

St. George Orthodox Church

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10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY AFTER THE TRANSFIGURATION OF CHRIST ON MT. TABOR

Tone – 1

10th Matins Gospel {*John 21:1-14*}

Altar Servers: **St. Peter** team {Branden Jones, Captain}

Next Week – **St. George** team

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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:

First Festal Antiphon

Verse 1 -- Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God. (Ps. 47:1a)

Refrain: *Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.*

V. 2 – The crash of Thy thunder was in the whirlwind, Thy lightning lighted up the world, the earth trembled and shook. {Refrain}

V. 3 – Thou art clothed with honor and majesty, who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment.
{Refrain} Glory to the Father...now and ever...{/Refrain}

Second Festal Antiphon

Verse 1 – Mount Zion in the far north, the city of the great King!

Refrain: *O Son of God who wast transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.*

V. 2 – And He brought them to the mountain of His holiness, this mountain which His right hand had won! {Refrain}

V. 3 – The Mount Zion which He loved, He fashioned for His holy abode. {Refrain}
Glory to the Father...now and ever...*Only begotten Son...*

Third Festal Antiphon (during the Little Entrance)

V. 1 – Of Thy mercies, O Lord, will I sing forever.

V. 2 – The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

V. 3 – Blessed is the people that knoweth jubilation.

V. 4 – O Lord, in the light of Thy face shall they walk, and in Thy Name shall they rejoice all the day long, and in Thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

Refrain: Troparion for the Transfiguration of Christ—Tone 7

Thou was transfigured on the Mount, O Christ our God, revealing Thy glory to Thine disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thy everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O giver of Light, glory to Thee!

لَمَّا تَجَلَّيْتَ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ عَلَى الْجَبَلِ. أَظْهَرْتَ مَجْدَكَ لِلتَّلَامِيذِ حَسْبَمَا اسْتَطَاعُوا. فَأَشْرَقَ لَنَا نَحْنُ الْخَطَاةُ نَوْرَكَ الْأَزَلِيِّ. بِشَفَاعَاتِ وَالِدَةِ الْإِلَهُ يَا مَانِحَ النُّورِ الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel

Troparion of the Resurrection—Tone 1

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud to Thee, O giver of life: Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy kingdom! Glory to Thy providence, O Thou who alone art the lover of mankind.

Troparion for the Transfiguration of Christ—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.

بِمَا أَنْتَ لِلْمَأْسُورِينَ مُحَرَّرٌ وَمُعْتِقٌ، وَلِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسَاكِينِ عَاضِدٌ وَنَاصِرٌ وَلِلْمَرْضَى طَبِيبٌ وَشَافٍ وَعَنِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ مُكَافِحٌ وَمُحَارِبٌ أَيُّهَا الْعَظِيمُ فِي الشَّهَدَاءِ جَاوِرِ جِيُوسُ اللَّابِسُ الظَّفَرِ تَشَقَّعَ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهُ فِي خِلَاصِ نُفُوسِنَا.

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 4:9-16 {10th Sunday after Pentecost}

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:14-23 {10th Sunday of Matthew}

Holy Bread Offerings

- Zahra Hayek for the health of her family and in loving memory of husband, father, and grandfather **Qusta** (9 years).
- The Joubran, Elias, Hanna Families for the health of their families especially **John Elias** on the occasion of his 17th birthday -- *May God grant him many years!* -- and in loving memory of mother and grandmother **Badia Khoury** (2 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:

- ◆ **Zane Farah** – August 12th
- ◆ **Nougod Abuaita** – August 15th
- ◆ **Josiana Yacoub** – August 16th
- ◆ **Ramy Abueita** – August 17th

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** (40 days), **Robert Crum** (+July 9th, friend of Janet Lakis), **Richard Delbridge** (+July 13th, brother of Jim), **Juanita Sophiea** (+July 21st, sister-in-law of Norma Sophiea), and **Kaukab Haddad** (+July 28th, aunt of Fr. Joe).
- 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**, **George Damouni** (brother of Lina Burbar and May 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 Shaheen**, and **William Sophiea Jr.**, **Erica Shamma** and the newborn **Jacob** (July 22nd), **Ivy Alkhoury** and the newborn **Simon** (July 31st), and **Landon** and **Liela Gantos** who were brought into the Orthodox Faith through the Holy Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation, and reception of their First Communion.
- We also pray for the servant of God who is with child: **Huda Abusaada**.

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 hosted by *Zahra Hayek and Family*.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: August 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.

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.

MISSING

Over the last 2 months, we have had many celebrations of Open Houses, Weddings, and Baptisms by our parishioners. Unfortunately, people who were not supposed to be in the Kitchen Storage Room were. An inventory was taken of our Church Items and we are missing A LOT of things such as plates, silverware, 6 Steamer Trays (2 deep, 4 not-so-deep), and 3 Lids. For those who had parties, please check to make sure you did not accidentally take something home by mistake. If you find something, please bring it back as soon as possible.

IMPORTANT! Want to BORROW something from the Kitchen Storage Room, tables, chairs, or anything else from the church? Please ask FIRST! From the Kitchen ask Hiam Bathish, Laura (our church secretary) or Fr. Joe; from anywhere else, ask Fr. Joe.

COMING EVENTS

This Week	The Dormition Fast for the Dormition (<i>or Falling Asleep</i>) of the Virgin Mary began 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, except on Saturdays and Sundays</i> when <i>wine and olive oil</i> are allowed.
Tuesday	Great Vespers and Blessing of the 5 Loaves at Assumption 6pm
Wednesday	Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos at Assumption 10:30am SOYO Wednesday Day in Midland!
Thursday	Parish Council Dinner Meeting 6:15pm Any parishioner is welcome to come, observe, and also to make comments at the appropriate time on the Agenda.
Saturday	Gantos' Baptism 12pm No Great Vespers