



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Mar. 9

40 Martyrs of Sebaste

Readings: Heb. 11:24-26.32-12:2; Jn. 1: 43-51

4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (Arnold)

6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Mar. 10

First Sunday of the Lent

Readings: Heb. 11:24-26.32-12:2; Jn. 1: 43-51

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ **Michael Pyptyk (40 days), by Pierogie workers**

Wednesday, Mar. 13

Translation of the relics of St. Nicephorus

Readings: Gen. 4:16-26; Prov. 5:15-6:3

Sheptytsky Arms

9:30A.M. Service of the Holy Eucharist (Roman Missal)

7:00 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (St. John's, McKees Rocks)

Thursday, Mar. 14

St. Benedict, Venerable

Readings: Gen. 5:1-24; Prov. 6:3-20

7:00 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (St. George, Pittsburgh)

Saturday, Mar. 16

Second All Souls Saturday

Readings: Heb. 11:24-26.32-12:2; Jn. 1: 43-51

8:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy /Sorokousty

6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, Mar. 17

Second Sunday of the Lent

Readings: Heb. 1:1-2:3; Mk. 2:1-121

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ **Olech & Peter Baran, by David & Orysia Barshowski**

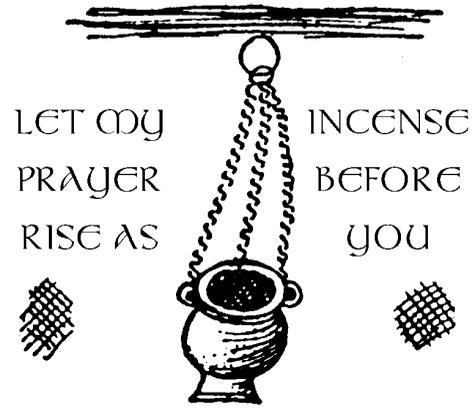
Supplications will be offered for+ **Maria & John Pyptyk, by Pyptyk family**

What did Philip tell his friend?



Write the letter of the alphabet that follows the one given.

" V D G Z U D E N T M C
S G D N M D L N R D R
V Q N S D Z A N T S
H M S G D K Z V Z M C
Z A N T S V G N L S G D
O Q N O G D S R Z K R N
V Q N S D I D R T R
N E M Z Y Z Q D S G
S G D R N M N E
I N R D O G"



We celebrate during the Great Fast-Lent the Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts.

Have you ever experienced it?

As you know from previous homilies and bulletin articles, in the Eastern Church the Eucharistic Divine Liturgy is not celebrated on Lenten weekdays. In order for the faithful to sustain their Lenten effort by

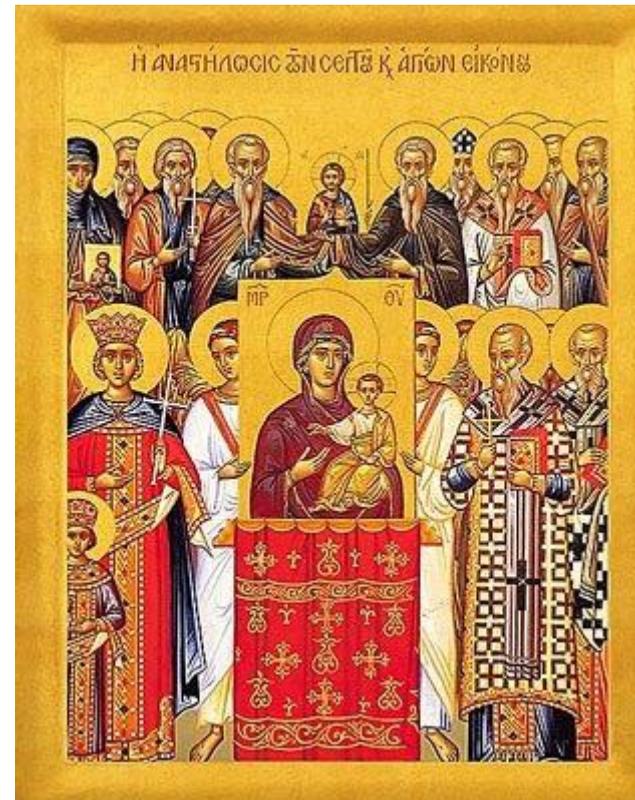
participation in Holy Communion, the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is served. This Divine Service is an ancient one in the Eastern Church. We officially hear about it in the canons of the seventh century, which obviously indicates its development at a much earlier date.

This Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is an evening service. It is the solemn Lenten Vespers with the administration of Holy Communion added to it. There is no consecration of the Eucharistic gifts at this Liturgy. Holy Communion is given from the Eucharistic gifts sanctified on the previous Sunday at the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, unless, of course, the feast of the Annunciation should intervene; hence its name of "Presanctified." The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is served on Wednesday and Friday evenings, although some Churches may celebrate it only on one of these days. It comes in the evening after a day of spiritual preparation and abstinence.

The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is traditionally considered to be the work of the sixth-century pope, Saint Gregory of Rome. It is one of the great masterpieces of piety and Liturgical creativity. It reveals the central Christian doctrine and experience in its form and content; namely that our life must be spent in prayer and fasting in order to be in communion with Christ. Please come and experience this Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts which is one of the most beautiful and meaningful Liturgies in our Holy Church.

On all days of the holy fast of Lent, except on the Sabbath (Saturday), the Lord's Day (Sunday), and the holy day of the Annunciation (March 25), the Liturgy of the Presanctified is to be served.

-From Canon 52 of the Quinisext Council (692 AD)



March 10, 2019

First Sunday of the Great Fast: The Sunday of Orthodoxy, Octoechos Tone 1; The Holy Martyr Codratus and Those with Him (249-51)

Changeable Part: Pages 8-9
in the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)

Announcements:

Today: 1st Sunday of the Great Fast

We celebrate today the First Sunday of the Great Fast which is also called the Sunday of Orthodoxy in commemoration of the victory of orthodoxy-true faith in controversy over Holy Icons in the year 843. As part of this commemoration, the blessing of Icons will take place at the end of the Divine Liturgy. If you have any Icons, Crosses, religious items you would like to have blessed, please place them on the Tetrapod in the center of the Church.

Soup Sale

Again, this year we would like to sell a soup whole Lent. Every week we will have one kind of soup, next week another and so on. We need volunteers which will be able to cook soups. We will have soup sale on Thursdays and Fridays during Pyrohy hours and then on Sundays after Liturgy. You will have the opportunity to purchase Lenten soups: Borsch, Barley, veggie etc. All proceeds go towards the children of St. George's Church School. Make sure to support our children who are the future of our parish family. A sign-up sheet who would like to make a soup for this fundraiser is available in the Church vestibule.

“Talking to Teens about Gender Ideology” by Theresa Farnan, PhD, What is Gender Ideology? What is the Catholic response? Saturday, March 16th 9:30am-2pm here at Holy Trinity. (726 Washington Ave., Carnegie, PA 15106) This event is free, but advance registration is required by March 9. To register, please call: 412-279-4652 or email: holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com

Our Sympathies

Our prayers and sympathies are extended to the family and friends of +Jane Chulack who was buried from our Holy Church on Wednesday, March 6, 2019. *May the Lord commit her soul to the place where the just repose and may her memory be eternal- Вічна Память!*

Flowers for the Cross

On Sunday, March 24th, we will celebrate the Third Sunday of the Great Fast on which we honor the Holy and Life-giving Cross of Our Savior. If you wish to sponsor flowers for the Holy Cross on this upcoming Third Sunday of the Great Fast, you may do so in honor or memory of a loved one. We ask that you use any envelopes that are available in the Church vestibule.

Please, consider a donation for the new mixer!!!!!!

Collection- May God bless you...

The grand total for Sunday of March 3, 2019 was **\$3,997.00**

(Collection: \$1372.00, Loose & candles: \$64.00, Pyrohy: \$558.00, Anonymous: \$2000.00)

Special donation: \$3,000.00 Ukrainian Orphans in memory of Michael (Mihaylo) Pyptyk

Sincere thanks to all of you for your kindness and generosity



PRAYER OF SAINT EPHREM

O Lord and Master of my life, keep from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust of power, and idle chatter. (Prostration)

Instead, grant to me Your servant, the spirit of wholeness of being, humble mindedness, patience, and love. (Prostration)

O Lord and King, grant me the grace to be aware of my sins, and not to judge my brother. For You are holy, now and ever and forever. Amen. (Prostration)

First Sunday of the Great Fast Sunday of Orthodoxy

We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God.

We are keeping today, as every year at the end of the first week of the Great Fast-Lent, the Feast of the Triumph of Orthodoxy. The occasion of this feast was the recognition of the legitimacy of venerating icons. By doing this we proclaim that God - invisible, ineffable, the God whom we cannot comprehend, has truly become man, that God has taken flesh, that He has lived in our midst full of humility, of simplicity, but of glory also. And proclaiming this we venerate the icons not as idols, but as a declaration of the Truth of the Incarnation.

By doing this we must not forget that it is not the icons of wood and of paint, but God who reveals Himself in the world. Each of us was created in the image of God. We are all living icons, and this lays upon us a great responsibility because an icon may be defaced, an icon may be turned into a caricature and into a blasphemy. And we must think of ourselves and ask ourselves: are we worthy; are we capable of being called “icons”, images of God?

As long as we are not capable of being such a vision to those who surround us, we fail in our duty, we do not proclaim this “Triumph of Orthodoxy” through our life, and we give a lie to what we proclaim. And therefore each of us, and all of us collectively, bear every responsibility for the fact that the world meeting Christians by the million is not converted by the vision of God’s presence in their midst, carried indeed in earthen vessels, but glorious, saintly, transfiguring the world.

Therefore, as we continue our Lenten journey let us learn to live according to the Gospel which is the Truth and the Life, not only individually but collectively, and build societies of Christians that are a revelation of it, so that the world looking at us may say: Let us re-shape our institutions, re-shape our relationships, renew all that has gone or remains old and become a new society in which the Law of God, the Life of God can prosper and triumph. Amen.

