



**St. Moses the Black
Orthodox Church**

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Sunday, February 22, 2026

Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheese Fare)

**Uncovering of the Seven Martyrs' relics at Gate of Eugenios in Constantinople;
Martyr Anthusa and her twelve servants**

- *During the Little Entrance, chant the Resurrectional Apolytikion. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is "O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead..." After the Little Entrance, chant these hymns in the following order:*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

- *Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.*

KONTAKION FOR FORGIVENESS SUNDAY IN TONE SIX

O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

THE EPISTLE

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (13:11-14:4)

Brethren, now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in chambering and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts. But as for the one who is weak in faith, receive him, but not for disputes over opinions. For one believes he may eat anything; but the weak person eats herbs. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to be the judge over the servant of a stranger? To his own master he either stands or falls; but he will be made to stand; for God is able to make him stand.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (6:14-21)

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

- *The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual.*

Monday, February 23, 2026 - 5:00 PM - Compline
Tuesday, February 24, 2026 - 5:00 PM - Compline
Wednesday, February 25, 2026 - 6:00 PM - Presanctified Liturgy
Thursday, February 26, 2026 - 8:30 AM - Orthros
Thursday, February 26, 2026 - 5:00 PM - Compline
Friday, February 27, 2026 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Liturgy
Friday, February 27, 2026 - 5:00 PM - Akathist
Saturday, February 28, 2026 - 9:30 AM - Saturday Liturgy
Saturday, February 28, 2026 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers
Sunday, March 1, 2026 - 9:30 AM - Orthros and Divine Liturgy

Monday, March 2, 2026 - 5:00 PM - Compline followed by Catechesis Class
Tuesday, March 3, 2026 - 5:30 PM - Men's Group
Wednesday, March 4, 2026 - 6:00 PM - Presanctified Liturgy
Thursday, March 5, 2026 - 8:30 AM - Orthros
Friday, March 6, 2026 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Liturgy
Friday, March 6, 2026 - 5:00 PM - Akathist
Saturday, March 7, 2026 - 9:30 AM - Saturday Liturgy
Saturday, March 7, 2026 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers
Sunday, March 8, 2026 - 9:30 AM - Orthros and Divine Liturgy

UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS: 02/17 BD of Olivia Khalil; 02/23 BD of Kris Samuel ; 02/26 BD of Mom Denise and Sophia Bushelli

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 1, 2026 - Sunday of Orthodoxy: Don't forget your icons! There is also a **Pan-Orthodox Vespers service** at 4 PM at the All Saints Greek Orthodox Church in Canonsburg. See flyer in the back!

Saturday, March 21, 2026 - 6:00 PM Connor, Justin and John chant in the Byzantine Choir of the Greek Metropolis of Pittsburgh. The choir is presenting hymns that reflect historic evolution of ancient Greek hymnography into our church hymns. It's a free concert at Heinz Chapel on Pitt's campus. All are welcome! **(see flyer!)**

It is time for house blessings!

Andrea has sent a parish email with a link to a sign-up sheet. If you desire your house to be blessed, please, make sure you take a look ASAP: check all your information and fill in your time preferences.

If you have not received the email, please, let Andrea (roseswithoutthorns17@gmail.com) know.

PRAYER LIST - Please contact Andrea in email (roseswithoutthorns17@gmail.com) or via text to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING – Metropolitan Boulos, Archbishop Johana, The People affected by the war in Ukraine, The People affected by the war in Palestine, Archimandrite Maximos, Archpriest Jerome and Family, Archpriest Christopher and Family, Archpriest Edward and Pani Kathy, Archpriest James, The Fellowship of the Holy Archangel Michael Monastery, Hieromonk Alexi, Priest Stephen, Priest John, Mat. Larissa, Sebastian, Avah, Amiyah, Christopher, Fr. Joel, Fr. Mircea and Mat. Sarah, Fr. Jonathan, Pres. Christina, Fana and Basil, Dn. James, Sh. Kari, Isabelle, Jake, Mary Claire, Adrianna, Elena, Noelle, Jim, Sophia, Dn. Marc, Sh. Ina, Dn. John, Sh. Brenda, Dn. Abraham, Sh. Laurie, Dn. Jonathan, Dn. Glenn and family, Fr. Joel and Kh. Renee, Charles and Gabriella, Diaconissa Christina, The Sisterhood of the Transfiguration Monastery, The Seminarian Emmanuel, The Seminarian Kevin, Sophia, Sbdb Anthony, Lee and the Davis Family, Sbdn. Gabriel, The Seminarian Emmanuel, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, The Staff, Board, Volunteers and Donors of the Neighborhood Resilience Project, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg/La Roche OCF, The students, faculty, staff of the St. Constantine School, George, Natalya, Daniel, Jonah, Nina, Rachael, Jasmine, Jason, Lily, Mary, Martha, Henry, Ann, Caden, Aiden St. Moses Mission in Jamaica, Abeba, Adam, Grace, Muzit, Senait, Miriam, Abeba and family, Hunter, Jacquelin Oliver and family, Maria and Chris, Karin, The El - Gamil Family

DEPARTED— Meaza and Abrehet, Lawrence, Julianna, Thomas and Jean, Glenn, Betty and Ernie, Edward

CONFESSIONS - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy by calling at 412.227.9746 or Pres. Kristina to schedule.

HOUSE BLESSINGS - To have your house blessed, please contact Andrea at roseswithoutthorns17@gmail.com to be added to the list.

DONATIONS - Please make your offerings as follows:

1. Checks made payable to St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church. Donations can be placed in the donation box in the front of the church.
2. Donations can be made online on PayPal at - https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=H6PGMWDTQABFQ or by following the QR code.



**In 2025 - donations will be acknowledged by a year end contribution statement in early 2026. If you need something different, please email Pres. Kristina at kristina.nicole@me.com.

CELEBRATE ORTHODOXY!



THE ORTHODOX CLERGY BROTHERHOOD OF GREATER PITTSBURGH INVITES YOU TO THE PITTSBURGH AREA

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY PAN-ORTHODOX VESPERS

Sunday, March 1, 2026 at 4:00 PM
All Saints Greek Orthodox Church
601 West McMurray Road, Canonsburg, PA

Celebrant and Homilist: His Grace Bishop Thomas
Service featuring the Pan-Orthodox Choir of Pittsburgh

Vespers will be followed by fellowship and Lenten refreshments.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2026