



## ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, May 2

**The Repose of our Venerable Father Theodosius**

Readings: Acts. 11:19-26 & 29-30; Jn. 4:5-42

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

Sunday, May 3

**Sunday of the Samaritan Women**

Readings: Acts. 11:19-26 & 29-30; Jn. 4:5-42

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

Supplications will be offered for+ **Michael & Anna Chersnowsky,**  
**given by Magdalena Chersnowsky.**

Supplications will be offered for+ **Michael Senko, by Pyptyk sisters**

Saturday, May 9

**The Holy Apostle Simon the Zealot**

Readings: Acts. 16:16-34; Jn. 9:1-38

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

Sunday, May 10

**Sunday of the man born blind/ Mother's day**

Readings: Acts. 16:16-34; Jn. 9:1-38

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

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

Supplications will be offered for+ **Michael Senko, by Patty & Dave Barr.**

Supplications will be offered for+ **Patricia Della Ragione, given by Luigi & family.**

### Eternal Candle:

Blessed Memory of +Maria and Philip Perkun requested by Olga Perkun.



Then, the woman went back to the town. What did she tell the people?

Use the code to find out.

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**Sunday of the Samaritan Women (continue)**

That is the well the Samaritan woman in today’s gospel found. She intended to go to the same old well she had gone to for years, the well that her ancestors and their flocks drank from. Today is different. Jesus holds before her two realities of her life; the reality of what is and the reality of what might be. He brings her past to the light of the noon day. “You have had five husbands,” he says, “and the one you have now is not your husband.” It is not a statement of condemnation but simply a statement of what is. He tells her everything she has ever done. She has been found out.

But it doesn’t end there. Jesus is more interested in her future than her past. He wants to satisfy her thirst more than judge her history. Jesus knows her. He looks beyond her past and sees a woman dying of thirst;



**MOTHER’S DAY**

*Please light a candle in honor/memory of the following*

_____	Living	Deceased
_____	Living	Deceased
_____	Living	Deceased

*Given By:*

\_\_\_\_\_

*Please print each name and circle the correct notation. Red candles will be used for the Living, White for the deceased. Donation for each candle is \$3.00.*

**\* DEADLINE TO ORDER THESE CANDLES: THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2026\***



**May 3, 2026**

Fifth Sunday of Pascha –  
Sunday of the Samaritan  
Woman

Rest of our Venerable  
Father Theodosius,  
Hegumen of the  
Monastery of the Caves  
at Kyiv (1074)

Festal Tone

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

**Announcement:**

**Today: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman**

We celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Pascha which deals with the woman of Samaria with whom Christ spoke at Jacob’s Well. As we hear in the Gospel Reading for this Sunday (John 4:5-42), again the theme is the “living water” and the recognition of Jesus as God’s Messiah. We are reminded today of our New Life in Him, of our own drinking of the “living water”, of our own true worship of God in the Christian messianic age “in Spirit and in Truth”. We see as well that salvation is offered to ALL: Jews and Gentiles, men and women, saints and sinners.

**Coffee Social:**

We had another successful coffee social. Thanks to Helen and Irene Pyptyk for sponsoring the April coffee social with help from Anna Kuncik, Martha Lubynsky and Mary Siweckyj.

**Pyrohy Project:**

Our pyrohy project has returned to full production. Production begins at 9 am. If you have some time to spare to support this important fundraiser for St. George, we would love to have you join us.

## 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, 2026

## Happy May Birthdays!

Jim Kaltreider	May 2	Mary Siweckyj	May 18
Irene Pyptyk	May 3	Fr Ihor	May 19
Ember Hilldebrand	May 6	Dottie Spikula	May 19
Nicholas Hohosha	May 7	Darrell Chulack	May 27

## Wishing happy, healthy and blessed years to all!

### RaiseRight – Gift Cards with a Purpose:

Check out the new selection of gift cards added to RaiseRight. There is also a local dining option that gives back 5% to St. George. See if your favorite restaurants are part of this program. Every gift card purchased helps St. George! You can set up an account easily at: <https://www.raiseright.com/> The St. George code is: M2MGCVH7NH2P. Please see Vicki Senko with any questions.

### PARISHIONERS' PRAYER LIST:

Please make an effort to pray for the following people IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS 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).

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

The total for Sunday of April 26, 2026 was **\$905.00 + \$253.00**

(Collection: \$460.00, loose & candles: \$225.00, pyrohy: \$253.00, in memory of +Michael Senko: \$100.00, by Pyptyk siters, \$100.00, by Patricia Logan)

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



## Sunday of the Samaritan Women

The Samaritan woman at the well has a history. She is a woman with a past, a past that is generally seen as one of promiscuity. The evidence? Five spouses and now living unmarried with a sixth man.

How easily we forget that women of her day had very little choice or control over their own lives. If she is divorced it is because the men divorced her, divorce was exclusively the man's right. Maybe it was a just divorce but often it was not. If she's not divorced, then she has suffered the death of five husbands. Five times left alone, five

times nameless, faceless, and of no value, five times starting over. Maybe some divorced her. Maybe some died. We don't know. Either one, divorce or death, is a tragedy for her life. So let's not be too quick to judge. In her community, she is looked at but not seen. Labeled yet nameless. She remains unknown to everyone. Everyone, that is, except Jesus.

We are all Samaritan women - we all have "a past." Often we fear not so much that others will know the truth, the facts, about us - but that they will do so without ever really seeing us and without ever really knowing us. We all thirst to be seen and to be known at a deep intimate level. We all want to pour our lives out to one who knows us, to let them drink from the depths of our very being. That is exactly what Jesus is asking of this woman with a past when he says, "Give me a drink." It is the invitation to let herself be known. To be known is to be loved and to be loved is to be known. To be found out, however, without being known leaves us dry and desolate. It leaves us to live a dehydrated life thirsting for something more, something different, but always returning to the same old wells.

We all go down to some well. For some, like the Samaritan woman, it is the marriage well. For others it is the well of perfectionism. Some go to the well of hiding and isolation. Others will draw from the well of power and control. Too many will drink from the wells of addiction. Many live at the well of busyness and denial.

We could each name the wells from which we drink. Day after day, month after month, year after year we go to the same well. We arrive hoping our thirst will be quenched. We leave as thirsty as when we arrived only to return the next day. For too long we have drunk from the well that never satisfies, the well that can never satisfy. Husband after husband this is the well to which the Samaritan woman has returned.

There is another well, however. It is the well of Jesus Christ. It is the well that washes us clean of our past. This is the well from which new life and new possibilities spring forth. It is the well that frees us from the patterns and habits that keep us living as thirsty people.