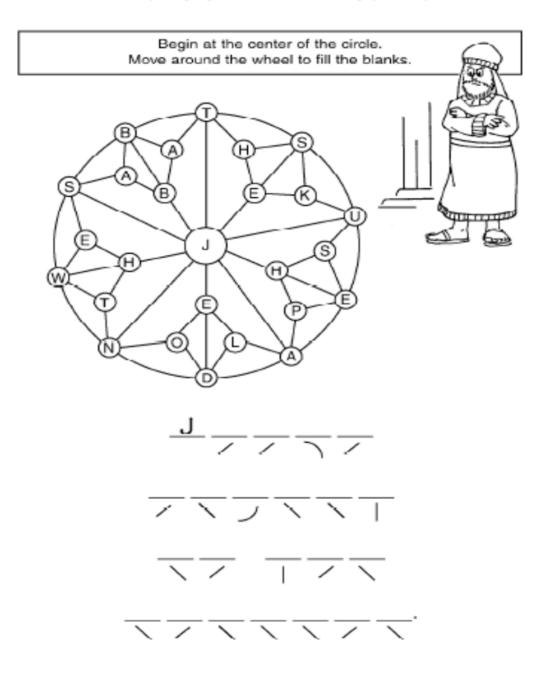


ST.GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

- Saturday, Nov. 23St. Amphilochius and Gregory, Bishops
Readings: Eph. 6:10-17; Lk. 13:10-176:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, Nov. 24Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Readings: Eph. 6:10-17; Lk. 13:10-179:10 A.M. Third Hour;
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy
Supplications will be offered for +Bob Novak (By family)
- Thursday, Nov. 28St. Stephen, Venerable Martyr/Thanksgiving Day
Readings: 2 Tim. 4.9-22; Lk. 20:1-810:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy
God's blessing on all parishioners (By Fr. Ihor)
- Saturday, Nov. 30St. Andrew, Apostle
Readings: Col. 1:12-18; Lk. 18:18-27
6:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, Dec. 1Twenty-eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Readings: Col. 1:12-18; Lk. 18:18-27
9:10 A.M. Third Hour;
9:30 A.M. Divine LiturgySupplications will be offered for+Petro Hodowanec (By Oleh & Motria)
10th anniversary of the passing into eternal life

The synagogue ruler was angry! Why?



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 <u>https://stjosaphateparchy.com</u> 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!



November 24, 2024

Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Great Holy Martyrs Catherine and Mercurius

<u>Changeable Parts</u> See the special insert available in the church vestibule.

As did our ancestors in by-gone years, so now we too offer You, O Lord, praise and thanksgiving for all Your bounties. You have blessed our land beyond measure. You have filled our homes with the bounties of the earth. You give us peace and joy. For everything we praise and glorify Your Holy Name.

Wishing you all a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving Day!

Fr. Ihor and Family

Announcements:

Today Children's Liturgy

On the last Sunday of each month, we will have a Children's Liturgy. Children will read the Epistle and collect your offerings. The Homily will be directed to the children, but will contain a message for all. Thank you for bring your children to this special liturgy.

Christmas Fast Project

As a parish family we have a wonderful tradition of reaching out to those who are needed most during the penitential season. This year, as we continue our journey of the Christmas Fast, we will begin with our parish project during which we will reach out and help Ukrainian Soldiers to survive this winter. I received a request from the military chaplain Fr. Oleh Zabolotnyj for a power generator. Total goal is \$1,500. Please, donate as much as you can. Thank you.

Mark your calendar for St. Nicholas Visit - December 8, 2024

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

As you know in the past, we cancel our Pyrohy Festival instead we decided 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 **\$868.00** Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers for their hard work. Thank you.

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of November 17, 2024 was **\$2,568.00** (Collection: \$570.00, Loose & other: \$43.00, Reimb: \$455.00, Aid for Ukraine: \$1,500, by Anonymous) Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church!





May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you. Then the land will yield its harvest, and God, our God, will bless us. - Psalm 67:5&6 More than three hundred years ago, a small number of grateful Pilgrims gathered in prayerful tribute to God for an abundant first harvest. This launched a meaningful custom which is one of our most cherished holidays, Thanksgiving Day.

On Thursday, November 28th, we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day. It is an appropriate time for us to reflect on our blessings. It is a day to express our gratitude to Almighty God for His

abundant gifts. He is the source of all blessings, as we pray in the Ambo prayer of the Divine Liturgy: *"For every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from You, the Father of Lights."*

There is no true prayer without thanksgiving. God expects gratitude. Thanksgiving forces us to take stock of our situations. The blessing we are able to count forces us to conclude we are much better off than we thought we were. Someone once said, "No man is in true health who cannot stand in the free air of heaven, with his feet on God's free turf, and thank his Creator for the simple luxury of physical existence."

Today we take good things too much for granted. In the hot dry desert when the sun beats down unmercifully, we treasure water more than gold. After being without food for a few days, we know the importance of food. When our pockets are empty, we realize the value of money. When we are ill, we finally acknowledge the wonders of health. We can go on and on to enumerate how we take so many things for granted and it is only when we are deprived of them that we really begin to appreciate them. We do have reason to be thankful, don't we?

Oh, God, when I have food help me to remember the hungry. When I have work, help me to remember the jobless. When I have a warm home help me to remember the homeless. When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer; and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency and stir up my compassion. Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted.

Thanksgiving Day