

St. George Orthodox Church

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3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: *MARTYRS ISAUROS AND THOSE WITH HIM OF ATHENS*

Tone 2

3rd Matins Gospel {Mark 16:9-20}

Altar Servers: **EVERYONE** {Shane Gantos, captain}

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Welcome to St. George! Thank you for attending today's Divine Liturgy. Please register your visit by completing the guest book located in the narthex. We would appreciate getting to meet you, so feel free to join us during Coffee Fellowship in our Banquet Center!

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. We believe Holy Communion to be a sign that in Christ we have all things in common, share an identical faith, and are united fully to the Orthodox Church. Anyone interested in learning more about our faith are encouraged to speak with one of our clergy. Holy Communion can be given to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting (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 attending the Divine Liturgy regularly. Please know everyone is invited to venerate the Holy Cross and receive Holy Bread at the end of Liturgy.

In the **Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom** {*the Golden-Mouth*},
we sing the following **Special Hymns**:

Third Antiphon (during the Little Entrance)

Troparion of the Resurrection—Tone 2

When Thou did submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal one, then Thou did destroy hell with Thy Godly power! And when Thou did raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ Thou giver of Life, Glory to Thee!

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel

Troparion of the Resurrection—Tone 2 (*same as above*)

عندما انحدرت إلى الموت أيها الحياة الذي لا يموت. حينئذ أمتت الجحيم ببرق لا هوتك. وعندما أقمت الأمم من تحت الثرى. صرّخ نحوك جميع القوات السماويين. أيها المسيح الإله معطي الحياة المجد لك.

Troparion for St. George—Tone 4

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.

بما أنك للمأسورين محرر ومعتق، وللفقراء والمساكين عاضد وناصر، وللمرضى طبيب وشاف، وعن المؤمنين مكافح ومحارب، أيها العظيم في الشهداء جاورجيوس اللابس الظفر، تشفع إلى المسيح الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

Kontakion for the Virgin Mary—Tone 2

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant: O

despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned, but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee. Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

يا شفيعة المسيحيين غير الخازية الوسيطة لدى الخالق غير المرؤدة لا تعرضي عن اصوات طلباتنا نحن الخطاة، بل تداركينا بالمعونة بما انك صالحه، نحن الصارخين نحوك بايمان، بادري الى الشفاعة واسرعي في الطلبة يا والدة الاله المتشفعة دائماً بمكرميك.

Epistle Reading: *Romans 5:1-10* {3rd Sunday after Pentecost}

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 6:22-33* {3rd Sunday of St. Matthew}

Holy Bread Offerings

- Michael and Diana Rishmawi for the health of their family and in loving memory of **Saleem** and **Azizeh Rishmawi** (Mike's parents), **Aziz**, **Margarita**, **Carlos**, and **Miladeh Salomon** (Diana's parents/grandparents).
- Nancy Silpoch for the health of her family especially husband **Michael** on occasion of Father's Day -- *May God grant him many years!* -- and in loving memory of Nancy's father **Frank**, Michael's father **Rudolph**, and grandfathers; **Elias**, **Nickola**, **Joseph**, and **Anthony**.

Baptism/Chrismation Days

The Church School offers the Holy Bread for their teachers and/or students who are celebrating their *New Birth* {Baptism and/or Chrismation} into the Church this coming week:

Isabella Ibrahim and **Christina** Rishmawi – June 20th

May our children be children of the Light and heirs of eternal good things. {Baptismal Service}

- We also pray for the servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: **Gloria** Zelenko (40 day, friend of our parish), **Robert** Mourad (+May 20th, cousin of Sue Shaheen), **Lily** Nassif, (+May 25th, mother of Samia Sadik), **George** Mitri (+May 25th, father of Elias), and **Masara** Alatrash (+May 31st, mother of Awni Alatrash).
- Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Metropolitan Paul** and **Archbishop John** who are in captivity, **Sahar** Abdallah, **Androlla** Abu Aita, **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett Abuaita), **Manal** Abuaita, **Abla** Abufarha, **Cesar** Banna, **Pamela Mary** Bassett, **Emil** Bathish, **Alex** and **Panayiotis** Deligorges, **Michael** Farah, **Vera** Farah, **Mariam** Ghanim (Manal's mother), **Phyllis** Good, **Carol** Haddad, **Roland** Haddad, **Daisy** Isaac, **Nawal** Iseid, **Sally** Joseph, **Michael** Khal, **Nakhleh** and **Nicola** Khoury, **Chuck** Koory, **Danny** Mortensen, **George** and **Renee** Nassif, **Aida** Raffoul, **Elaine** Shaheen, **Mary** Salim, **Widad** Salomon, **Michael** Silpoch, **William** Sophiea Jr., **Lois** Teunion, and **Vicki** Toma (sister of Fr. Joe); **Wiam** Khair and newborn **Katherine** (May 12th); **Ghaida** Awad and newborn **Julianos** (May 16th).
- We also pray for those who are with child: **Rasha** (Luai) Abuaita, **Dunyia** Abufarha (Ibrahim and Eman's daughter-in-law), **Julia** Khouri, and **Rachel** Sackllah (Suheil and Abeer's daughter).

Communion Hymn (for the Lord's Day)

(Refrain) Praise the Lord from the heavens. Praise Him in the highest.

(Verse) Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! (Refrain)

(Verse) Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you shining stars! (Refrain)

(Verse) Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! (Refrain)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Reception of Holy Communion

Please remember only ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS who have PREPARED themselves may partake of Holy Communion. *“But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord’s body.”* (1 Corinthians 11:28-29).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP is in the Lounge and is not hosted today ☹️. Please offer a donation for your coffee and food to help cover our costs, thanks!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: June 24th, July 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th ~ sign-up poster and hosting information is in the Lounge and includes: bringing whatever you wish to serve and cleaning up afterwards. St. George provides coffee, cups, cream, and sugar at a charge to the host of \$25. For more information, see Manal Abuaita. *During the Apostles’ Fast (this year from June 4th to 28th), no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, or their by-products are to be served.*

WEEPING ICON The Orthodox Churches of Genesee County are blessed to have the **Miracle-working Weeping Iveron Icon of the Mother of God** from Hawaii visit us on June 29th and 30th at St. Mary Magdalene, 2439 South Long Lake Road, Fenton, MI 48430 (see *flier* in Lounge). Visitation will take place all day on Friday with an anointing service from Her tears at 7pm. On Saturday, June 30th, Divine Liturgy and anointing will begin at 8:30am.

ST. GEORGE PRESCHOOL AND CHILDCARE After almost 2 years in planning, meetings, preparation, and inspections, God willing we will be opening soon! If you would like to see what we have been working on, see Leslee Abud or Protodeacon Michael for a tour today!

CARING FOR OUR ELDERLY The Pan-Orthodox *Orthodox Christian Women of Michigan* will be welcoming Karen Todorov, Mila Bednarz, and Sylvia Vukmirovich who will speak about the Orthodox Visitation Ministry in their parish. They bring “the light of Christ” to those who physically cannot attend church on a regular basis and will share what they have developed in their parish for visiting the sick, hospitalized, elderly, and shut-ins. The model can be adapted to our own parish needs so our parishioners do not feel forgotten or abandoned by their church community! This practice is one of the chief works of mercy in the Orthodox Church, and we can learn from these women and their vibrant ministry! Come join us on Monday, June 18th at 7pm at Holy Ghost Orthodox Church, 38500 Ryan Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48310, as we learn how they do it, and what the possibilities are for establishing a similar program in our own parish! Everyone is welcome to join us in fellowship for this presentation. Refreshments will be served. It would be wonderful to take a van full of our St. George parishioners! If you come, you are not committing to signing up for anything. It will just be a wonderful learning experience! Please RSVP TODAY with Leslee Abud.

FR. JOE—OUT-OF-TOWN Fr. Joe, Dn. Mike, and other parishioners will be attending the Midwest Diocesan Parish Life Conference in Toledo, OH June 20th-24th. For emergencies while Fr. Joe is away, please call Fr. Angelo Maggos (Assumption, 810-771-4611), Fr. Gabriel Bilas (St. Mary Magdalene, 810-750-1401), or Fr. Matthew Butrie (St. Nicholas, 810-744-0070). Please pray for everyone’s safe travels.

SUMMER SEASON REMINDER With the warmer weather, people tend to dress down. As Orthodox Christians, we know that our attire should be modest at all times, most especially in church: never bare shoulders, inappropriate shirts, short skirts, or shorts. We wear our "Sunday best" for God, in whose presence we come whenever we enter His holy temple (whatever day of the week). We should dress up a bit for God, because it shows we respect Him. Unless we cannot afford anything else, we need to do better than jeans, T-shirts, flip-flops, etc. Just as it would be considered disrespectful to show up at the White House without proper attire—no man can enter the Oval Office without a coat and tie—we should be at least as concerned about how we present ourselves to the Ruler of heaven and earth, our King, Lord, and God. If you are going somewhere after church where you need to dress casually, bring a change of clothing and change after Coffee Fellowship. Remember; use your best judgment and good taste when dressing for church. After all, we do not go to be seen by others, but to meet and worship God!

تذكير لفترة الصيف مع بداية تحسن الطقس الذي أصبح أكثر دفئاً ، يميل الناس إلى ارتداء ملابس خفيفة. ولكن نحن كمسيحيين أرثوذكسيين ، نعلم أن ملابسنا يجب أن تكون بسيطة ومحترمة في جميع الأوقات ، وخاصة في الكنيسة : لا ملابس مكشوفة الكتفين، أو غير ملائمة، أو تتناير قصيرة أو سراويل قصيرة . يوم الأحد (أو في أي يوم من أيام الأسبوع) نرتدي أفضل ما لدينا من ثياب لأننا نكون في حضرة الله كلما دخلنا بيته المقدس ، ويجب أن نرتدي ملابس لائقة ، تظهر احترامنا لله. في حال عدم قدرتنا على تحمل أعباء شراء الملابس ، نحن مازلنا بحاجة إلى ارتداء ما هو أفضل من الجينز والتي شيرت و الصندل... الخ. فكما يعتبر عديم الاحترام من يدخل الى البيت الأبيض بدون ملابس مناسبة (لا يمكن لأي شخص الدخول إلى مكتب البيت الأبيض بدون بدلة رسمية وربطة عنق) كذلك فانه من الأوجب أن نكون قلقين من كيفية تقديم أنفسنا أمام حاكم السماء والأرض ، ملكنا ، ربنا ، والهنا . إذا كنت ستذهب إلى مكان ما بعد الكنيسة حيث تحتاج لارتداء ملابس مختلفة ، فبإمكانك احضارها معك وتبديلها لاحقاً . تذكر أن تختار بحكمة وذوق حسن، ملابسك التي سترتديها للكنيسة . و بعد كل ذلك نحن لا نذهب الى الكنيسة لمقابلة أشخاص ، ولكن للقاء الله و تقديم العبادة له!

CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS We can make donations and purchases by Credit or Debit Card. This can be done by coming to the office or calling 810-732-0720 during normal Summer Office Hours ~ Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (10am-4pm); Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

COMING EVENTS

This Week The **Apostles' (Peter and Paul) Fast** began on June 4th and continues until their feast day on June 29th. The traditional fasting discipline (*no meat, poultry, meat by-products, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products*) is observed on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; and (*no meat, poultry, meat by-products, eggs, dairy, and their by-products*) is observed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Weds-Sun. **Midwest Diocesan Parish Life Conference in Toledo, OH**

Saturday No Great Vespers

If you know of a parishioner who has given birth, fallen ill, or admitted to the hospital, please call the church office or let Father Joe know.

- If you would like to host Coffee Fellowship over the next few months in memory of a loved one, the occasion of a birthday, a wedding anniversary, or in thanksgiving to God, sign up on the poster in the Lounge or speak with Manal Abuaita.
- If you have an item that you would like to place in NEXT week's Bulletin, please call the church office by 12 Noon on Tuesday.