

# Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

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August 28, 2016

## TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & TENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW RIGHTEOUS FATHER MOSES OF ETHIOPIA

**TONE: 1**

**EOTHINON: 10**

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*Commemorations: Martyrs Diomedes, Damon and Laurence; Martyr Susanna of Georgia; Uncovering of the relics of Venerable Job of Pochaev*

### 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 ST. MOSES THE ETHIOPIAN IN TONE ONE

Thou didst prove to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in the flesh, and a wonderworker, O Moses, our God-bearing Father. By fasting, vigil, and prayer thou didst obtain heavenly gifts, and thou healest the sick and the souls of them that have recourse to thee with faith. Glory to Him that hath given thee strength. Glory to Him that hath crowned thee. Glory to Him that worketh healings for all through thee.

*We sing the Troparion of St. George, our patron saint.*

#### KONTAKION OF THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

By thy holy nativity, O pure one, Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach of barrenness; and Adam and Eve were delivered from the corruption of death; thy people do celebrate it, having been saved from the stain of iniquity, crying unto thee: The barren doth give birth to the Theotokos, who nourisheth our life.

#### EPISTLE:

*Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.*

*Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.*

#### The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (4:9-16)

**B**rethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

#### GOSPEL: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (17:14-23)

**A**t that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."

## HOLY BREAD

**HOLY BREAD** is given for the **health and welfare** of Joan Alevizos & Roseanne Athey, Michael, Joan's family and the Wyllie family. **In Loving memory** of: Lorraine DeFlorin (one year)

## MEMORIAL

A memorial service will be held this morning for Lorraine DeFlorin & her aunt and Godmother, Mary Zien.

## COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour is offered today by Roseanne & Joan. Please join us for this time of fellowship.

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**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.**

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## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Issa Aldaya, Jim Etoll, Wally & Maria Golden, Allen & Nick Golden, John Etoll, Yasmin Kakish, Carol Haddad, Betty Ablan, Ted & Camille Goll, Kh. Vergin Khoury, Erma Ziton, Jackson & Hunter Golden, Mavis Aussey, Margaret Boalbey, Norm & Gracie Holmes, Phyllis Hodge, Sarah Vanlerberghe, Mat. Vera Proctor, Kh. Amy Hodge, Ellie Brynjulfson, Edgard Siouffy, Magdalen Ng, Berhane Haliemichael, Rosa Neimy, Sandi Heuer, Andree White, George & Ellie Saba, Mitch, Rosina Schwager, Fr. Dan & Eileen Simon, Gideon, Lamese McDowell, Delores Trisko, Carol Mihalchick, Joseph Kammeyer and Mike Etoll.

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

## THIS WEEK

### ST. MARY'S COPTIC MN FESTIVAL – A Journey Through the Ages

The Coptic Orthodox Festival is today, August 28, 11:00 am. - 7:00 pm. at 501 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., South St. Paul, MN 55075. Please see their website [www.stmarymn.org](http://www.stmarymn.org) or visit [fb.me/stmarymnfest](https://fb.me/stmarymnfest) (Please see the flyer on the bulletin board)

## PASTORAL NEEDS

Fr. Tom will be out of town from September 2- 5 for the Centennial celebration of St. Thomas Orthodox Church in Sioux City, IA., where he served for 22 years. If you need pastoral care please call Fr. John Chagnon, Fr. Paul Hodge or Dn. John Mikhail.

## VESPERS

We will serve Vespers Saturday, Sept.3 at 5:00PM.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SCHOLARSHIP

Kelly Price will be traveling with the Group of Orthodox Christians to San Miguel, Hogar Rafael Orphanage in Guatemala. A number of St. George members have traveled there in the past and have been blessed by the experience. Please help Kelly with a St. George Scholarship. Please write the check to St. George, earmarked "Kelly scholarship," submit by Sept. 30. Thank you!

### CHURCH SCHOOL INFORMATION

**Church school classes are now being organized** Anyone new to the parish with children or having a child turning 4 years old by Sept 11, 2016 please see Lisa Mikhail at church or email her at [Lmikhail92@aol.com](mailto:Lmikhail92@aol.com) so that the students can get added to the appropriate age class.

**School Supply Drive** It is that time of year again where the school supplies are on sale. Please consider picking up a few extra and donating to a child in need. There will be a collection box on top of the Focus/Neighbors Cabinet from early August through the end of September. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Church School to start Sunday Sept 11<sup>th</sup>.** As in past years, church school will begin with an opening prayer and welcome from Father Tom at 8:45 in the church. At 9:00 children will be dismissed to their age appropriate classes. Please remember to let Lisa Mikhail know if your children are new to the church school as soon as possible.

### CHURCH ART

We are planning to do some decorative art work in the church. We will need donations for this project. Any donations should be designated as "church art." Thank you for your consideration towards the beauty of the Lord's house.

### U of M OCF Meals

This upcoming school year has come faster than we expected and as we did last year, we are looking for people to provide meals for our meetings on Thursdays. The available dates for providing meals are:

09/08/2016, 10/20/2016, 11/3/2016, 11/17/2016, 12/1/2016, 12/15/2016, 2/2/2017, 2/16/2017, 3/2/2017, 3/30/2017

A typical meal: a main course of your choosing, salad, bottles of water, and a dessert. If you are interested in providing a meal for OCF please contact Jerrius Jubran via email [jerrius.jubran@gmail.com](mailto:jerrius.jubran@gmail.com) or phone 651-285-2319. Thank you for all you did last year in making sure our college students were well nourished! God Bless!

### ARCHDIOCESE DUES

We want to inform you that our church is assessed for each member in our church. We have to pay this assessment each year whether you contribute to it or not. If you have not submitted your envelope towards the archdiocese dues please do so soon.

### **FOCUS/NEIGHBORS DONATION CABINET**

We have replaced the FOCUS/NEIGHBORS tables with a beautiful cabinet. Please place your items for these organizations in the cabinet, labeled with the name of the organization you would like it donated to. **The cabinet seems bare these days!**

### **FOCUS**

**It's More Than A Free Dinner Once a Week** - FOCUS MN is Free Meals AND also Food Shelf, Clothes Closet, and is building a Mobile Clinic!. The Orthodox Community is working miracles! Please help out by bringing Shampoo, Toothpaste/Toothbrushes, Aluminum Foil, Baggies - various sizes, Paper Towels, Coffee, Tuna, Spaghetti, Sauce, Cereal, Clothing, Men's Shoes or giving of your time or money. For more info, go to <http://areyouinfocus.weebly.com/> or contact our FOCUS liaisons Pat Percy, Sue Perry or Lisa Mikhail.

### **NEIGHBORS, INC FOOD SHELVES**

With the help of its volunteers, Neighbor's Inc. will strive to reduce poverty, promote self-sufficiency, and build community. Please help us by donating food or funds to support Neighbor's Food Shelf. See the poster of needed items on the bulletin board. Please give cash donations to George Droubie or Michelle Apman. Thank you for your kindness.

**Drivers needed:** Please contact us about becoming a volunteer driver in our transportation program. Even if you would be able to just take a ride or two a month, it would help. Drivers are reimbursed for their mileage, currently at a rate of \$0.54 a mile. We do a background check on all applicants.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **HOLY BREAD LIST**

September 4, Mary Rudquist  
September 7, Nativity of the Theotokos  
September 11, LOMCP  
September 13, Elevation of the Holy Cross (6:30 pm.) SOYO  
September 18, Sue Perry  
September 25, (open)

#### **COFFEE HOUR LIST**

Mary Rudquist  
Mary Rudquist  
LOMCP  
  
John Windsor

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 both Fr. Tom AND Brigitte Khoury at [bgkstgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:bgkstgeorge@gmail.com) by Wednesday noon prior to the Sunday of your memorial, with your information in order to print the bulletin in a timely manner.*

### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

If you would like to have an announcement published in the weekly bulletin, please note you must submit the information by **Wednesday NOON** before the Sunday you desire to have it in the bulletin. Please make sure the spelling of the names is correct.

### **KITCHEN 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.

Please remember, if you host a coffee hour you need to clean up the kitchen, take home the used linens, wash and return them, wipe the tables, take out the trash bags and put them into the dumpster. This is everyone's responsibility. Please help to preserve our beautiful hall.

### **NOTICE:**

If you have borrowed or rented something from the church, please return the items promptly and properly cleaned. Others may have need of them as well! Thank you!

### **TASTE OF GREECE**

Don't miss the 28<sup>th</sup> Minneapolis Greek Festival: "A Taste of Greece" at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, 3450 Irving Avenue South, Minneapolis, Friday and Saturday, September 9 and 10, 12:00 noon-10:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 11, 12:00 non-6:00 p.m. For more information, please call the church office, 612-825-9595. Put a little "Opa!" in your life!

### **LEBANESE FESTIVAL**

Holy Family Maronite Church, 1960 Lexington Ave., Mandota Heights, MN, will hold their Lebanese Festival, Sept. 9-11. Friday, Sept. 9, Bingo night; Saturday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, Bake Sale & Evening of Fun with Mezza Dinner; Sunday, Sept. 11, Outdoor Festival, Live, Noon to 6:00 pm., John Khoury Band, Lebanese Food and Games. Please see the flyer on the Bulletin Board.

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council will meet Monday, September 12 at 6:30 pm.

### **Sunday, September 11 LOMCP Fundraising Sunday**

The LOMCP fundraising Sunday at St. George will be Sunday, September 11. Abir Samaan will give a short presentation about LOMCP's current giving activities.

### **CABBAGE ROLL DINNER**

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church's Cabbage Roll Dinner will be Sunday, September 18, 2016. We will begin serving 11:30 am. Menu Cabbage rolls, ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, fresh vegetables, cheese, homemade pies, coffee & milk. Adults: \$12, Children (5-16) \$6, Age 4 and under free! Bake & craft sale, ethnic foods, homegrown produce and raffle! The church is located at: 523 First Street, Clayton, WI 54004. See flyer on the bulletin board.

### LOMCP GALA EVENT

**Save the date, September 18, 2016.** Lyn Olson Medical Crisis Program will be hosting its Gala Event on the terrace of the Stillwater Public Library, from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Tickets available on line at: [www.lomcp.com](http://www.lomcp.com)

### COUNCIL ELECTION FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

*In the name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Spirit. Amen.*

The nominating committee for this year is:

Fr. Tom Begley 612-723-0681

George Khoury 651-208-3954

Denise Ferraro 651-457-4218

Sanaa Jubran 651-731-2988

Pat Percy 651-306-1346

If you are interested in serving on the Church Council for a three year term and are a member in good standing, you can call the above committee members before Tuesday, September 20, 2016. For further explanation of a church member in good standing, consult the back pages of our church phone directory. Three Council terms are expiring and we will be voting for the 3 Council open seats at the Annual Meeting Sunday, October 2nd. There will be **no nominations from the floor**. All candidates must be in good standing spiritually, canonically and financially. They must have attended services and have received communion and confession in the last year. They must agree to and uphold the teachings and traditions of the Orthodox Church. These minimum standards have been set in consultation with Bishop ANTHONY!

### ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN ELECTIONS

It is time for elections for the St. George Antiochian Women! The elections will take place at our October meeting, Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. The following positions will be available:

- 1) President (requires being an Antiochian Women officer at some point in history)
- 2) Vice President
- 3) Secretary
- 4) Treasurer

We will be soliciting names for the ballot until Thursday, **September 29**. There will be **no nominations from the floor** at the meeting.

If you are interested or have any questions please contact Cindy Karos at [ckaros@visi.com](mailto:ckaros@visi.com) or 952.929.6371. Feel free to talk to any of our past officers to learn more about the positions. **All nominations must be in by September 29<sup>th</sup>**.

If you are not interested in running for office, we would still love to have your attendance at the Antiochian Women meetings. We meet the first Thursday of every other month at St. George Church at 6pm. There are many opportunities you can participate in to further your participation within the church and our community at large.

### FAMILY CAMP

Family Camp, October 7-9, 2016...don't miss it! If you are looking for an opportunity to relax in God's nature this fall with Orthodox families committed to connecting to the church and one another, Family Camp is for you! One of our favorite past speakers, Dr. Michael Lotti, will open our minds to the important messages of the prophets as he presents, "The Prophets Speak to Us." Register today at [www.stmaryscamp.com](http://www.stmaryscamp.com). If you have questions, check out the website or contact Doria Saros at [dsaros@stmarysgoc.org](mailto:dsaros@stmarysgoc.org) or Cindy Karos at [ckaros@visi.com](mailto:ckaros@visi.com). Registration is first come, first served and will close September 30.

### FALL MEETING

The Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest will hold their Fall Meeting in Madison, WI. October 20-23. The Clergy will meet October 20-21. Please see the information on the bulletin board. Because of the relatively short distance this will be a good opportunity for our members to participate. The delegates meeting begins October 21, 5:00 pm. with Vespers at the church. See Fr. Tom for more information and registration forms.

