

April 26, 2026

Sunday of the Paralytic Man, Fourth Sunday of Pascha



# Veil of Protection

SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! ~ Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!*

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## St. Mary: Divine Services for the Week:

SUN., APRIL 26 ..... SUNDAY of the PARALYTIC MAN

10:45 A.M. .... THIRD HOUR

11:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY

*Intention: For the People of St. George, St. Mary, and St. Nicholas Chapel*

WED., APRIL 29 ..... MID-PENTECOST

6:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY

*Intention: + Gerard P. McCauley, requested by Mike and Patty Costantino*

Following ..... Social

FRI., MAY 1 ..... Jeremiah, Prophet

9:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY

*Intention: + Pat Modrak, requested by Mike and Patty Costantino*

SUN., MAY 3 ..... SUNDAY of the SAMARITAN WOMAN

10:45 A.M. .... THIRD HOUR

11:00 A.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY

*Intention: + John and Mary Plumb, requested by Greg Plumb*

*Voskrese! Хрі́сто́сь воскресе! Воистину воскресе!*

## Happy Birthday Greetings:

April 30: Elizabeth Dziabiak

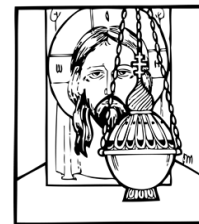
## Wedding Anniversaries:

April 29: Gary & Christine Gubba

## Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins

HOME: Penny Furis, William Killian, Joyce Rose, Eleanor Soltis

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



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP

April 26 – May 2, 2026

*Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:*

**The Parishioners**

## Parish Offerings for April 19, 2026

God bless your generosity! "Everyone must give according to whatever he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor 9:7)

Offertory ..... \$955.00

Candles ..... \$15.00

Easter ..... \$70.00

**Total: \$990.00**

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 Thursdays 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


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Хрі́сто́сь воскресе! Воистину воскресе!

Χριστός ανέστη! Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!



**SOLEMN RECONSECRATION  
OF  
THE CITY OF ALIQUIPPA TO  
THE SACRED  
AND  
IMMACULATE HEARTS**



**Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM**



Followed by a mile-long procession through the streets of Aliquippa.

Mayor Dwan Walker will be attending and participating in the Reconsecration. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of the city.




**Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Woodlawn Council 2161**

We will be invoking the Holy Spirit's intercession in a special way!

**ST. GEORGE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
1001 Clinton St.  
Aliquippa, PA 15001



**SATURDAY,  
MAY 30, 2026**

Pentecost Saturday

All are welcome to attend a light social in the Church social hall after the procession.

**St. George: Divine Services for the Week:**

**TUE., APRIL 28 ..... MID-PENTECOST, *Anticipated***  
**6:00 P.M. ....VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY**  
*Intention: Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Joseph Opferman, requested by Grant Gaylord*

**WED., APRIL 29 .....MID-PENTECOST**  
**7:00 A.M. ....FIRST HOUR & THIRD**

**THUR., APRIL 30 .....James the Greater, Apostle**  
**6:00 P.M. ....DIVINE LITURGY**  
*Intention: + Sr. Rose Elizabet, requested by Jimmy Mudron*

**SAT., MAY 2\_.....SUNDAY of the SAMARITAN WOMAN, *Anticipated***  
**5:00 P.M. .... DIVINE LITURGY**  
*Intention: + Lorie Foister, requested by Sr. Mary Virginia*

**Following ..... Parish Feast Day Dinner**

**St. Nicholas: Divine Services for the Week:**

**SUN., MAY 3 ..... SUNDAY of the SAMARITAN WOMAN**  
**3:00 P.M. .... HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY,**  
**ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION**  
*Intention: For the People of St. Nicholas Chapel, St. Mary, and St. George*

***Get up and walk***

Jesus reveals Himself as the Merciful Savior who frees the man from his lifelong ailment. We share in the joy of this at our baptism when the same Savior washes us free from sin and makes us whole through His grace. Thus, His life-giving death and glorious resurrection free us from the crippling effects of sin and recreate us in the image and likeness of God. Do you want to be healed? Say yes to Christ and then follow Him. Respond to His gifts of forgiveness and grace by choosing to follow Him each and every day.

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### A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear Parishioners,

A few things of note this week:

First, Wednesday is the feast of Mid-Pentecost. This joyful day marks the halfway point Pascha and Pentecost. It is basically the Church's way of saying that we have two wonderful Feast Days to celebrate and they are so great we need an extra celebration for both of them! We will have a 6:00pm Vespertal Divine Liturgy at St. George on Tuesday and our regular 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's Wednesday **followed by a social.**

Due to the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas Chapel at 3:00pm this Sunday celebrated by Bishop Artur of the Eparchy of Phoenix, there will be no liturgy at St. Nicholas Chapel Saturday evening or at St. George Sunday morning. **We will have our Saturday 5:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. George this upcoming week followed by a dinner in honor of the parish feast day!** All are welcome.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for several events later in May.

Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>: Dinner hosted by Fr. Anthony for those who contributed to the St. George annual appeal.

Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>: Trivia Night at St. Mary's.

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>: Reconsecration of the City of Aliquippa with Mayor Walker with Procession (see flyer).

In Christ,  
*Fr. Anthony*

*In the middle of the feast, quench the thirst of my soul with streams of devotion. For you, O Savior, have exclaimed to all: Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink. O Christ our God, Fountain of Life, Glory to You!*  
*(Troparion of Mid Pentecost)*

### ***Sunday of the Paralytic Man***

In today's Gospel (John 5:1–15), we meet the man who had been ill for thirty-eight years, lying near the pool of Bethesda. When Jesus sees him, He asks a piercing question: "Do you want to be made well?" (John 5:6). The man explains his helplessness: "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool..." (John 5:7).

Christ does not wait for perfect conditions, nor does He require the man to reach the water. Instead, He speaks a life-changing command: "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." (John 5:8). At once, the man is healed. Later, Jesus finds him again and says, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning, or something worse may happen to you." (John 5:14).



For Byzantine Catholics, this Sunday reminds us that Christ gives us new and eternal life in the waters of baptism and that He is the true physician of our souls and bodies. He comes to us not only in moments of strength, but precisely in our paralysis—our fears, our habits, our discouragement. His healing word restores us, but it also calls us to rise, to walk, and to live differently.

### **Living the Gospel as Missionary Disciples**

1. Rise from one "paralysis" this week. Choose one area where you feel stuck—prayer, forgiveness, routine—and take a small, concrete step forward.
2. Help someone who feels alone. The paralytic had "no one" to help him. Offer encouragement, a visit, or practical support to someone who may feel forgotten.
3. Carry your mat with purpose. The healed man carried the very thing that once held him down. Reflect on how God has healed you in the past and let that memory strengthen your faith today.

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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 Anointing .....Ask prior to surgery or serious illness.

Holy Mystery of Marriage .....Contact the church office eight months prior to wedding.

Religious Education Classes.....September through May.

Pirohi Sales ..... Every Friday

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