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Bishop Anthony invites our Diocesan Delegates to the 2019 Midwest Diocesan Spring Gathering

March 1st – 3rd

Hosted by **St. George-Flint, MI**

Weekend Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Notes
Friday, March 1st	7 – 9pm	Registration and Hospitality	at St. George
	9pm	Ask Sayidna	at St. George
Saturday, March 2nd		Breakfast at Hotel	Included with room
	9am	Matins	at St. George
	10am	Antiochian Women, Teen SOYO, Young Adult Ministry meetings	at St. George
	1pm	Lunch	at St. George
	2pm	Teen Community Service Activity	
	5pm	Great Vespers	At St. George Church
	6pm	Dinner and Evening Activity	At St. George Hall
Sunday, March 3rd	8:50am/10am	Matins/Hierarchical Divine Liturgy	
	12pm	Coffee Fellowship	

Best Western Plus Airport Inn and Suites

810-233-9000

Special Group Rate Name is **Midwest Diocese**

Rate of $79.99 and tax

Cut Off Date is February 1st ~ call TODAY!

Pan-Orthodox/Holy Cross Council of Greater Flint

Assumption (Greek) 2245 E Baldwin Road • Grand Blanc, MI 48439 • 810-771-4611
St. George (Antiochian) 5191 Lennon Road • Flint, MI 48507 • 810-732-0720
St. Mary Magdalene (OCA) 2439 S Long Lake Road • Fenton, MI 48430 • 810-750-1401
St. Nicholas (OCA) 2143 South Center Rd • Burton, MI 48519 • 810-744-0070

The Orthodox Churches of Greater Flint
Presents

"Acquiring the Mind of Christ"

A Lenten Retreat Presented by Fr. Archimandrite Sergius, Abbot of St. Tikhon's Monastery

With a visitation from

The Miraculous Icon of St. Anna

Hosted by
St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church
2439 S. Long Lake Rd.
Fenton, MI 48430

Saturday, March 23rd, 2019

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus…" (Phil 2:5)

The task of repentance, which is what we are especially seeking during the Great and Holy period of Lent, is a literal "change of mind". During this holy time of preparation, our goal is to acquire the Mind of Christ which St. Paul so elegantly speaks about in his letters. Fr. Archimandrite Sergius, Abbot of the Oldest Orthodox Monastery in North America, will share with us where and how to discover the "Mind of Christ", and how doing so will impact our spiritual lives, and the way we view the world, in a very radical way.

Retreat Schedule

09:00-10:30 AM	Divine Liturgy with the Icon of St. Anna, Sung by St. Tikhon's Seminary Choir
10:30-11:15 AM	Registration and Breakfast
11:15-12:45 PM	Session 1 with Fr. Sergius
12:45-01:45 PM	Lunch (Free Will Offering)
01:45-03:15 PM	Session 2 with Fr. Sergius
03:30-4:30 PM	Question and Answer Session with Fr. Sergius
5:00 PM	Great Vespers and Molebin to St. Anna, Sung by St. Tikhon's Seminary Choir

RSVP To This Event by Calling (810) 750-1401, or by emailing Fr. Gabriel at frgabrielsmm@gmail.com by
Wednesday, March 20th

To Tithe is to Love!

The Bible says a "tithe" is giving 10% of our income to God through His Holy Church. In the Old Testament, the tithe was the maximum.

For Christians (yes, US!), the tithe is the minimum!

Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7

ALL of our **240 families** are asked to make an Offering. Why? Because it is such a blessing to give back to God a little of what He has given us!

- Our 2019 Budget approved at our annual Parish General Assembly in November is $249,200.
- To meet our budget, our weekly offerings need to average: $4,793
- Total Offered by 51 Families/Individuals: $69,011
- Number of Families who need to offer: ALL THOSE WHO BELONG TO OUR ST. GEORGE FAMILY!
- Offering Range: ***according to how God has blessed you!***

Your commitment is NEEDED!!!
Please fill out your 2019 Offering Form -- as soon as possible.

To Tithe is to Love!

2019 Offering Update

As of February 20, 2019

We thank the following families for turning in their 2019 Offering Form in support of God's work at St. George. If your name is not listed, please fill out your 2019 Offering Form and mail it to the Church or put it in the Sunday Offering Tray.

Thank You and God Bless You!

New this year in Underlined (did not fill out a form last year)
Increase in Offering is **BOLD**

Add Your Name to the List!!!

1. Mr. and Mrs. Fares Abdallah
2. Mr. and Mrs. Youssif Abousamra
3. **Mr. and Mrs. Tawfiq Abu Aita**
4. Mr. and Mrs. George Abu-Aita
5. Mr. and Mrs. Najeb Abuaita
6. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Abuaita
7. Mr. and Mrs. Jiries Abu-Aitah
8. **Fr. and Mrs. Joseph Abud**
9. Mrs. Laila Abud
10. **Mr. and Mrs. Anwar Abueita**
11. Mr. and Mrs. Atallah Abueita
12. Mr. and Mrs. Issa Abu-Eita
13. Mr. and Mrs. William AbuFarha
14. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Alqazaha
15. ProtoDn and Mrs. Michael Bassett
16. Mr. and Mrs. Adeeb Bathish
17. Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bathish
18. Mr. and Mrs. Issa Daoud
19. **Mrs. Iman David**
20. Mrs. James Delbridge
21. Mr. and Mrs. Ayman Elias
22. Mrs. Vera Farah
23. Mrs. Betty Froberg
24. Mr. Elias Gantos
25. Mr. and Mrs. George Gantous
26. Mr. and Mrs. Nasri Haddad
27. Mr. Ronald Haddad
28. Mr. and Mrs. Salim Haddad
29. Mr. and Mrs. Elias Hanna
30. **Mr. Rene Hanna**
31. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hawkins
32. Ms. Daisy Isaac
33. Mrs. Sally Shaheen Joseph
34. Mrs. Najwa Joubran
35. Mr. and Mrs. Samir Meshraky
36. Miss Alexandra Nassar
37. **Miss Heather Nassar**
38. Mrs. Jamil Nassar
39. Mr. and Mrs. Karam Nassar
40. Mrs. Olga Nassar
41. Mr. and Mrs. George Nassif
42. Mr. and Mrs. Giries Odeh
43. Mr. and Mrs. Fadi Rishmawi
44. Mr. and Mrs. William Shaheen Jr.
45. Miss. Elaine Shaheen
46. Mr. Richard Shaheen
47. Mr. and Mrs. Ric Shahin
48. Mr. and Mrs. William Sophiea
49. **Mr. and Mrs. Paul Takach**
50. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Teunion
51. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Thomas

2019 Offering Form

St. George Orthodox Church ~ Flint, Michigan

I Want To Be Counted!

Frequency	Amount	% of Income
Weekly	$	
OR Twice Monthly	$	
OR Monthly	$	
OR Quarterly	$	
OR Annually	$	

~ All Offerings Are Treated Confidentially ~

Please fill out completely.

Name(s)	
Address	
City	
ZIP	
Telephone	

Please CHECK this box if it applies to you.

☐ I have a concern and wish to be contacted or visited by the priest.
☐ I have a concern and wish to be contacted or visited by a Parish Council Member.

Signature: _____ Date:_____

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse" (Malachi 3:10)

Seeing the rich bringing their gifts and then a widow bringing a few pennies, Jesus said, "Truly I say to you that this widow has put in more than all." (Luke 21:3)

2019 بطاقة التبرعات لعام

كنيسة القديس جورج للروم الاورثودوكس فلنت، متشغن

أريد أن أكون معدودا !

الدفعات	المبلغ	% من قيمة الدخل
اسبوعيا	$	
مرتين بالشهر	$	
شهريا	$	
كل ثلاثة شهور	$	
سنويا	$	

كل التبرعات يتم التعامل معها بسرية تامة

الرجاء تعبئة كل البطاقة.

الاسم / الأسماء	
العنوان	
المدينة	
الرقم	
رقم الهاتف	

الرجاء اختيار المربع الملائم

☐ **لدي الإهتمام والرغبة في أن يتم الإتصال بي أو الزيارة من قبل الكاهن.**
☐ **لدي الإهتمام والرغبة في أن يتم الإتصال بي أو الزيارة من قبل أعضاء مجلس الكنيسة.**

الامضاء _____التاريخ _____

هاتوا العشور جميعها الى بيت الجزية (ملاخي 10:3)

عندما رأى الأغنياء يتقدمون بتبرعاتهم والأرملة الفقيرة تقدم القليل قال يسوع: "الحق أقول لكم أن هذه الأرملة الفقيرة قد ألقت أكثر منهم جميعا" (لوقا 3:21)

St. George Ladies Auxiliary

Falafel Luncheon

Sunday, March 24th

at

St. George Orthodox Church

5191 Lennon Road

Flint, MI

Menu

Falafel, Hummus, Tahini, Salad, Pickles, Pita Bread,

Dessert, Coffee, and Juice

$7 – Eight years and older

$5 – Seven years and younger

All proceeds go to the Antiochian Women's 2019 Project,

"Building a new Cathedral

for our Archdiocese at the Antiochian Village"

- **Additional donations are welcome!**

Namedays, Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 1 to March 31, 2019

Birthdays

March

1 Sean M. McCann
Emil Rishmawi

2 Nisreen AbuFarha
Ariana O. Khouri

3 Andrew M. Alkazaha
Pam K. Bassett

4 Jeremy A. Meshraky

5 O'Myah Vaughn
Dionte T. Wilson Jr.

6 Khaled Abuaita
Janet Abueita
Samir "Sam" H. Khoury
Amanda Rishmawi
Martha Shahin

7 Nancy Haddad

9 Sami B. Abuaita

10 Lina Masaad

11 Anthony W. Abu-Farha
Kali R. Goff

12 Maggie David
Zeid Helal
John E. Joseph

13 Sami Abufarha

14 Tony Fakhoury

15 Jiries Awad

16 Jon Bassett
Branden B. Jones
Devin B. Jones

17 Preston Haddad

20 Wadia Albaba
Roland "Rollie" Haddad

21 Amal I. Abu-Aita
Nidal Ishaq

22 Aziz M. Rishmawi
Raji "Roger" J. Salomon

23 Theodore "Ted" J. Barrie IV
Sandra "Sandy" H. Mitri

24 Issa Alqazaha
Samir Haddad
Raghda Ishaq

25 Maher Abufarha
Sami Alsahouri
Monica J. Barrie
Najwa Joubran

26 Ghada J. Abdallah
Amjad N. Abusaada

27 Julian J. Masaad

28 Nicholas F. Abdallah
Miar Abu-Aita
Vivian N. Isaac
Mira Rishmawi

30 Fadya M. Abdo
Anthony R. Abueita
Caitlin A. Abu-Farha
Laura "Laurie" E. Harrison

Namedays

March

4 Julianna Isabella Helal

25 Miar Abu-Aita

Wedding Anniversaries

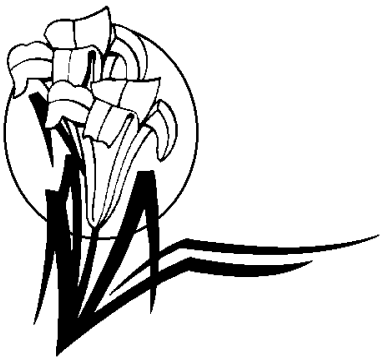
March

1 Mr. and Mrs. Adnan Yacoub

6 Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Khouri

13 Mr. and Mrs. Karam Nassar

God Grant You All Many Years!



Decorations for the Great Fast, Holy Week, and Pascha

As of February 18, 2019

5 Icon Flowers for the Madayeh/Akathist
$30 each
- ❑ March 15th
- ❑ March 22nd
- ❑ March 29th
- ❑ April 5th
- ❑ April 12th

2 pounds of Incense $50 each
❑ One Pound ❑ One Pound

Carnations for the Holy Cross (Taken)
☑ $245

Palms
❑ $225

Fern Arrangements - Palm Sunday/Holy Week
(8 needed at $40 each*)*
❑ One Arrangement ❑ One Arrangement
❑ One Arrangement ❑ One Arrangement
❑ One Arrangement ❑ One Arrangement
❑ One Arrangement ❑ One Arrangement

2 Icon Flowers (Lazarus Saturday/Palm Sunday $30 each
❑ One Icon ❑ One Icon

4 Icon Flowers for Holy Week $30 each
❑ One Icon ❑ One Icon
❑ One Icon ❑ One Icon

Flowers and Decorations for the Tomb (Taken)

Rose Water / Bay Leaves for Holy Saturday (Taken)

Donations toward Pascha Flowers (Lilies)
❑ $25 each ❑ $25 each
❑ $25 each ❑ $25 each
❑ $25 each ❑ $25 each

2 Icon Flowers for the Resurrection $30 each
❑ One Icon *(Taken)* ❑ One Icon

3 Paschal Candles $95 each
❑ One Candle ❑ One Candle
❑ One Candle

Please print clearly

Your name: _____

For the health of:

_____

In loving memory of:

_____

The names of the Living and Departed will be remembered at the service for which the item will be used.

Please fill out this form, put it in the Flower an envelope (with check made out to *"St. George/Decorations"*), and drop it in the Sunday Offering Tray or send it to the church office.

Every Antiochian Orthodox Church has a story...

The history of Who You Are, Where You Came From, What You're Doing, Where You're Going

We invite you to share your story as we celebrate together in Grand Rapids July 21–28. Remember those who came before you and think of those who will follow you.

Go to AC2019GR.ORG/FORMS and RESERVE YOUR PLACE IN THE CONVENTION SOUVENIR JOURNAL TODAY!

EXPERIENCE GRAND RAPIDS

ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE CONVENTION

JULY 21-28, 2019

I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME. Philippians 4:13

2019

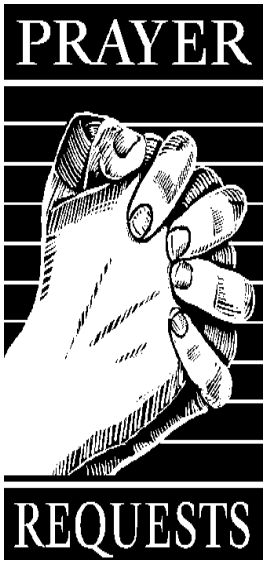
ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE

ANTIOCHIAN VILLAGE: PAST, PRESENT, & FUTURE

Don't forget to register for the convention, buy your event tickets, and book your hotel rooms!

Daily Prayer Life

- We also pray for the servant of God who has fallen asleep in the Lord: **Zuheir** Khair (+January 17th, son-in-law of George and Blanka Abuaita) and **Samira** Abufarha (+February 8th, sister-in-law of Ibrahim and Eman Abufarha).
- Remember our parishioners and those who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Metropolitan Paul** and **Archbishop John** who are in captivity, **Bishop Alexander** (Ottawa and Eastern Canada, and Upstate New York), **Laila** and **Sahar** Abdallah, **Androlla** Abu Aita, **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett Abuaita), **Ceasar** and **Naila** Banna, **Emil** Bathish, **Alex** and **Panayiotis** Deligorges, **Vera** Farah, **Betty** Froberg, **Mariam** Ghanim (Manal's mother), **Phyllis** Good, **Carol** Haddad, **Roland** Haddad, **Patti** Harris, **Daisy** Isaac, **Nawal** and **Nemer** Iseid, **Sally** Joseph, **Nakhleh** Khoury, **Nicola** Khoury, **Danny** Mortensen, **George** and **Renee** Nassif, **Aida** Raffoul, **Elaine** Shaheen, **Eva** Saseen (niece of George and Jeanette Nassif), **Michael** and **Nancy** Silpoch, **William** Sophiea Jr., and **Lois** Teunion; *all first-responders, those suffering in the Middle East and City of Flint; the supporters and benefactors of St. George, the members of our Parish Council, Ladies Auxiliary, Teen SOYO, Altar Servers, Altar Society, Chanters, Choir, Church School, OCF (Orthodox Christian Fellowship), Preschool Ministry, and Ushers.*



- Remember the servants of God who are with child: **Ola** (Michael) Alqazaha, Dr. **Lindsey** (Dr. Ryan) Brunner, **Katrina** (Gary) Gagne, **Diana** (Ayman) Khair, **Natalie** (Shadi) Qumsieh, and **Sandy** (Raad) Qumsieh {daughter of Issa and Esperanza}.

➢ *Please update Fr. Joe whether the following should remain on our prayer list!*

- Remember the family and friends of St. George parishioners: **Kinan** Turjman (nephew of Sahar Abdallah), **Nancy** Maes, **Trish** Lee, **Bryan** Stewart, **Bryan** Campbell, and **Aaron** Avery (family/friends of the Bassetts), **Pastor George**, **Jim** and **Marianne** Crawford (Dormition Monastery), **Michel** Abuaita (father of Mary Khoury), **Mariam** Ghanim (mother of Manal Abuaita), **Youssef** and **Georgette** Damouni (parents of Lina Burbar/May Gantos), **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett Abuaita), **Abdulnour** Hanna (brother of the Hanna, Elias, Joubran families), **Victoria** Zerka and **David** Hill (friends of Timothy Beers), **Maha** Qassis and **Nadia** Ibrahim (sister/mother of Ziyad), **Shafeka** Qurpan and **George** Ishak (mother/nephew of Amira Hanna), **Joann** (Haddad) Merrelli (former parishioner), **Philip** Jones (brother of Dannie Jones), **James** Gorr (father of Dr. Melissa Bathish), **Elias** Ibrahim and **Taghrid** (uncle/friend of Rula Alkazaha), **Hanna** Abu-Nimer (relative of Karam and Aida Nassar), **Sandra** Fromather (cousin of Diana Rishmawi), **Scott** Lints (friend of Mary Jo Ghattas), **Tom** Ellenburg (friend of Sally Joseph), **Alan** Laberge and **William** Seymour, Sr. (friends of Elaine Shaheen), **Saliba** Musleh (father of Julianna Abuaita), **Ibtisam** Odeh (cousin of Elham Ishak), **Megan** Meade and **Casey** Webb (relatives of Bob and Lois Teunion), **Dennis** Perez (from St. Mary Magdalene), **Sanaa** Alqassis (former parishioner), **Eva** Saseen (niece of George and Jeanette Nassif), and **Fran** Khoury (relative of Evelyn Delbridge).

Congratulations and God bless:

- **Hanna** and **Jenny** Abuaita and newborn **Rosalina** (February 1st).
- **Rami** and **Walaa** Khoury and newborn **Iyan** (February 1st).

❖ **Gabriella Josephine** Khouri who was brought into the Orthodox Faith through the Holy Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation, and reception of her First Communion on February 16th/17th. Godparents: **Edward Khouri** and **Jean Stojak**. Parents: **Dr. Anton** and **Julia**.

Announcements

FASTING DISCIPLINE FOR MARCH The week following the 3rd Pre-Lenten Sunday of the Last Judgment (March 3rd), known as **Cheese Week**, we observe what is popularly referred to as a "white fast". This means that while we abstain from all meats *(beef, lamb, pork, chicken, poultry, and their by-products)*, all other types of foods *(including cheese, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products)* are permitted on all days of the week. The week following the 4th and final Pre-Lenten Sunday of Forgiveness (March 10th): The **GREAT FAST** begins on Monday, March 11th and continues until **Pascha** on April 28th. This 1st week of the Great Fast is known as "Pure Week," and the first three days are traditionally observed with what is popularly referred to as a "black fast." This means that beginning with the first day of the Great Fast — known as Pure Monday (March 11th) — no food or drink is consumed until after the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Pure Wednesday (March 13th). After the first three days of Pure Week, The traditional fasting discipline *(no meat, poultry, cheese, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, or their by-products)* is observed on all days with the exception of *wine and olive oil* being allowed on Saturdays and Sundays along with *fish, wine, and olive oil* being allowed on the **Great Feast of the Annunciation** (March 25th).

PRE-LENTEN HAFLI Saturday, March 2nd 6:30pm-12am Delicious dinner, music, fun, and fellowship. Adults $30 children 12 and under $15. Let's all celebrate together before the Great Fast begins! Get your tickets TODAY!

The Great Fast continues …

Our preparation for the Feast of Feasts (***Pascha***), begins on Monday, March 11th and lasts until our midnight celebration of ***Pascha*** on April 27th/28th. This preparation is based on our increased participation in the three disciplines of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving (Matthew 6:1-18):

1. Prayer: By attending the Lenten services as well as an increased daily prayer life at home, we spend more time with God.
2. Fasting: By restricting the types and frequency of meals, we experience physical weakness and learn to depend more on God than on ourselves.
3. Almsgiving: By giving to those less fortunate than ourselves, we cease to consider ourselves as the most important of all people (Food for Hungry People and other programs).

Our experience of Christ's Resurrection on Pascha truly depends on how deeply we enter into these three disciplines. The additional weekday services gives all of us a wonderful opportunity to increase our Prayer life and be strengthened in Fasting and Almsgiving as well. We should strive to come to as many Lenten Services as possible whether or not we regularly attend Saturday Vespers and Sunday Services. Questions? Speak with Fr. Joe for guidance during this special and holy time of the year!

Great Compline صلاة النوم الكبرى – Mondays at 6:30pm *at St. George*

Lenten Hours – Wednesdays at 10am *at St. Nicholas (see Calendar)*

Presanctified Liturgy قداس السابق تقديس **& Potluck** – Wednesdays at 6pm *(check calendar for location!)*

Supplication to the Virgin Mary / Madayeh خدمة المديح – Fridays at 6:30pm *at St. George* **Great Vespers and Confessions** – Saturdays at 5pm *at St. George*

TRIUMPH OF ORTHODOXY On the 1st Sunday of the Great Fast, March 17th, we have a special procession celebrating the restoring of the Holy Icons into the Orthodox Church. Please be sure our children bring a Holy Icon from home to carry in the procession! If you do not have an icon in your home, we have many beautiful ones in our Bookstore for purchase.

LENTEN POTLUCK DINNERS Our Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting Lenten Potluck Dinners after our celebration of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. Please bring what is listed below according to the first letter of your last name. If you have any questions, please see or call our coordinators Anaam Abueita 810-962-1033 or Wafaa Elias 810-875-3398.

FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH

A-F	G-J	K-R	S-Z
Desserts	Relish Dish or Bread	Salad or Side Dish	Main Dish

FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH

A-F	G-J	K-R	S-Z
Salad or Side Dish	Main Dish	Desserts	Relish Dish or Bread

BISHOP ATTALAH HANNA OF THE HOLY LAND We are so excited to be able to welcome His Grace on Friday, March 29th! He will celebrate the Akathist/Madayeh Service with us at 6:30pm. Following, we will be sponsoring, with the Arab-America Heritage Council, a dinner and talk. More information will be in the weekly bulletin. Make plans to attend!

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE We are very fortunate to have several scholarships available to those who wish to further their education. All are located at: http://ww1.antiochian.org/scholarships. Please do not miss the DEADLINES!

ELINOR BOURJAILY ENDOWMENT FUND Again this fund is offering scholarships for College Students. Applications are available in the Lounge. The deadline is April 1st so pick one up TODAY and send it in!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: March 10th and 17th, ~ 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. For more information, please see Manal Abuaita. *Cheesefare Sunday is March 10th, no meat products are to be served. During the Great Fast (March 11th – April 27th), no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, or their by-products are served.*

CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS We are now able to take Credit or Debit Card purchases and donations. If you would like to make a purchase or a donation, please come to the office during normal Office Hours (*see back page*) or call to do it by phone.

Coming Events in April

21st	**Entrance of Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday)**
21st-27th	**The Great and Holy Week**
28th	**Pascha ~ the Resurrection of our Lord**

MONTHLY OFFERINGS

Our average monthly offerings need to be $22,832 to meet our 2019 Budget. Our offerings in January were $13,408 which means we were **short $9,424**! Please support the work of God through St. George.

March

March is Antiochian Women's Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	*** St. Nicholas Church** 2143 South Center Road (1/2 mile south of Lippincott) Burton 810-744-0070	****St. Mary Magdalene** 2439 S Long Lake Rd (north of North Road) Fenton 810-750-1401	*****Assumption** 2245 Baldwin Road (between Holly & Fenton Roads) Grand Blanc 810-771-4611		**1** Midwest Diocesan Spring Gathering with Bishop Anthony	**2** **Great Vespers and HAFLI** 5pm
3 **3rd Pre-Lenten Sunday of Judgement** (Meatfare Sunday)	**4** Fr. Joe is on vacation from the morning of March 4th until the evening of March 8th.	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9** **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm
10 **4th Pre-Lenten Sunday of Forgiveness** (Cheesefare Sunday) **Forgiveness Vespers** 12:30pm	**11** The Great Fast Begins **Great Compline** and **Canon of St. Andrew** 6:30pm	**12** **Great Compline** and **Canon of St. Andrew** 6:30pm	**13** **Lenten Hours** at *St. Nicholas 10am **Presanctified Liturgy** and Lenten Potluck *at St. George* 6pm	**14** **Great Compline** and **Canon of St. Andrew** 6:30pm	**15** **Akathist to the Theotokos (خدمة المديح)** 6:30pm	**16** **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm
17 **1st Sunday of the Fast** ***Orthodoxy Sunday*** Procession of the Holy Icons	**18** **Great Compline** 6:30pm	**19**	**20** **Lenten Hours** at *St. Nicholas 10am **Presanctified Liturgy** and Lenten Potluck *at *St. Nicholas* 6pm	**21** Parish Council 6:15pm	**22** **Akathist to the Theotokos (خدمة المديح)** 6:30pm	**23** Pan-Orthodox Lenten Retreat @ St. Mary Magdalene** *(see flier)*
24 **2nd Sunday of the Fast** ***St. Gregory Palamas***	**25** Great Feast of the **Annunciation** **Vesperal Liturgy** *at* ****Assumption* 6pm	**26**	**27** **Lenten Hours** at *St. Nicholas 10am **Presanctified Liturgy** and Lenten Potluck *at St. George* 6pm	**28**	**29** **Akathist to the Theotokos (خدمة المديح)** 6:30pm	**30** **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm
31 **3rd Sunday of the Fast** ***Procession/Adoration of the Holy Cross*** Parish Falafel Lunch						

2019

The Orthodox Churches of Greater Flint

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St. George (Antiochian) 5191 Lennon Road ❖ Flint, MI 48507 ❖ 810-732-0720
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St. Nicholas (OCA) 2143 South Center Road ❖ Burton, MI 48519 ❖ 810-744-0070

~ 2019 Great Fast ~ Pan-Orthodox Divine Services and Potluck Dinners

Great Compline (*Mondays, 6:30pm)* We will be celebrating the Great Compline service together every Monday night at St. George. This beautiful service allows us to experience the Great Fast more deeply. Confessions will be available from 6pm–6:30pm and after the service.

Lenten Hours (*Wednesdays, 10am)* St. Nicholas will celebrate the Lenten Hours every Wednesday.

Presanctified Divine Liturgy *(Wednesdays, 6pm)* We will celebrate the Presanctified Liturgy together according to the schedule below. Holy Communion is given at the Presanctified Liturgy. To partake of Holy Communion, please be prepared with prayer and fasting (not eating or drinking anything after 12 Noon). Confessions will only be available prior to the Liturgy from 5:30pm–6pm.

Potluck Dinners: A Lenten Dinner follows each Wednesday liturgy. Please bring a covered **Lenten Dish** (*no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil or their by-products*) to the hall prior to the beginning of liturgy. If you have questions, call the church office where the combined service will be celebrated.

March 20th ***Presanctified Liturgy*** Combined at St. Mary Magdalene

- March 23rd **Lenten Retreat** led by Archimandrite Sergius *(see separate flier)*

April 3rd ***Presanctified Liturgy*** Combined at St. George

April 17th ***Presanctified Liturgy*** Combined at St. Nicholas

April 20th ***Preparation of Gifts, Raising of Lazarus Divine Liturgy****, and Lenten Breakfast* Combined at St. George 9:30am

Assumption is located 1 ½ miles west of Holly Road on Baldwin Road.
St. George is located between Linden and Dye Roads on Lennon Road.
St. Mary Magdalene is located ¼ mile east of Torrey Road on South Long Lake.
St. Nicholas is located ½ mile south of Lippincott on Center Road.

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Divine Services for the Lord's Day

- Saturday
  Great Vespers and Sacrament of Repentance {Confession*} **5:00 PM**
- Sunday
  Sacrament of Repentance {Confession*} **8:30 AM—9:30 AM**
  Matins {Arabic & English} **8:50 AM**
  Divine Liturgy **10:00 AM**

Church School follows Holy Communion from September to May

* Confessions may also take place by appointment with Father Joe during the week.

Major Feast Days (see *Orthodox Churches of Greater Flint* schedule of Divine Services)

2018-19 Theme for Church School, Creative Festivals, and our Parish Life Conference

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