

St. George Orthodox Church

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OCTOBER IS YOUTH MONTH

HOLY FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL IN NICEA (787 AD)

Tone – 2

8th Matins Gospel {*John 20:11-18*}

Altar Servers: **St. George** team {George David, captain} Next Week – **St. Michael** team

Greeters/Ushers: **Members of Teen SOYO**

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Welcome to St. George! Every Sunday we remember the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The word “*Liturgy*” means *work of the people* which means everyone participates through singing, praying, hearing the teaching, and opening our hearts to allow God’s grace to enter. For those who have committed themselves to the Orthodox Faith (through Baptism and/or Chrismation) it also means, if prepared, the reception of Holy Communion. Preparation includes the Sacrament of Confession (7 years and older) within the last 2 months, prayer, being on time for church, being at peace with others, attending the Divine Liturgy regularly, and fasting (no food or drink from midnight the night before). If you are new, just visiting, or have any questions, please introduce yourself to Father Joe. Please know that everyone is invited to venerate the Holy Gospel and receive Holy Bread at the end of Liturgy. All are welcome to our Coffee Fellowship in the hall after Liturgy.

In the **Divine Liturgy** of **St. John Chrysostom** {*The Golden-Mouth*}, we sing these special hymns:

Third Antiphon (during the Little Entrance)

Troparion of the Resurrection—Tone 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One. Then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly power, and when Thou didst 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 O our God.

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel

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

Troparion for the Holy Fathers—Tone 8

Most glorified art thou, O Christ our God, who hast established our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon the earth, and through them didst guide us all to the true Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory to thee!

Troparion of 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 أنكَ للمأسورينَ محرِّرٌ ومُعْتِقٌ، وللفقراءِ والمساكينِ عاضِدٌ وناصِرٌ وللمرَضَى طبيبٌ وشَافٍ وعن المؤمنينَ مكافِحٌ ومُحَارِبٌ أيها العظيمُ في الشهداءِ جاورجيوسُ اللابسُ الظفرَ تشفعُ إلى المسيحِ الإلهِ في خلاصِ نفوسنا.

Kontakion for the Virgin Mary (on a normal Sunday)—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.

Epistle Reading: *Titus 3:8-15* {Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council}

Readers: **Goni Ishak** (Arabic) and **Sandy Abueita** (English)

Gospel Reading: *Luke 8:5-15* {4th Sunday of Luke}

Holy Bread Offerings

- Fuad and Wadia Albaba for the health of their family and in loving memory of son **Elias** (3 years).
- **Naila Banna** for the health of her family on the occasion of her birthday – *May God grant her many years!* -- especially husband **Cesar** and in loving memory of **Yacoub, Marie, Sam,** and **Jerry Farah** and **Najib, Lourice,** and **Awni Banna.**
- Ayman and Wafaa Elias for the health of their family especially **Joselyn** on the occasion of her 22nd birthday – *May God grant her many years!*

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:

♦ **Evan** and **Mariann Hayek** – October 14th ♦ **Haleena Abueita** – October 18th

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

- This morning we pray for the servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: **Nabeel Ibrahim** (+September 14th, Canada, uncle of Ziyad Ibrahim), **Victoria Khoury** (+September 17th, sister-in-law of Norma Sophiea), **Robert Delbridge** (+September 19th, cousin of Jim Delbridge), and **Muriel Mansour** (+September 20th, friend of parishioners).
- Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Khouriya Janet Peters**, **Nayef Aboujamra**, **Lucy AbuAita**, **Najeb Abuaita**, **Clemence** (Dn. Mike's mother) and **Jonathan Bassett**, **George Damouni** (brother of Lina Burbar and May Gantos), **Elias Gantos**, **Samira Gantous**, **Camille Ghantous**, **Nadera Ghantous**, **Phyllis Good**, **Carol Haddad**, **Roland Haddad**, **George Ishak** (nephew of Amira Hanna), **Gabby Joubran** (brother-in-law of Najwa Joubran), **Betty Khouri**, **Jean Khouri**, **John Khouri**, **Mariam Khoury**, **Norma Lazar**, **Lourice Matta**, **Megan Meade** (relative of Bob Teunion), **Danny Mortensen**, **Elaine Salim**, **Elaine Shaheen**, **Michael Silpoch**, **William Sophiea Jr.**, **Robert Teunion**, **Kinan Turjman** (nephew of Sahar Abdallah).
- We also pray for the servants of God who are with child: **Sandra Mitri**, **Marlen Odeh**, and **Suhair Awwad** (former parishioner).

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.
- If you are physically able, please remain standing during Holy Communion. If you have a special need, please let one of the ushers know so we may assist you.
- As a friendly reminder, please do not talk in church, especially in the Communion Line. When people talk and greet each other, it is distracting to those who are praying or preparing themselves for **HOLY COMMUNION**. Please wait until Coffee Fellowship to say hello and visit with one another. The only people who should be talking are those who are asking and receiving forgiveness from one another!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP is hosted by *Naila Banna*.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: October 28th -- sign-up poster is in the Hall. Hosting information is in the Hall and 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.

Notice to Parishioners It is the teaching of our Orthodox Church that its members may not take Holy Communion in any other Christian Church, such as the Catholic or Episcopal Church. Those who do receive in another Church will not be able to receive Holy Communion in the Orthodox Church -- *you can only be a member of, and in communion with, one Church*. For more information, speak with Fr. Joe.

من تعاليم كنيستنا الأرثوذكسية أن لا يأخذ أعضائها القربان المقدس في اي كنيسة مسيحية أخرى، مثل الكاثوليكية أو احدى الكنائس الرسولية الاخرى. وأولئك الذين يتناولون في كنيسة أخرى لا يسمح لهم الحصول على القربان المقدس في الكنيسة الأرثوذكسية - يمكنك أن تكون فقط عضواً بكنيسة واحدة وبوحدة مع كنيسة واحدة. لمزيد من المعلومات بإمكانك التحدث مع ابونا. جو

Next Sunday, October 21st, we welcome Fr. Paul Tarabay and our brothers and sisters from **Our Lady of Lebanon Catholic Church (Maronite Rite)** for our annual breakfast. We will have Church School as normal.

ALTAR SERVERS AND PARENTS It is an awesome and humbling experience to assist the priest in the Holy Place. All boys who are 7 years of age and older are invited to participate more fully in the Church by serving God's Holy Altar. With all of the negative influences our children have to face in this world, what could be of greater benefit to them? Our annual mandatory meeting for old and new servers will take place on Saturday, October 27th at 3pm (Plan to stay for Great Vespers at 5pm!). This is our **ONLY** meeting of the year! Many things will be discussed, new teams will be formed, and the new servers will be taught how to serve. If you cannot make the meeting, but would like to serve, please let Father Joe know.

Parish Council Vacancies

If you would like to be nominated or would like to nominate qualified (see below) parishioners for the 3 expiring terms on the Parish Council, please submit names to a member of the Nominating Committee. The committee is composed of Amjad Ishak, Dannie Jones, and Father Joseph. All nominees must attend a **Parish Council Nominee Seminar** scheduled for Monday, October 29th from 7-8pm. If you will be attending, please let Fr. Joe know. If this day and time does not work for you, speak with Fr. Joe to reschedule another time.

Parish Council Qualifications (from our Parish Constitution)

No member of the Parish Council shall be under the age of 18 years of age (excluding any ex-officio member) and no Voting Member of the Parish shall be eligible to become a member of the Parish Council unless such person has been a voting member of the Parish for a period of one (1) year and has fulfilled the canonical requirements of the Orthodox faith. Further, nominees must worship at St. George at least 3 out of 4 Sundays a month; shall be exemplary (model members of St. George; participate in extracurricular ministries of the parish (such as: Fundraising, Parish Council committees, Educational, etc.); participate in the Holy Sacraments of Confession and Communion on a regular/frequent basis; has signed the yearly Offering Form; and attend a Nominee Seminar.

October 14th — 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Today the Church remembers the 350 Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25). The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine Porphyrogenitos. The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because "no man has seen God at any time" (John 1:18).

COMING EVENTS

This Week	The traditional fasting discipline (<i>no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil or their by-products</i>) is observed on Wednesday and Friday.
Monday	Bible Study: Gospel of St. Mark 3-5pm
Tuesday	Altar Society Dinner Meeting 6pm
Wednesday	Arabic/English Study of the Divine Liturgy 1pm-2:30pm YAF and SOYO Wednesday at Corn Maze 7-9pm
Thursday	Parish Council Dinner Meeting 6:15pm Any parishioner is welcome to come, observe, and also make comments at the appropriate time on the Agenda.
Saturday	No Great Vespers Teen SOYO and YAF U of M/MSU Tailgating Kick-Off

Special Olympics

Awareness Day



Dear Father,
Please print this in your bulletin
for October 14, 2012.

As NAC Teen SOYO prepares to sponsor the **32nd Annual Special Olympics Sports Camp**; we ask that you be generous in helping our teens in this ministry. Approximately 300 athletes and coaches participated in our camp last summer. Teen SOYO members come from all over North America to volunteer their time, to reach out to others, and fulfill the Gospel: “Inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.” (Matthew 25:40)



Special Olympics Awareness Day is your opportunity to support this ministry and enrich the lives of our teens who participate in helping others. Your generosity makes this ministry possible.



Special Olympics

Next Sunday, October 21, our teens will solicit your financial donations to enable them to sponsor the 32nd Annual Special Olympics Sports Camp at the Antiochian Village in the summer of 2013. Please be generous as our teens need to raise in excess of \$50,000 to run this worthwhile program. As an expression of our teens' gratitude for your support of this important project, you will receive an icon bookmark of St. Herman.

Thank you for your assistance. Please make checks payable to your local teen group.

