

St. George Orthodox Church

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Protodeacon Michael Bassett

July 5, 2020

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ *VENERABLE ATHANASIUS OF ATHOS*

Live Streaming of Divine Services

ALL services are served only with a limited number of faithful. They are not open to the public unless you reserved a spot. Please view our livestream at:

YouTube ~ <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpLWfxMIJK4uQOV41ekE6Wg>

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.

In the **Divine Liturgy** of **St. John Chrysostom** *{the Golden-Mouth}*,
The **Special Hymns** we sing are on the **Bilingual sheets from Fr. Joe's Email**.

Holy Bread Offerings

- Kh. Suheila Qassis, George, Jalal, and Suheil Abuaita and Family for the health of the families and in loving memory of **Adriano** Fadool (9 day, great nephew).
- Ayman and Wafaa Elias for the health of their family here and oversees and in loving memory of daughter **Joselyn** (6 year).
- Najwa Joubran for the health of her family and in loving memory of husband **Emil** (9 year) and niece **Joselyn** Elias (6 year).
- Protodeacon Michael and Pam Bassett for the health of their family and in loving memory of the **Archpriest Peter** Gillquist (8 year).

Baptism/Chrismation Days

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

- **Maximus** Abuaita – July 8th

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: **Joseph** Papanek (+June 2nd, friend of Dn. Mike), **Edgar** Parsons (+June 3rd, friend of Dn. Mike), **Joseph** Krusienski (+June 16th, cousin of Laila Abud), **Atallah** Sous (+June 16th, father of Elias), **Nisreen** Khair AbuAmsha (+June 18th, sister of Husam Khair), **Raji** Khoury (+June 19th, brother of Evelyn Delbridge), and **Olga** Abuaita (+June 23rd, aunt of Luai Abuaita), **Alex** Mathews (+July 1st, nephew of Paul and Cam Takach).
- 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, **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett), **Anwar** Abueita, **Wadia** Albaba, Dr. **Usama** Albedd (Sally Abuaita's brother), **Nabil** Andoni (brother of Vera Daoud), **Naila** Banna, **Emil** J. Bathish, **Levi** Cooper, **Vera** Daoud,

Vera Farah, Averie Fisher (niece of Sandy Thomas), Mariam Ghanim (Manal's mother), Elias Gantos, Phyllis Good, Carol Haddad, Shawna Hale, Donald Hawkins, Daisy Isaac, Nawal and Nimer Iseid, Nakhleh Khoury, Nicola Khoury, George Nassif, Aida Raffoul, Deborah Salim, Nicholas Saseen, Michael Silpoch, William Sophiea Jr, Lois Teunion; Rakan, Renea, and newborn Joelle Grace Bayouk (May 25th); Elias, Taghreed, and newborn Mila Rishmawi (June 9th); Josh, Andrea [daughter of Nasri and Carol Haddad], and newborn Lincoln Jones (June 25th).

- We also pray for those who are with child: **Juliana** (Essa) AbuAita and **Katie** (Philip) Quackenboss [daughter of Bill and Sue Shaheen].
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HAVE REOPENED! With the blessing of Bishop Anthony, we are reopening with a limited number of parishioners. We will continue on a rotating basis, so everyone that would like to come will be able. Fr. Joe is scheduling confessions. **Please contact him when you will be coming during the scheduled times** (see *Coming Events* below). This will allow, when you come to Divine Liturgy, to be prepared to partake of Holy Communion!

OUR STEWARDSHIP, OFFERINGS, AND DONATIONS Though everyone cannot attend church due to limited capacity or other reason, our stewardship, offerings, and donations are still needed. PLEASE help our parish by continuing to send your offerings to St. George. This can simply be done by going to our website (<https://saintgeorgeflint.org/>) or by mailing your offerings to St. George 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507.

WE MISS YOU AND LOVE YOU! Our Parish Council sent a letter seeking information **we need from everyone**. PLEASE fill out the short form at the end of the letter and send to the church (St. George 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507) or email Fr. Joe (nija@aol.com) with the information ~ thank you, Thank You, THANK YOU!

PARKING LOT PLEDGES Our goal is \$80,000 (we have raised over \$40,000 so far including half of the Valentine Gala profits) and we are so thankful for those who have donated and pledged. **If you have not already, please pick up a form, fill it out, and send it to the church.** Remember our donations to the Parking Lot are separate (above and beyond) our weekly offerings. Again, thank you to our donors!

Fr. Joe and Leslee Abud
Dn. Mike and Pam Bassett
St. George Preschool
Jamal and Manal Abuaita
Khader and Lucy Abuaita
Anwar and Janet Abueita

Laila Abud
Anonymous
Ladies Auxiliary
Tony Daoud
Ayman and Wafaa Elias
John and Theresa Farah

Betty Froberg
Dr. David and May Gantos
George and Jeanette Nassif
Bill and Sue Shaheen
Richard Shaheen
Bob and Lois Teunion

PAN-ORTHODOX SOFTBALL GAME

Our Pan Orthodox Softball Game with our family from Assumption, St. Mary Magdalene, and St. Nicholas will take place on Sunday, July 19th, beginning at

3pm at St. Pius X Catholic School Baseball Field (3139 Hogarth Ave, Flint, MI 48532). The event and food will be hosted by Assumption Orthodox Church. Players and fans (so our hosts know how many will be eating) need to sign up with Rene Hanna (renehann93@gmail.com or 810-875-3118) and on this Google link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdtJ3kYYKPIiB-wsbqtISUCKXrVxWldPGW1hLc0FNkISsV2ow/viewform>! See the enclosed flier for more information. If you would like to play or just be a fan, please sign up. All are invited to attend and God willing everyone will be safe being outside, wearing masks, and with 6 feet social distancing!

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.	
Monday	Confessions (call Fr. Joe for an appointment!)	6-8pm
Wednesday	Confessions (call Fr. Joe for an appointment!)	10am-12 Noon
Friday	Confessions (call Fr. Joe for an appointment!)	2-4pm
Saturday	Great Vespers	5pm

Accepting Christ's Forgiveness ~ *Christ's absolution requires us to accept forgiveness, and be quick to forgive others.*

by Abbot Tryphon, head of All-Merciful Savior Monastery on Vashon Island, Washington

Psychologists have often made the observation that the one thing they lack, when it comes to their profession as psychological healers, is the ability to pronounce absolution (means *pardon* or *release*). Yet many Orthodox Christians, making a good confession and receiving absolution, remain in a state as though they were still needing forgiveness. This is because, even though they have received the pronouncement their sins have been forgiven, they act as though nothing has changed.

If we continue to be plagued by guilt, even after we have received the absolution of Christ, through His agent the priest, we compound the very sin we've confessed, for in clinging to our guilt, we act as though there is no forgiveness. Clinging to guilt is not a sign of humility, but rather a sign of unbelief, for we turn a cold shoulder to the very forgiveness that has been pronounced, as though it were not true.

Christ's absolution is a two-way street, for having confessed our sin and receiving Christ's forgiveness, we must receive that forgiveness with great joy, for we, like the woman at the well, must go, and sin no more. And in accord with the teachings of Christ, we must, in turn, be quick to forgive those who have hurt or offended us.

The Pan-Orthodox Churches of Genesee County Softball Game



Drinks & Food
will be provided.

For Questions email
Fr. Gabriel
frgabrielmm@gmail.com

Sunday, July 19, 2020
3:00pm

St. Pius X Catholic School
Baseball Field
(3139 Hogarth Ave. Flint, MI 48532)

✝ St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church
2439 S. Long Lake Rd— Fenton

✝ St. George Orthodox Church
5191 Lennon Rd, - Flint

✝ St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
2143 Center Rd—Burton

✝ Assumption Orthodox Church
2245 E. Baldwin Rd.—Grand Blanc

