

## **ST.GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES**

Saturday, Sep. 4 St. Babylas, Bishop-Martyr/ Moses, Prophet

Readings: Phil. 2:5-11; Lk. 10:38-42 & 11:27-28

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

**Sunday, Sep.5** 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: 1 Cor 4:6-15; Mk. 22:35-46

9:10 A.M. Third Hour 9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Michaylo Lwiwsky, given by Pyptyk family

<u>Tuesday, Sep. 7</u> Prefeast of Nativity of the Thotokos

Readings: Phil. 2:5-11; Lk. 10:38-42 & 11:27-28

7:00 P.M Vesperal Divine Liturgy

God's blessing upon Msgr. Michael Rewtiuk, by Mary Zaliszczuk

Saturday, Sep. 11 Saturday before Exaltation of the Cross

Readings: Gal. 6:11-18; Jn. 3:13-17

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

**Sunday, Sep.12** Sunday before Exaltation

Readings: Gal. 6:11-18; Jn. 3:13-17

9:10 A.M. Third Hour 9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Michael Soroczk, given by Kathleen Daniels

Paul listed some of the roles Christians may have in the church. While their duties vary, they all have 1 ultimate purpose

Use the letters of the word that is supplied to complete each word.

Then place the numbered letters into the blanks.

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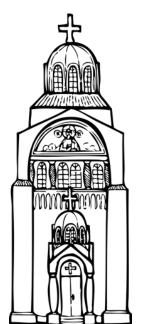
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#### **HOW DOES OUR PARISH RATE?**

A reporter recently visited 18 different churches on successive Sundays to find out what each community was really like. In every instance, he dressed neatly and stood near the front. After services, he walked slow to the rear of the church, then returned to the front, and then went back to the foyer, using another aisle. He smiled at everyone and asked others for directions to specific places — the parish hall, the office, the rest rooms, etc. He remained for coffee, if served.

Using the following scale, the reporter awarded points to each community on the following basis:

- \* 10 points for a smile from a worshipper.
- \* 10 points for a greeting from someone nearby.
- \* 100 points for an exchange of names.
- \* 200 points for an invitation to have coffee.
  - \* 300 points for an invitation to return.
  - \* 1,000 points for an introduction to another worshipper.
  - \* 2,000 points for an invitation to meet the pastor.

The reporter discovered that, using this scale, 11 of the 18 churches visited earned less than 100 points! Five actually received less than 20 points! The conclusion: The doctrine may be sound, the singing inspirational, and the sermon uplifting – but, when a visitor finds nobody who cares whether he or she is there, he or she is not likely to return!

## From the Counsels of Elder Epiphanios of Athens

True love is like the flame of a candle. However many candles you light from the flame, the initial flame remains unaffected. It doesn't lessen at all. And every freshly lit candle has as much flame as the others do.

Why do they put rubber tires with inner tubes on cars? So they give in, collapsing a little with every little stone or pothole in the road, and in this way they pass obstacles. If the wheels were firm and unyielding, the car wouldn't be able to move forward. It would fall apart after a short distance because of the vibration from the small inconsistencies of terrain. The same thing happens with yielding to others in the family. In this way many problems are surpassed and continuous spiritual progress is assured.



# September 5, 2021

Fifteenth Sunday after
Pentecost, Tone 6; The Holy
Prophet Zachary and
Elizabeth, Parents of John
the Baptist

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## **Announcements:**

### **Nativity of the Theotokos**

On Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Nativity of the Mother of God. To honor and celebrate the birth of our Lady we will have on Tuesday evening, September 7<sup>th</sup> a Vesperal Divine Liturgy at 7:00 p.m. Please come to celebrate one of the most ancient Feasts from the sixth century in honor of our Lady.

## Next Sunday: St. George's Parish Picnic

Our St. George's Parish Picnic will take place next Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 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. We need volunteers to help bring tables and chairs up on Saturday morning, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m., and for the setting up on Sunday morning, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. Please be part of these preparations for a happy and successful parish picnic. Thank you!

#### **Church School Registration**

As we prepare to begin the new school year for our St. George's Church School, registrations are now available in the Church vestibule. I ask all our parents to please take & fill out the registration form (one per a child). We need to have them returned by Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. All children 4-14 years of age are to be registered for our catechetical program. Remember that it is important that our children receive the proper Eastern Christian Formation. This formation is offered to them here at St. George's. We are blessed with a wonderful catechetical program and instructors. As a Church, let us pray for our children because they are the future of our parish family.

#### A Benefit Luncheon for the Eparchy of Saint Josaphat

A Benefit Luncheon for the Eparchy of Saint Josaphat will take place on Sunday, October 24, 2021, at Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church in Carnegie. There will be a reception at 12:30pm and the Luncheon will begin at 1:30pm. Bishop Bohdan will be attending. This is an important opportunity to support our Eparchy. Everyone is invited to attend or to support this event in some way. You may register via the mail or online at the Eparchy's website (<a href="www.stjosaphateparchy.com">www.stjosaphateparchy.com</a>). For more information, please see the Pastor or send an email to <a href="stjosaphatstewardship@yahoo.com">stjosaphatstewardship@yahoo.com</a>, or call 440-888-1522. Please, support this important event for the Eparchy!

#### **Flowers for the Cross**

For the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, the Cross adorned with flowers will be brought in procession from the Altar Table to the center of our Holy Church. The Cross adorned with flowers will remain on the Tetrapod until Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. If you wish to donate towards the flowers that will adorn the Cross for this special day (in honor or memory of a loved one), please use the envelopes that are available in the Church vestibule.

### **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 **\$250.00**. Thank you!

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

The total for Sunday of Aug. 29, 2021 was \$6,821.19

(Regular: \$765.00, Loose & candles: \$10.00, Reimbursement: \$56.19,

Donation for church repair: \$6,000.00, By anonymous)

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

## Our Church celebrates today the memory of Prophet Zachariah.

Saint Zachary and Saint Elizabeth were the father and the mother of Saint John the Baptist, the last and the greatest of the prophets and the precursor of Our Lord. Saint Zachary's story is beautifully told in the first chapter of Saint Luke. Saint Zachary spoke one of the three canticles of the New Testament, which is known as the *Benedictus*. It is recited in the prayers of priests as part of their liturgical worship. Saint Zachary was inspired by God through an angel to give Saint John the Baptist his name. Saint Zachary was martyred in the Temple of Jerusalem by the Jews. The martyrs of the Old Testament run from A to Z, from Abel, the son of Adam and the first martyr that ever was, to Zachary, the father of John the Baptist and the last martyr of the Old Testament.

Saint Elizabeth was the cousin of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was to her that Mary went in haste after she had conceived her Child, and after she learned that Elizabeth had conceived hers. The second phrase in the *Hail Mary*, "Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb," was given us by Saint Elizabeth. And so, her memory is beautifully kept in the Rosary, where this phrase is mentioned fifty-three times. Saint Elizabeth's first greeting to Our Lady, when she saw her standing in her doorway was: "Whence is this to me that the Mother of my Lord should come to me!" This was a sheer and unequivocal way of proclaiming Mary, her own cousin, to be the Mother of God.

With Elizabeth's as the central greeting, the Angel Gabriel's as the first and that of the Council of Ephesus as the last, this is the full *Hail Mary*:

Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

