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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & BIRTH OF JOHN BAPTIST June 24, 2018

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| SAT. | 5:00 p.m. | Health & Blessings of Parishioners | Page 141 & 334 |
| SUN. | 10:30 a.m. | +Joseph Leshnack by wife, Helen & Daughters | |
| MON. | 11:00 a.m. | +Edward Kohl by Mary E. Brown | |
| TUE. | 11:00 a.m. | Intention of Giver | |
| WED. | 11:00 a.m. | No Liturgy | |
| THU. | 11:00 a.m. | No Liturgy | |



FRI. **STS. PETER & PAUL APOSTLES** *Holy day of Obligation*
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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 1, 2018

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| SAT. | 5:00 p.m. | Health & Blessings of Parishioners | Page 146 |
| SUN. | 10:30 a.m. | +Rita Strohmeyer by Ann Strohmeyer | |

St. George

1726 Canfield Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44511

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & BIRTH OF JOHN BAPTIST
June 24 9:00 a.m. +Michael Kovach Sr. by sister, Ann Agnesi **Page 141 & 334**

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July 1 9:00 a.m. +Michael Kovach Sr. by Mary Strachan



NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Among all the saints whom the Eastern Church venerates, St. John the Baptist holds a unique place. He alone, of all the Saints, except for the Mother of God, has a feast honoring his Conception, and another honoring his Nativity. The great esteem he enjoys in the Eastern Church is evident from the fact that during the Church Year as many as six feasts are celebrated in his honor: the feasts of his Conception, Nativity, Beheading, the First, Second and Third Finding of his head, and the Synaxis following the feast of Theophany.



St. John the Baptist is outstanding because he stands on the border of two testaments: the Old and the New. He closes the doors on the prophets and opens them to the Apostles. He is not only a prophet, but also a precursor of Christ, a baptizer and a martyr. John, already cleansed of original sin while still in his mother's womb, is the only person given the privilege of baptizing Him Whose coming the other prophets had foretold but did not live to see.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul came to be observed early in the history of the Church. Although they died at different times and places, their commemoration has universally been kept on the same day to highlight the central role they had in the foundation of the Church. It is for the same reason that they are called the "Leaders of the Apostles" in the Liturgy. St. Peter, whose original name was Simon, was a fisherman in Galilee when Jesus called him to be His Disciple. "Come after Me and I will make you fishers of men." After Jesus' Ascension, Peter was the spokesman of the Apostles, and a witness of Christ's divinity. He delivered the first sermon on Pentecost and received the first pagans into the Church. From Jerusalem he went to preach the Gospel in Antioch, then to Cappadocia, Galatia, Pontus, and finally Rome. He was crucified, head downward, most probably in 67 A.D.

St. Paul, known as Saul before his conversion, was born at Tsarsus in the Roman province of Cilicia. As a youth, he went to Jerusalem to receive his education in Judaism from the celebrated rabbi, Gamaliel. At the time of Jesus' ministry he had already left Jerusalem. Saul did not see the Lord during His earthly ministry. By the grace of God, Saul was miraculously converted on the way to Damascus around the year 34 A.D. After receiving baptism, Paul left for a long retreat in Arabia to prepare himself for his future mission. He was most zealous to preach the Gospel of Christ to the world. He established many churches and visited many other churches. To these he wrote numerous letters which form a significant part of the New Testament.

The Icon of Peter and Paul is simple and direct, striving only to present the holiness and wisdom of the two Apostles whose lives were totally devoted to witnessing the Good News of Jesus Christ and our salvation. They stand majestically, Peter with the keys, and Paul with the Scriptures, as pillars of the Church and teachers of the Lord Jesus.

The Liturgy hails the chief Apostles with beautifully composed hymns. Peter is called the "rock of faith" and Paul pride of the universe." Together they are celebrated as luminaries of those in darkness, two rays of the sun, pillars of divine doctrines, and friends of Christ."

St. Mary's...6/17/2018
Offertory.....\$1,933.00

St. George....6/17/2018
Offertory....\$ 600.00

SOCIAL GAMES



Games are played every Wednesday and Sunday at 6:45 p.m. You do not want to miss out on all the **Great Prizes!**

ALSO....We have been very busy with some of the other halls closing and we can certainly use a little extra help. Please consider coming on a Wed. or Sunday for a few hours to help us out.

CHURCH HISTORY

This week we are looking for anyone related to, or friends with Mary Ann & Andrew Gene Smith. Please call Dave Ragan at 614-370-0221 or Linda 792-1578

DIACONATE PROGRAM

The new cycle of this 4 year program will begin the Summer 2019. It requires 2weeks of classes each Summer at our Seminary in Pittsburgh along with 4 years of online study. If you feel called to serve at our Church as a Deacon, contact Fr. Richard or Fr. Kevin Marks 412-480-4508.

BYZANTINE FAMILY DAY



The 98th Annual GCU Family Day is planned for July 26, 2018 at Kennywood Park. Parishioners may purchase prepaid, discounted tickets and catered lunch tickets through GCU Fraternal Dept. call 1-800-722-4428. Deadline is July 9, 2018.

CONGRATULATIONS

Bishop Milan Lach will be installed as Bishop of The Eparchy of Parma this Saturday, June 30th.

May God grant Bishop Lach peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years. Mnohaja L'ita!

ALSO....Bishop Milan will lead pilgrims to Austria, Hungary, Slovakia, & Ukraine Sept. 16-28, 2018 . Information can be found in vestibule.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

On Sept. 9th, 2018 all couples celebrating 10, 25, 35,40, 45, 50, and every 5 yrs. after will be honored at a Divine Liturgy at St. Elias, Munhall, PA. Banquet will follow. Please call our office if you are celebrating a significant year.