




ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

- Monday, July 19 *Our venerable mother Macrina*
- Chancery Office in Parma**
- Tuesday, July 20 *The holy glorious prophet Elijah*
- 9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy**
With prayers offered for +Rose Chudyjowicz, given by Myron & Patty Rodzay
- Wednesday, July 21 *Our venerable fathers Simeon and John*
- 9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy**
With prayers offered for +Stefan, +Maria, +Stefan & +Jozef Lorinc, given by Michael Lorinc
- 6:30 P.M. Chant Rehearsal**
- Thursday, July 22 *The holy myrrh-bearer Mary Magdalene*
- 7:00 P.M. Moleben Service with Holy Anointing**
- Friday, July 23 *The holy martyrs Trophimus & Theophilus*
- Saturday, July 24 *The holy martyrs Boris & Hlib*
- 5:00 P.M. Great Vespers with Litiya**
- Sunday, July 25 **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**
The Dormition of the Righteous Anna
- 9:40 A.M. Third Hour**
- 10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy**

The Epistle Reading will be I Corinthians 3:9-17 and the Gospel will be Mt 14:22-34. Supplications will be offered for +Stephania Barshowski, given by Anna Baran. Supplications will be offered for +Anna Cheresnowsky, given by Rose Engel.



A miracle happened that day!

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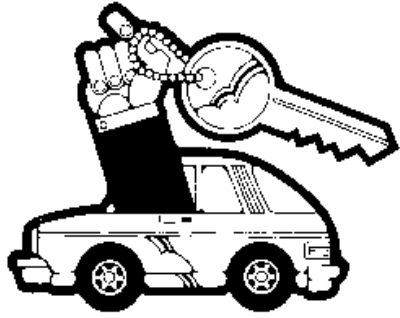
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Can I use the car?

A young boy had just gotten his driving permit. He asked his father if they could discuss the use of the car. His father took him to his study and said to him, "I'll make a deal with you. You bring your grades up, study your Bible a little and get your hair cut and we'll talk about it."

After about a month the boy came back and again asked his father if they could discuss use of the car. They again went to the father's study where his father said, "Son, I've been real proud of you. You have brought your grades up, you've studied your Bible diligently, but you didn't get your hair cut!"

The young man waited a moment and replied, "You know Dad, I've been thinking about that. You know, Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, Noah had long hair, and even Jesus had long hair...."

To which his father replied, "Yes, and they walked every where they went!"

STRIKE IT RICH

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. - PROVERBS 2:4-5 NIV

Announcements

Today: Blessing of Vehicles

In anticipation of the Feast of the holy and glorious prophet Elijah (July 20th), following the Divine Liturgy we will have the Blessing of vehicles (cars, bicycles, etc.). This Blessing takes place in our parish every year in commemoration of the prophet Elijah who was taken into heaven on a fiery chariot (2 Kings 2:1-15). First, we will have the Blessing in the front of the Church and then in the back (Mexico Street). If your children have brought their bicycles, I ask that you leave them in the Church hall during the Divine Liturgy and afterwards bring them to the front of the Church.

Chant Rehearsal

On Wednesday evening, July 21st, starting at 6:30 p.m., we will continue with the rehearsals of our Chant Group. We invite all who like to sing to come and be part of our Chant Group. Our holy father Augustine is often credited with saying, "He who sings, prays twice." Join our Chant Group in leading our parish congregation in singing during the Divine Liturgy and other Divine Services. Sincere thanks to all our members of the Chant Group that come faithfully to practice and to lead our parish family in singing our beautiful Liturgical hymns.

Prayer Service and Anointing

On Thursday evening, July 22nd, 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.

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday, July 11, 2010 was \$1142.00.

Donation from Lillian Chlibun (\$200) towards Altar Server Robes in memory of departed husband +Joseph Chlibun.

Donation from Alice Balay (\$25) towards the children's outing trip.

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

MIRACLE OF LOAVES AND FISH



Eight Sunday after Pentecost

Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to Him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish He looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the crowds.

Today's Gospel reading from the holy apostle and evangelist Matthew relates to us the feeding of the five thousand and the miraculous multiplication of loaves and fishes. This miracle teaches us several things that are helpful in our journey of faith. We can see how this miracle is also a revelation of the Savior's divinity, of the power of Christ. The miracle takes place when the day is already far spent, but Christ is not limited by time; He is the Lord of Time. Where does this miracle take place? In a desert place, in the wilderness; therefore Christ is also the Lord of Space. He blesses and multiplies bread and fish; He is also the Lord of Land and Sea.

We see in this miracle how Christ not only feeds us with material food, but also with spiritual food, for, as it is written in the Holy Scriptures, "man shall not live by bread alone". Look at the numbers mentioned in this Gospel. Why five loaves? The number five, as we read in the Psalms and in the prayers of thanksgiving after communion, represent our five senses, being, which is fed by Christ, the Bread of Life.

What about the two fishes? They represent the two parts of the New Testament, the Gospels and the Epistles, which were written by fishermen, who became fishers of men, for we are spiritually fed by their writings.

Why twelve baskets of fragments? They represent the twelve Apostles who preach to the ends of the universe, the fragments who feed our souls with the words of Christ through the Holy Spirit.

As we meditate upon this Gospel reading, let us open our minds and souls to Christ our True God that we too may be fed and satisfied with the Bread of Life.

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Six Ecumenical Councils

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven..."

We learn from Our Lord today that the entire law boils down to two commandments: love God and love your neighbor. Christ tells us to let our light shine before the world that they may see our good works and glorify God. The question is HOW? The answer is very simple: By keeping the commandments. It always comes down to this simple thing: love God and neighbor. "There is no greater love than to die for a friend", our Lord says.

It is so simple we cannot see it. Our minds, clouded by ego, by fear, by pride cannot grasp the simplest realities. How many excuses we come up with not to love! We say we love and yet our thoughts are filled with darkness and our actions are far from loving. We often say, "Hate the sin, but love the sinner," but only the pure in heart are able to separate person from behavior. Holy men and women have ceased to see sin in others and only recognize it in themselves.

It is better that we forsake hatred altogether and give ourselves over to love unlimited. To judge is the most unnecessary thing. There is a judge and He is God. The Lord does not need our assistance. Thankfully, He has taken that heavy burden upon Himself. His will is that we should shine brightly by obeying the great commandment to love God and one another. Love is energy and a great power. With it we can rid ourselves of every stain and win the souls of thousands around us, but if it is counterfeit, no matter how near an imitation, it becomes a weapon. Wielding this imitation of love as a weapon, as the Pharisee did, we "make converts twice as fit for hell as we are ourselves." We must not be like those the Lord speaks of in today's Gospel reading who become "the least in the kingdom of heaven" by teaching others not to love without limit which is to disobey not only the smallest commandment, but every commandment. Amen.



