



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, May 11

Cyril and Methodius Apostles of the Slavs
 Readings: Acts. 20:16-18 & 28-38; Jn. 17:1-13
6:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, June 12

Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council/Mother's Day
 Readings: Acts. 20:16-18 & 28-38; Jn. 17:1-13
9:10 A.M. Third Hour;
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ **Kathryn Kaltreider, 2nd anniversary of passing to eternal life, given by mother, Anna and family.**
 Supplications will be offered for+ **Yuriy Hordynskyj, given by mother, Marta.**

Thursday, May 16

St. Theodore, Venerable
 Readings: Acts. 25:13-19; Jn. 16:23-33
6:30 P.M. Sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism)

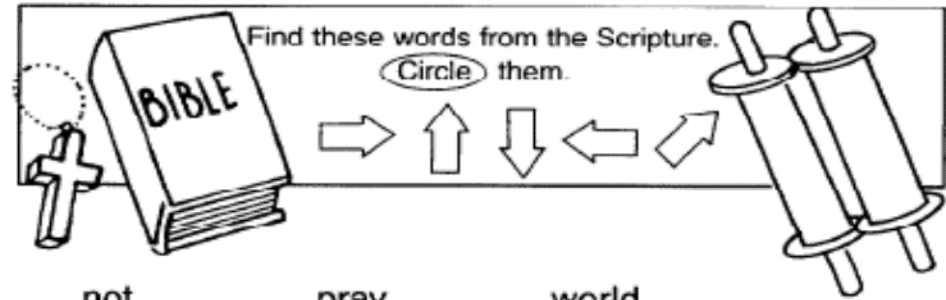
Saturday, May 18

5th All Souls Saturday
 Readings: Acts. 28:1-31; Jn. 21:15-25
6:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy
 For all deceased parishioners

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost Sunday
 Readings: Acts. 2:1-11; Jn. 7:37-52 & 8:12
9:10 A.M. Third Hour;
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

God's blessing upon Fr. Igor Hohosha on his birthday, by parishioners



not	pray	world	
now	mine	yours	
joy	name	glory	everything
one	safe	truth	accepted
all	kept	power	believed
word	remain	protect	sanctify



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Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Nicea I

At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."

The Divine Liturgy is the celebration of the Eucharist that is, the consecrated Body and Blood of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is a time when we rejoice with the angels and glorify God with the Angel hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy are You of God . . ." It is the time when we gather with fellow Christians in apostolic tradition and transcend the limitations of this life and experience a foretaste of the Kingdom of God through the Eucharist.

Centuries ago, 325A.D. to be exact, the First Ecumenical Council comprised of the Holy and God-bearing Fathers

gathered together as keepers of apostolic traditions in Nicea to set forth the dogma (accepted and unchanging truth of the Church) of the Holy Trinity. In so doing, they cast down the blasphemy of Arius, censured Macedonius, the enemy of the Holy Spirit, and condemned Nestorius, Eutyches, Dioscorus, Sabellius, and Severus.

Why do we commemorate the Fathers of the First Council today? We are now three days after the Feast of the Ascension and seven days before Pentecost. These Feasts prove the Divinity of Christ. That is why today we have read from St John's Gospel where Our Lord speaks of His Father, He speaks as His Son, Whom the Father has sent, saying that He came out from the Father and that all things that are the Father's are also the Son's. These Gospel words prove the Divinity of the Son. It is these very words of Our Lord faithfully recorded in the Gospel that inspired the Fathers of the First Universal Council.

Today, we call these events of the First Council to mind and pray that our lives may be preserved blameless in faith and that we, following their divine doctrines and believing with assurance, may worship, in One Godhead, the Father, Son, and All-holy Spirit, the Trinity one in essence. Amen.



May 12, 2024

Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Our Holy father Epiphanius, Bishop of Cyprus (403), and Germanus, Patriarch of Constantinople (733)

Festal Tone

Changeable Part: Pages 30-32

*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts
(Small white book)*

Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!

O Lord, our God, look down with merciful eyes upon our humble and earnest petition which we fervently offer to You today on behalf of all of our mothers. Shower Your heavenly graces upon them. Grant that they may always behold the joy of their children and their children's children. Fill them with that same maternal love that our most holy Lady, the God-bearer, and ever-Virgin Mary showed to Your Only-Begotten Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. And, grant that all of our mothers may ever be sustained in the image of our heavenly mother, the Most Pure Virgin Mary. We pray to You, O heavenly Master, on this special day, honoring our mothers to graciously hear us and have mercy on them.



Our Parish Family wishes special blessings upon all our mothers, grandmothers, god-mothers and spiritual mothers on this Mother's Day. Grant them, O Lord, many happy and blessed years! Многая Літа! Христос Воскрес!

Announcements:

Today: Sunday of the Holy Fathers of Nicea I

The Sunday following the Ascension of Our Lord is dedicated in our Holy Church to the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council that was held in the year 325 A.D. in Nicea, a city of Bithynia. It was during this Church Council that 318 Bishops gathered and drew up a written summary of our Holy Faith, which is known to us today as the “Creed”. On this Sunday let us reaffirm our faith that Christ is God and through his Body, the Church, He opens up to us the path to God, the path to holiness, the path to perfection.

Mark your calendar: The next Adult Religious Class is on June 16, 2024 (**Attention:** The class on May 15 is postponed), at 6:30 p.m. Please mark other scheduled classes as July 18, 2024. Special thank you to Don Fontana for coordinating these classes and parishioners for attending.

5th All Souls Saturday

On Saturday, May 18, we will have the final All Souls Saturday for this year. Divine Liturgy with the commemoration of all our departed loved ones will take place at 6:00 p.m. at St. John’s parish, McKees Rocks. Please, come to prayerfully remember your departed family members and loved ones as we prepare to celebrate Pentecost, the Descent of the Holy Spirit.

Next Sunday: Pentecost

Next Sunday, May 19th is in our Holy Church Pentecost Sunday – the Feast of the Descent of the Holy Spirit. We will celebrate how the Holy Spirit that Christ had promised came upon his disciples on the day of Pentecost and how the disciples received “the power from on high.” This moment has traditionally been called the birthday of the Church. As part of this celebration, we will have the Kneeling Prayers which are prescribed for this day followed by Festal Anointing-Mirovanya.

Blessing of Graves

This year the Blessing of Graves will take place on two different occasions. The first blessing will take place at Union Dale Cemetery on Pentecost Monday (Memorial Day), May 27th, at 10:00 a.m. The second blessing will take immediately at Highwood Cemetery (around 10:40 a.m.). Graves in other cemeteries will be blessed upon request and appointment. Make sure to come and to be part of these Memorial Services as we pray and honor our departed loved ones.



Scholarship

Again this year the Education Board of St. George’s is happy to announce that students who are attending or are planning to attend Duquesne University should be aware of the availability of the Estina Franzak Perpetual Scholarship Fund. The Fund is intended to benefit students of Ukrainian ethnicity in their studies at Duquesne University. The amount of scholarship varies. Scholarships are awarded on an academic year basis. Recipients from prior years will be considered for renewal of awards provided that they demonstrate satisfactory academic progress.

For additional details please see Fr. Igor or Olha Perkun. Applications must be submitted to the Education Board of St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church by June 1, 2024

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of May 5, 2024 was **\$1,453.00 + \$630.00**
(Collection: \$1425.00, Loose & candles: \$28.00, Pyrohy: \$630.00)

** May Our Risen Lord bless you and reward you for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church: **Xpucmoc Bockpec! Christ is Risen!***



Please remember the Ukrainian Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma and your parish of St. George in your will.



You Don’t Know My Mother

A teacher asked a boy this question: “Suppose your mother baked a pie and there were seven of you - your parents and five children. What part of the pie would you get?”

“A sixth,” replied the boy.

“I’m afraid you don’t know your fractions,” said the teacher. “Remember, there are seven of you.”

“Yes, teacher,” said the boy, “but you don’t know my mother. Mother would say she didn’t want any pie.”