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Nov. 26, 2017

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- SAT. 4:00 p.m. +Louis & Margaret Wallace by Tiffany, Danny, & great grand-children  
 SUN. 10:30 a.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners  
 MON. 11:00 a.m. No Liturgy  
 TUE. 11:00 a.m. No Liturgy  
 WED. 11:00 a.m. +Mary Puskar by Family  
 THU. 11:00 a.m. +William Bailey by Anthony & Beverly Cherno  
 FRI. 11:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Rosary Society



## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- SAT. 4:00 p.m. +George Hrina by Family  
 SUN. 10:30 a.m. +Ivan Lambert by Son, Fr. Richard

Dec 3, 2017

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# St. George

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- Nov. 26 9:00 a.m. +Steven Ilko by Mr.Mrs. Gary Orosz

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## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- Dec. 3 9:00 a.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners

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## PREPARING YOURSELVES

For 40 days the church seeks to prepare us for the true meaning of *THE COMING OF THE LORD*. Most of us need time to prepare for special events. It takes time to plan for a trip, a vacation, for entering college, for a baptism or a wedding. We need to anticipate, to prepare for the practical side of it, to think about the meaning of certain special events. With adequate preparation we enjoy these events much more.

## IT IS THE COMING OF THE LORD THAT WE WAIT FOR!

But isn't He among us? Yes! And He comes at all times. But these 40 days focus on the new awareness of His "already - presence." He is among us whom we do not know. Christian prayer at this time is summed up in the final words of the Book of Revelation: Come, Lord Jesus! If we utter this cry for help, this call for *LIGHT* in our world and in our souls, with sincerity and fervor, it becomes a true prayer, a true change of heart, and a growth in our closeness to Him who is among us. The more we pray: Come, Lord Jesus! The more it drives away those thoughts which are blinders to seeing, knowing, experiencing His presence already among us....for He is as close as someone to care for, someone to live for. The Lord in our midst makes Himself known as wanting to be with us....and admittedly, we don't always notice this about the Lord, do we? Nor do we always notice our need for the Lord, for His *LIGHT* to overcome the darkness of our own soul. Hence we pray without ceasing: *COME, LORD JESUS! DO NOT DELAY!*

## WAITING IN HOPE

We listen to the prophets announcing the Messiah who comes. We understand the vast need of the world....then and now for a Redeemer and Savior. Seeing the needs within and among us in our world, who can but look forward to God's eternally new gift of Himself to us? This is a time for preparing ourselves to appreciate the awesome gift of God to us in Jesus Christ.

## FRIENDSHIP IS PRICELESS

A kind mouth multiples friends, and gracious lips prompt friendly greetings.  
A faithful friend is a sturdy shelter; he who finds one finds a treasure.  
A faithful friend is beyond price, no sum can balance his worth.  
A faithful friend is a life-saving remedy, such as he who fears God finds, for he who fears God behaves accordingly, and his friend will be like himself.

## PERSONALITY ...CHARACTER

There's such a thing in human nature as character. It's not quite the same as personality. Generally, personality is something you can't help. It comes from good health, good looks, and a particular kind of nervous system. Character, on the other hand, is something acquired painstakingly. Personality attracts a lot of curious interest. Character commands respect and admiration.

**St. Mary's... 11/19//2017**  
**Offertory...\$1,234.00**  
**Thanksgiving donations**  
**\$175.00**

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**St. George....11/19/20/17**  
**Offertory....\$377.00**  
**Thanksgiving...\$30.00**

### **SOCIAL GAMES**

**Games are played every**  
**SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY**  
**at 6:45 p.m** Plan to stop by for  
an evening of **FUN**. ...Come on  
down and support our Church; and  
better yet come on down and lend  
a hand!!

**ALSO** With Thanksgiving  
under our belts it is now time to  
start making a list and checking it  
twice and when you see how much  
**XTRA CASH** you will need you  
might want to join us at our Social  
Games. On **Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>** we  
will be giving out **TEN \$15.00**  
Cash Prizes. **ALSO...Our Piggy**  
**Pull Tab game is currently at**  
**\$5,950.00 you do not want to miss**  
**out a chance for that!!!**

**VOCATION ICON PROGRAM**  
Began Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> in all Byzantine  
Catholic Churches. Each Family  
should plan to take The Icon into  
their home and pray for vocations  
for the week.

**HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET**  
**FOR THE ICON ?**  
**THERE ARE STILL MANY**  
**WEEKS OPEN!**

### **PHILIP'S FAST**

The 40 day Fast before The  
Nativity began on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>. This  
period of preparation teaches that  
in order to Feast, we must Fast.  
This Fast is optional but highly  
encouraged.

### **SACRAMENT** **RECONCILIATION**

During The Fast of St. Philip  
(Christmas preparation) Father  
will hear confessions Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>,  
16<sup>th</sup>, & 23<sup>rd</sup>. from 3:15 – 3:45  
p.m

### **GCU CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Mark your calendars. Party is  
planned for Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> in our Center  
following the 10:30 a.m. Liturgy.  
All members are invited to attend.

### **LITURGY REQUEST**

Please call the office if you would  
like to schedule liturgies for the  
new year.

### **CALENDARS**

The calendars for the new year  
are in the vestibule. Please take  
one and check it regularly they are  
a wealth of information. We are  
truly grateful to George & Tom  
Kinnick and Michael Kirila for  
sponsoring these calendars. God  
bless them.

*Yesterday is history, tomorrow a  
mystery, and today is a GIFT;  
that is why we call it the present.*