



ST.GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Sept. 13

Miracle of the Archangel Michael

Readings: 1 Cor. 1:18-24; Jn. 19:6-11.13-21.25-27.30-35

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

Sunday, Sept. 14

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Readings: 1 Cor. 1:18-24; Jn. 19:6-11.13-21.25-27.30-35

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ **Joseph & Pavlina Havrycej,**
given by Pyptyk's.

Supplications will be offered for+ **Orysia Barshowski,**
given Pyptyk's.

Saturday, Sept. 20

Saturday after the Exaltation of the Cross

Readings: Gal. 2:16-20; Mk. 8:34-9:1

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

Sunday, Sept. 21

Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross

Readings: Gal. 2:16-20; Mk. 8:34-9:1

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for+ **Volodymyr Tymiak,**
given by sister Natalia.

Eternal Light Candle Offering for September 14, 2025

For the eternal memory of +Lyn Kline, Requested by Family and friends of
family, Michael and Vicki Senko

What will the owner of the vineyard do?

Solve the math problems to fill in the blanks.

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		7-1	9+6	

Miracle of the Archangel Michael



The Divine Liturgy speaks of the Archangel Michael in this manner (Troparion, Tone 4):

Commander of the Heavenly Hosts,
We who are unworthy beseech you
That by your prayers you will encompass us
Beneath the wings of your immaterial glory
And protect us who fall down and cry:
Deliver us all from harm,
For you are the commander of the powers on High.

On September 6, according to the liturgical calendar, we commemorate the miracle of the holy Archangel Michael at Colossae in Chionia. Biographers say:

In Phrygia, not far from the city of Hieropolis, in a place called Cheretopos, there was a church named for the Archangel Michael, built over a miraculous spring.

This church was built by a certain inhabitant of the city of Laodicia in gratitude to God for healing his mute daughter. The holy Chief Commander Michael appeared to this man in a dream and revealed to him that his daughter would receive the gift of speech after drinking from the water of the spring. The girl actually did receive healing and began to speak. After this miracle, the father and his daughter and all their family were baptized. In fervent gratitude, the father built the church in honor of the holy Chief Commander Michael. Not only did Christians begin to come to the spring for healing, but also pagans [unbelievers]. In so doing, many of the pagans turned from their idols and were converted to the faith in Christ.

At this church of the holy Chief Commander Michael, a certain pious man by the name of Archippus served for sixty years as church custodian. By his preaching and by the example of his saintly life he brought many pagans to faith in Christ. With the general malice of that time towards Christians, and especially against Archippus, the pagans thought to destroy the church in order to prevent people from coming to that holy place of healing, and at the same time kill Archippus.

Toward this end they made a confluence of the Lykokaperos and Kufos Rivers and directed its combined flow against the church. St Archippus prayed fervently to the Chief Commander Michael to ward off the danger. Through his prayer the Archangel Michael appeared at the temple, and with a blow of his staff, opened a wide fissure in a rock and commanded the rushing torrents of water to flow into it. The temple remained unharmed. Seeing such an awesome miracle, the pagans fled in terror. Archippus and the Christians gathered in church glorified God and gave thanks to the holy Archangel Michael for the help. The place where the rivers plunged into the fissure received the name “Chonae,” which means “plunging.



September 14, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy & Live-Giving Cross, Tone 5

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

Announcements:

St. George's Parish Picnic

Our St. George's Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday, September 28th 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 27th at 10:00 a.m., and for the setting up on Sunday morning, September 28th at 8:30 a.m. Please be part of these preparations for a happy and successful parish picnic. Thank you!

Mark your calendar:

We are planning to restart Adult religious Classes. The first Adult Religious Class is on October 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Please mark other scheduled class as November 13, 2025. Special thank you to Don Fontana for coordinating these classes and parishioners for attending.

Church School/Registration

As we prepare to begin our St. George's Church School, registration forms are now available in the Church vestibule. I ask all our parents to please take & fill out the registration form (one per child). We need to have them returned by Sunday, September 14th. 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. 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 will take place on Sunday, October 12, 2025, at Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Ambridge. There will be a reception at 12:30pm and the Luncheon will begin at 1:00pm. 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 invitation you should have received in the mail, or online at the Eparchy's website (stjosaphateparchy.com). For more information, please see the Pastor or send an email to stjosaphatstewardship@yahoo.com, or call 440-888-1522. Please support this important event for the Eparchy!

Missed September Birthday!

Lucy Barr, 9/29

Pyrohy

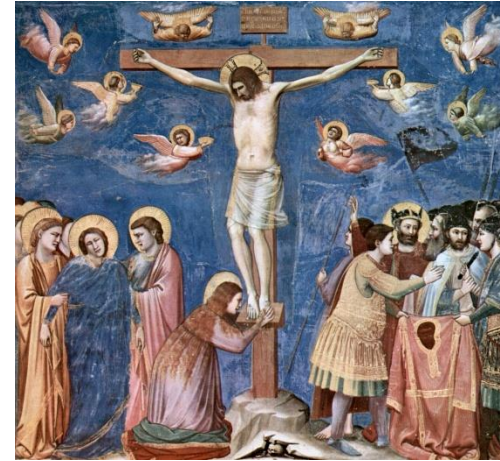
We are back with our pyrohy production. Sincere thanks to all our dedicated pyrohy workers for their hard work and dedication to this ongoing activity. Please come down and give us a hand with this important fundraiser. Thank you!

Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday of September 7, 2014 was **\$1,412.00**

(Collection: \$1251.00, Loose & candles: \$62.00)

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



Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross (John 3:13-17) "Lifting Jesus Up"

The feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is tied to St. Helena, the mother of Constantine. She was a devout Christian who went to Jerusalem in the 4th Century. There was a pagan temple built over the place of Jesus' death and burial. Helena tore down the temple and built The Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher. In the excavation for that church, legend has it, three crosses were found. A woman

who was very sick was healed when she touched one of the crosses so that was identified as the cross of Jesus. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross was put on the liturgical calendar on the day of the Basilica's dedication in the 6th century.

The Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher still stands today. The church has divided ownership. Three denominations claim it as their own. The Armenian Apostolic Church, the Greek Orthodox Church and the Roman Catholic Church. The irony is that this holiest of all Christian sites is a place of much division. The three churches who have custody do not get along. They have been at odds over repair and decoration of the church. It is so bad that Jewish people have the key to the church.

We hear in the readings today how the Israelites complain and fight against Moses. Poisonous snakes bite the people. They are only cured when Moses lifts up a bronze serpent for the people to look at. Throughout the centuries there have been times when the poison of discord has divided the Christian Church. What would happen if those quarreling would meditate on the true meaning of the cross?

The cross represents self-sacrificing love. Jesus gave his body over to be broken for humanity. He had no time for hatred or division. He wanted us all to be one. When we worship the cross, we do not pray over an object, but we reflect on the actions of Christ in his last hours.

When we lift the cross and believe our Savior is the model of how we are to live, the poison of self-absorption is drained from our lives. When we sing, "Lift Hight the Cross" this is what we are commemorating.

Meditation by Archpriest David Petras