

ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, July 26 The Holy Great Martyr and Healer Panteleimon

Readings: Rom. 12:6-14; Mt. 9:1-8

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

Sunday, July 27 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Rom. 12:6-14; Mt. 9:1-8

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

God's blessing on Inna Hohosha on her birthday.

Supplications will be offered for+ Msgr. Michael Rewtiuk, given by Mary Zaliszczuk.

Saturday, August 2 Our Venerable Fathers Isaac, Dalmatus and Faustus

Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18; Mt. 14:14-22

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

Sunday, August 3 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18; Mt. 14:14-22

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ Robert Novak & Stella Novak, given by family.

Supplications will be offered for+ **Orysia Barshowski**, given by Magdalena Cheresnowsky.

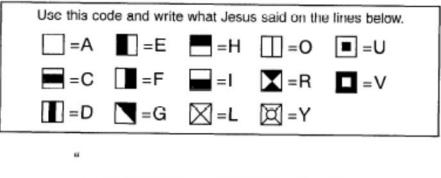
Eternal Light Candle Offering for July 27, 2025

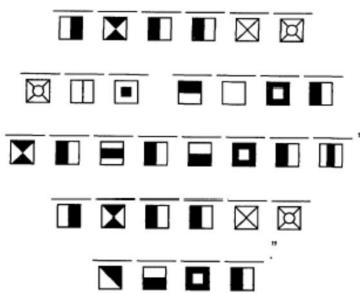
In loving memory of +Philip and Maria Perkun, Requested by Luba Burgess



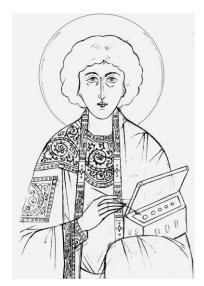
Jesus was sending His disciples out to do special work among the people.

Jesus prepared the 12 disciples to go out to the people of Israel. He gave them some specific instructions to heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those with leprosy and drive out demons. Then He said,





The Great-Martyr Panteleimon



July 27

The holy great-martyr Panteleimon, who had Nicomedia as his homeland, was the son of Eustorgius and Eubula. His father was an idolater, but his mother was a Christian from her ancestors. It was through her that he was instructed in piety, and still later, he was catechized in the Faith of Christ by Saint Hermolaus and baptized by him. Being proficient in the physician's vocation, he practiced it in a philanthropic manner, healing every illness more by the grace of Christ than by medicines. Thus, although his parents had named him Pantoleon "in all things a lion", because of the compassion he showed for the souls and bodies of all, he was worthily renamed Panteleimon, meaning "all-merciful."

On one occasion, when he restored the sight of a certain blind man by calling on the Divine Name, he enlightened also the eyes of this man's soul to the knowledge of the truth. This also became the cause for the martyrdom of him who had been blind, since when he was asked by whom and in what manner his eyes had been opened, in imitation of that blind man of the Gospel he confessed with boldness both who the physician was and the manner of his healing. For this he was put to death immediately. Panteleimon was arrested also, and having endured many wounds, he was finally beheaded in the year 305, during the reign of Maximian. Saint Panteleimon is one of the Holy Unmercenaries, and is held in special honor among them, even as Saint George is among the Martyrs.

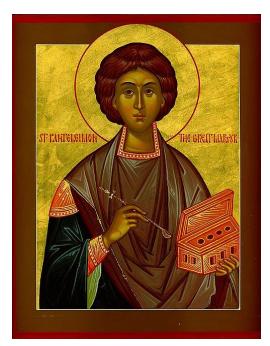
Short and Sweet

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5, and Ryan, 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake...

Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. She told her little boys: If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait.'

Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, 'Ryan, you be Jesus.'





July 27, 2025

Seventh Sunday Pentecost

The Great-Martyr Panteleimon

Changeable Part:

See the special insert available in the church vestibule.

Announcements:

Dormition Fast

On Friday, August 1st, we will begin in our Holy Church the Dormition Fast-"Spasiwka". This Fast begins August 1st and ends on August 14th, and is a time of preparation for the Feast of the Dormition-Falling Asleep of the Mother of God. During this Dormition Fast-Spasiwka, plan to also attend the special Divine Services, honoring the Most Holy Theotokos.

This Sunday: Blessing of Cars

In our parish family it has been a nice tradition to bless vehicles in commemoration of the prophet Elijah who was taken into heaven on a fiery chariot. He is therefore known as the patron saint of vehicles, reminding us that we must struggle to manifest holiness in our lives, especially when we travel. This year the blessing of vehicles (cars, bicycles, etc.) will take place July 27th, following Divine Liturgy. Just as we have our homes blessed each year, everyone is encouraged to bring their vehicles for this Blessing. If you wish to have your vehicle blessed, please try to park in the front or back of the Church. Remember that this is the ideal time to invite friends and family, who might also wish to have their vehicles blessed. If the children bring their bicycles for this blessing, they can leave them in the Church hall during the Divine Liturgy and afterwards bring them to the front of the Church.

<u>PARISHIONERS' PRAYER LIST</u> Our parish's listing for people IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS who might be suffering illnesses – especially, but not only, if they are unable to attend church services because they are shut-in either at home, or in hospitals and nursing homes. The names we have received are: : Barbara Fedora, Thomas Kunsak, Kathee Shabla, Dorothy Waslo and Msgr. George Appleyard (The Willows, 1215 Hulton Rd, Oakmont, PA 15139).

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of July 20, 2025 was \$1,183.00 + \$370.00 (Collection: \$1070.00, Loose & candles: \$113.00, Pyrohy: \$370.00)

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



Priest: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

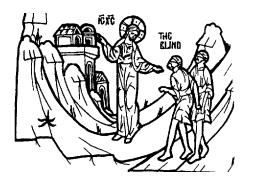
O Lord our God, Who make the clouds your conveyance and walk on the wings of the wind. Who sent to your servant Elijah a chariot of fire, Who have guided man to invent this Car (Truck. etc.) which is as fast as the wind, we render thanks to You; for You have provided your servants with this Car to serve in their different needs. Therefore, O Master, pour now upon it your heavenly blessings; assign to it a guardian angel to preserve it against all evil. And as You have granted faith and grace by your deacon, Philip, to the man from Ethiopia who was sitting in his chariot and reading holy Scripture. show the way of salvation to your servants, so that, helped by your grace and always intent on doing good works, they may, after all the trials of their pilgrimage and life on earth, attain to everlasting joys, through the intercession of our Lady, the most holy and ever-Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, through the power of the honorable and life-giving Cross; through the prayers of the holy Angels and of all the Saints: For You are the Provider and the Sanctifier of all things, and we give glory to You, and to your only-begotten Son, and to your all-holy, gracious, and life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and forever.

People: Amen.

Priest: This Car (Truck etc.) is blessed by the sprinkling of this holy water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed Him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When He entered the house, the blind men came to Him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord."



In today's Gospel reading, we hear of three persons being healed of their infirmities, two men who are blind and one who is mute and possessed by a demon. The healing of these people are signs that Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed one, who has come to save the world.

According to the prophecy of Isaiah, the messianic age will be introduced when "the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped" (Is. 35:5 and Is. 29:18, 42:7). Our Lord heals the blind men and allows them to see again; He heals the mute, whose lack of speech is usually caused by deafness.

The two blind beggars in today's reading were probably very needy individuals, both materially and emotionally. They wanted desperately to be healed of their blindness. From what they had heard about Our Lord, they realized that Jesus was their only hope. They believed that he could heal them and so they came to Him, begging for mercy. Jesus is given the title "Son of David". Why? These words express the faith and belief of the blind men when He enters their house. They immediately accept Jesus as Lord, and upon touching their eyes, Christ opens them. Not only are they opened for seeing the world, but also open for believing in Jesus as the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of David and Son of God.

At the moment of healing the blind man, Jesus used the phrase "let it be done to you." This reminds us of the command of God at the creation of the world (Gen 1:3), and the phrase "Thy will be done" in the Lord's Prayer that we use every day. Jesus asked these men only one question: "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" The one essential for a miracle is faith. There is nothing mysterious or theological about this. No doctor can cure a sick person who goes to him in a completely hopeless frame of mind. No medicine will do a man any good if he thinks he might as well be drinking water. The way to a miracle is to place one's life in the hands of Jesus Christ, and say, "I know that you can make me what I ought to be." Amen.