

ST.GEORGE'S/ST. JOHN'S DIVINE SERVICES

St. Theodore venerable

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

St. John's parish 6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy

God blessing upon all parishioners.

Sunday, May 17 Sunday of the Man Born Blind

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

St. John's parish 9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Anastasia Malanczuk, given by Pyptyk sisters.

God blessing upon Fr. Igor Hohosha on his birthday

Wednesday, May 20 Ascension of Our Lord

Readings: Acts. 1:1-12; Lk. 24:36-53

St. George's parish 7:00 P. M. Vesperal Divine Liturgy

Repose of Antoniy, Anthoni, Kateryna Fedyna

St. Theodore venerable

Readings: Acts. 20:16-18 & 28-38; Jn. 17:1-13

St. John's parish 6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy

God blessing upon all parishioners.

Sunday, May 24 Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Readings: Acts. 20:16-18 & 28-38; Jn. 17:1-13

St. George's parish 9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy *St. John's parish* 11:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Maria Pyptyk, given by Pyptyk sisters. Supplications will be offered for+ Josh Sutherland, given by Darrell & family.

Monday, May 27 3rd Finding of the Head of John the Baptist

Readings: 2 Cor. 4:6-15; Mt. 11:2-15

Memorial Day 10:00 a.m. Blessing of graves at Highwood Cemetery.

10:45 a.m. a Blessing of graves at Union Dale Cemetery.

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Prayer of Protection from the Coronavirus

O God Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth, and of all creation visible and invisible, in Your ineffable goodness, look down upon Your people gathered in Your Name. Be our helper and defender in this day of affliction. You know our weakness. You hear our cry in repentance and contrition of heart.

O Lord Who loves mankind deliver us from the impending threat of the coronavirus. Sent Your Angel to watch over us and protect us. Grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus. Guide the hands of physicians, and preserve those who are healthy that we may continue to serve You in peace and glorify Your Most Honorable and Majestic Name, of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen





The wise woman builds her house, but with her own hands the foolish one tears hers down.

- PROVERBS 14:1 NIV



May 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday after
Pascha – Sunday of the
Man Born Blind, Tone
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Andronicus and those
with him

<u>Changeable Part:</u> Pages 13-14 In the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)

Announcements:

Resumption of public services in our parishes:

Following the guidelines and local government recommendations, we will resume celebrating the liturgies in May 16-17, 2020. Next weekend, we also will resume second Liturgy on Sunday. With recommendation of 25 or less, we will be able to welcome 75 people on three Liturgies. (Sat. 6:30PM, Sun. 9:30PM & 11:30PM)

Today: Man Born Blind

The Sixth Sunday after the Feast of Holy Pascha is observed as the Sunday of the Man Born Blind. The Gospel of St. John 9:1-38 describes to us the miracle of Christ healing the man who was blind since birth near the pool of Siloam. For us this Sunday is a reminder that the Lord has anointed our eyes with his own divine hands and washed them with the waters of our baptism.

Feast of the Ascension

On Thursday, May 21st, we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ. This Feast Day is a Major Feast Day (Obligation) in our Holy Church. To commemorate this Feast we will have on Wednesday evening, May 20st, a Vesperal Divine Liturgy at 7:00 p.m. Please, come to celebrate this Feast Day.

Memorial Day

On this Monday, May 25th, we will celebrate Memorial Day in our country. On this day the Blessing of graves will take place in our parish. At 10:00 a.m. a Panikhida Service followed by the Blessing of graves will take place at Highwood Cemetery. At 10:45 a.m. a Panikhida Service followed by the Blessing of graves will take place at Union Dale Cemetery. Graves in other cemeteries will be blessed by request and appointment.

Help your parish during COVID 19 - DONATE.

In addition to caring for your neighbor and taking care of yourself, one of the most practical ways to help the Church is to continue to do what you have always done: support our parish with your financial resources. Please, continue to contribute to your parish, even during the period you are unable to attend the Liturgy, with your gifts of alms during this Great Fast. Parishioners' weekly contributions are the main source of financial support for our parishes, and while some expenses may be a little lower during this time, parishes have many fixed costs that need to be attended to. You may send your donations to the office of St. George (St. John) or we just added an option to make online donation on our Saint George's web page: http://saintgeorgepittsburgh.org/donate.htm

<u>The Ukrainian Technological Society (UTS) scholarship application</u> season runs from April 15 through July 5. Our territory is the entire tri-state area. Students, please apply ASAP, since your high school or college transcript (including spring semester 2020) is a HUGE part of the application process, and often high schools and universities take up to three weeks to send transcripts. For more information: utspgh.org

Collection (St. George) - May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of May 10, 2020 was \$2,137.00.

(Regular: \$1685.00, Mother's Day candle: \$102.00; Online donation: \$350.00)

Collection (St. John's) - May God bless you ...

The total for Sunday of May 10, 2020 was \$690.00

May Our Risen Lord bless you and reward you for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church: Xpucmoc Bockpec! Christ is Risen!



Sunday of the Man Born Blind

We do not know from experience what physical blindness is, but we can imagine how this man was walled in himself, how all the world around him existed only as a distant sound, something he could not picture, imagine. He was a prisoner within his own body. He could live by imaginations, he could invent a world around himself, he could by touch and by hearing approximate what really was around him; but the total, full reality could only escape him. We are not physically blind, but how many of us are locked in ourselves! We meet people, and we see them with our eyes; but seldom it happens that beyond the outer shape, features, clothes, - how often does it happen that we see something of the depth of the person? How seldom it is that we look

into a person's eyes and go deep in understanding! We are surrounded by people and every person is unique to God, but are people unique to us? Are not people that surround us just 'people', who have names, surnames, nicknames, whom we can recognize by their outer looks but whom we do not know at any depth?

Often this is our condition: we are blind, we are deaf, we are insensitive to the outer world, and yet, we are called to read meanings. When we meet a person, we should approach this person as a mystery, that is as something which we can discover only by a deep communion, by entering into a relationship, perhaps silent, perhaps in words, but so deep that we can know one another not quite as God knows us, but in the light of God that enlightens all and each of us. But are we doing this? Is our concern to convey the width, and the depth, the beauty and the meaning of things to every person whom we meet? Are we not rather concerned with receiving than with giving? And yet, Saint Paul who knew what it meant to receive and to give, said, "It is a more blessed thing to give than to receive".

On this Sunday let us reflect on how rich, how richly endowed we are, how much it was given us to see, and to hear. And let us realize at the same time how tragically walled we are within ourselves unless we break this wall in order to give, as generously, as richly, as abundantly as we were given. And then indeed, our joy will be fulfilled according to Christ's promise. And no one, nothing will ever be able to take it away from us. Amen!

