

# St. George Orthodox Church

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## SUNDAY AFTER THE DORMITION (*ASSUMPTION/FALLING ASLEEP*) OF THE THEOTOKOS

Tone – 7

8<sup>th</sup> Matins Gospel {*John 20:11-18*}

Altar Servers: **St. Michael** team {Karim Al-Khouri, captain}

Next Week – **St. Elias** team

Confessions

8:30-9:30am

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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 the reception of Holy Communion, if prepared. 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 Cross 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 Antiphon

Verse 1 -- Make a joyful noise to God, all the Earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise!

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

V. 2 – O give thanks unto the Lord and call upon His Name; make known His deeds among the peoples. {Refrain}

V. 3 – In the city of the Lord of hosts, In the city of our God; His sanctuary is in peace; and His dwelling in Zion. {Refrain}

Glory to the Father...now and ever...{Refrain}

### Second Antiphon

Verse 1 – The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

Refrain: *O Son of God who arose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.*

V. 2 – God has laid her foundation unto eternity. We have thought, O God, of Thy mercy in the midst of Thy people. {Refrain}

V. 3 – The Most High has sanctified His tabernacle. {Refrain}

Glory to the Father...now and ever...*Only begotten Son...*

### Third Antiphon (during the Little Entrance)

V. 1 – My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready; I will sing and give praise in my glory. What shall I render unto the Lord for all that He has given unto me?

V. 2 – I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord.

/Refrain/ Troparion for the Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary—Tone 1

In giving birth, you preserved your virginity! In falling asleep, you did not forsake the world O Theotokos! You were translated to Life, O Mother of Life, and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death!

في ميلادك حفظت البتولية وصنيتها وفي رقادك ما أهملت العالم وتركتيه يا والدة الإله. لأنك انتقلت إلى الحياة بما أنك أم الحياة. فبشفاعتك أنقذي من الموت نفوسنا.

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel

**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.

**Troparion for the Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary—Tone 1 (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 أنك للمأسورين محرر ومعتيق، وللفقراء والمساكين عاضد وناصير وللمرضى طبيب وشفاف وعن المؤمنين مكافح ومحارب أيها العظيم في الشهداء جاورجيوس اللابس الطفر تشفع إلى المسيح الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

**Kontakion for the Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary—Tone 2**

Neither the tomb, nor death, had power over the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercession and whose protection is an unchanging hope; for being the Mother of Life, she was translated to life by the One who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

**Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18** {8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost}

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:14-22** {8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew}

Holy Bread Offerings

- George and Hiam Ishaq for the health of their family and in loving memory of **Saher Nakhla Bannoura** (40 day, Hiam's cousin).
- Philip, Khaled, Manal, and their Family for the health of their family especially **Janett, Jamal, and Sally** on the occasion of their birthdays – *May God grant them 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:

♦ **Marina Elias** – August 24<sup>th</sup>

*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: **Nellie Hourani** (+July 15<sup>th</sup>, Elaine Salim's mother), **Elias Abueita** (+July 23<sup>rd</sup>, Janet Abueita's uncle), **Julia Joubran** (+July 28<sup>th</sup>, friend of St. George), **Iyad Khair** (+July 31<sup>st</sup>, Beit Sahour), **Azar Lahoud** (+August 8<sup>th</sup>, Lina Elia's father), and **Yousef Sharif** (+August 11<sup>th</sup>, friend of our parish).
- Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Androlla Abu Aita, Angel Abuaita, Hanna Abuaita, Nader Abufarha, Housam Abousamra,**

Evelyn Delbridge, Ayman Elias, Micheline El-Chaer, Camille Ghantous, Nadera Ghantous, Phyllis Good, Barbara Green, Carol Haddad, Roland Haddad, Mary Ibrahim, Betty Khouri, Jean Khouri, John Khouri, Mariam Khoury, Norma Lazar, Lourice Matta, Danny Mortensen, Jamil Nassar, Laura Nassar, Elaine Salim, Elaine Shaheen, Michael Silpoch, Marie Skafi, and William Sophiea Jr.. Angela Haddad and the newborn Emile (July 17<sup>th</sup>). Steven and Kelly (Stewart) Sanderson who were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

- We pray for those who are with child: **Kristen** (Abraham) **Baradihi** and **Nadeen Jaraysa**. Former parishioners: **Amanda** (Daoud) **Alyatim** and **Jennifer** (Peera) **Khoshaba**, **Alexa Nassif** (daughter-in-law of Jeanette Nassif), and **Lisa Thomas** daughter-in-law of Doug and Sandy Thomas).

### **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.
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** is hosted by *Philip Abuaita and Family*.

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS** Available dates: September 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> -- 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.

### **THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS ...**

... I would personally like to thank Fr. Joe and ALL those who heard about the personal tragedy that was wrongfully imposed upon me which I had to deal with unexpectedly. THANK YOU ALL for your prayers and any other help that you may have given this humble servant!!!! Your Brother in Christ, Ron Haddad

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS:** Our average weekly offerings need to be \$4,800 to meet our 2013 Budget. On August 11<sup>th</sup> our offerings were \$1,815 so we were short \$2,985! ☹️ **Please keep up with your offerings during the summer months!** If you haven't already, please fill out your 2013 Offering Form and support the work of St. George!

➤ **MAINTENANCE MATCHING FUND** All of us are asked to participate in a Matching Grant program (our donors and

Ladies Auxiliary will match up to \$5,000)! As an example, you donate \$100 and another \$100 is donated by our anonymous donors and Ladies Auxiliary! The deadline to reach our \$5,000 goal is October 31<sup>st</sup>. To date, we have collected \$2,342. Please respond TODAY!

### 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	<b>Church School Staff Dinner Meeting</b> rescheduled for August 26 <sup>th</sup> !
Thursday	<b>Parish Council Dinner Meeting</b> 6:15pm Any parishioner is welcome to come, observe, and also make comments at the appropriate time on the Agenda.
Saturday	<b>Altar Server's</b> annual mandatory meeting 3pm <b>Great Vespers and Confessions</b> 5pm

# St. George Parish picnic

NEXT Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>!

12 Noon to 7pm

at Flint Swim and Racquet Club

Admission FREE!!!

Come and have a GREAT TIME with all

of your

St. George Family!