

ST. GREGORY'S DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Wednesday, October 16 Martyr Longinus the Centurion

7:00 P.M. Akathist to the Mother of God "Healer of Cancer"

Thursday, October 17 The holy prophet Hosea

12:00 noon Prayer of the Sixth Hour

Saturday, October 19

The holy prophet Joel

5:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy Supplications will be offered for + Angline "Ella" Sirochman, given by Michael Sirochman

Sunday, October 20

Twentysecond Sunday after Pentecost

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

The Epistle Reading will be Galatians 6:11-18 and the Gospel will be Luke 16:19-31. Supplications will be offered for +Michael F. Pillar, given by Michael & Donna Medvec. Following the Divine Liturgy, please join us in the Church hall for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

"The whole earth is a living icon of the face of God."

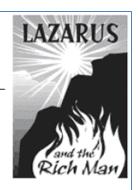
Venerable father John of Damascus

"To say that God turns away from the sinful is like saying that the sun hides from the blind."

Venerable father Anthony the Great

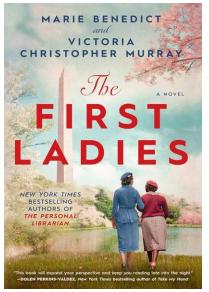
The Rich Man and Lazarus

"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony." Luke 16:25 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on Luke 16:19-31 (NIV).

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St. Gregory's Library Ministry Book Club

Please join us in our reading of the historical fiction novel The First Ladies by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray. This book is based on the real-life extraordinary friendship between Eleanor Roosevelt and Mary McLeod Bethune, a civil rights activist and daughter of formerly enslaved parents. The story is of two different, yet equally formidable, passionate, and committed women, and the way in which their singular friendship helped form the foundation for the modern civil rights movement.

Books are available in the Church vestibule. Our discussion will be taking place on Thursday November 14th at 6:30 p.m.

St. Gregory's T-Shirt Fundraiser is here!



Support our church and get your hands on these awesome T-shirts available in multiple colors and sizes! Great gift for Christmas! You can choose to have your order delivered to the church for easy pick-up or shipped directly to your door.

Order Deadline: Friday, November 29

Church Pickup: By Saturday, December 21

Delivery to your residence: Pay postage for shipping directly to you!

Click the link to check out the shirts and place your order today.

Link: https://stgregorynbcc.itemorder.com/shop/home/

Thank you for supporting St. Gregory's!

<u>Announcements</u>

Today: Cookie Sale Meeting

In preparation for the upcoming "Taste of Heaven Cookie Sale" our first meeting will take place following the Sunday Divine Liturgy in the Church hall. The previous cookie sales were very successful because of our wonderful St. Gregory's parishioners who donated more than 600 varieties - the best in the South Hills. Everyone is invited to attend, and we are always open to new ideas and suggestions. The cookie sale is planned for Saturday, December 7th. Sign-up sheets will be available.

Wednesday: Healer of Cancer

On this upcoming Wednesday evening, October 16th, at 7:00 p.m. we will continue with the celebration of the Akathist Hymn to the Mother of God "Healer of Cancer." Come and be part of this Divine Service that gives strength and hope during a time of suffering.

Thursday: Sixth Hour and Soup

On Thursday, October 17th, at 12:00 noon we will have the Prayer of the Sixth Hour followed by soup and bread in the Church Hall. If you are at home, come and join us for this time of prayer and fellowship.

Saturday: Men's Club Gathering

The October Men's Club Gathering will take place next Saturday, October 19th. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. The morning will consist of an hour of prayer, scripture, guided discussion, as we explore the truth of our Byzantine Catholic Faith. Join us for these monthly gatherings which are open to men of all ages who desire to grow closer to God. No registration or long-term commitment is needed, and you are welcome to join us as frequently as you are able.

Presentation on the GCU

Plan to be here next Sunday, October 20th, as we welcome Jeff Long, National Sales Director for the GCU. Jeff Long will be visiting our parish to discuss the fraternal benefits and financial products that GCU has to offer. This presentation will take place following the Divine Liturgy in our Church hall. Be here for fellowship, refreshments, and great information.

Prayers for the Living & Deceased

In preparation for the year 2025, we ask that if you have any special dates throughout the year on which you would like to have prayers offered for the living or for the blessed repose of your loved ones, you please contact the parish office now to reserve that day.

Choir Marian Event

The Pittsburgh Byzantine Catholic Archeparchial Choir (PBCAC) invites faithful and friends to a celebration of Our Lady as they convene at St. Elias Church in Munhall (4200 Homestead-Duquesne Road, Munhall) to present "MARYFEST" a song-filled homage to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary next Sunday, October 20th, at 3:00 p.m. The choral program also will feature readings and reminiscences recalling Mary's inspiration, Mary's impact and Mary's mercy. Several special guests will join the PBCAC for this fond tribute. A "pumpkin spice" hospitality reception will follow in the parish social hall. Come and be part of this uplifting event!

Trunk or Treat at St. Gregory's Church

We invite all our children, ECF students and ByzanTeens to participate in the upcoming Trunk or Treat event, which will begin following the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, October 27th. WE NEED CARS! We are looking for parishioners willing to decorate their trunks and pass out candy. The children will have the opportunity to get changed after the Divine Liturgy and then we will have the costume parade. Following that, the "Trunk or Treat" will continue in our parking lot. In case of inclement weather this event will take place in the Church hall.

Haven't Seen Someone in a While?

Visit them or give them a call or an email. It is nice to hear from a friend from Church. Let them know that you miss seeing them and hope that everything is okay.



Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday, October 6th, 2024, was \$4,326.34 (Envelopes: \$3,350.00; Online: \$555.34; Loose: \$50.00; Candles: \$112.00; Debt: \$230.00; Children: \$4.00; ECF: \$25.00).

The QR code will take you to our donation portal. Your engagement, support and prayers are very much appreciated.

St. Gregory's Prayer List

Kindly remember in your prayers our parishioners and friends who struggle with sickness, pain, hardship, or any special need: Maureen Cerny, Theresa Lokes, Nancy Romza, Joan Sakmar, Rita Smochko, Michael Sirochman, and Agnes Yanchak.

If you would like to add your name or the name of a loved one to this list, please contact the parish office via phone or email. In the Church vestibule, you are invited to add the names of the sick and any other intentions you would like to be remembered in our Prayer Intention book.

Fall Harvest Dinner Line Dance

On Saturday, November 2nd at 6:30 PM we will hold a Fall Harvest Dinner Line Dance in our church hall. Tickets for this dance will be \$20 per person and include a BBQ Dinner Buffet followed by line dancing music and instruction. Dinner buffet will include pulled pork, chicken, Cole slaw, garlic potatoes, rolls, and assorted desserts.



Line dancing instruction and music will be provided by our own parishioners, Jonathan and Straton. In addition, the drawing for the Steeler Football Tickets and Tailgate Raffle will take place. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. You are welcome to bring your own bottle (BYOB).

Dinner tickets are sold after Saturday and Sunday Divine Liturgies or see any Men's Club Member. The last day to purchase tickets will be Sunday, October 27th.

Steeler Football Tickets and Tailgate Raffle

WIN two tickets to the Sunday, November 17th Pittsburgh Steelers versus Baltimore Ravens football game and a tailgate cooler packed with surprises.

Drawing will be held on Saturday, November 2nd at the Fall Harvest Dinner Line Dance.

Raffle tickets cost \$20.00. The package has an approximate \$300 value and is on display in the chapel. The package includes two tickets to the Steelers Football game, a Steeler logo soft side cooler, two Terrible Towels, two Steeler cozies, and assorted tailgate snacks.

Raffle tickets are available after the Saturday and Sunday Divine Liturgies or see any Men's Club Member. The last day to purchase tickets will be November 2nd at the Fall Harvest Dinner Line Dance.

