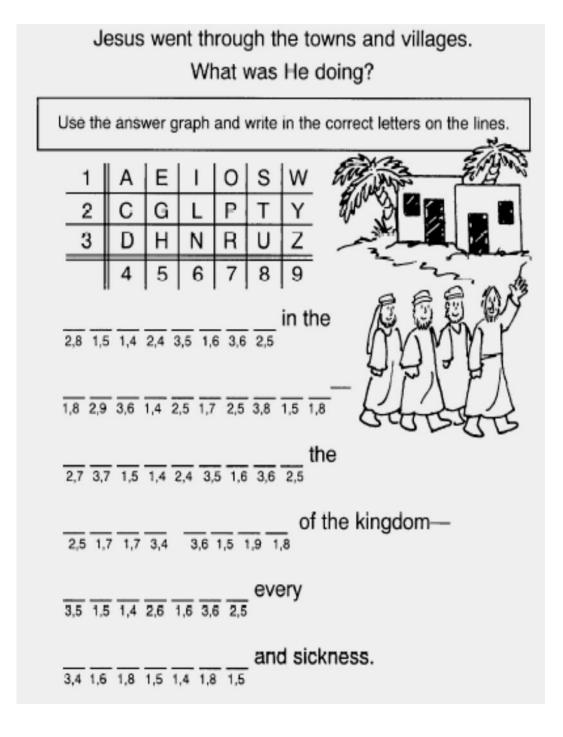


ST.GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

- Saturday, July 13Synaxis of the Archangel GabrielReadings: 1 Cor. 10:18; Mt. 14:14-226:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, July 14Sunday of the Fathers of Sixth Ecumenical Council
Readings: 1 Cor. 10:18; Mt. 14:14-229:10 A.M. Third Hour;
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy
Supplications will be offered for+ Eva Salo, given by Andy Salo.
Supplications will be offered for+ Maria Pyptyk, given by Family
- Thursday, July 18St. Hyacinth and Emilian, Martyrs
Readings: 1 Cor. 12:12-26; Mt. 18:18-22
6:30P.M. Pastor's Advisory Council Meeting
- Saturday, July 20The Holy and Glorious Prophet Elijah
Readings: 1 Cor. 3:9-17; Mt. 14:22-346:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)
- Sunday, July 21Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Readings: 1 Cor. 3:9-17; Mt. 14:22-349:10 A.M. Third Hour;
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy
Supplications will be offered for+ Rose M. Drahusz, given by LUC





Synaxis of the Holy Archangel Gabriel

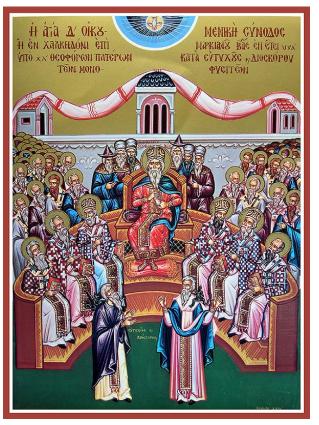
July 13

It is believed that the Synaxis (Assembly) of the Archangel Gabriel was transferred to this day from March 26th (day after the Annunciation) so that it could be celebrated more festively than in the period of the Great Fast; and, in fact, all the miracles of the Archangel are celebrated on this feast day, which has been listed here in the Church books since the ninth century. It is believed that this celebration was first established on Mt. Athos in the ninth century, during the reign of Emperor Basil and the Empress Constantina Porphyrogenitus and Patriarch Nicholas Chrysoverges, on the occasion of the appearance of the Archangel

Gabriel in a cell near Karyes where he wrote on a stone tablet with his finger, the hymn to the Birth-giver of God, "It is truly right". As a result of this, even today, this cell is called the cell of "It is truly right-Axion Estin."

In connection with this, other appearances of the Archangel Gabriel are also commemorated: the appearance to Moses while he was tending the flock of Jethro and, at which time, he related to this great one called of God, how the world was created and all the rest which Moses recorded in his Book of Creation (Genesis); his appearance to the Prophet Daniel and revealing to him the mystery of future kingdoms and of the coming of the Savior; his appearance to St. Ann and the promise that she will give birth to a daughter, the All-blessed and All-pure Holy Virgin Mary; the very brief appearance to the Holy Virgin while she lived in the Temple in Jerusalem; the appearance to Zacharias the High Priest and the tidings concerning the birth of John the Forerunner and the severe punishment of Zacharias with dumbness because he did not believe his words; again, the appearance to the Holy Virgin in Nazareth and informing her of the good news of the conception and the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ; the appearance to the Lord Himself in the Garden of Gethsemane when he strengthened our Lord as a man prior to His passion; the appearance to the myrrh-bearing women and so forth.

O Commanders of the Heavenly Host, we the unworthy beseech you, that through your entreaties you will fortify us, guarding us in the shelter of the wings of your ethereal glory, even as we fervently bow before you crying: "Deliver us from all danger, as Commanders of the Powers on high! "



July 14, 2013

Eigth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday of the fathers of Six Ecumenical Council

The Holy Apostle Aquila

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

Announcements:

Next Sunday: Prophet Elijah

Next Saturday, July 20th, we will commemorate the holy prophet Elijah and we will have the blessing of all vehicles on that day (cars, bicycles, etc.). This blessing takes place in our Holy Church to commemorate the taking up to Heaven in a Fiery Chariot of the glorious prophet Elijah. We will have the blessing of all vehicles on <u>Sunday July 21, 2024</u> following the Divine Liturgy in front of our Church.

The Blessing of all vehicles will take place first in the front of the Church and then in the back. As the children bring their bicycles, they can leave them in the Church Hall during the Divine Liturgy and afterwards bring them to the front of the Church.

Tuesday: PAC Meeting

On Thursday evening, July 18th, the meeting of the Parish Advisory Council will take place in the Church Hall at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is open to all parishioners. I ask all members of the PAC to please be present for this meeting.

Cleaner Needed

Sheptytsky Arms is looking for a cleaner to work 3 hours per week cleaning common areas of the building. The candidate must have insurance. The position offers excellent pay and flexible days and hours. Extra cleaning and cleaning of vacant units will result in additional compensation.

One Bedroom Apt.

St. George Close will have a one-bedroom unit available for occupancy on September 1, 2024. Contact Char for more information at 412-766-8802.

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of July 7, 2024 was \$1783.00 (Collection: \$1393.00, Loose & other: \$53.25)

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



The roof of any house stands upon the foundations and the rest of the structure. The foundations themselves are laid in order to carry the roof. This is both useful and necessary, for the roof cannot stand without the foundations and the foundations are absolutely useless without the roof - no help to any living creature. In the same way the grace of God is preserved by the practice of the commandments, and the observance of these commandments is laid down like foundations through the gift of God. The grace of the Spirit cannot remain with us without the practice of the commandments, but the practice of the commandments is of no help or advantage to us without the grace of God.

St. Symeon the New Theologian



Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils

During the month of July (from 13-19), our Holy Church honors all the Holy Fathers that participated in the first six Ecumenical Councils. Why this special commemoration? These Holy Fathers of the Ecumenical Councils are honored by the Church because, based upon the preaching of the Apostles, they have established one faith for the Church. We must remember that these Holy Fathers (bishops, priests, monks) were guided by the grace of the Holy Spirit. Also we must be reminded that the Ecumenical Councils are the highest canonical and dogmpatic authority in the Church.



In decisive moments of Church history, the Holy Ecumenical Councils promulgated their dogmatic definitions, as

trustworthy delimitations in the spiritual battle for the purity of true faith, which will last until such time, as "all shall come into the unity of faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God" (Eph. 4: 13). In the struggle with new heresies, the Church does not abandon its former dogmatic concepts nor replace them with some sort of new formulations. The dogmatic formulae of the Holy Ecumenical Councils need never be superseded, they remain always contemporary to the living Tradition of the Church.

Therefore the Church proclaims: "The faith of all in the Church of God hath been glorified by men, which were luminaries in the world, cleaving to the Word of Life, so that it be observed firmly, and that it dwell unshakably until the end of the ages, conjointly with their God-bestown writings and dogmas. We reject and we anathematize all whom they have rejected and anathematized, as being enemies of Truth. And if anyone does not cleave to nor admit the aforementioned pious dogmas, and does not teach or preach accordingly, let him be anathema (denounced-accursed)" (Canon I of the Council of Trullo).

New historical conditions can lead to the change of some particular external aspect of the life of the Church. This makes creative canonical activity necessary in the conciliar reasoning of the Church, in order to reconcile the external norms of Church life with historical circumstances. On this Sunday we honor the Holy Fathers of these Ecumencial Councils who through their struggle and effort the Church was strengthened into one faith.