

ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, May 31 The Holy Martyr Justin the Philosopher

> Readings: Acts. 20:16-18 & 28-38; Jn. 17:1-13 4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council Sunday, June 1

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

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/First Holy Reconciliation God's blessing upoin Brielle and George (Heorhiy) Supplications will be offered for+ Volodymyr Tymiak,

given by sister Natalia.

Saturday, June 7 Fifth All Souls Saturday

Readings: Acts. 28:1-31; Jn. 21:15-25

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy /Sorokousty

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

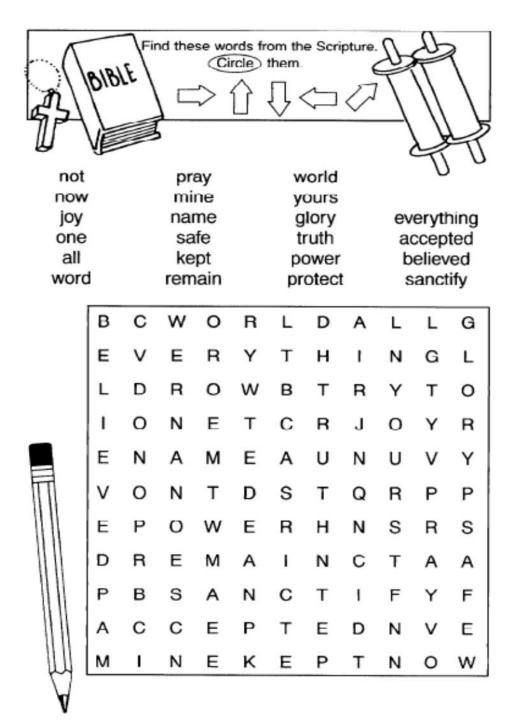
Sunday, June 8 **Pentecost Sunday**

Readings: Acts. 2:1-11; Jn. 7:37-52 & 8:12

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Yuriy Hordynskyj,

given by mother Marta.



Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Nicea I



At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."

The Divine Liturgy is the celebration of the Eucharist that is, the consecrated Body and Blood of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is a time when we rejoice with the angels and glorify God with the Angel hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy are You of God . . ." It is the time when we gather with fellow Christians in apostolic tradition and transcend the limitations of this life and experience a foretaste of the Kingdom of God through the Eucharist.

Centuries ago, 325A.D. to be exact, the First Ecumenical Council comprised of the Holy and God-bearing Fathers

gathered together as keepers of apostolic traditions in Nicea to set forth the dogma (accepted and unchanging truth of the Church) of the Holy Trinity. In so doing, they cast down the blasphemy of Arius, censured Macedonius, the enemy of the Holy Spirit, and condemned Nestorius, Eutyches, Dioscorus, Sabellius, and Severus.

Why do we commemorate the Fathers of the First Council today? We are now three days after the Feast of the Ascension and seven days before Pentecost. These Feasts prove the Divinity of Christ. That is why today we have read from St John's Gospel where Our Lord speaks of His Father, He speaks as His Son, Whom the Father has sent, saying that He came out from the Father and that all things that are the Father's are also the Son's. These Gospel words prove the Divinity of the Son. It is these very words of Our Lord faithfully recorded in the Gospel that inspired the Fathers of the First Universal Council.

Today, we call these events of the First Council to mind and pray that our lives may be preserved blameless in faith and that we, following their divine doctrines and believing with assurance, may worship, in One Godhead, the Father, Son, and All-holy Spirit, the Trinity one in essence. Amen.



June 1, 2025

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in Nicea

The Holy Martyr Justin the Philosopher

Festal Tone

Changeable Part

See the special insert available in the church vestibule.



Dear Friends in Christ:

Glory to Jesus Christ!!

On this Sunday, we lift up our hearts in prayer for four wonderful children who are celebrating their First Reconciliation today. They are **Brielle and George**. These children have reached what is called "the age of discretion," that is, they know the difference between right and wrong, and are able to take responsibility for their actions. During this academic year they have undergone special instructions and preparations to take on that responsibility for their actions and their relationship with Christ through the Mystery of Confession.

We thank the parents of our children and our Religious Education Instructor, Ms. Marta Lubynski, for teaching and preparing all our children for this special day in their lives. As a parish family let us rejoice as we celebrate the First Reconciliation of our children. Let us offer a prayer on this Sunday for all of our children that participate actively in the life of St. George's.

Announcements:

Today: Sunday of the Holy Fathers of Nicea I

The Sunday following the Ascension of Our Lord is dedicated in our Holy Church to the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council that was held in the year 325 A.D. in Nicea, a city of Bithynia. It was during this Church Council that 318 Bishops gathered and drew up a written summary of our Holy Faith, which is known to us today as the "Creed". On this Sunday let us reaffirm our faith that Christ is God and through his Body, the Church, He opens up to us the path to God, the path to holiness, the path to perfection.

5th All Souls Saturday

On Saturday, June 7, we will have the final All Souls Saturday for this year. Divine Liturgy with the commemoration of all our departed loved ones will take place at 10:00 a.m. Please come to prayerfully remember your departed family members and loved ones as we prepare to celebrate Pentecost, the Descent of the Holy Spirit.

Next Sunday: Pentecost

Next Sunday, June 8th, is in our Holy Church Pentecost Sunday – the Feast of the Descent of the Holy Spirit. We will celebrate how the Holy Spirit that Christ had promised came upon his disciples on the day of Pentecost and how the disciples received "the power from on high." This moment has traditionally been called the birthday of the Church. As part of this celebration we will have the Kneeling Prayers which are prescribed for this day followed by Festal Anointingirovanya.

June Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to the following parishioners:

Rudi Adamiak: 6/5, Jane Rubolino: 6/9, Marta Lubynski: 6/15, Motria Hodowanec: 6/20, Anna Kuncik: 6/21, Stacey Alston: 6/30

May God grant our June birthdays many happy, healthy and blessed years ahead!

Bring a Friend to Church:

Now that the nicer weather is here, it is a great time to invite a relative or friend to St. George's to appreciate the beauty of our Church and to experience our Ukrainian culture. Who knows we may gain a new member.

<u>Welcome Home</u> — We hope our college students returning home will enjoy their well-deserved summer break! We also look forward to seeing them at church as their schedules permit.

YBAΓA! Attention! Students and Parents: <u>The Ukrainian Technological Society (UTS)</u> is again offering scholarships for students of Ukrainian descent matriculating, or continuing studies at universities, graduate schools, nursing schools, medical schools, and technical schools. Applications will be accepted until July 7. Please order your high school or college transcripts ASAP to be sure to meet the deadline. (Remember: registrars may go on vacation very soon after you graduate! (3) All information, and the application itself, is on our website: UTSpgh.org

Pyrohy

Our total income from last week's sale was \$570.00 Thanks to all our dedicated women and men that come faithfully to be part of this parish activity.

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of May 25, 2025 was \$437.00. (Collection: \$376.00, Loose & candles: \$61.00, Pyrohy: \$570.00)

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

FATHER'S DAY		
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	Living	Deceased
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* DEADLINE TO ORDER THESE	CANDLES: THURSDA	AV. JUNE 12. 2025