

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

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Very Reverend Archpriest Thomas Begley

Rt. Reverend Archimandrite Duane Pederson, Attached

Reverend Father Daniel Simon, Attached

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Sunday, October 14, 2018

**SUNDAY OF HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL
COUNCIL**

& FOURTH SUNDAY OF LUKE

TONE: 3

EOTHINON: 9

Commemorations: Martyrs Nazarius, Gervasius, Protasius and Celsus of Milan;

Cosmas the Hymnographer, Bishop of Maiüma; Righteous Paraskeva of Serbia

LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE THREE

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

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 apolytikion of St. George our patron saint.

KONTAKION 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.

EPISTLE:

Blessed are You, O Lord, the God of our Fathers.

For You are just in all that You have done.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. 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 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 Deacon John, Lisa, Luke, Mark and Anna Mikhail and all parishioners of St. George.

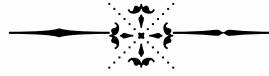
In loving memory of Adel Mikhail, Carol Legg, all departed members of the Mikhail and Legg families and all deceased members of St. George Parish.

MEMORIAL

A memorial service will be said for the repose of the souls of Adel Mikhail (1 year) and Carol Legg (20 years). May their memories be eternal!

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour is hosted by the Mikhail family. 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/chrisdated 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. Join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour after the Liturgy. Please **turn off your cell phones and all electronic devices.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Wally & Maria, Allen, Nick, Jackson & Hunter Golden, John Etoll, Yasmin Kakish, Carol Haddad, Ted & Camille Goll, Peter Hafiz, Kh. Vergin Khoury, Margaret Boalbey, Norm Holmes, Phyllis Hodge, Sarah Vanlerberghe, Mat. Vera Proctor, Kh. Amy Hodge, Fr. John & Mat. Kathy, Joe Etoll, Lamese McDowell, Ellie Brynjulfson, Edgard Siouffy, Magdalen Ng, Berhane Haliemichael, Rosa Neimy, George & Ellie Saba, Fr. Dan & Eileen Simon, Joseph Kammeyer, Deb Korluka, Alexander Emmanoulakis, Marilyn Perry, Pat Burbank, Terry Conway & Nancy Maker, Jerry Joseph, Jimmy & Joe Zaine, Mike & Sandy Brown, Lenny Soroka.

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to have an announcement published in the weekly bulletin or to submit the names for holy bread, you must submit the information to **Brigitte @ bgstgeorge@gmail.com** by **Wednesday NOON** before the Sunday you desire to have it in the bulletin.

THIS WEEK

ANNUAL MEETING & NEW COUNCIL

Last Sunday we held our ANNUAL MEETING. We are grateful to all of our parishioners who attended and participated in the work of the Parish. There were very good discussions. The Budget for 2018-19 was passed unanimously and the vacancies for the Council were filled. A new model for the Antiochian Women was presented and this will be an exciting change to this ever so important component of our Parish.

The Parish Council Members are: Paul Ablan, Chairman; Sanaa Jubran, Vice Chair; John Windsor, Secretary; Sarah Larson, Treasurer; Denise Ferraro, Financial Secretary; Zossima Daugherty, Fadi Bchara, Mary Rudquist, Kh. Jane Chagnon.

We wish to thank the council members for volunteering their time and talent to serve on the council. The Parish is truly grateful for all your work. God bless you all!

ALTAR BOY TEAM 1 WILL SERVE SUNDAY, October 21.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Church Directory Photographs: October 17-20, 2018 at St. George.
- Clergy Retreat and Fall Gathering: October 18-21, St. George Cathedral, Toledo, Ohio.
- St. Herman Orthodox Church Annual Mittel-European Dinner: Saturday, November 3, 2018! See flyer on Bulletin Board. Tickets \$15!
- St. George Men's Retreat: November 9-11.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY BREAD LIST

Oct. 21, Rosa Neimy (memorial)
Oct. 28, Brikti Haile
Nov. 04, (open)
Nov. 11, (open)
Nov. 18, (open)

COFFEE HOUR LIST

Rosa Neimy

To schedule Holy Bread and/or memorial, 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.* **Coffee hour does not need to be an elaborate meal.** If you have any questions, contact Sanaa Jubran. **It is important to notify Brigitte by e-mail (bgkstgeorge@gmail.com) or phone with your information by Wednesday before your coffee hour, in order for the bulletin to be printed in a timely manner.**

PICTURE DIRECTORY

This is the LAST CALL! We truly would like to have a picture every member of St. George Parish in this directory. Please make your appointment as soon as possible! The company is Lifetouch, the same one that does school pictures. You can make your appointments on-line or with Pat Percy, Sarah Larson or Brigitte Khoury this Sunday! **Time is running out!**

Dates for photography are:

-Wednesday, October 17, 2:00-8:30pm
-Friday, October 19, 1:30-8:30pm

-Thursday, October 18, 1:30-8:30pm
-Saturday, October 20, 10:00-5:00pm

PASTOR AWAY

Father Mangels will be away from the Parish from Wednesday, October 17 – 26. He will be conducting the Fall Deanery Meeting and attending the Clergy Retreat and Fall Gathering for the Diocese of Toledo in Toledo. He will be taking a few days off after the gathering. If any pastoral emergency should arise, please contact Father John Chagnon (651-230-0181) who will be in charge in Father John's absence.

ST HERMAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

St. Herman's Annual Mittel-European Dinner, featuring beef goulash, noodles, sauerkraut, salad and homemade desserts! Please join us for Vespers on Saturday, November 3 at 5:00pm and dinner following. To reserve tickets (\$15) email; mitteleuropeandinner@gmail.com

Meals for the UNIVERSITY of MN OCF

The beginning of school year is underway, which means OCF meetings are starting up again. We rely heavily on the support of our local church community to help provide the meals for our bi-weekly meetings, and have been blessed by your generosity in the past. If you are interested in providing a meal for one of our meetings this semester, please email either Mark Mikhail (mikha017@umn.edu) or Nicholas Gulachek (gulac004@umn.edu). Thank you for your help!

FOCUS MN

The search is still on to find Focus a new home. Continued financial support is always needed and welcome. Send checks to: FOCUS MN, P.O. BOX 40116 St. Paul, MN 55104. Since there is no place to store donations, please DO NOT bring clothing items for FOCUS until further notice!

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the School Supply Drive. Your generosity is much appreciated. Once again we collected many useful items to help children at a neighborhood school get a good start to the school year!
Thank you, Jennifer Buddensiek

PARISH CHOIR

Metropolitan Anthony Bashir of thrice blessed memory once said “a church without a choir is like a body without a soul.” The Liturgical Music in the Orthodox Church is not mere decoration and certainly not entertainment. It IS the Liturgy! All of our Metropolitans and Bishops have been very interested in the quality of sacred music in our parishes. There is an entire Department of Sacred Music in our Archdiocese which promotes and fosters the great Liturgical Art of music. We are fortunate to have a fine Choir Director in Leonard Soroka who comes from a “musical dynasty” in the OCA and received his Liturgical Music education at St. Vladimir’s Seminary and has served in countless churches throughout the country. He serves under the direction of our Pastor, Father John Mangels.

We are always in need of more choir members. If you have experience in singing in high school or college choirs—you should be in the choir! If you just like to sing, please see Lenny. The choir rehearses every Wednesday at 7pm.

KITCHEN USE

The Parish Council has determined that anyone wishing to use the kitchen at any time **must** contact George Khoury to reserve the 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. **NOTICE:** St. George is everyone's church, however, everyone should respect the church, as well as the building, its furnishings and items we use or borrow. Please return these items properly cleaned and in working order. Thank you!

AUTOMATED STEWARDSHIP DONATIONS—STEWARDSHIP MADE EASY

Eighteen families/units have signed up for monthly AUTOMATED STEWARDSHIP DONATIONS!!! These donations total \$5500 a month! PLEASE consider enrolling - it is confidential - it saves considerable time and effort for our Financial Secretary! Your donation is automatically deducted from your checking account and is recorded on your annual donation report. Don't wait - sign up today! Forms are located on the candle table or available from Denise Ferraro, *Financial Secretary*.

Please let Denise Ferraro know if you wish to continue receiving the envelopes for your church stewardship donations.

ORTHODOX CHURCH ART

Have you noticed the beautiful decorative artwork in the church? Your donations have covered the majority of this work! Deb Korluka has donated the work of the crosses and border. There remain just a few sections to be completed. Please consider donating to help us finish this project! Any donations should be designated as “church art.” Thank you for considering a donation in any amount to beautify the Lord’s house.

ST. GEORGE MEN’S RETREAT set for the weekend of November 9-11

Calling all men over the age of 18 to consider joining us November 9-11 at this year’s Men’s Retreat. It is an excellent opportunity to spend time as men away from the daily activities of work and life.

Last year we had a great time with one another, learned about our faith, and enjoyed some delicious food and God’s nature. We will depart Friday evening the 9th and return Sunday the 11th by around 1:00 p.m.

Cost is \$30 per person. Your check to St. George Men's Club will be your reservation. Looking forward to our weekend. Your planning committee: Father John Mangels, George Khoury, Youssef Haddad, John Joseph and Paul Karos.

OCF COLLEGE CONFERENCE—December 27-30

Join us for the Midwest College Conference at THE IAKOVOS RETREAT CENTER December 27-30, 2018. It is a fantastic opportunity for Orthodox College students (age 18-25) from all different backgrounds to gather to learn about their faith, take a break, meet new people, and worship together in a beautiful new Orthodox retreat center nestled in the beautiful woods of Wisconsin. Spots are filling fast. This conference is a BLAST and simply put, can be **life-changing**. If you aren't a student and are a Parent, Godparent, Grandparent, or a friend I urge you to reach out to college students and encourage them to attend this conference. Because they will not regret it. For more information and to register check out the website at <http://www.ocf.net/events/college-conference-midwest-2018/> or contact PETER KAROS with ANY QUESTIONS (ccmidweststudent@ocf.net).

AOWNA ST. GEORGE

The Ladies of St. George had their October Meeting on Thursday, October 4. At the meeting they elected a new slate of officers: Sue Perry, president; Mervat Lotfalla, vice president; Beverly Zaine, secretary and Katie Price, treasurer. An exciting new format for the organization was unveiled! Look for more information coming soon!

December 1, 2018 at 6:00 pm after Vespers, a Florist will teach us how to make our own fresh wintergreen Holiday Centerpieces in the Parish Hall. Start off the Holiday by coming to Vespers, then design your fresh wintergreen Centerpiece. Have some wine as you design your wintergreen arrangement. Those who made these before know how beautiful they look and smell. Cost is \$20.00 to make; please sign up on the sheet in the Parish Hall.

