

October 27, 2019
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



SAINT GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fighting the Good Fight with Faith

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! ~ Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Propers for this Sunday: pp. , Tone

Divine Services Schedule:

SUN., OCT. 27

8:00 A.M.

8:30 A.M.

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Holy Rosary

DIVINE LITURGY

+ **Wilma Dobo**, offered by Joe and Marian Leo

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DIVINE LITURGY

+ **Wilma Dobo**, offered by son, Andrew & Jo Anne Dobo

Don't be a swine! – If there is anyone among us who is wanton, swinish, filth-loving, impure, and willingly contaminated with the abominations of sin, God will permit him to fall into their power and sink into the abyss of damnation. It will never happen that those who love Christ will become subject to them. It will never happen to us as long as we walk in his footsteps, avoid negligence in the performance of what is right, desire those things which are honorable, and belong to that virtuous and praiseworthy lifestyle that Christ has marked out for us by the precepts of the Gospel.

(St. Cyril of Alexandria)



Please, remember to turn your clock 1 hour back this Saturday, November 2nd, before you go to bed. Standard Time Resumes.

Happy Birthday Greetings this Week:

October 28: John Gural, Alice Haber, November 1: Josephine Pollock

Wedding Anniversaries this Week:

October 30: Shawn & Christine Cody, 15 Years!, November 2: John & Ann Gural

Please Pray for our parishioners and friends who struggle with sickness, pain, hardship, or any special need:

HOME – Eileen Batcha, Natalie Jugan-Diaz, Rebecca Dickun, Marianne Dove, Alice Haber, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Mary Ann Jugan, Neil Jugan, Josephine Maruhnich, Mary Salamon, : John Simunick, Bonnie Taylor

Hunter's Care Home (1916 Main St, Aliquippa, PA 15001) – Mary Poiarkoff

West Hills Health & Rehab Center (951 Brodhead Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108) – Margaret Klacik

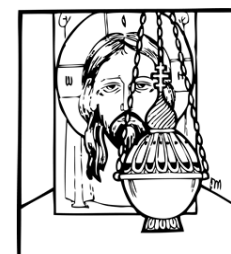
Beaver Meadows (5130 Tuscarawas Rd, Beaver, PA 15009) - Angie Yuhasz

Brighton Rehabilitation and Wellness Center (246 Friendship Cir, Beaver, PA 15009) - Carole Panella

Epistle Readers: Oct. 27: Prudence Peja – Nov. 3: Reagan Cody

Ushers: Oct. 27: R. Mudron/F. Hersh – Nov. 3: R. Dzumba/F. Hersh

Troica Holders: Oct.27: J. Yurosky – Nov. 3: J. Yurosky



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

October 27 – November 2, 2019

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

+ Daughter, Linda Todd

(In Loving Memory)

Offered By:

Mother, Mary Salamon



On November 1st we celebrate the memory of the Holy Unmercenary Wonder-Workers Cosmas and Damian. As skilled physicians they received the gift of healing from the Holy Spirit and healed many, very often miraculously. After their deaths many were healed through their intercession. They are remembered together with their mother, St Theodota.

Upcoming Calendar of Events

Today Youth ECF Classes, 10:15-11:30
November 3, 10, 17, 24 Youth ECF Classes, 10:15-11:30
November 8 Pirohi Sale
November 8 6:00 P.M Divine Liturgy, Archangel Michael Holy Day
November 9 Spirituality Conference (info in bulletin)
November 15 St. Phillip's Fast Begins, (Advent)
November 15 Annual Christmas Almsgiving Collection Begins
November 20 6:00 P.M. Vespers Divine Liturgy, Entrance of the Theotokos Holy Day
November 21 Entrance of the Theotokos Holy Day
December 6 St. Nicholas Day
December 8 63rd Annual St. Nicholas Banquet
December 22 Annual Christmas Party (Details to follow)

Christmas Altar Candles - Beginning November 3, a sign-up sheet will be available to donate altar candles for Christmas in memory of a deceased loved one or friend or for the health and well-being of a loved one or friend.

St. Anthony Congregation Spaghetti Dinner - The St. Anthony Congregation of West Aliquippa is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, November 3, 2019 from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm at 327 Beaver Avenue, West Aliquippa, PA. The cost is \$10.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for Children 5 to 12 years and Free for under 5 years. Everyone is welcome. For additional information, please call 724-375-7675 or 724-495-3136.

Haven't Seen Someone in a While? - Give them a call. See how they are doing. It is nice to hear from a friend from Church. Let them know that you not only miss them but also care enough to see if everything is okay. A kind word can go a long way.

WELCOME - We extend a warm welcome to our parishioners, visitors, and friends. We are glad that you have come to worship with us today and pray that your participation in our parish will be enriching to you. Following every Sunday Divine Liturgy, Fellowship Coffee and doughnuts are served! If you haven't in a while, we invite everyone to **STAY** and join us.



Next Pirohi Sale: November 8. Plan your orders!

ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION: SEMINARY FUNDRAISING DINNER

The 63rd Annual St. Nicholas Celebration, benefiting our Byzantine Catholic Seminary will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2019. The cost of the dinner is \$40 per plate (or \$18 per plate for children 12 and under). If you would like to attend, please see Fr. Geoff to sign up. **We would like to have a table of eight reserved for St. George Church.** The deadline for this will be **November 3**, after which we will send in our parish registration form. If you are unable to attend, but wish to sponsor a seminarian or other guest to attend, this can also be arranged.

CARPATHO-RUSYN CELEBRATION

The 38th Annual Carpatho-Rusyn Celebration hosted by St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic, Uniontown, will be **TODAY from noon to 6:00 PM**. The venue is moved to the **Uniontown Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall, 58 Dunbar St. Uniontown**. There will be ethnic foods (holubki, holushki, pirohi, pagach, potato pancakes, kolbasi & kraut), baked goods, and entertainment; The Slavjane Folk Ensemble will perform. There will also be a speaker and/or video presentation on Rusyn culture and costumes (1 PM and 4 PM), Carpatho-Rusyn Society display and sales, demonstrations, and children's activities. Everyone is welcome, admission is free.

BYZANTINE SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE - "The Journey to Emmaus Continued"

The 2019 Byzantine Spirituality Conference will be held at St. John the Baptist Cathedral in Munhall on Saturday, **November 9** from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM. The keynote speaker will be **The Most Rev. Nicholas J. Samra**, Eparchial Bishop of Newton. Topics: "Whose Church is this?" and "Parish Leadership: Boundaries & Collaboration". Break-out sessions will be led by **Sr. Marion Dobos** ("God With Us Curriculum: A Non-Traditional Approach") and **Chris Singel** ("Strength for the Journey").

Mark your calendars and plan on attending. **We would like to have a significant sized group from St. George attend the conference.** Will you to step up and do all you can towards Discipleship for the future of our Churches? Information is available in the Center. We will register as a group. Please see JoAnn Hersh to sign-up.

"We need a revolution of Religious education and formation of our membership to understand their baptismal commitment to be part of the Body of Christ and their role as active evangelizers."
Bishop Nicholas Samra

Save the Date!!

The annual Christmas party for the parishes of St. George and St. Mary will be on Sunday, December 22. Details to follow.

We will be having our Christmas nutroll sale, details to follow. Let us do the baking for you!

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Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so He got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with Him; but He sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you."



On this Sunday Our Lord comes to the land of the possessed; there, He is neither idle, nor passive, nor absent: He acts, He heals the possessed man; and what happens, what is the response of the people? They are in terror because they have seen the power of God manifested in such a way that fills them with fear, not with awe. And they ask Christ to be gone: Leave our realm, go away! The fact that Christ has acted, that He has healed, that He has saved the man, matters nothing; what matters, is that they have to pay the cost for it: their pigs... Isn't it again something which we happen to do? We ask God to come into our lives; and suddenly we discover that God is not coming in the way in which we want Him to be! He is not coming into our lives simply to order things according to our view; He transforms the dead orderliness of our life into a chaos, but a chaos which is loaded with possibilities - but we don't want this! We want what we had: an orderly life, without problems, without anything great happening, also without anything tragic happening. Earlier, on another occasion, someone else had said to Christ, "Leave me - I am unworthy". Having seen the miraculous catching of fish on the Sea of Galilee, Peter said, "Leave my boat, I am not worthy, I am a sinner." Have we ever spoken such words? Have we ever felt that we are unworthy of Christ's coming, dwelling under our roof, being with us, doing for us all we need? Indeed being for us like a servant who will do things because we need them done.

Lifting Our Hearts to God From the Depths

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Aleppo welcomes you to "**Lifting our Hearts to God from the Depths,**" an evening of Adoration presided by Father Boniface Hicks, OSB. Fr. Boniface, a monk of St. Vincent's Archabbey in Latrobe, is the director of Spiritual Formation at St. Vincent Seminary, the General Manager of We Are One Body (WAOB) Catholic Radio, and the co-author of *Spiritual Direction: A Guide for Sharing the Father's Love*. This event will be held on **Friday, November 15** at **St. Mary's Church**, 444 Glenfield Road, Sewickley, PA 15143 at **7:00 PM**.

We are called to be not just parishioners but DISCIPLES who spread the Good News

Excerpt from Christ Our Pascha

The Fall of Humankind. The Fall is completed with the expulsion of our first parents from Paradise: "He drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim, and a sword flaming and turning to guard the way to the tree of life" (Gn 3:24). As a consequence of the Fall, that is, of the sin of the first parents (original sin), humankind lost Paradise. We cannot return to the tree of life in any other way except by God's power, and so, we are in need of God's salvation. (#148)

October is Respect Life Month

A Perfect Gift

Read the full version at usccb.org/perfect-gift

Soon after the birth of my son Charlie, who has Down syndrome, a visitor asked whether he was "mild, moderate, or severe"—referring to his level of cognitive impairment. I was shocked. In my arms I held my beautiful baby boy, who defied easy categorization. It's like looking at a stained-glass window from the outside: the colors look dark, and you can't quite make out the figures. But inside, with the sun shining through it, the effect can be brilliant. From inside our family, love illuminates our life with Charlie. What may seem dreary to others, perhaps even unbearable, is actually filled with beauty and color. Our love has nothing to do with his abilities. We love him simply because of who he *is*, and understanding this teaches us fundamental truth; every life is a good and perfect gift.

Clinical labels don't tell the whole story.

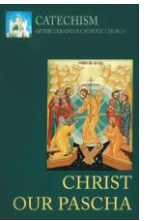
WISDOM FROM THE FATHERS

Courage does not consist in defeating and oppressing one's neighbor, for this is arrogance and pride, which oversteps the bounds of courage. Nor does it consist in fleeing terrified from the trials that come as a result of practicing the virtues; for this is cowardice and falls short of courage. Courage itself consists in persisting in every good work and in overcoming the passions of soul and body, for our struggle is not against flesh and blood, that is, against men, as was the case with the Jews of old, where, to conquer other nations was to do the work of God; it is against principalities and powers, that is, against the unseen demons (see Ephesians 6:12). He who is victorious conquers spiritually; otherwise, he is conquered by the passions. The warfare described in the Old Testament suggests our spiritual warfare.

- Venerable father Peter of Damascus



On November 1st we celebrate the feast of the Holy Martyr Theodore Romzha, the Bishop of Mukachevo. Martyred by Soviet communists in 1947, he was beatified by Pope John Paul II on June 27, 2001. His relics are enshrined at Holy Cross Byzantine Catholic Cathedral in Uzhhorod, Transcarpathian region of Ukraine.



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Louisa Hersh**

**E.C.F. coordinator: Jo Ann Hersh
Facilities Supervisor: John Poiarkoff**

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation.....Before and after Liturgies
Holy Mysteries of Initiation.....Contact the church office
Holy Mystery of AnointingAsk prior to surgery or serious illness
Holy Mystery of MarriageContact the church office eight months prior to wedding
Religious Education Classes.....September through May, following Sunday Divine Liturgy
Pirohi Sales 2nd Friday of each month, Sept. through May
St. George Ladies’ Guild & Men’s Club..... Everyone welcome to participate



“To become adult Christians, you must learn familiarity with the scriptures”
- St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop