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SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

May 6, 2018

SAT. 5:00 p.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners
SUN. 10:30 a.m. +Joseph Gerek by wife, Ann and Family

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MON. 11:00 a.m. No Liturgy

TUE. 11:00 a.m. Health & Blessings of GCU Members

WED. 11:00 a.m. No Liturgy

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11:00 a.m. +Margaret Bresko by children & grandchildren

FRI. 11:00 a.m. No Liturgy...GCU Board Meeting



SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

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MOTHER'S DAY

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SAT. 5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Mothers

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St. George

1726 Canfield Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44511

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May 6 9:00 a.m. +Michael Kovach Sr. by sister, Jean Kana & Family

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WED. May 9 4:00 p.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners

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May 13 9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Mothers



SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

On his way to the temple of Jerusalem, Jesus met a man born blind and miraculously restored his sight. The Gospel of this Sunday gives a detailed account of the whole incident. The liturgy properly evaluates the various details of this great miracle. First, here is the story:



“Passing through the Temple, Jesus saw a man who had been blind since birth. He had compassion on him and put clay on his eyes, then said to him: Go to the pool of Siloe, and wash! And as he washed, his sight was restored, and he proclaimed the glory of God. But his relatives said to him: “who opened your eyes that no living creature can heal?” And he answered them saying, “A man named Jesus. He told me to go and wash in the pool of Silo, and now I can

see. He is truly Christ, the Messiah, of whom Moses wrote in the Law. He is the Savior of our souls.”

The Jews believed that this man’s blindness was God’s punishment for some sin. They forgot that man’s troubles are not always punishments. To see sin behind every trouble is superficial, even bad theology. Sufferings are sometimes sent to us in order that “the works of God should be made manifest.” The liturgy understands this, but it also speaks of the spiritual blindness which is an even greater tragedy, so we ask God in the words of the liturgy to be saved from this deeper blindness: “With eyes spiritually blind I come to You, O Christ, and like the man who was blind since birth I cry out to You with repentance.” “To those who are in the darkness, You are the shining light. And again: “Enlighten, O Lord, my spiritual eyes made blind by the gloom of sin. Anoint them, O compassionate One, with humility. Wash them with the tears of repentance.”

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

The Scriptural descriptions which serve as basis for the icon illustration of the Feast of The Ascension of our Lord are rather sparse. The Gospel of Mark states that: “The Lord, Jesus was taken up into heaven and took His seat at God’s right hand.” In the Gospel of Luke we learn that the Ascension took place in Bethany, that Christ has His hand upraised and blessing the Disciples. He was lifted up before their eyes in a cloud which took Him from their sight.



The Byzantine liturgical hymn sums up the Feast: “You descended from heaven to earth, O Christ, and by Your Ascension You wondrously raised up the race of Adam which had been lying in the depths of the prison of Hades. And having taken our nature back to heaven, You seated it with You on the Father’s throne because of Your mercy and love for all.”

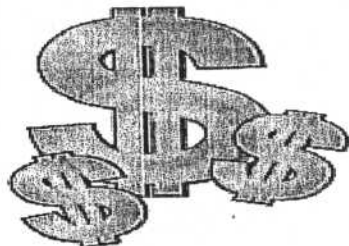
St. Mary's...4/29/2018

Offertory.....\$766.00

St. George....4/29/2018

Offertory....\$411.00

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** we have to offer.

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 your hard working and dedicated fellow- parishioners.

CHURCH HISTORY

This week we are looking for anyone related to, or friends with **DIKUN FAMILY.. John & Elizabeth Ann (MASLEY) DIKUN and daughters, Katherine Dikun, & Elizabeth A. (Dikun) O'Connell (husband, James.)** Also Edward & Andrew Dikun (who may also have been sons. Please call Dave Ragan at 614-370-0221 or Linda 792-1578

ST. MICHAEL THIRD

ANNUAL SLAVIC FEST

Is planned for May 20th from 11:00 a.m -6:00 p.m at St. Michael Social Center, 2140 Highland, Rd, Hermitage. Homemade Holupki, Pirohi Haluski, Palchinki, Baked Goods, Raffles, & Live Bands. Admission \$1.00. Come join in the **FESTIVITIES**.

BINGO FUNDRAISER

A Night of Bingo sponsored by GCU Lodge #164 & St. Mary's Church will be held May, 13th "**MOTHER'S DAY**". This Fundraiser will benefit 3 Area Groups..... Rescue Mission, St.Vincent DePaul Kitchen, & The Beatitude House. Please come and help support your local Charities. Bingo starts 6:45 p.m.



As usual we will have a Memorial Day Service at our cemetery which will be held on Sunday, May 27th at 12:00 Noon, weather permitting. Graves will not be blessed since the ground is very uneven and un-safe in many places. Please remember to clean up your winter flowers and bring your flag holders.