

ST.GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and Other Bodiless Powers of Heaven

Readings: Gal. 2: 16-20; Lk. 8:26-39

4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Nov. 9 Twenty second Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Gal. 1: 11-19; Lk. 16:19-31

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for +Maria & Basil Szczypczyk (By Anna Kuncik)
Supplications will be offered for +Msgr. Michael Rewtiuk (By Mary Zaliszczuk)

Saturday, Nov. 15 The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew

Readings: Gal. 2: 16-20; Lk. 8:26-39

4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Nov. 16 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Gal. 1: 11-19; Lk. 16:19-31

Beginning of the 9:10 A.M. Third Hour; Philip's Fast-Advent 9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for +Patricia Della Ragione

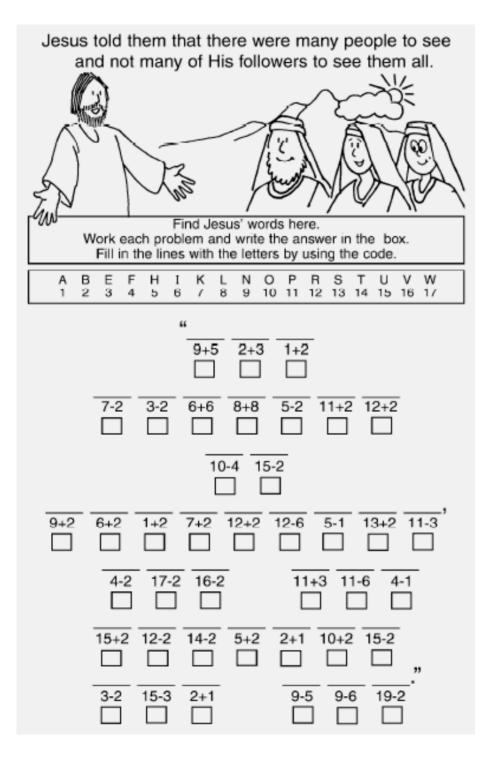
(By Luigi & family)

Supplications will be offered for+Olha Siweckyj

(By Mary Siweckyj)

Eternal light Candle offering for November 9, 2025

Blessed memory of +Bohdan Matush, requested by daughter, Inna Hohosha



Guardian Angels

(Article by Brent Kostyniuk, Source: Royal Doors)



Prayer to Your Guardian Angel: Angel of God, My guardian dear. By whom God's love entrust me here. Ever this day Be at my side, To light and guard, To rule and guide.

I do not remember a time when I did not know this prayer. Presumably either my mother or father taught it to me at a very young age, when I would kneel beside my little cot and say a nightly prayer. On the wall above my bed was a picture of a very little boy and his dog, both kneeling by their bed. Although I did not have a dog, I felt a link with the boy and that like him, my guardian angel was listening to my prayer.

Our belief in guardian angels comes from many scriptural sources, including the word of our Lord Jesus, and has been confirmed over the centuries by Church Fathers and other theologians. St. Jerome tells us that each person is

assigned a guardian angel at the moment of their conception (Matthew 18:10). St. Anselm was an Italian Benedictine monk, philosopher, and theologian, who also served as Archbishop of Canterbury in England from 1093 to 1109. He reinforces the notion that we are linked to our guardian angel at conception: "...every soul is committed to an angel at the moment when it is united with a body." Additionally, St. Augustine (354-430) tells us that guardian angels not only protect us but also move us to the good. "It is moreover manifest that human knowledge and affection can vary and fail from good in many ways; so, it was necessary that angels should be deputed for the guardianship of men, in order to regulate them and move them to good." (Augustine Questions)

The importance of our guardian angel is emphasized during the Divine Liturgy in the Litany of Supplication. This takes place after the Consecration, meaning that Jesus is on the altar, ready to hear our most important petitions. The need for a guardian angel is the third of these requests.

Deacon: Help and save us, have mercy and protect us, O God, by Your grace. All: Lord, have mercy. Deacon: That this whole day may be perfect, holy, peaceful and sinless, let us ask the Lord. All: Grant this, O Lord. Deacon: For an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask the Lord. All: Grant this, O Lord.

While we do not physically see or hear our guardian angel, there are numerous accounts of their presence and intercession in our lives. St. Pope John XXIII was asked what he would do if there was a person with whom he could not get along. The pontiff replied that he would ask his guardian angel to speak to that person's guardian angel with the intention of having the two men become amiable.

One day, a man was walking along a busy city street, approaching a hidden alleyway. At that point, a force made him inexplicably stop. A truck crossed his path without stopping, a mere couple of feet in front of him. Guardian angels not only protect us spiritually, but they can also keep us from physical harm.

Finally, St. Augustine, also thinking of Matthew 18:10, explains our guardian angel's role in obtaining our ultimate goal of the beatific vision of God. "As, then, they see, so shall we also see; but not yet do we thus see. Wherefore the apostle uses the words cited a little ago, now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face. This vision is reserved as the reward for our faith. Guardian angels are a precious gift from God. They are our unique friend for eternity.



November 9, 2025

22nd Sunday after Pentecost,

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The Holy Martyrs
Onisiphorus and
Porphyry (456-474)
Our Venerable Mother
Matrona (456-74)

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

Announcements:

Coffee Social

Our next coffee social will be on November 30th following Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in sponsoring the November social, please let Father know.

Mark your calendar:

We are planning to restart Adult religious Classes. The second Adult Religious Class is on November 13, 2025. Special thank you to Don Fontana for coordinating these classes and parishioners for attending.

<u>PARISHIONERS' PRAYER LIST</u> - Our parish's listing for people IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS who might be suffering illnesses — especially, but not only, if they are unable to attend church services because they are shut-in either at home, or in hospitals and nursing homes. The names we have received are: Barbara Fedora, Thomas Kunsak, Kathee Shabla, Dorothy Waslo and Msgr. George Appleyard (The Willows, 1215 Hulton Rd, Oakmont, PA 15139).

Help Us Share the Taste of St. George!

Pyrohy Sales — We are proud to continue the tradition of St. George pyrohy, which play a key role in supporting our church and is our major fundraiser. With the dedication of our amazing volunteers and what we proudly call *the best pyrohy in the 'burg*, we're looking for new opportunities to share them with the community. If you know of an organization, festival, or upcoming event that might enjoy partnering with us — whether by inviting us to sell pyrohy onsite or purchasing pyrohy to sell themselves — please reach out to Patti Barr, Debbie Label, or Vicki Senko. They will be glad to connect and make arrangements. Together we can spread the word (and the flavor!) while supporting St. George.

Nut Rolls

Treat yourself (or a friend!) to our delicious, homemade nut rolls available now for just \$12 each. Supplies are limited, so don't miss out on this chance to enjoy a sweet treat while supporting St. George. It's a win/win.

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of November 2, 2025, was \$1,735.00 + \$552.00 (Collection: \$1,435.00, Loose & candles: \$50.00, Pyrohy: \$552.00, Online Donation: \$250.00)

Sincere thanks to all of you for your kindness and generosity!



November Birthdays!

Jeff Chulack	11/1	Anna Merritt	11/24
Andrew Fontana	11/1	Kendall McElrath	11/29
Kathy Novak	11/3		

Wishing all a happy, healthy and blessed birthday!



RaiseRight Gift Card Program -Gift cards with a purpose!

We are excited to announce that our RaiseRight Program is officially open. Each gift card purchased helps support our parish. Please share this information with family and friends!



Purchase gift cards for groceries, gas, dining, retail, and more—shop your favorite brands while giving back. St. George earns a percentage of each gift card purchased. There are over 750 brands available and it is a great way to give back without spending extra money.

The St. George code to enroll and start earning is: M2MGCVH7NH2P. Sign up at www.raiseright.com/shop or download the RaiseRight app.

Need help or have questions? Please see Vicki Senko before or after liturgy. She will be happy to help you set up your account.

