



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, August 16 *Afterfeast of the Dormition/Translation of the Icon of Our Lord*

9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

With prayers offered for +Philip Perkun, given by wife Maria Perkun

Tuesday, August 17 *Afterfeast of the Dormition/Martyr Myron of Cyzicus*

7:00 P.M. Moleben Service with Holy Anointing

Wednesday, August 18 *Afterfeast of the Dormition/Martyrs Florus and Laurus*

9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

With prayers offered for +Stefan, +Maria, +Stefan & +Jozef Lorinc, given by Michael Lorinc

Thursday, August 19 *Afterfeast of the Dormition/Martyr Andrew Stratelates*

Friday, August 20 *Afterfeast of the Dormition/Prophet Samuel*

Saturday, August 21 *Afterfeast of the Dormition/Apostle Thadeus of the Seventy*

5:00 P.M. Great Vespers

Sunday, August 22 **Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
Afterfeast of the Dormition of the Mother of God

9:40 A.M. Third Hour

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

The Epistle Reading will be I Corinthians 16:13-24 and the Gospel will be Mt 21:33-42. Supplications will be offered for +Leroy Engel Jr., given by mother Rose Engel; Prayers will be offered for the Health and Salvation of Debbie Label, given by Michael & Vicki Senko. Prayers will be offered for the Health and Salvation of Larry and Anna Merritt, given by Maria Perkun. Following the Divine Liturgy we will have in our Church hall a presentation of the movie "Saints Preserved". Please come!

When Jesus arrived, the sisters did different things.
What did Mary do?

Use the code to find the answer.

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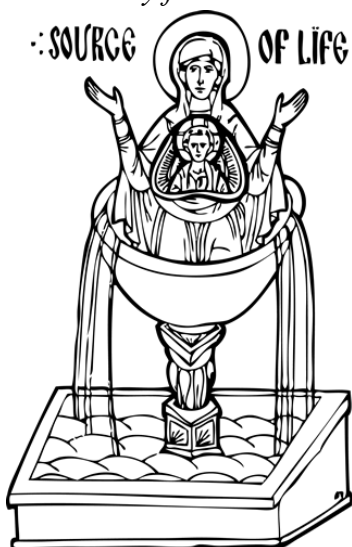
Why do we Bless Flowers on the Feast the Dormition?

Holy Tradition tells us that all the Apostles, except Saint Thomas, were transported mystically to Jerusalem in order to be with the Mother of God-Theotokos as she died and present at her burial. When Thomas arrived the next day, they opened the tomb so that he could say his farewell. They found only an empty tomb filled with sweet-smelling flowers.

Therefore as part of our celebration we bless sweet-smelling flowers in remembrance of this great sign of her holiness. At the conclusion of the Divine Services flowers and herbs are blessed and the faithful keep them in their homes. During times of family strife or illness, the flower petals are placed in the censer with the incense, and the whole house is censed.

Lord God almighty, You fill all things with Your Word. You commanded the earth to bring forth fruit in due season, and You gave it to mankind for our joy and life. By Your Holy Spirit, bless + now these flowers which have been brought before You in this holy temple to honor the Falling Asleep of the Mother of Your only Son. Purify from all defilement these, Your servants, who receive them, and fill their houses with all fragrance. May all who receive these flowers obtain protection of body and soul; and may Your healing grace be a remedy for our salvation...

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Prayers to the Most Holy Theotokos

*Beneath your tender mercy we flee, Birthgiver-of-God.
Reject not our prayer in our trouble,
but deliver us from harm,
Only Pure and Blessed Lady. Amen*

*We fly to your patronage, O Virgin Mother of God.
Despise not our prayers in our necessities,
but who are alone pure and blessed, deliver us from all
danger. Amen*



Announcements

Today: Feast of the Dormition

We celebrate today the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God. This Major Feast commemorates the death, resurrection, and glorification of Christ's mother. Today as an assembly of faithful we proclaim that Mary has been "assumed" by God into the heavenly kingdom of Christ in the fullness of her spiritual and bodily existence. At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy we will have the Blessing of Flowers and Herbs. If you have brought your flowers to be blessed, please place them in the center of the Church on the Tetrapod. Following that we will have Festal Anointing during which we will have the opportunity to come forward and venerate the Dormition Shroud.

Sincere Thanks!

From the bottom of my heart I wish to thank you all for your prayers and best wishes as I celebrated my tenth anniversary of ordination to the Holy Priesthood. It was a wonderful gathering and I wish to thank the parishioners who prepared the summer refreshments that we all enjoyed in the Church hall. Sincere thanks for the cards and gifts. May Our Lord reward you all for your kindness and generosity!

Tuesday: Prayer Service and Anointing

On Tuesday evening, August 17th, we will continue with our monthly Moleben-Prayer Service which will take place at 7:00 p.m. During this Prayer Service you can all offer your prayerful intentions (for health, well-being, peace, comfort, etc.). As part of this Moleben-Prayer Service, Holy Anointing will also be administered. In the Church vestibule we have a special note pad where you can write down your prayerful intentions that will be included in this Prayer Service. Your prayerful intentions can be given to Father Valerian directly or just drop them in that special box in the Church vestibule.

Next Sunday: Movie Presentation

Next Sunday, August 22nd, we will have in our Church hall a presentation of the movie "Saints Preserved". This movie will present to us the miracle of the incorrupt saints. Travelling to different parts of the world you will see that inexplicable incorruption has occurred and does occur and that this phenomena seems to be limited to a very few people who have led exceptionally good lives-saints. Please come!

Celebration of Ukraine's Independence

This year's celebration of Ukraine's Independence will take place Sunday, August 29th, from 1:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Alpine Club in Bridgeville (220 Alpine Rd.). Tickets are \$10 advance sales; \$15 at the door; \$1 child/students. You can enjoy delicious Ukrainian food or shop for some Ukrainian souvenirs. At 3:00 p.m. the cultural program will begin with the famous virtuoso bandurist Ostep Stakhiv followed by performances by Kyiv Dance Ensemble, Poltava Dance Ensemble, Ridna Shkola and the Chervona Kalyna youth group. For ticket information please contact Anna Konecky at 412-343-0309. More information is also available on our bulletin board in the Church vestibule.

St. George's Parish Picnic

Our St. George's Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday, September 19th following the Divine Liturgy. The picnic will be held on the parish grounds in front of the parish house. This will also be the official beginning of our new school year for our St. George's Church School. As we did in the past years, the Church will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs. We ask that you provide side dishes and desserts. Sign-up sheets are provided for this purpose in the Church vestibule. Mark your calendars for this happy event! Thanks!

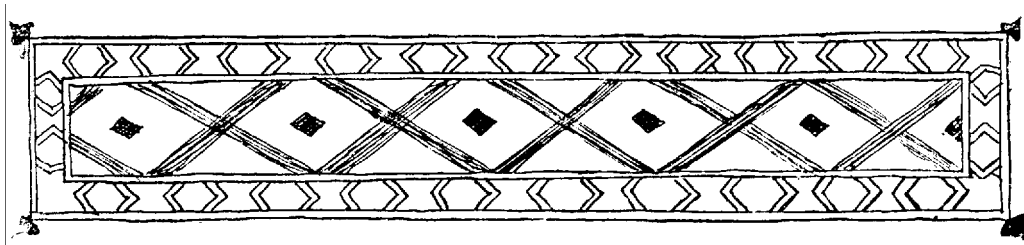
Back with Pyrohy

We are back with our production of our delicious pyrohy! Sincere thanks to all our women and men who work so hard on this parish activity. Our total income from last week's sale was \$877.00 Thank you!

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday, August 8, 2010 was \$1425.00.

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



The Dormition of the Mother of God

The Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God - which combines two events: her death and her resurrection in the body on the third day - has been for centuries, a Feast of joy and glory.

The Mother of God has not been a passive instrument of the Incarnation; without her 'Amen' the Incarnation would have been as impossible as without the will of God. She is the response of the whole creation to God's love and to God's gift of self not only to mankind but to the whole Cosmos He has created. And in that we rejoice, because her word is our word. Her word was perfect, as her trust was, her faith was, her gift of self was. Ours is imperfect, and yet our voices resound within hers, hesitantly at times, but with faith and also with love.



She is the glory of all Creation; the Mother of God: one might have expected that death could not touch her; but if death and a death so cruel could touch her Divine Son, the Son of God and the Son of Mary, the Son of God and the Son of man - of course She had to pay the tribute of all the earth to the sin of man and also die. But according to our Holy Tradition, death could not keep her prisoner. She had given herself unreservedly and perfectly to God, and it was to God, no longer to the earth that she belonged. And on the third day, when the Apostles came and reopened Her grave for one of them to be able to venerate her, who had not been present at her burial, it was found empty: She had risen because the bonds of death could not hold her, and corruption could not touch a body which had been the body of the Incarnation. What a wonderful joy to think that now, side by side with the risen and ascended Christ, one of us, of mankind, a woman of flesh and blood is enthroned and in her we can see the glory which will, we believe, be ours if we are faithful to God as she was.

So, let us rejoice, and not only here where our country has been dedicated to the Mother of God, but with the whole Universal Church, and with all those who belong to it and are scattered over the face of the world, one with the Mother of God, worshipping the Lord with all there is in us and seeing in her the image of the whole Creation in adoration before the Living God. Amen.

