

July 7, 2019

GREAT-MARTYR KYRIAKI OF NICOMEDIA

Tone - 2 3rd Matins Gospel {Mark 16:9-20}

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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 for today:

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

عندما انحدرت إلى الموت أيها الحياة الذي لا يموت. حينئذٍ أمنت الجحيم ببرق لاهوتك. وعندما أقمت
الأموات من تحت الثرى. صرّح نحوك جميع القوات السماويين. أيها المسيح الإله معطي الحياة المجد لك.

Troparion for St. Kyriake—Tone 5

Thou didst prove an auspicious and pleasing sacrifice, a holy offering, O valiant prizewinner Kyriaki, when thou brought thy Creator thine own spotless soul; which Christ in turn hath glorified, for through thee, He pours forth divine gifts and endless graces upon the faithful who praise thee, since He is the Friend of man.

قَدْ ظَهَرْتَ ذَبِيحَةً مُقَدَّسَةً، أَيَا كِيرِيَاكِي الشُّجَاعَةُ اللَّابِسَةُ الْجِهَادِ، إِذْ قَدَّمْتَ نَفْسَكَ لِلرَّبِّ جَابِلِكِ. وَمَجَّدَكَ الْمَسِيحُ، إِذْ إِنَّهُ
أَنْبَعُ بِكَ، لِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ نِعْمًا لَا تَنْضُبُ، بِمَا أَنَّهُ رَوْفٌ، وَمُحِبُّ الْبَشَرِ وَحَدَه.

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 المرذودة لا تعرضي عن اصوات طلباتنا نحن الخطاة، بل تداركينا بالمعونة بما انك سالحة، نحن الصارخين نحوك بايمان، بادري الى الشفاعة واسرعي في الطلبة يا والدة الإله المتشفعة دائماً بمكرميك.

Epistle Reading: *Galatians 3:23-4:5* {St. Kyriaki}

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

Holy Bread Offerings

- Sami and Nafeh Al-Sahoury, Issa and Vera Daoud, and their Families for the health of the families and in loving memory of **Emil** (40 day, Sami's bother and Vera's uncle).
- Ayman and Wafaa Elias for the health of their family and in memory of daughter **Joselyn** (5 year).
- Najwa Joubran and Family for the health of her family and in loving memory of husband **Emil** (8 year) and niece **Joselyn** Elias (5 year).
- 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, Eastern Canada, and Upstate New York), **Sahar** Abdallah, **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett Abuaita), **Georgette** and **George** Abueita, **Naila** Banna, **Emil** Bathish, **Vera** Daoud, **Alex** and **Panayiotis** Deligorges, **Vera** Farah, **Betty** Froberg, **Mariam** Ghanim (Manal's mother), **Phyllis** Good, **Roland** and **Ronald** Haddad, **Shawna** Hale, **Daisy** Isaac, **Nawal & Nimer** Iseid, **Sally** Joseph, **Nakhleh** Khoury, **Nicola** Khoury, **George** and **Renee** Nassif, **Adam** Odeh, **Aida** Raffoul, **John** Salomon, **Elaine** Shaheen, **Eva** Saseen (niece of George and Jeanette Nassif), **Michael** and **Nancy** Silpoch, **William** Sophia Jr., and **Lois** Teunion; **Raad**, **Sandy** and newborn **Luka** Qumsieh (June 16th); **Gary**, **Katrina** and newborn **George** Edward Gagne (June 27th).
- We also pray for those who are with child: **Jennifer** (Michael) Habbo {daughter of James and Maggie David} and **Kari** (Panayiotis) Mikroudou {daughter of John and Theresa Farah}.

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).

- Since Church School is not in session, our children and their parents will receive Holy Communion together! Please wait in your pew until an usher comes to dismiss you.
 - 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.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RENTAL Our Banquet Center is rented today. Please be respectful to our renters and their guests by not disturbing their event. Thank you!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP is in our Lounge and hosted by *Issa and Vera Daoud and Family*.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: July 21st and 28th ~ 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.

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.
Saturday	Great Vespers and Confessions 5pm
NEXT Sun.	Pan-Orthodox Picnic and Softball 3pm

Broken ~ what to do when we’re broken

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

It is only human to become despondent when we have failed in keeping to our moral, ethical and spiritual standards, succumbing, instead, to temptation. Our Orthodox Faith teaches that we must be compassionate towards others, loving, quick to forgive, exemplar in our Christian living, and always demonstrating to the world that we belong to Christ. Yet we also know we fail, most of the time, in living up to the standards of the Gospels, appearing no different than the pagans.

We look to the example of the saints, and wonder why we seem so far removed from their Christ-like example of living the Gospels. Over and over, we sink in the muck and mire of sin, becoming broken, downtrodden, and sick. In our brokenness, we betray the Gospels, our own standards of behavior, and the expectations of others. We know the truth of the words, “There is none good but One, that is, God (Matthew 19:17),” because we fail, over and over, in our own seeming inability to live as we believe.

We know Christ has called us to holiness, and that He gives us the strength, courage, and even the ability, to live our lives out in holiness. Yet, try as we might, we find ourselves utterly failing to live the Gospels, failing in our witness before others, and letting down our friends and family, with behavior that is anything but an example of Gospel living. We are broken, bordering on despair.

Nevertheless, even as we struggle with our sins, we must remember that God specifically created us for participation in His Divinity. We have been called by Him, and have become a Royal people, specifically created to participate and share fully in the life of God. The key to this life in God is to be found in repentance. Even in our brokenness, we must not give in to despondency, for our Savior is quick to forgive. When we have found ourselves falling short of the glory of God, we must turn toward this very God in repentance, knowing that He is quick to forgive.

When we are broken, despair is the enemy, and should be seen as an emotion that has come from the Evil One. Hope and forgiveness are the gifts that come from God. During those times when we have failed in our Christian vocation, we must embrace the hope that comes with a repentant heart, and see, in our brokenness, the reminder that we are to always keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge that we have a God Who is quick to forgive. Despair is the enemy of our salvation, because in despair, the Evil One would have us believe there is no hope, and therefore no salvation. In our brokenness we must turn our gaze towards our Co-Suffering Savior, the One Who lifts us up, out of our brokenness, making us whole, and granting us forgiveness and life.

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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 our Coffee Fellowship 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 would like to offer Holy Bread (*Holy Oblation or Offering*) in memory of a loved one, for the health or safety of a loved one, or to commemorate a special occasion, please call the church office (810-732-0720) by 12 Noon the Wednesday before.
 - If the offering is in memory of a loved one, please state if you would like to have a **Memorial Service**, which takes place near the end of Divine Liturgy. It is always appropriate to have a Memorial Service on the 3rd, 9th, and 40th day after one's falling asleep along with the yearly anniversary. It may also be done on the 6th month anniversary. If you would like to make the Holy Bread, please see or contact Aida Nassar 810-433-1515.
- **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS** Our secretary, Kelly Dotson, works on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (10am-4pm); the office is closed on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Kelly can be reached during office hours at 810-732-0720 or kellysecstgeorge@gmail.com.