

# ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**SATURDAY: VESPER SERVICE @ 400 P.M.**

**SUNDAY: ORTHROS @ 8:50 A.M. - DIVINE LITURGY @ 10:00 A.M.**

**CONFESSION BY APPOINTMENT**

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Welcome to St. George! Thank you for attending today's Divine Services. If you are a first-time visitor, please register your visit by completing the guest book located in the narthex. We would appreciate getting to meet you after liturgy, so feel free to join us during Coffee Fellowship! Every Sunday we remember the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The word "Liturgy" means work of the people that means everyone participates through singing, praying, hearing the teaching, and opening our hearts to allow God's grace to enter. Anyone interested in learning more about our faith are encouraged to speak with one of our clergy.

**Guidelines for Receiving Holy Communion for Orthodox Christians:** Orthodox Christians fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist by receiving Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood. In order to be properly prepared to receive Holy Communion, the faithful should fast (no food or drink from midnight the night before), the Sacrament of Confession (7 years and older) within the last 2 months, being at peace with others, and striving to always love God and their neighbor. Frequent communion and regular confession are recommended for all faithful Orthodox Christians.

**For other Christians:** We welcome you to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Unfortunately we cannot extend to you a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christian's believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signify-

ing a oneness in faith, life, and worship of our community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, but for which we must all pray. All, however, are welcome to partake of the blessed bread (antidoron) which will be given when coming forward to venerate (kiss) the Holy Cross and receive the final blessing from the priest. Again, welcome!

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF PENTECOST & FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE ("ZACCHAEUS")

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

أبوليتيكيون القيامة باللحن السادس

إِنَّ الْقَوَاتِ الْمَلَائِكِيَّةَ ظَهَرُوا عَلَى قَبْرِكَ الْمُوقَّرِ، وَالْحُرَّاسَ صَارُوا كَالْأَمْوَاتِ، وَمَرِيْمَ وَقَفَتْ عِنْدَ الْقَبْرِ طَالِبَةً جَسَدَكَ الطَّاهِرَ، فَسَبَّيْتَ الْجَحِيْمَ وَلَمْ تُجْرَبْ مِنْهَا، وَصَادَفْتَ الْبَتُولَ مَانِحًا الْحَيَاةَ. فَيَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، يَا رَبُّ الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.

### TROPARIAN OF ST. GEORGE IN TONE FOUR

As deliverer of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings, Victorious Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

طروبارية القديس جاورجيوس على اللحن الرابع

بِمَا أَنَّكَ لِلْمَأْسُورِينَ مُحَرَّرٌ وَمَعْتَقٌ، وَلِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسَاكِينِ عَاضِدٌ وَنَاصِرٌ، وَلِلْمَرْضَى طَبِيبٌ وَشَافٍ، وَعَنْ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ مَكْفَحٌ وَمَحَارِبٌ، أَيُّهَا الْعَظِيمُ فِي الشَّهَادَةِ جَاورْجِيُوسُ الْبَلْبَسِ الظَّفَرِ، تَشْفَعُ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ فِي خَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

### KONTAKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

(Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as it meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

قِنْدَاقِ دُخُولِ السَّيِّدِ إِلَى الْهَيْكَلِ بِاللْحَنِ الْأَوَّلِ

أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهِ، يَا مَنْ بِمَوْلِدِهِ قَدَّسَ الْمُسْتَوْدَعَ الْبَتُولِيِّ، وَبَارَكَ يَدَيْ سِمْعَانَ كَمَا لَاقَ، وَأَدْرَكْنَا الْآنَ وَخَلَّصْنَا؛ إِحْفَظْ رَعِيَّتَكَ بِسَلَامٍ فِي الْحُرُوبِ، وَأَيِّدِ الْمُلُوكَ الَّذِينَ أَحْبَبْتَهُمْ، بِمَا أَنَّكَ وَحْدَكَ مُحِبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ.

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قنّداق دخول السيّد إلى الهيكل بالحنّ الأول

أيّها المسيحُ الإلهُ، يا مَنْ بِمَوْلِدِهِ قَدَّسَ الْمُسْتَوْدَعَ الْبِتَوَلِيّ، وَبَارَكَ يَدَيَّ سَمْعَانَ كَمَا لاقَ، وَأذْرَكُنَا الْآنَ وَخُلِّصْنَا؛ إِحْفَظْ رَعِيَّتَكَ بِسَلَامٍ فِي الْخُرُوبِ، وَأَيِّدِ الْمُلُوكَ الَّذِينَ أَحْبَبْتَهُمْ، بِمَا أَنْكَ وَحَدَاكَ مُحِبًّا لِلْبَشَرِ.

### THE EPISTLE

(For the Thirty-second Sunday after Pentecost)

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

To Thee, O Lord, have I cried, O my God.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (4:9-15)

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, Who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties; devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

الرسالة

(للأحد الثاني والثلاثين بعد العنصرة)

خَلِّصْ يَا رَبُّ شَعْبَكَ وَبَارِكْ مِيراثَكَ.

إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ أَصْرُخُ، إِلَهِي.

فصلٌ من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الأولى إلى تيموثاوس. (4:9-15)

يا ولدي تيموثاوس، صادقة هي الكلمة وجديرة بكل قبول فإننا لهذا نتعب ونعير، لأننا ألقينا رجاءنا على الله الحي الذي هو مُخْلِصُ النَّاسِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَلَا سِيَّما الْمُؤْمِنِينَ. فَوَصِّ بِهَذَا وَعَلِّمْ بِهِ. لَا يَسْتَهِنُ أَحَدٌ بِفَتْوَتِكَ، بَلْ كُنْ مِثَالاً لِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ فِي الْكَلَامِ وَالتَّصَرُّفِ وَالمَحَبَّةِ وَالإيمانِ وَالعفافِ. واطبِّ على القراءة إلى حين قُدومي، وعلى الوعظ والتَّعليمِ، وَلَا تُهْمَلِ المَوْهَبَةَ الَّتِي فِيكَ، الَّتِي أُوتِيَتْهَا بِنُبُوَّةٍ، بِوَضْعِ أَيْدِي الشيوخِ. تَأَمَّلْ فِي ذَلِكَ وَكُنْ عَلَيْهِ عاكِفاً لِيَكُونَ تَقَدُّمُكَ ظاهراً فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ.

**THE GOSPEL**  
(For the Fifteenth Sunday of Luke—"Zacchaeus")

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (19:1-10)

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

الإنجيل (لأحد الخامس عشر من لوقا)

فصل شريف من بشارة القديس لوقا الإنجيلي البشير والتلميذ الطاهر. (10-1:19)

في ذلك الزمان، فيما يسوع مجتازاً في أريحا، إذا برجل اسمه زكا كان رئيساً على العشارين، وكان غنياً وكان يلتمس أن يرى يسوع من هو، فلم يكن يستطيع من الجمع لأنه كان قصير القامة فتقدم مسرعاً، وصعد إلى جميزة لينظره، لأنه كان مزماً أن يجتاز بها فلما انتهى يسوع إلى الموضع، رفع طرفه فرآه، فقال له: يا زكا أسرع انزل، فاليوم ينبغي لي أن أمكث في بيتك فأسرع ونزل وقبله فرحاً. فلما رأى الجميع ذلك تدمروا قائلين: إنه دخل ليحل عند رجل خاطئ. " فوقف زكا وقال لیسوع: هاءنذا، يا رب، أعطى المساكين نصف أموالی. وإن كنت قد غبت أحداً في شيء، أردد أربعة أضعاف فقال له يسوع: اليوم قد حصل الخلاص لهذا البيت لأنه هو أيضاً ابن إبراهيم لأن ابن البشر إنما أتى ليطلب ويخلص ما قد هلك.

Father Xenophon of Constantinople,

On January 26 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous Father Xenophon of Constantinople, along with his wife, Mary, and their two sons, Arkadios and John.

Verses

I offer up a dainty banquet of discourse to Xenophon and his family, though from earth departed. On the twenty-sixth died Xenophon with children and wife.

Prominent and wealthy citizens of the fifth century, Xenophon and Mary lived a God-pleasing life and dedicated all their attention to the Christian upbringing of their sons.

When their sons reached adulthood, they were sent to study in Beirut; but it so happened that a storm capsized their boat. John and Arkadios were tossed ashore by the waves but in two different places so that each thought the other was drowned. Out of grief for each other, they both became monks in two different monasteries. After two years, their grieving parents came to Jerusalem on a pilgrimage to pay homage before the holy shrines. There, with the help of a spiritual father, first the brothers met and, after that, the parents with their sons. Out of gratitude to God, Xenophon and Mary distributed their entire estate to the poor and both of them were tonsured. Thus the Lord wonderfully guides the destiny of those who believe in Him. He permits pain and sorrow upon them that they may, later on, be strengthened in faith, in order to lead them into still greater joy. On this day, we also commemorate the translation of the relics of Venerable Theodore the Studite

### Righteous Xenophon of Constantinople and his family



**AS MANY OF YOU AS HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST HAVE PUT  
ON CHRIST. ALLELUIA.**

**أَنْتُمْ الَّذِينَ بِالْمَسِيحِ اعْتَمَدْتُمْ، الْمَسِيحَ قَدْ لَبِسْتُمْ. هَلَلُويَا.**

**FOR BLESSING HOMES CALL**

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**FR. MICHAEL @ (989) 627 - 9580/ OFFICE (810)732 - 0720**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

we are working on our Creative Festival Projects this Sunday , if your child takes their projects home to finish , please have them bring it back to church school next Sunday . Godparents Sunday is a few weeks away , please call your godparents and godparents please call your godchildren and plan on attending on Feb 9 2025. Thank you .

Church school director-

Ms. Janet

**THANK YOU**

Fr Amin and the Parish Council Members of St George would like to thank Fr Michael and his team from St George and other churches for making the dinner and evening a successful event for the nuns. Thank you to all who came, donated, and supported the Monastery.

**DIVINE SERVICES/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**WED JAN 29TH, 2025, AT 6:00 PM. BIBLE UNDERSTANDING**

**SATURDAY, FEB 01, AT 4:00 PM-VESPERS FOR THE MEETING OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE @ ST MARY MAGDALENE**

**2439 S. LONG LAKE RD. FENTON 48430**

**ARABIC DIVINE LITURGY, WED FEB 06, 2025 , AT 6:00 PM.**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 22, AT 10AM-SATURDAY OF SOULS LITURGY**

**\*ALL PARISHIONERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEIR BELOVED ONES REMEMBERED, PLEASE SEND THEIR NAMES TO THE CHURCH BY FEBRUARY 19TH, [PASTORSTGF@GMAIL.COM](mailto:PASTORSTGF@GMAIL.COM)**

### Teen SOYO Wants YOU!!!

All teens of St. George are encouraged to participate in our teen group – Teen SOYO (Society of Orthodox Youth Organizations). Our group has dedicated leadership who will not be happy until all teens of St. George are participating! Whoever is reading this please pass it along to a teen in your house or to Godchildren, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, sons, & daughters. We are gathering on Saturday, Feb 08. 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. If you would like to know more, come to our get-togethers, scan the QR code to signup, or contact President Cezar Abuaita (810-986-1434 or [cezarabuaita@icloud.com](mailto:cezarabuaita@icloud.com)).



### OUR STEWARDSHIP, OFFERINGS, & DONATIONS

#### BELOVED MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY OF ST. GEORGE

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Our stewardship, offerings, and donations are needed. PLEASE help your parish by continuing to offer your gifts! If you cannot come to church, you can simply go to our parish website (<https://saintgeorgeflint.org/>) and donate on-line (or use the QR code below) or you can bring or mail your offerings to St. George, 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507. As always, THANK YOU for your generosity and love of our St. George! Online Donations will accept Credit / Debit Cards or ACH (transfers from a banking account) and can be set for automatic donations. Call the Church Office (810-732-0720) if you need help with this.

Automatic Giving. Did you know most banks and credit unions offer automatic bill payment services? You can set it up so they send a check from your account to St. George for the amount you designate. This can be a onetime event or done automatically weekly/monthly. Just call or go online with your banking institution to get the form you need.



### Holy Oblation offered by

- 40 Day memorial service for George Yacoub offered by Georgette Abuaita and her family.
- Health of Jamal and Manal for the health of Samer, Marianne, Tamer, Yara, and Sameh, and in loving memory of Geris and Mariam.
- Fr. Michael & Pam for the health and salvation of their family especially: Cynthia, Christopher & Becky, Jonathan and in loving memory of Farris , Clemence , Otto, and Louise

### PRAYER LIST

Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: Sahar Abdallah, Abeer Abuaita, Reader Fouad and Soad Abuaita, Philip and Janett Abuaita, Rasha Abuaita, Sami and Shafiqah Abuaitah, Fr. Joseph Abud, Laila Abud, Georgette Abuaita, Youssif Abousamra, Basil Andoni, Naila Banna, Cynthia Brooks, Douglas Coone, Kristy Corcoran, Vera Daoud, Said Farah, Elias Gantos, Subdeacon George and Suad Gantous, Phyllis Good, Lee Harris, Daisy Isaac, Danny Mortensen, Karen Mortensen, Kevin Myott, Laura Nassar, George Nassif, Adam Odeh, Betty Ramsdale, Subdeacon Elie Sadik, Elaine Shaheen, Richard Shaheen, Michael Silpoch; our Catechumens who are under instruction to become members of our Orthodox Faith: Maria Kirk, Evan Sanford; our Expectant Parents: Dania and Subdeacon Salim Hanna, Watan and Karim Assaad, Christine and Matthew Krinock, and Taylor and Jeffery Tipton.

Servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: Newly Departed Khalil Ibrahim Issac (المختار) (+1/4) newly departed Nadia Daoud (+1/9) Sister Zahra Hayek.

### **Live Streaming of Divine Services**

St. George is open for all parishioners and visitors. If you cannot attend, please pray with us through our livestream which can be seen on our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/SaintGeorgeOrthodoxChurchFlintMI>

If you have a smart TV, you actually have a web browser and YouTube app built in. All you have to do is start the browser app for YouTube and put the link in the address bar.