

St. George Orthodox Church

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8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST MARTYR KALLINIKOS OF GANGRA IN ASIA MINOR

Tone – 7

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

Altar Servers: **St. Michael** team {Samer Abuaita, captain} Next Week – **St. Paul** team

Confessions

8:30-9:30am

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10:00am

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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 7

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross. Thou didst open paradise to the thief. Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy; and didst bid Thine apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the great mercy.

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel

Troparion of the Resurrection—Tone 7 (as above)

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 أُنكَل للمأسورين مُحَرَّرٌ ومُعْتِقٌ، وللفقراء والمساكين عاضِدٌ وناصِرٌ وللمرضى طيبٌ وشافٍ وعن المؤمنين مُكافِحٌ ومُحَارِبٌ أيها العظيمُ في الشهداء جاورجيوسُ اللابسُ الظفرَ تشفَعُ إلى المسيحِ الإلهِ في خَلاصِ نُفوسِنَا.

Kontakion of the Transfiguration 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.

Epistle Reading: *1 Corinthians 1:10-17* {8th Sunday after Pentecost}

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 14:14-22* {8th Sunday of Matthew}

Holy Bread Offerings

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:

◆ **Waleed El-Chaer** – July 31st ◆ **John Elias** – August 1st

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: **Archpriest Peter Gillquist** (+July 1st), **Dr. Veselin Kesich** (+June 26th, retired professor of New Testament at St. Vladimir Seminary), **Robert Crum** (+July 9th, friend of Janet Lakis), **Richard Delbridge** (+July 13th, brother of Jim), and **Juanita Sophiea** (+July 21st, sister-in-law of Norma Sophiea).
- Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Khouriya Janet Peters**, **Nayef Aboujamra**, **Philip Abuaita**, **Jonathan Bassett**, **Samira Gantous**, **Camille Gbantous**, **Nadera Gbantous**, **Phyllis Good**, **Carol Haddad**, **Roland Haddad**, **George Ishak** (nephew of Amira Hanna), **Betty Khouri**, **Jean Khouri**, **John Khouri**, **Mariam Khoury**, **Norma Lazar**, **Lourice Matta**, **Megan Meade** (relative of Bob Teunion), **Danny Mortensen**, **Elaine Shaheen**, **William Sophiea Jr.**, **Majeda Abuaita** and the newborn **Anthony** (June 19th), and **Marco Abuaitah** and **Majd Abdallah** who were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.
- We also pray for the servants of God who are with child: **Huda Abusaada** and **Ivy Khoury**.

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.
- Since Church School is not in session our children and their parents can receive Holy Communion together! Everyone should wait in their pew until an usher comes to dismiss them to the Communion Line.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP is not hosted today ☹.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: August 12th, 19th, and 26th -- 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. *During the Dormition of the Virgin Mary Fast (August 1st-14th), no meat or dairy products are to be served.*

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS from Janet Abueita, Director (810-691-0956)

Dear parents, we need to set a good example for our children. We need to send them the right message about our Divine Services. We will continue giving on time slips for the children when they come on time for Divine Liturgy on Sunday as in the past. At the end of the year when we give out awards for Perfect and Excellent Attendance, it means that the child was in church and then went back to Church School. We all need to work together as a team to teach our children how important it is to come to Divine Liturgy and other Divine Services. They need to know that the church school is an extension of what they learn in church. If you have any questions or concerns please talk with me or Father Joe. Thank you and God Bless.

Festival, **FESTIVAL**, *FESTIVAL*, & **FESTIVAL!!!** **It's HERE!**

THIS IS IT! ~ Festival Week at St. George. Please see the Coming Events for all that is taking place. We need people to Set-Up this Wednesday at 10am. Then ALL workers need to attend the Worker's Meeting also this Wednesday at 6pm! Please pray for the success of the Festival!

SPONSORS We are still in need of sponsors to advertise during our Festival. Businesses and Individuals can show their support of St. George while you look for support for your business! If interested, please see any Festival Committee member!!!

WORKERS HELP!!! We are in need of LOTS of parishioners to work the Festival! ALL work areas have open slots. Do not leave church today without putting your name in 1, 3, or 5 slots. The sign-up sheets are in the Lounge. If you have any questions, please speak with the chair of that committee. Don't forget Worker's Meeting on Wednesday at 6pm!!!

DONATIONS NEEDED We are in need of donors for a number of items that are listed in the Lounge. If you are interested in donating these items or making a donation to purchase these items, please contact Basil Andoni (basil487@hotmail.com /810-814-1076).

July 29th — **SAINT KALLINIKOS THE MARTYR OF GANGRA IN ASIA MINOR (TURKEY)**

The Holy Martyr Kallinkos, 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, St 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, was reverently buried by believers.

COMING EVENTS

This Week	The Dormition Fast for the Dormition (or Falling Asleep) of the Virgin Mary begins on Wednesday, August 1 st and lasts until the Feast of Her Falling Asleep (Dormition or Assumption) on August 15 th . The traditional fasting discipline during this fourteen day period is <i>no meat, poultry, eggs, cheese, milk, dairy products, fish, wine, or olive oil, <u>except on Saturdays and Sundays</u></i> when <i>wine and olive oil</i> are allowed and on the Feast of our Lord's Transfiguration (August 6 th), when <i>fish, wine, and olive oil are allowed</i> .
Monday	Tent Set-Up 2pm - 5pm
Wednesday	Pre-Festival Set-Up 10am Worker's Meeting for ALL WORKERS 6pm
Thursday	Final Food Preparation 10am
Fri-Sun	Middle Eastern Festival ~ Come, work, & have a great time!
Saturday	Great Vespers and Confessions 5pm