



# ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

**Saturday, June 30**

**Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles**

Readings: Acts. 28:1-31; Jn. 21:15-25

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

**Sunday, July 1**

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Readings: Rom. 12:6-14; Mt. 9:1-8

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

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

Supplications will be offered for+ **Eva Hlovchick, given by Kathryn Shabla**

Supplications will be offered for+ **Michael Petrushka, given by Ms. Rose Shedno**

**Wednesday, July 4**

**St. Andrew of Jerusalem/Independence Day**

Readings: 1 Cor. 7:12-24; Mt. 14:35-15:11

**(Sheptytsky Arms)**

**9:30 A. M. Roman Missal**

Rest of Anthony, Antoni, Kateryna Fedyna

**Thursday, July 5**

**St. Athanasius of Mount Athos**

Readings: Gal. 5:22-6:2; Lk. 6:17-23

**(North Side)**

**7:00 P. M. Office of the Holy Oil/Anointing of the sick**

**Saturday, July 7**

**Our venerable Father Thomas of Maleum**

Readings: Acts. 28:1-31; Jn. 21:15-25

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

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

**Sunday, July 8**

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

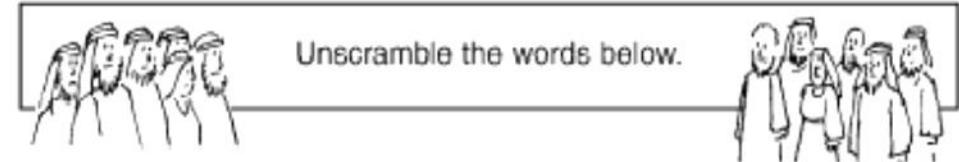
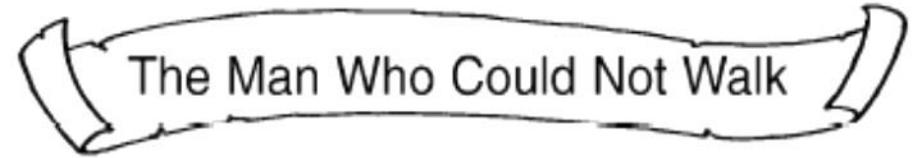
Readings: Rom. 15:1-7; Mt. 9:27-35

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

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

Supplications will be offered for+ **Michael Kozak, given by Alexandra Kozak**

Supplications will be offered for+ **Maria Antoniv, given by Jim & Olga Keiser**



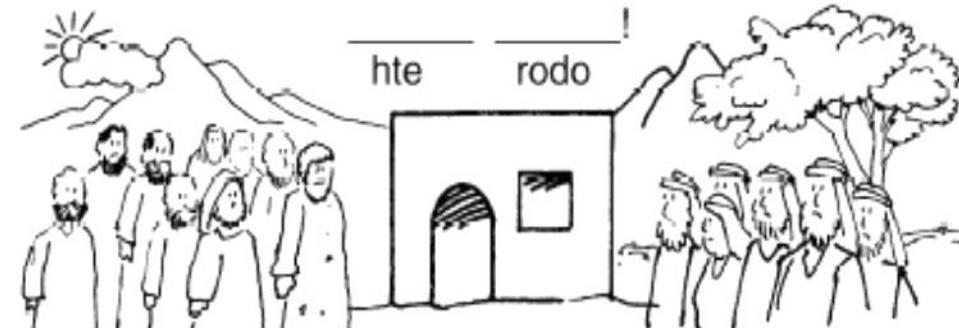
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## POSTAL SURCHARGE



A little boy was upset with his parents' financial situation, so he decided to write God a letter.

*Dear God,*

*My mommy and daddy need \$500 for bills and I don't know who else to ask. Could You please help?*

*Johnny*

The letter was received by the local post office and put in the "dead" letters pile. The clerk, being

curious of the letter addressed to God, opened to see what it said. As you can imagine, he was touched by the letter and decided to help. He asked all his fellow workers to 'chip-in' a few dollars to help a family in need. When all the money was collected, it came to \$300. The clerk sent a money order in an official Post Office envelope with the return address simply, GOD.

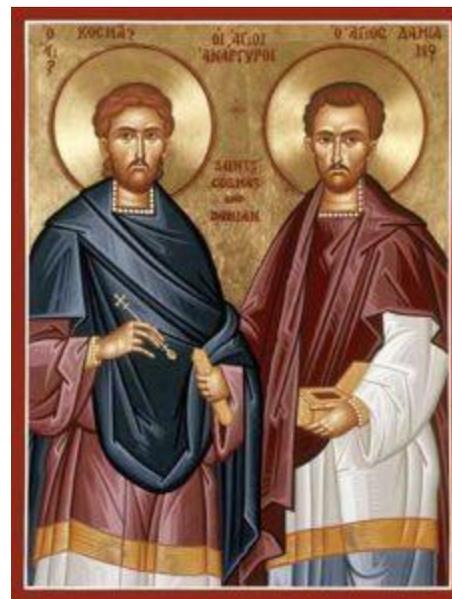
Several weeks later the same clerk found another letter addressed to God in the same writing. The letter said...

*Dear God, Thank you for the \$300, but next time don't use the Post Office, they have a \$200 service charge.*

*Johnny*

### ***From the Monastic Fathers...***

*God is a fire that warms and kindles the heart and inward parts. Hence, if we feel in our hearts the cold which comes from the devil - for the devil is cold - let us call on the Lord. He will come to warm our hearts with perfect love, not only for Him but also for our neighbor, and the cold of him who hates the good will flee before the heat of His countenance.*



**July 1, 2018**

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost,  
Tone 5; the Holy  
Unmercenaries and  
Wonderworkers Cosmas and  
Damian

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*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts*

## **Announcements:**

### **Children's Outing-Sign-up sheet!**

On Saturday, August 18th, we will have this year's children's outing to the Sandcastles Water Park at West Homestead for both parishes, St. George and St. John. We will meet at the Park at 10:00 p.m. We have a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. If you are planning to go, put your name on that sheet along with the number attending. We are accepting donations for this trip. Thank you all for your generosity and support of our St. George's and St. John's children.

### **Scholarship Awardees**

Again this year the Education Board of St. George Ukrainian Catholic Church is happy to announce this year's recipients of the Estina Franzak Scholarship. They are: Anna E. Forrest (St. Teresa of Avila, Pittsburgh); Luke Macios (St. Anne Ukrainian Catholic Church, Warrington, PA); Yaryna Korenowska (Holy Trinity, Carnegie); Thomas Olexovich (St. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Ambridge, PA); John Olexovich (St. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Ambridge, PA); and Irina Lutsiv (Holy Trinity, Carnegie). Sincere thanks, to the members of the Education Board for being part of this important selection process to help students in our communities.

## Blessing of Vehicles

In our Holy Church, it has been a nice tradition to bless vehicles in commemoration of the prophet Elijah who was taken into heaven on a fiery chariot. He is therefore known as the patron saint of vehicles, reminding us that we must struggle to manifest holiness in our lives, especially when we travel. This year the blessing of vehicles (cars, bicycles, etc.) will take place on Saturday & Sunday, July 21st & 22nd, following Divine Liturgy. Just as we have our homes blessed each year, everyone is encouraged to bring their vehicles for this Blessing.

### Prayer List:

Make a point of praying for everyone on the prayer list. If you don't have one, contact the office and we'll send you one. In a special way, at this time, remember the following members of our parish family: **Mary Sahayda, Alice Hooge, Barbara Fedora, Thomas Orr, Patricia Della-Regione, Alice Mcilwane, Meghan Fossaceca, Bryan Madeya, Arlene Grzybowski and Rose Shedno.**

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

The total for Sunday of June 24, 2018 was **\$1,390.00**

(Collection: \$885.00, Loose & candle: \$25.00, Pyrohy: \$480.00)

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



## Happy Independence Day!



*Heavenly Father, on this holiday weekend we give thanks to You for the gift and blessing of the freedom we enjoy in our great nation. We praise You, Lord, for inspiring and guiding our founding fathers as they struggled to build our country and create a new way of living with the goal of freedom and justice for all. We thank You, Lord, for the courageous self-sacrifice and generous spirit of countless people who have given their*

*life's blood in the defense of freedom and for the pursuit of justice. Keep us faithful to the tradition and example we have inherited; may we leave for the next generation a better world, prepared for the dawning of the Kingdom of Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

## **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**



*At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven."*

There are two things in this Gospel reading upon which we can meditate. The one is that this man was ill, he was in need; perhaps he was unable either to express his need, or to express the faith that he had in the possibility of healing..., but his friends had faith: faith in Christ, faith in His power to heal, to make whole. And they took this man and brought him to the Lord.

But their faith would not have been sufficient; many were paralyzed, many were sick who did not find friends who would bring them to the healer. It is not only their faith in Christ; it is also their love to their friend that prompted them to act. And again, it is because this man, in the years when he was whole, was able to call out love, friendship, devotion, faithfulness in their hearts that in the hour of need they came to his rescue.

Here are two lessons for us. The one is that we can bring forth the needs of people: physical, spiritual and other needs; we can bring forth their needs to God if we have faith in His healing power, and our faith can open the gates of salvation for those who perhaps have not enough faith, who might not even be able to say, 'I believe, Lord, help my unbelief' - those who doubt, those who hesitate, those who are uncertain that we can bring them to the Lord. But this is possible only if the person in need has created in us, called out in us love; a love so personal, so faithful that we prove capable of acting. Or perhaps, if our life in Christ is deep enough that God has seen into our hearts so much of His own compassion, of His own love that we can turn to the unknown, turn to whom we have never heard of, prompted by nothing but by his or her need, and bring him or her to God unto salvation, unto healing.

We must remember both the necessity for us to become capable of love and capable of calling out love around us. And also we must learn to have the daring of faith when we see need around us, and bring it to the Only One who can resolve it...the ONE who can heal. Who can make whole not only bodies, and minds, and souls, but the complex relationship between people. Amen.