



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, August 9

Post-feast of the Transfiguration & Archdeacon Lawrence
Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18; Mt. 14:14-22
4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, August 10

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18; Mt. 14:14-22
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/ Blessing of the Fruits
Supplications will be offered for+ Joseph Pyptyk, given by family.
Supplications will be offered for+ Volodymyr Tymiak, given by sister Natalia.

Thursday, August 15

Pre feast of Dormition of the Theotokos
Readings: Phil. 2:5-11; Lk. 10:38-42 & 11:27-28
6:30 P.M. Divine Liturgy (Blessing of the Flowers)
God's blessing upon all parishioners (By Fr. Igor)

Saturday, August 16


Post-feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos
Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18; Mt. 14:14-22
4:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, August 17

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18; Mt. 14:14-22
9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy/ Blessing of the Flowers
Supplications will be offered for+ Petro Hodowanetc, given by Motria & Oleh.

Eternal Light Candle Offering for August 10, 2025


For the health and well-being of Christine Bilotta, Requested by Michael and Vicki Senko



A voice came from the cloud.
What did it say?

Use the graph to find the letters.

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The Dormition of the Mother of God

The Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God is celebrated in our Holy Church every year on August 15th. The word itself “Dormition” is a Latin word meaning “Falling asleep”. As our journey of the Dormition Fast will come to an end, we continue to contemplate upon the life of our Lady, and we recognize that through her womb, heaven and earth were joined together. Through her, all mankind has been reborn. Her death and burial show us the completion of God's plan for all mankind. This Feast celebrates the Mother of God as the Mother of Life.

On this Feast of the Dormition we celebrate the wondrous way in which the Theotokos left this earthly life and was taken into heaven in a miraculous way: both body and soul. The Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ received her soul and body into heaven. What was left behind was an empty tomb filled with the fragrance of flowers.

For us this Major Holy Day recalls the physical glorification of Mary as she shares in the resurrection life of her Son, Our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ. When, at her death (or falling asleep, that is, dormition), Jesus Christ received her body and soul into heaven, He in a way gave all humanity a preview of the transfiguration that awaits all of us in the Kingdom to come. Holy Tradition tells us that all the Apostles, except Thomas, were transported mystically to Jerusalem in order to be with the Mother of God as she died and present at her burial. When Thomas arrived the next day, they opened the tomb so that he could say his farewell. They found only an empty tomb filled with sweet-smelling flowers. As a Church we continue to bless sweet-smelling flowers in remembrance of this great sign of her holiness. This year's celebration of the Dormition of the Mother of God will be special for our parish family as we will welcome Bishop David A. Zubik together with many faithful from our local parishes. Let us come together to celebrate the Holy Dormition in faith and to sing: *“Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, unfailing mediation with the Maker, do not despise the voices of us sinners as we pray; but, in your love, be quick to help us who cry to you with faith, ‘Hasten to intercede, make speed to entreat, O Mother of God’, for you ever protect those who honor you.”*



August 10, 2025

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Our Venerable Fathers Isaac, Dalmatus and Faustus

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

Announcements:

Today: Blessing of Fruit

As we continue to celebrate the Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we will have the Blessing of Fruit today, at the end of the Divine Liturgy. If you have brought fruit to be blessed on this special occasion, please place it in the center of the Church on the Tetrapod. Festal Anointing-Mirovanya will take place following the Blessing of Fruit.

Feast of the Dormition

Next Friday, August 15th, we will celebrate the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God. To prayerfully commemorate this Major Feast we will have on Thursday evening, August 14th, Vespers Divine Liturgy with the Blessing of Flowers will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. Following the Divine Liturgy we will have the Blessing of Flowers and Herbs which is prescribed for this festal commemoration. At the end of the Divine Liturgy we will have we will have the opportunity to come forward to venerate the Dormition Shroud.

RULES FOR AUGUST 1 TO AUGUST 14 THE DORMITION FAST - SPASEEVKA

The Dormition Fast, or Spaseevka in Ukrainian, begins on the evening of July 31, 2025, after Vespers and will last until August 14, inclusive. **THE TYPICON PRESCRIBES PRAYER, FASTING AND ALMSGIVING (WORKS OF MERCY).** IN THE EPARCHY OF ST. JOSAPHAT, ALONE, WE ARE CURRENTLY OBLIGATED TO DO ANY KIND OF ACTS OF PENANCE (ABSTAINING FROM MEAT IS ONE OF THE POSSIBLE CHOICES) ON FRIDAYS AND ENCOURAGED TO DO ACTS OF PENANCE ON WEDNESDAYS AND ALL OTHER WEEKDAYS; ALL OTHER FASTING MAY BE CHOSEN ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.

COMMUNITY UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friendship Festival on Friday, August 15, 2025 at Brady's Run Park. This is a worthwhile organization run by Fr. Andrew's family.

Ukrainian Youth Retreat being held September 12, 2025 through September 14, 2025 at Camp Guyasuta in Sharpsburg, PA.

Ukrainian Independence Day, Traditional food, music, vendors and more on August 24, 2025 in Carnegie, PA.

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

St. George Church Picnic - September 21, 2025 after Divine Liturgy. Mark your calendar! There will be sign-up sheets available in the near future.

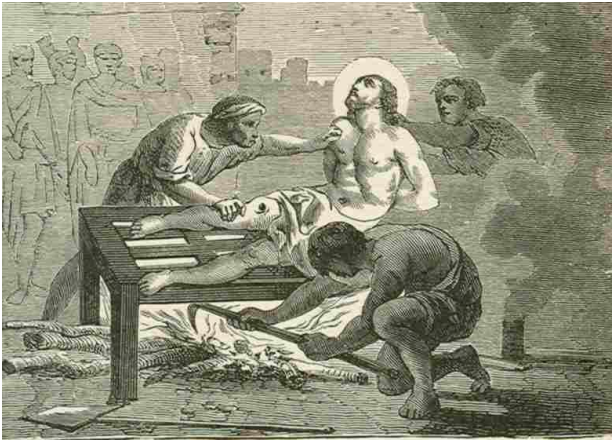
**** Pyrohy** – Frozen Potato/cheese are available for sale.

****Suggestion Box** - Suggestion forms are still available on the table in the vestibule. Please place your comments and suggestions in the "Suggestion Box" as marked. Your ideas are welcome and your feedback is truly appreciated.

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of August 3, 2025 was **\$1,532.00 + \$100.00**
(Collection: \$1,475.00, Loose & candles: \$42.00, Pyrohy: 100.00, Eternal Candle: \$15.00)

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



***The Holy Martyr
Archdeacon Lawrence***

Every year on August 10th we honor the memory of a third-century martyr, the holy archdeacon Lawrence of Rome. The life of this faithful servant embodies the ideals of care for the poor and of cheerful faith in the face of suffering.

Serving the Church faithfully, Archdeacon Lawrence had the duty of using Church funds to care for the poor and needy. During the persecution of the Church he was commanded by the Roman Emperor Valerian to turn over the treasures of the Church in which he served. At the appointed time, Archdeacon Lawrence appeared in court along with a crowd of the poor, diseased, and unwanted of Rome. The furious emperor demanded, “I told you to bring me your treasures! What is this rabble doing here?” Archdeacon Lawrence coolly replied, “Your honor, these are the treasures of the Christian Church.”

For his audacity, Archdeacon Lawrence was sentenced to a particularly cruel death. He was trussed up like a chicken and roasted on a gridiron over a slow fire. But even in his torment he gave thanks to God, and mocked the emperor for his paganism and unbelief. After he had roasted for some time he remarked to his torturers, “Better turn him over now; he’s done on this side.” Dying, the holy martyr uttered: “I thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, that You have accounted me worthy to enter into Your gates” -- and with these words he gave up the spirit.

