

April 6, 2025

Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast/ St. Mary of Egypt



Veil of Protection

SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! - Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Слава Исусу Христу! Слава на вики!

St. Mary Divine Services for the Week:

- SUN., APRIL 6 FIFTH SUNDAY of the GREAT FAST
11:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL
+Jack Kotula, requested by Betty A. Kotula

- WED., APRIL 9 Holy Martyr Euphychius
4:45-5:45 P.M. Confessions
6:00 P.M. LITURGY of the PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS,
Final Adult Education Following

- THUR., APRIL 10 Holy Martyrs Terence, Pompey and their Companions
6:00 P.M. LITURGY of the PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS

- FRI., APRIL 11 Holy Martyr Antipas, Bishop of Pergamum in Asia
9:00 A.M. Matins with Typika

- SUN., APRIL 13 PALM SUNDAY
11:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY, *Blessing of palms and pussywillows*
+ Pompilio and Lucy Bosetti, requested by Greg Plumb
4:00 P.M. LENTEN VESPERS

Preterpivj za nas strasti, Isuse Christe, Syne Bozij, pomiluj nas.

Happy Birthday Greetings:

April 9: Janelle Kurash

Wedding Anniversaries:

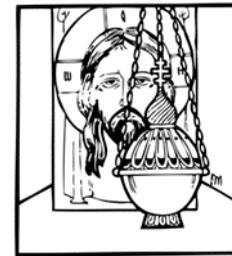
April 6: Rich & Ginny Sabol

Please Pray for Our Sick and Shut-ins:

HOME: Penny Furis, Ron Jones, William Killian, Mary Lou Phillips, Joyce Rose, Eleanor Soltis

Franciscan Manor (71 Darlington Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010) - George Cirka

Christ is among us! He is and shall be!
Christos posred' i nas! Jest' i budet!



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

March 30 – April 5, 2025

Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:

The Parishioners

Parish Offerings for March 30, 2025

Not available this week

Do not neglect good deeds and generosity, God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.”(Hebrews 13:16)

Regular Confessions Offered

- St. George 4:45-5:45 P.M. on Fridays and **before** every Sunday Divine Liturgy
- St. Mary 4:45-5:45 P.M. on Wednesdays and **following** every Sunday Divine Liturgy
- St. Nicholas 4:00-4:45 P.M. before Vigil Liturgy on Saturdays

A Cordial Invitation from St. George to St. Mary Parishioners



We cordially invite St. Mary parishioners to our Patronal Feast Day celebration. There will be a Divine Liturgy on our Patronal Feast Day, **Wednesday, April 23 at 6:00 P.M.** The following **Sunday, April 27**, we will continue our celebration at St. George Church with a **Liturgy at 9:30 A.M. followed by a Parish Luncheon.** We welcome all parishioners and guests to come and honor our Patron, St. George the Great Martyr and to celebrate together as a parish family. **A sign-up sheet for the luncheon is in the Narthex.**

18th EGGstravaganza

The 18th EGGstravaganza, will be held on **Sunday, April 6 from 12:00 noon – 4:00PM**, at **St. John Byzantine Catholic Church Social Hall, 201 E. Main St., in Uniontown.** Come and “experience the traditions”. Egg artists will demonstrate and sell eggs. There will be a Market Place with Pysanky supplies, Easter items, Easter crafts, basket covers, and other ethnic items. Children’s activities include storytelling, making Easter eggs, and other projects. There will also be a hands-on workshop for those interested in learning to make pysanky. A Lenten lunch menu will be available for purchase as well as an extensive bake sale table. Admission is free. For info: call 724-438-1382 (Leave message.) Check parish website for any updates: www.stjohnbaptist-byzath-uniontown.org & www.facebook.com/StJohnByzUniontown.

57th Ukrainian Easter Egg Sale

The 57th Ukrainian Easter Egg Sale will be held on **Sunday, April 13, 2025 from 11 AM to 4 PM** at **St. Peter & St. Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 220 Mansfield Blvd., Carnegie, PA 15106.** There will be over 1,200 Ukrainian pysanky including 300 specialty eggs (goose, ostrich, wooden and more...) to see or purchase. They will also have folk arts & crafts from Ukraine, basket raffles, and door prizes. The Ukrainian Kitchen will be open serving dine-in or take-out kielbasa, Pyrohy, holupchy, halushki, homemade Easter paska bread, and baked goods. There will be Church Tours & Talk given by Fr. John Charest at 12:00 PM, 1:00 PM & 2:00 PM. For information call: 412-527-5359 or 412-279-2111 or visit orthodoxcarnegie@gmail.com



St. George Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., APRIL 6 FIFTH SUNDAY of the GREAT FAST
4:00 P.M. LENTEN VESPERS

TUE., APRIL 8 Holy Apostles Herodian, Agabus, Rufus, Asnycritus, Phlegon, & Hermes
6:00 P.M. LITURGY of the PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS

FRI., APRIL 11 Holy Martyr Antipas, Bishop of Pergamum in Asia
4:45-5:45 P.M. Confessions
6:00 P.M. LITURGY of the PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS

SAT., APRIL 12 Lazarus Saturday
10:00 A.M. BAPTISMAL DIVINE LITURGY
For those being initiated into the Church, requested by Fr. Anthony

SUN., APRIL 13 PALM SUNDAY
8:30 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY, *Blessing of palms and pussywillows*
For the People of St. George, St. Mary, and St. Nicholas Chapel

St. Nicholas Chapel Divine Services for the Week:

SAT., APRIL 12 PALM SUNDAY
5:00 P.M. DIVINE LITURGY. *Blessing of palms and pussywillows*
Special intention requested by Mike and Patty Costantino

It's Never too Late

As we continue our Lenten journey, we focus on this Sunday on the life of our venerable mother Mary of Egypt. The example of this “Penitent Saint” tells us that **it is never too late in life - or in Lent - to repent.** Christ will gladly receive all who come to Him, but their coming must be in serious and sincere repentance.



Preterpivjy za nas strasti, Isuse Christe, Syne Bozij, pomiluj nas.

A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear parishioners,

Today is the last day to turn in nomination forms for Finance Council.

In today's bulletin, there is a nomination form for a combined pastoral council. While each parish has separate finances, the reality is I have to divide my time pastorally between three locations. In order to more effectively coordinate and plan pastoral events, it makes the most sense to have one council representing St. George, St. Mary, and St. Nicholas. This way, everyone is on the same page with how I am able to divide up my pastoral time and provide appropriate care to each of our locations. If you believe you would be a good fit for the council or wish to nominate someone else, please turn in the form by Easter Sunday.

I am looking for people who are actively involved in parish life and are available to spend time volunteering and serving at our parishes. The spiritual life at our parish is the top priority in terms of developing a pastoral plan. This first and foremost means regular Divine Liturgy attendance on both Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is essential for prospective members. Also, consistent participation in other parish activities is a major factor for my consideration. These include, but are not limited to: pirohy making, helping with socials, teaching ECF, participating in adult education, altar serving, and other special events/services. I am looking to have a variety of ages and perspectives represented.

To avoid overloading any one individual and to ensure a variety of opinions are represented, parishioners will only be allowed to serve on one council (with the exception of Deacon Tom, as he is clergy).

Please consider joining us at St. George on Saturday, April 12th at 10am for the Baptismal Liturgy of Brian Garvey and Carson Cushin. Isabella Rubino will also be receiving sacraments this day. This is a very joyful event in the life of our community.

In the back of St. George and St. Mary's there are sign-up sheets for the field trip to Christ the Bridegroom. There are also sign-ups if you need a ride or are able to give parishioners a ride to Holy Week services in between St. George and St. Mary's.

In Christ,
Fr. Anthony

For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve....

Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast

And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

"When the other Disciples heard it, they became angry with James and John". They were angry with them for their self-seeking ambition: they were also angry with themselves for not having thought to ask for these positions first.

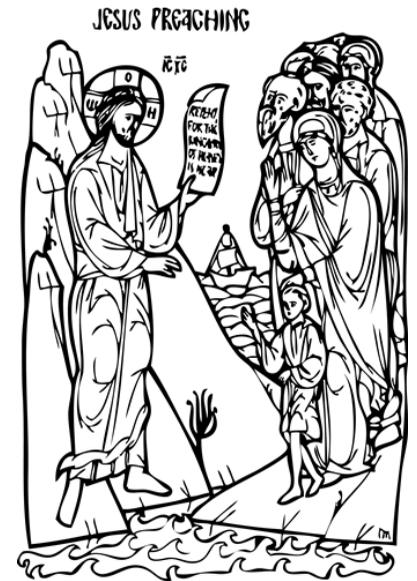
There is a radical difference between the kingdoms of this world and the Kingdom of God. The world says that you are great according to the power that you exercise over others: the more authority you have to dominate, the greater you are. "This is not to be so among you", says Christ.

The world says that you are great according to the position you hold: the greater the position, the greater the person. "This is not to be so among you", says Christ.

The world says that you are great according to the possessions you have. Your greatness is measured by the suburb in which you live, the size of your house, the kind of car you drive, the amount of money you have. "This is not to be so among you", says Christ.

But if greatness is not to be found in position, in power, in possessions, where then is to be found? *"Whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all."* In a single sentence Christ Our Lord reverses the values of the world. The world has placed at the top of the list kings, military commanders, the rich, those who have positions of honor and recognition. Behind them come the great masses of humanity, followed at the very end by the servants. Jesus reverses the whole scale of values and says: "The greatest of these are those who serve".

our life to the Lord, that when the day of Pascha arrives, we who have died with him will receive a new life in him



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Cantors: Tasney Broussard, Rebecca Leroy, Naedia McCann

E.C.F. coordinator: Joyce Rose

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation..... Wednesdays 4:45-5:45 P.M. & after Sunday Liturgy.
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.
Pirohi Sales Every Friday

It is never too late, to pick up and begin again, or to begin at all.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE of LITURGIES

SAINT GEORGE
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
1001 CLINTON ST,
ALIQUIPPA, PA 15001

SAINT MARY'S
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
624 PARK RD,
AMBRIDGE, PA 15003

SAINT NICHOLAS
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHAPEL
5400 TUSCARAWAS ROAD
BEAVER, PA. 15009

LAZARUS SATURDAY - APRIL 12TH

10am | Baptismal Liturgy at *St. George*
5pm | Palm Sunday Vigil Divine Liturgy at *St. Nicholas*



PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 13TH

8:30am | Divine Liturgy at *St. George*
11am | Divine Liturgy at *St. Mary's*
4pm | Palm Sunday Vespers at *St. Mary's*

HOLY & GREAT MONDAY - APRIL 14TH

No Divine Services Scheduled

HOLY & GREAT TUESDAY - APRIL 15TH

6pm | Presanctified Divine Liturgy with Holy Anointing at *St. George*

HOLY & GREAT WEDNESDAY - APRIL 16TH

6pm | Presanctified Divine Liturgy with Holy Anointing at *St. Mary's*

HOLY & GREAT THURSDAY - APRIL 17TH

9am | Matins of the Commemoration of the Mystical Supper at *St. George*
6pm | Vespertal Liturgy of Basil the Great at *St. Mary's*

HOLY & GREAT FRIDAY - APRIL 18TH

9am | Matins of the Twelve Passion Gospels at *St. Mary's*
1pm | Royal Hours of Good Friday at *St. Nicholas*
6pm | Vespers of the Burial of our Lord, God,
and Savior Jesus Christ at *St. George*
8:30pm | Jerusalem Matins at *St. Mary's*



HOLY & GREAT SATURDAY - APRIL 19TH

9am | Vespertal Liturgy of Basil the Great at *St. Mary's*
12pm | Blessing of Easter Baskets at *St. Mary's*
4pm | Paschal Divine Liturgy with Blessing of
Easter Baskets at *St. Nicholas*
7pm | Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy
with Blessing of Easter Baskets at *St. George*

PASCHA - APRIL 20TH

10am | Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy
with Blessing of Easter Baskets at *St. Mary's*

BRIGHT WEEK SCHEDULE of LITURGIES

SAINT GEORGE
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
1001 CLINTON ST,
ALIQUIPPA, PA 15001

SAINT MARY'S
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
624 PARK RD,
AMBRIDGE, PA 15003

SAINT NICHOLAS
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHAPEL
5400 TUSCARAWAS ROAD
BEAVER, PA. 15009

PASCHA - APRIL 20TH

10am | Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy
with Blessing of Easter Baskets at *St. Mary's*

BRIGHT MONDAY - APRIL 21ST

11am | Divine Liturgy with Paschal Procession at *St. Mary's*

BRIGHT TUESDAY - APRIL 22ND

No Divine Services Scheduled

BRIGHT WEDNESDAY - APRIL 23RD

FEAST OF ST. GEORGE

6pm | Divine Liturgy at *St. George*

BRIGHT THURSDAY - APRIL 24TH

6pm | Divine Liturgy at *St. George*

BRIGHT FRIDAY - APRIL 25TH

11am | Divine Liturgy at *St. Mary's*