October 18, 2026

# Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

# *Veil of Protection*

**SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!*

Propers for this Sunday: See Handout

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

**SUN., OCT. 18 …….. TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY after PENTECOST, Luke – Apostle**
**10:45 A.M. …….. THIRD HOUR**
**11:00 A.M. ……...DIVINE LITURGY**
***Intention: + Michael Sasala,*** *requested by Terry & Marta Sasala*

**WED., OCT. 21 ……. Hilary the Great, Venerable**
**6:00 P.M. ……. DIVINE LITURGY**
***Intention:*** *Special Intention requested by Mike and Patty Costantino*
**Following …….. Men's Group**

**THURS., OCT. 22 …..... Abercius, Bishop**
**7:45 A.M. ……. DIVINE LITURGY**
***Intention: + Alfred Costantino,*** *requested by Mike & Patty Costantino*

**FRI., OCT. 23 …… James - Apostle, Brother of the Lord**
**6:00 P.M. ……. DIVINE LITURGY of ST. JAMES**
***Intention: + Damian Minczeski,*** *requested by Karen Luksis*
**Following …….. Light Social**

**SUN., OCT. 25 ……... TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
**10:45 A.M. …….. THIRD HOUR**
**11:00 A.M. ……...DIVINE LITURGY**
***Intention: + Bobbie Klacik on the 15th anniversary of her passing,*** *requested by Deacon Tom Klacik*

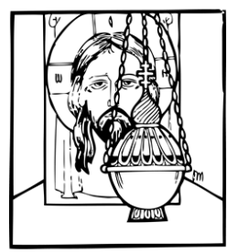
**Happy Birthday Greetings:**
October 22: Paul Lebanik, October 24: Alex Broussard, October 25: Sarah Cassidy, Timothy Cassidy

**Wedding Anniversaries:**
None for the Week

**Please Pray For Our Sick and Shut-ins**
**HOME**: Penny Furis, William Killian, Joyce Rose, Eleanor Soltis, Bruce Steffine

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

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THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP
October 18 - 24, 2026
*Burns before the real presence of our Lord for:*
Our Parishioners

## Parish Offerings for October 11, 2026

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| **Offertory** | $1,445.00 |
| **Loose Currency** | $25.00 |
| **Candles** | $15.00 |
| **Total:** | **$1485.00** |

## Parish Offerings for October 4, 2026

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| **Offertory** | $2,324.20 |
| **Loose Currency** | $205.00 |
| **Candles** | $15.00 |
| **Holy Day** | $32.20 |
| **Total:** | **$2576.40** |

**Regular Confessions Offered**
St. George …… Beginning 5:00 P.M. on Tuesdays and before every Sunday Divine Liturgy
St. Mary …. Beginning 5:00 P.M. Wednesdays and following every Sunday Divine Liturgy
St. Nicholas ……..……..…….... 4:00-4:45 P.M. before Vigil Liturgy on Saturdays

### *St. Nicholas Celebration - Byzantine Catholic Seminary*

The 69th Annual Saint Nicholas Celebration benefiting the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Saints Cyril & Methodius will take place on Sunday, December 6, 2026 at St. John Cathedral and Center in Munhall. The afternoon will begin with a Moleben to St. Nicholas in the Cathedral at 3:30 pm followed by a Social Hour at 4:00 and Dinner at 5:00. The event will include a talk on the Seminary by Bishop Robert Pipta, former rector and the current Bishop of the Eparchy of Parma. The cost is $45 per person but in support of our seminarians, both St. George and St. Mary Churches will sponsor a table for our parishioners to attend. There are 10 spots available at the St. George table and 9 at the St. Mary table. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. **This is open to the first 10 parishioners at St. George and 9 at St. Mary's and we need the list of people attending by November 8 in order to submit our reservation.**

### *Raffle Ticket Fundraiser benefitting the Byzantine Catholic Seminary*

The GCU is sponsoring a raffle ticket fundraiser for the Byzantine Catholic Seminary. There are fifteen tickets available at both St. Mary and St. George. The cost is $10 and the cash prizes will be based on the PA Daily 3 digit number. The prize on December 7 and 8 will be $250 and $1500 on December 9. If you wish to buy a ticket, please see Patty Costantino at St. Mary and Jackie Pinchot at St. George. Sales will end on November 15.

### *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will hold its first meeting on Saturday, November 1 at St. George Church following the First Saturday Liturgy. Liturgy is at 8:30 AM. The meeting will follow, around 10:00 AM. See the flyer in today's bulletin for more information.

### *Liturgy Intentions*

There are only a handful of Liturgy intentions left through 2026 and almost all of them are on weekdays. If you want an intention for 2026, please call Patty Costantino at 724-470-4123 to find out what is available. We will be accepting intentions for 2027 as soon as we receive the new liturgical calendar (it has been ordered) so if you know you want specific dates, please submit those as soon as possible. We schedule them on a first come, first served basis. Thank you!

### *Food Drive*

Please bring non-perishable food items for the Center for Hope. A collection box is in the narthex and will remain through Christmas. We appreciate your generosity to our neighbors in need! Thanks to Betty Kotula for organizing this project.

### *Envelopes*

If you are not currently receiving envelopes but would like to, please let Fr. Anthony know as we will be ordering them for 2027 soon. Thank you!

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

**TUE., OCT. 20 ..... Artemis, Great Martyr**
**6:00 P.M. ..... DIVINE LITURGY**
***Intention: Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of the Ermay Family,*** *requested by Sr. Mary Virginia*

**WED., OCT. 21 ..... Hilary the Great, Venerable**
**7:00 A.M. ..... FIRST & THIRD HOUR**

**THUR., OCT. 22 ..... Abercius, Bishop**
**6:30 P.M. ..... AKATHIST to the THEOTOKOS and EVER VIRGIN MARY**
**Following ..... LIFE & LITURGY SERIES**

**SUN., OCT. 25 ..... TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
**8:15 A.M. .....FIRST HOUR**
**8:30 A.M. .....DIVINE LITURGY**
***Intention: For the People of St. George, St.Mary, and St. Nicholas Chapel***

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

**SAT., OCT. 24 ..... TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY after PENTECOST**
**5:00 P.M. ..... DIVINE LITURGY**
***Ann & Todd Wilson on the occasion of their 35th wedding anniversary,*** *requested by Anthony, Chrissy, and Isabella Rubino*

## Life and Liturgy

**A Monthly "Theology on Tap" style Adult Education Series (21+) with Fr. Anthony**

St. George Byzantine Catholic Church
1001 Clinton St.
Aliquippa, PA

The next session in our monthly series is this **Thursday, Oct. 22 at 7:15 PM** in the bar area of St. George Church Social Center. This month's theme is *"We're in this together: Why Byzantine Catholic should appreciate the Traditional Latin Mass and why Roman Catholics should appreciate the Divine Liturgy"*. Drinks and snacks are provided. **Preceding will be an Akathist to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary at 6:30 PM in St. George Church.**

Glory to Jesus Christ ~ Glory Forever!

## A Note from Fr. Anthony

Dear parishioners,

We have several items of note this week. First, we will be having men's group at St. Mary's following the 6:00pm Divine Liturgy on Wednesday. **Women's Group is suspended indefinitely as there is nobody to lead currently.** If anyone is interested talk to Fr. Anthony.

**On Thursday, we will have our next Theology on Tap at St. George.** Join us for the Akathist at 6:30pm followed by a talk discussing the similarities between the Divine Liturgy and the Traditional Latin Mass. It will discuss similar themes to the Dr. Peter Kwasniewski lecture that occurred at St. Mary's. However, I will be talking in a less academic format with a slightly different slant so whether not you attended the lecture it will be an interesting talk.

**Friday evening we will be celebrating the Divine Liturgy of St. James at 6:00pm at St. Mary's in honor of his feast day.** This liturgy of the ancient Church in Jerusalem is one of the oldest recorded Eucharistic liturgies and has many similarities but is also a bit different than what we are used in the Divine Liturgy of. St. John Chrysostom. There will be a light social to follow.

The following week, we will have a modified weekday liturgy schedule as I will be speaking at a young adult event in Johnstown, run by our good friend Fr. Canice's parish. The schedule will be as follows:

Tuesday, October 27th 7:45am Divine Liturgy at St. George
Thursday, October 29th 6:00pm Divine Liturgy at St. Mary
Friday, October 30th 9:00am Divine Liturgy at St. Mary.

Our next pastoral council meeting is on Saturday, October 31st. If you have any topics you would like brought up, please see one of the members of the council (Deacon Tom, Lil Dziabiak, JoAnn Hersh, Francis Hersh, Jonathan Dohanich, and Jackie Pinchot).

*Fr. Anthony*

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## *In Praise of St. Luke, October 18*




What shall I call you, O Blessed Apostle? A heaven proclaiming the Glory of God? A star shining Light upon the world? A cloud raining down Divine Showers? A cup of Wisdom pouring out for us the wine that brings joy to our hearts? Intercede for the salvation of our souls.

What shall I call you, O divinely-inspired Apostle Luke? A river flowing to us from Paradise? The Ark of the Covenant established by Christ? A star shining forth the supreme Light? A radiance illuming the Church of God? A table of the Bread of Life and a divine Chalice? Intercede for the salvation of our souls.

What shall I call you who have seen our God? An efficient steward of the mysteries of Christ? A wise builder of the spiritual tabernacle? The hewer of the tablets of grace on which you engraved the newest of laws, which came from Zion and are preached by You? Intercede for the salvation of our souls.

What shall I call you, O glorious Apostle Luke? An attentive physician who heals souls and bodies with the treasures of Heaven's graces? A collaborator and traveling companion of Paul? The writer of the Acts of the Apostles, O holy Luke? There are many names for your many qualities. Intercede for the salvation of our souls.

What shall I call you, O divine preacher Luke? A disciple who gave us the good news of Christ? A physician through whom our souls are healed of their passions? A radiance shining the supreme Light? The solid foundation of the Faith who wrote an account of the all-holy Gospel for our sake? Intercede for the salvation of our souls.

O holy apostle of Christ, whose divine teachings you relate, foundation stone of the Church: truly, by your preaching, you have drawn back from the abyss of perdition the hearts darkened by ignorance. You save them from the violence of the stormy waves, O you who were both the companion and imitator of Paul, the Vessel of Election. O wondrous Luke, we entreat you, O jewel of the Antiochians: intercede before the Savior, our God, for the faithful who celebrate your sacred memory.

*Stichera at Vespers*

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**E.C.F. coordinator: Jonathan Dohanich**

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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# Remaining Dates:

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| Thursday, Oct. 22 | *6:30 pm Akathist to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary*<br>7:15 pm We're In This Together: Why Byzantine Catholics should appreciate the Traditional Latin Mass and why Traditional Roman Catholics should appreciate the Divine Liturgy. |
| Thursday, Nov. 5 | *6:30 pm Moleben of Thanksgiving*<br>7:15 pm Latinizations or Genuine Developments? Do Daily Divine Liturgy, Eucharistic Adoration, and the Rosary have a place in the Byzantine Catholic Church? |
| Thursday, Dec. 3 | *6:30 pm Emmanuel Moleben*<br>7:15 pm Questions & Answers with Fr. Anthony! All questions are welcome relating to the talks, Divine Liturgy and tradition, and anything else you might have always wanted to ask! |



St. George & St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Churches

# Prayer Shawl Ministry

Can you touch a prayer? Can you pull it close and feel its comfort? You can if it comes in the form of a prayer shawl!





A Prayer Shawl Ministry combines the power of prayer with the love of knitting and crocheting to reach out to those individuals in need of comfort, solace, shelter, or a warm hug!.

Prayer shawls--and other handcrafted items--are simple gifts of grace from God, prayerfully and lovingly stitched as reminders that God is always with us.

If you can knit or crochet (at any level) please consider joining us for fun, fellowship, prayer and service to others!

Sign up sheet in the narthex.