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October 12, 2014

**SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH
ECUMENICAL COUNCIL
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ST LUKE**

TONE: 1

EOTHINON: 7

Commemorations: Martyrs Probos, Andronikos and Tarachos at Tarsus; Martyr Domnina at Anazarbus in Cilicia; Virgin Martyr Anastasia of Rome.

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE

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 unto 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.

APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

Now sing the troparion of our patron, St. George the Great Martyr

KONTAKION FOR ORDINARY SUNDAYS IN TONE TWO

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.

Prokeimenon:

*Blessed are You, O Lord, the God of our Fathers.
For you art just in all that Thou hast done.*

EPISTLE: The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to Titus (3:8-15)

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissension, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

GOSPEL: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (8:5-15)

The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold."

And when His Disciples asked Him what this parable meant, Jesus said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As Jesus said this, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

HOLY BREAD

Holy Bread is offered for the health and welfare of Bruno Donsoy, Tamara Donsoy, Natasha Donsoy, Eva Donsoy, Benji Donsoy, Christian Donsoy, Josiane Donsoy, Randa Ibrahim, Sal Ibrahim, Niveen Tagwerker, Aaron Tagwerker, George Tweimeh, Helen Tweimeh, Dyala Tweimeh, Mousa Tweimeh, Salwa Tweimeh, Gilles Gein, Lisa Boers, Luc Gein, Jacque Gein and Daniel Cros, and in memory of Jean Donsoy, Paul Schepens, Teraz Nazy, Yoseph Nazy, Mousa Tweimeh, Elaine Tweimeh and Daniele Abu Hamamh.

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour this morning is offered by the Jubran family. Please join us for this time of fellowship.

WELCOME to all our guests and visitors. We are delighted to have you visiting and worshipping with us this morning and hope that you return soon. We invite you to participate in the Divine Liturgy, but, sadly, due to the divisions in Christianity, **only baptized/christened members of the Orthodox Church who have made their Confession before an Orthodox priest and prepared themselves by fasting may receive Holy Communion.** Please come forward after Liturgy to venerate the Cross and partake of the *Antidoron* - Holy Bread. Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour after the Liturgy. Also, please **turn off your cell phones and all electronic devices.**

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Lorraine DeFlorin, Wally & Maria Golden, Allen Golden, Yasmin Kakish, Jakob Kakish, Carol Haddad, Betty Ablan, Ted & Camille Goll, Kh. Vergin Khoury, Kyle Krache, Mary Saba, Erma Ziton, John Etoll, Jackson & Hunter Golden, Mavis Aussey, Margaret Boalbey, Gracie Holmes, Dn. Russell & Phyllis Hodge, Sarah Vanlerberghe, Kh. Vera Proctor, Rick, Kh. Amy Hodge, Beryl Toms, Mya Lee, Ellie Brynjulfson, Edgard Siouffy, Mike Spaar, Bob Wyllie, Lorraine Hartwig, Fred McDowell, Terry Conway, Berhane Haliemichael.

If you are ill and wish to be remembered in the Liturgy and daily prayers of the priest, please contact Fr. Tom.

THIS WEEK

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Three individuals were elected to the Parish Council this past Sunday at the Annual Meeting. The newly elected members are: Sanaa Jubran, George Khoury and Stefan Tchepichev. Our congratulations to them. We thank Sarah Larson and Michelle Apman, who have completed their terms, for their faithful service on the Parish Council. After the Annual meeting the Parish Council met and elected the following officers: Paul Ablan, President; Anthony Rezcallah, Vice President; Rana Jubran, Treasurer; Willy Percy, Financial Secretary; George Khoury, Secretary.

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN - Bake Date

Tuesday, October 14, the ladies will make Meat Pies at 10:00AM. Please come and help out if you are able. Patty Burbank is the Coordinator

CHOIR

Choir Rehearsal will be October 15, at 7:00 P.M.

NEIGHBORS OPEN HOUSE

Neighbors Inc. will host an open house, Thursday, October 16, 4:00-6:00 P.M. at 222 Grand Ave. W, South St. Paul, MN. Come and learn about their programs. Light snacks will be provided. (See flyer on bulletin board)

VESPERS

We will celebrate Vespers Saturday, October 18, at 5:00 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORLD FOOD DAY 2014

Our Archdiocese is one of the sponsoring organizations for the National Committee for World Food Day. This program is designed to heighten public awareness of food and hunger issues around the world. Each parish will distribute the food to the needy in their local community. The

canned goods brought to the church between October 5 and December 28, will be counted for this program and used at the food banks of our choice.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Sunday morning Bible Study focusing on the sacraments of the church, will meet at 9:00 A.M. We thank John Windsor for leading the class again this fall.

TALENT SHOW

We are planning a talent show sometime this year. We wish to focus on the children of the parish. If you have child that is interested in sharing his or her talent with the church, please contact Youssef Haddad, Fr. Duane or Fr. Tom. We think this will be a great event!

DEAR MEMBERS OF ST. GEORGE CHURCH

The Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) chapter at the University of Minnesota is looking for people to potentially bring meals to meetings which we hold every other Thursday throughout the school year. The meetings are held at Saint Lawrence Catholic church (address is: 1203 5th St SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414). The meals typically consist of: a main course, a salad, a dessert, and some bottled water. I know most of you do not have a student at the U of M currently, but it would mean a lot to the OCF if you considered bringing a meal to share with the students! If you are willing to do so please contact Jerrius Jubran at: jubr0002@umn.edu or via text/call : [\(651\)285-2319](tel:6512852319)

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who so generously donated to our School Supply drive this year. The supplies have been sorted and will be given to an area school for distribution to those in need!

KITCHEN USE

We are a very active parish and our kitchen gets heavy use. The Parish Council has determined that anyone wishing to use the kitchen at any time **must** contact George Khoury to reserve their date and time on the kitchen calendar.

PASTA AND PASTA SAUCE COLLECTION FOR FOCUS MN

In addition to our Food Drive for Neighbors, in which we help out persons in the West St. Paul community, we are again this year helping stock the shelves at FOCUS MN. Please donate pasta or sauce (any type of tomato base will do; sauce, paste, or actual pasta sauce are all welcome). **Please place these items on the left side table** outside the church hall and if possible label the bag "FOCUS."

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY BREAD LIST

October 19, Mary Slaieh
October 26, Rosa Neimy (memorial)
November 2, Fr. Daniel Simon
November 9. Sonia Yovtcheva (memorial)

COFFEE HOUR LIST

Mary Slaieh
Rosa Neimy
Fr. Daniel Simon
Sonia

To schedule holy bread and/or memorial, please contact Joannie Alevizos. It is completely proper to have more than one memorial or Holy Bread on a Sunday. *When signing up for Holy Bread, please indicate "yes" or "no" if you will also be providing coffee hour.* If you would like to host a coffee hour please contact Sanaa Jubran. It is important to *e-mail or call Fr. Tom or Brigitte*

Khoury bgkstgeorge@gmail.com by Tuesday prior to the Sunday of your memorial, with your information in order to print the bulletin in a timely manner.

BYZANTINE MUSIC CONCERT

Sunday, October 19, 2014, 5:00 pm at St. Constantine Ukrainian Catholic Church

515 University Ave NE. Minneapolis, MN 55413

Parking is available in the lot behind St. Constantine Church entrance on NE 4th Street.

Several local church choirs will perform their unique liturgical music. Mostly music of the Slavonic tradition but some Byzantine.

James W. Cunningham Memorial Lecture on Eastern Orthodox History and Culture. 2014

Topic is *The Long Road to Kyiv: Nineteenth Century Orthodox Pilgrimages* by Dr. Christine D.

Worobec of Northern Illinois University. *Friday November 7, 2014* starting 7:30 p.m. at 125

Willey Hall, University of Minnesota, 225 19th Avenue South, Minneapolis. Reception to follow.

RSVP by October 31st (612) 624-4526 or mgsp@umn.edu.

MITTEL-EUROPEAN DINNER

St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox Church (OCA) 5355- 38th Ave. South, Minneapolis, MN., will host their Mittel-European Dinner, Saturday, November 1, 2014, at 6:00 P.M. (See flyer)

ICON CLASSES

Please register by sending a deposit of \$75.00 to Icon Art Studios, 13921 127th Street North, Stillwater, MN, 55082. All inquiries can be sent via e-mail or by calling 612-889-5868.

The schedule of 2015 classes are as follows: All sessions concentrate on technique, along with a spiritual and theological study on the prototype.

Session 1

Session 1 will concentrate on the prototype of "The Holy Face."

St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church on Lake Calhoun, 3450 Irving Ave. South, Minneapolis 55408

Thursdays from 5:30 to 9:30 on January 15, 22, 29 and February 5.

Tuition cost is \$135.00 plus materials.

Session 2

Session 2 will study and write an icon of The Theophany/ Baptism of Christ.

St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church on Lake Calhoun, 3450 Irving Ave. South, Minneapolis 55408

Thursdays from 6:00 to 9:00 on February 12, 19, March 5, 19, 22, and 31.

Tuition cost is \$195.00 plus materials.

Session 3

Session 3 will contemplate the sacrament of Baptism and will study and write and icon of The Visitation.

The Basilica of Saint Mary, Hennepin at Sixteenth Street, Minneapolis 55403

From 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays during Great Lent; February 21, 28, March 21 and 28.

Tuition including materials: \$295.00.

Special Olympics AWARENESS DAY



Rejoice, O Father Raphael, adornment of the holy Church! Thou art champion of the True Faith, seeker of the lost, consolation of the oppressed, father to orphans and friend of the poor, peacemaker and good shepherd, joy of all the Orthodox, son of Antioch, boast of America. Intercede with Christ God for us and for all who honor thee.

The Apolytikion of Saint Raphael of Brooklyn (Tone 3)

As NAC Teen SOYO prepares to sponsor the 34th Annual Special Olympics Sports Camp; we ask that you be generous in helping our teens in this ministry. Over 300 athletes and coaches participated in our camp this past 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)

Did you know?

Special Olympics Sports Camp is a premier SOYO outreach program and is now in its 34th year of service to the Special Olympic Athletes. In addition to the funds raised on Special Olympics Awareness Day, the teens provide at least half the coaching staff and many former teen volunteers, now adults, serve as adult leaders in the ministry.

Next Sunday, October 19, our teens will solicit your financial donations to enable them to sponsor the 34th Annual Special Olympics Sports Camp, which will be held at the Antiochian Village, in the summer of 2015. Please be generous as our teens need to raise in excess of \$60,000 to run this worthwhile ministry. As an expression of our teens' gratitude for your support of this important ministry, you will receive a bookmark commemorating the 100th anniversary of the falling asleep of Saint Raphael of Brooklyn.

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

DONATE ONLINE: <http://www.teensoyo.org/Pages/Donate.aspx>