

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

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ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE

EIGHT SUNDAY OF LUKE

TONE: 4

EOTHINON: 10

Commemorations: Venerable martyrs Damaskinos and Damian of the Great Lavra on Athos.

LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM IN TONE EIGHT

Grace shining forth from thy mouth like a beacon hath illumined the universe and disclosed to the world treasures of uncovetousness, and shown us the heights of humility; but whilst instructing us by thy words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede with the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls.

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

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

The all-pure temple of the Savior, the most precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the treasurehouse of the glory of God, today enters the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the divine Spirit: whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.

EPISTLE:

My mouth shall speak wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall bring forth understanding.

Hear this, all you nations.

The Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews (7:26-8:2)

Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son Who has been made perfect forever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a High Priest, one Who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

GOSPEL: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (10:25-37)

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read?" And the lawyer answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" The lawyer said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

HOLY BREAD

HOLY BREAD is given for the **health and welfare** of Senay and Wudase Zeresenay, their children Samuel, Fanan, Merhawi and Thomas.

In Loving memory of all the departed relatives of Senay and Wudase.

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour is hosted by Senay and Wudase Zeresenay. Please join us for this period 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/chrismated 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 Wally & Maria Golden, Allen & Nick Golden, Jackson and Hunter Golden, John Etoll, Yasmin Kakish, Carol Haddad, Betty Ablan, Ted & Camille Goll, Kh. Vergin Khoury, Erma Ziton, Margaret Boalbey, Norm & Gracie Holmes, Phyllis Hodge, Sarah Vanlerberghe, Mat. Vera Proctor, Kh. Amy Hodge, Fr. John & Mat. Kathy, Lamese McDowell, Ellie Brynjulfson, Edgard Siouffy, Magdalen Ng, Berhane Haliemichael, Rosa Neimy, Andree White, George & Ellie Saba, Mitch, Fr. Dan & Eileen Simon, Gideon, Delores Trisko, Carol Mihalchick, Joseph Kammeyer, Mike Etoll, and Jerry Joseph.

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

THIS WEEK

ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES

It is St. George's turn today, Sunday Nov 13th, to serve the Focus dinner. The Church School will be taking care of the meal but we welcome anyone who wants to help, to please let Sue Perry, Pat Percy, or Lisa Mikhail know. We ask that volunteers come by 4:45 to get assignments and stay until serving is done at 7:00 if possible. We are also asking any Church School families that would be willing to donate cookies or brownies for dessert. Please also let one of the above people know if you will be donating and how much. Thank you, Lisa Mikhail

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Council will meet Tuesday, November 15 at 6:30P.M.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

We will have rehearsal on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00 pm. All members are asked to attend. Also, invite a non-member if possible. We encourage more members to join the choir. In Christ's harmony, Lenny

NATIVITY FAST MARRIAGE RETREAT– MADISON, WI

Marriage Retreat, November 18-20. Email goodnews@saintignatiuschurch.org to register. Attached is the schedule that was sent out earlier. Child care will be available. Please let Vicki Kittel (victoriakittel@gmail.com) know if you would be able to help with child care, even for just one session. (Please see the flyer on the bulletin board).

Informational Meeting for Holy Land/ Russia Pilgrimage Fall 2017

We are holding a meeting **Saturday November 19th, 10:00** at St. George to deliver preliminary information about the pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Russia taking place in the fall of 2017. This event will be hosted by Icon Art Studios under the leadership of Tom Rudquist and Deb Korluka. We are excited about the creation of this pilgrimage opportunity which we assure will be a very warm and fulfilling experience for all participants.

TURKEY BINGO

Please join us for a fun evening of Turkey Bingo on Saturday, Nov. 19 at 6:00 PM after Vespers. Admission to play Bingo is \$7 for those 7 and older and \$3 for children under 7. A delicious fasting meal will be served before we play. Come and try to win a turkey or one of the other prizes.

VESPERS

We will serve Vespers Saturday, November 19 at 5:00 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE NATIVITY FAST

begins on Tuesday, November 15th and continues through Saturday, December 24th. This Fast is divided into two periods: The first is November 15th through December 19th when the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, poultry, dairy, fish, wine, and olive oil) is observed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, with katalysis for wine and olive oil (some also permit fish) on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and for fish, wine, and olive oil on Saturdays and Sundays. The second is the period of the Forefast, December 20th through 24th, when the traditional fasting discipline is observed Monday through Friday, with katalysis for wine and olive oil on Saturday and Sunday.

THANKSGIVING & WORLD FOOD DAY DRIVE—All parishioners

The World Food Day canned Food drive is here! Please bring non-perishable food items to give to those in need. We would like

to have the items put on the table in the hall-way marked "food shelf." Katrina Begley and Sue Perry's Sunday school class will help organize the Food Drive this year. Collection will be from October-December and reported to the Archdiocese.

ST. GEORGE PARISH DIRECTORY

We are currently trying to update our church directory. A copy is on the table by the bulletin board. Please check to see that your information is correct or make the appropriate changes and initial. Fr. Tom

ORTHODOX CHURCH ART

We have begun some decorative artwork 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.

FOCUS

It's More Than A Free Dinner Once a Week, it's also a Food Shelf, Clothes Closet, 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY BREAD LIST

November 20, Brikti Haile
November 27, (open)

COFFEE HOUR LIST

Brikti Haile

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 with your information in order to print the bulletin in a timely manner.*

MEOCCA THANKSGIVING LITURGY

Thanksgiving eve service will begin at 6pm on Wed., Nov. 23 at St. George Greek Orthodox Church. They are asking if we can volunteer to help with the reception afterward. Fr. Rick will be short-handed due to people being out of town for the holiday.

ARABIC LITURGY

Our next Arabic Liturgy will be Friday, November 25 at 6:30P.M. Please plan to be on time!

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!

The Ministry of Iconography

The schedule of 2017 classes are as follows: 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 at akorluka@aol.com or my cell at 612-889-5868.

Session 1- at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church on Lake Calhoun, 3450 Irving Ave. South, Mpls., Thursdays from 5:30 to 9:30 on January 12, 19, 26 and February 2. Tuition cost is \$135.00 plus materials.

Session 1 will concentrate on the prototype of "The Holy Face". All sessions concentrate on technique, along with a spiritual and theological study on the prototype.

Session 2- at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, Thursdays from 6:00 to 9:00 on February 9, 23, and March 2, 16, 23, 30. Tuition cost is \$165.00 plus materials.

Session 2 will study an icon of The Crucifixion/The Cross. The student can choose an icon from various selections offered.

Session 3- at The Basilica of Saint Mary, Hennepin at Sixteenth Street, Mpls. from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays during Great Lent; March 18 and 25, April 1, 8. Tuition including materials \$295.00.

Session 3 will contemplate the sacrament of Repentance and will study and write an icon of The Theotokos.

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 cupboard seems bare these days!**

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.