

St. George Orthodox Church

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Protodeacon Michael Bassett

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: *MARTYR KALLINIKOS OF CILICIA*

Tone 8

9th Matins Gospel {*John 20:19-31*}

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

Confessions

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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 8

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial that Thou might deliver us from passion. Thou art our life and our resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel

Troparion of the Resurrection—Tone 8 (*same as above*)

انحدرت من الغلو يا مُتَحَيِّن. وقبِلت الدفنَ ذا الثلاثةِ الأيام، لكي تُعْتَقِنَا من الآلام. فيا حياتنا وقيامتنا يا ربُّ المجدِّ 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 of the Transfiguration (التجلي) of Christ—Tone 7

Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, and Thy disciples beheld Thy glory as far as they could bear it; so that when they would behold Thee crucified, they would understand that Thy passion

was voluntary and would proclaim to the world that Thou art truly the Radiance of the Father.

تجلّيت أيتها المسيح على الجبل وحسبما وسع تلاميذك شاهدوا مجدك . حتّى عندما يعاينوك مصلوباً يفتنوا أن آلامك طوعاً باختيارك . ويكرزوا للعالم أنّك أنت بالحقيقة شعاع الأب .

Epistle Reading: *1 Corinthians 3:9-17* {9th Sunday after Pentecost}

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 14:22-34* {9th Sunday of St. Matthew}

Holy Bread Offerings

- We also pray for the servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: **George** Henry (+July 15th, friend of Laila Abud) and **Mazen** Banat (+July 18th friend of parishioners).
- 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, **Bishop Alexander** (Ottawa and Eastern Canada, and Upstate New York), **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, **Eva** Saseen (niece of George and Jeanette Nassif), **Michael** Silpoch, **William** Sophiea Jr., **Lois** Teunion, and **Vicki** Toma (sister of Fr. Joe); **Abeer** Mitri and newborn **Nawa** who were brought back into the life of our parish through the Prayers of Churching; **Julius** Andoni who is to be brought into the Orthodox Faith through the Holy Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation, and the reception of his First Communion.
- We also pray for those who are with child: **Jenny** (Hanna) Abuaita, **Rasha** (Luai) Abuaita, **Dunyia** (Iyad) Abufarha {Ibrahim and Eman's daughter-in-law}, **Julia** (Dr. Anton) 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). If you are physically able, please remain standing during Holy Communion. If you have a special need, let one of the ushers know so they may assist you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: August 5th and 12th ~ 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 Dormition of the Virgin Mary Fast (August 1st-14th), no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, or their by-products are to be served.*

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD Next Sunday August 5th, we will be celebrating this Great Feast (transferred from August 6th). We have the **Blessing of Grapes and First Fruits** at the end of the Divine Liturgy. Please bring your fruit and place it on the solea table.

OUR PROJECT MEXICO TEAM! *HOLA*, St. George parishioners! Do you need a babysitter? Need lawn care done? Need someone to pick up your pop-cans? What about assistance with other tasks? As you may know, a team from our Young Adults will be going to Tijuana, Mexico August 17th-23rd to build a home for a special family in need! God willing, we will get there with your support. If there are any tasks you need assistance with, please feel free to reach out to us at (810) 610-8312 or projectmexicoflint@gmail.com. Thank you for your prayers and support!

In Christ, Ereni, Hazar, Majd, Miar, and Watan Abuaita, and Michael Hayek.

FR. JOE—OUT-OF-TOWN Fr. Joe and Leslee will be on vacation from July 31st to August 3rd. For emergencies while Fr. Joe is away, please call Protodeacon Michael Bassett (St. George, 989-627-9580) Fr. Gabriel Bilas (St. Mary Magdalene, 810-750-1401), or Fr. Matthew Butrie (St. Nicholas, 810-744-0070). Please pray for their 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!

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 ومحتشمة في جميع الأوقات ، وخاصة في الكنيسة : لا ملابس مكشوفة الكتفين، أو غير ملائمة، أو تنانير 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 ، نظهر 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 ، فيإمكانك 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 Thursdays.

COMING EVENTS

This Week	The traditional fasting discipline (<i>no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products</i>) is observed on Wednesday and Friday.
Tuesday	Ladies Auxiliary Picnic at Hiam Bathish's home (see Hiam for more information)
Wednesday	Paraklesis for the Virgin Mary 6:30pm
Saturday	Great Vespers and Confessions 5pm Andoni Baptism 6pm

JULY 29TH ~ HOLY MARTYR KALLINIKOS OF CILICIA

The Holy Martyr Kallinikos, a native of Cilicia, was raised from childhood in the Christian Faith. Grieving that many misguided people would perish for eternity because they worshiped idols, he went through the cities and villages to proclaim Jesus Christ and His teachings to the pagans, and with the Word of God, he converted many to Christianity.

In the Galatian city of Ancyra, the holy confessor was arrested and brought to trial before a governor named Sacerdonus, a fierce persecutor of Christians. The governor, threatening tortures and death, ordered the saint to offer sacrifice to the idols. The saint fearlessly declared that he was not afraid of martyrdom, since every believer in Christ receives from Him strength in ordeals, and through death inherits an eternal blessed life.

They cruelly beat the saint with ox thongs and tore at his body with iron hooks, but he endured everything with patience and calm. This aroused still greater fury in Sacerdonus, and he ordered that sandals with sharp nails be placed on the saint's feet, and that they should drive the martyr with whips to the city of Gangra to be burned.

The pathway was arduous, and the soldiers who accompanied the condemned man were weak from thirst. In despair, they began to implore the saint to pray the Lord for water. The saint, taking pity on his tormentors, with the help of God caused a miraculous spring of water to gush forth from a stone. The astonished soldiers were filled with sympathy for their rescuer, and they wanted even to set him free. Fear of execution, however, compelled them to bring the martyr farther. In Gangra, Saint Kallinikos joyfully offered thanks to the Lord, Who had vouchsafed him the crown of martyrdom. He went into the blazing fire and gave up his soul to God. His body, remaining unharmed and was reverently buried by believers.

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- 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.

St. George Parish Picnic @

Davison Township Parks and Recreation (Lake Callis)

1152 North Gale Road, Davison, MI 48423

Admission: when driving in, tell them you are with "St. George"



**Sunday, August 26th
12 Noon to 8pm**

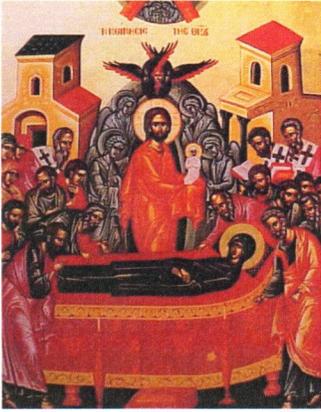
Immediately after Divine Liturgy

A free will (*voluntary*) offering
will be available.

- Food and Drinks are provided. Per park rules, no alcohol or hookah allowed.
- Splash Pad, Soccer, Volleyball, Euchre, Backgammon, and more!
- Fun and Games for the whole family and a great way to meet and have fellowship with our St. George Family!



- For more information, please contact co-chairs:
Khaled Abuaita (810-343-2614/kabuaita@yahoo.com) or
Anwar Abueita (810-394-2918/andydollar007@aol.com)



31TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE CELEBRATION 2018

DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD ORTHODOX MONASTERY

Guests of Honor:

His Grace Bishop Thomas (Antiochian Archdiocese)

Hosted by
His Eminence Archbishop NATHANIEL

PILGRIMAGE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 14

5:00 pm Light Supper
6:30 pm Vigil of the Feast with Lamentations.

Wednesday, August 15

9:00 am Akathist, 3rd Hour, 6th Hour, Vesting of the Hierarchs and procession to the Pavilion
10:00 am Hierarchal Holy Liturgy.
12:45 pm Lunch
2:30 pm Mystery of Holy Unction.
5:30 pm Vespers
6:30 pm Supper

Directions: I94 to exit 138 - Rt. 127 North. Go 7½ mi. Take "Berry Rd./Rives Jct." exit; turn left (If exiting from 127 South, turn right). At stop sign (app. 1 mi.), turn right. The monastery is located on the left side of the road.

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