



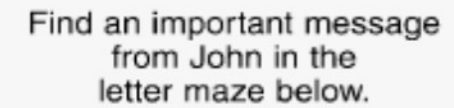
**4:00 P.M. NO SERVICE (McKees Rocks)**

Supplications will be offered for **+Patricia Fella Ragione**  
(By Luigi & family)

### 4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Supplications will be offered for+ **deceased pyrohy workers, given by Pyptyk's**

Blessed memory of +Yuriy Hordynsky requested by Mother,  
Marta Shchur.



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## *Sunday after the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

On this Sunday our Holy Church commemorates three people who were close to Our Lord Jesus Christ. First of all, His ancestor, the holy King and Prophet David, who foresaw the Coming of Christ in his Psalms.

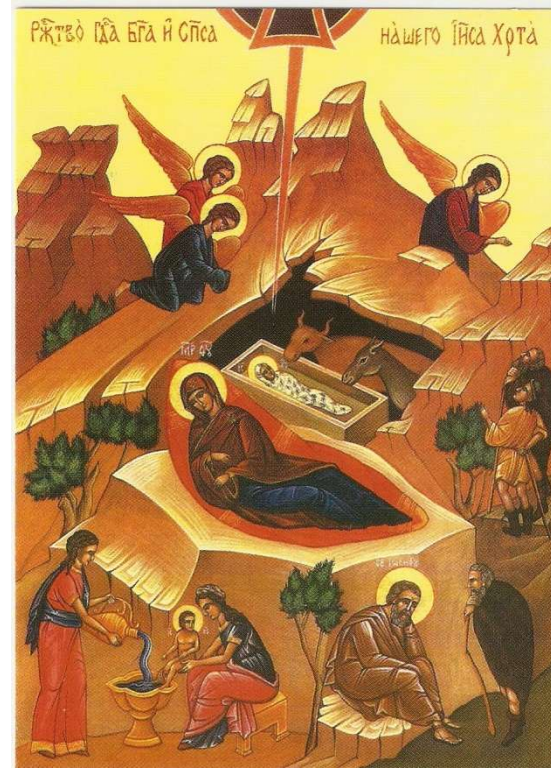
Secondly, we recall the Righteous Joseph the Betrothed, who protected the Mother of God and her Child before, during and after His birth.

Thirdly, we remember the son of Joseph, James, who accompanied the Mother of God, Christ and Joseph on the flight into Egypt, and later became one of the Apostles and indeed was martyred as James the Righteous, the first Bishop of Jerusalem.

It is interesting to recall to Non-Believers the words of the Gospel regarding this Flight into Egypt, and how Joseph was commanded to “take the young child and his mother into Egypt”. We note how the Scriptures clearly do not call Christ, “Joseph’s son”, or his mother, “your wife”. Again the Scriptures say that all this was to fulfill the words of the Scriptures: “Out of Egypt have I called my son”, and not, “out of Egypt have I called Joseph’s son”.

As we see in Holy Scripture Joseph is bewildered both by the message of the Angel and by what is happening; bewildered - at time in wonder, and at time in doubt. Isn’t this an image of many of us? But how did he face his doubt and still remain in wonder? Because he believed; because he accepted the fact that there are many things which cannot be understood with the intellect, but can be perceived, which can be experienced. And he did, indeed, experienced what was going on. He saw the Virgin birth, he saw the presence of the God Who have become man.

And what is our way, how can we find our way towards God? On this Sunday let us think of Righteous Joseph between wonder and doubt; and when we are in the same position, let us not only concentrate on our doubt, but look with wonder at the impossible, unthinkable that is God’s way in our midst. Amen.



**December 28, 2025**

Sunday after the Nativity of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ; Holy and Just Joseph, King David and James, Brother of the Lord in the Flesh

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**Changeable Part:** See the special insert available in the church vestibule.



***Wishing you all a Happy and Blessed year 2026!***

*Almighty God, thank You for the gift of a New Year. May it be a time of grace for me, a time to grow in faith and love, a time to renew my commitment to following Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. May it be a year of blessing for me, a time to cherish my family and friends, a time to renew my efforts at work, a time to embrace my faith more fully. Walk with me, please, in every day and every hour of this New Year that the light of Christ might shine through me, in spite of my weaknesses and failings. Above all, may I remember this year that I am a pilgrim on the sacred path to You. Amen*



## Announcements:

### Thank You!

From the bottom of our hearts, together with my family, we want to thank you all for your prayers, beautiful Christmas cards and gifts, we have received during this festive season. May Christ born in Bethlehem reward you with many happy and blessed years!

### Envelopes 2026-Calendars 2026

The Church offering envelopes for 2026 and the 2026 Church Calendars are available now in the church vestibule. Sincere thanks to Thomas P. Kunsak Funeral Home for sponsoring the calendars for 2026. Should you not see your envelopes, please let Olga Perkun know, following the Divine Liturgy. Thank you all for your support and generosity throughout the year 2025. May Our Lord reward you with good health and many happy and blessed years: *Многая Літа!*

**\*\* RaiseRight** – Please check out the gift card brands at <https://www.raiseright.com/brands>. If you want to enroll, the St. George code is: RR-LDMMCM9RH6. St. George earns a rebate for every card purchased. **Through November we earned, \$272.35.** Every gift card purchased helps offset expenses.

**\*\*Last Call** – Advent Project for the Animals of Kharkiv, Ukraine. Please help these sick and neglected animals get the care they need. Any amount is appreciated and will be put to good use by a well trusted organization at: <https://www.animalrescuekharkiv.org/>

**\*\*Last Call** – Suggestion Box – Please submit your suggestions or ideas in the box in the vestibule.

### Pyrohy

Last week was one of the busiest weeks in our pyrohy activity. Our total income was **\$5,651.00**. An enormous THANK YOU to all our dedicated pyrohy workers. We will reopen on Wednesday, January 21st, 2026. Enjoy your well-deserved Christmas vacation!

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

The grand total for Sunday of December 21, 2025 was **\$2,484.80 + \$5,651.00**  
(Collection: \$880.00, Loose: \$130.00, Fire Suppresion: \$1,000.00, Reimb.: \$93.80, Advent project: \$100.00, Ukraine Aid: \$281.00)

*Sincere thanks to all of you for your kindness and generosity!*



### **NEW YEAR PRAYER**

**Dear Lord,**

**We pray that this New Year will bring us closer to You.**

**May we take the time to get to know You.**

**Help us to truly celebrate the gifts You have graciously given us**

**and use them to serve You and spread Your word,**

**May we also see and love you in all the people we meet,**

**so that in turn, they can see You in us.**

**We know that all human relations take time**

**if they are to grow and deepen.**

**This is also true of our relations with You,**

**the Father and the Holy Spirit,**

**which must grow over the course of our lives.**

**In this new year,**

**let us realize that every action of ours**

**no matter how great or small**

**enables us to be in touch with You.**

**Let us accept You in our lives,**

**in the way it pleases You,**

**as Truth, to be spoken,**

**as Life, to be lived,**

**as Light, to be lighted,**

**as Love, to be followed,**

**as Joy, to be given,**

**as Peace, to be spread about,**

**as Sacrifice, to be offered among our relatives,**

**friends, neighbors and all people.**

**Amen.**