

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

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Rt. Reverend Archimandrite Duane Pederson, Attached

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Sunday, October 21, 2018

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & SIXTH SUNDAY OF LUKE

VENERABLE HILARION THE GREAT OF PALESTINE

TONE: 4

EOTHINON: 10

Commemorations: Christodoulos of Patmos the Wonderworker; Martyrs Socrates and Theodota at Ancyra; Venerable-Confessors Vissarion & Sophronios of Ciorara, & Martyr Oprea of Salistie in Romania.

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 HILARION IN TONE EIGHT

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundred-fold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father Hilarion, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

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:

O Lord, how magnified are Your works.

You have made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20)

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

GOSPEL:

The Reading from the Gospel according to St. Luke (8:26-39)

At that time, Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And as He stepped out on land, there met Him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes, and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What hast Thou to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech Thee, do not torment me." For Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. [For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.] Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged Jesus not to command them to depart into the abyss.

Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged Jesus to let them enter these. So He gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked Jesus to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so He got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with Jesus; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare all that God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city all that Jesus had done for him.

HOLY BREAD

Holy Bread is offered for the health and welfare of Rosa Neimy, Daniel, Ronald, Patricia, Susan and their families and all parishioners of St. George.

In loving memory of Peter Neimy, Eugene and Madge Percy and Ardell Daniels and all deceased members of St. George Parish.

MEMORIAL

A memorial service will be said for the repose of the soul of Peter Neimy. May his memory be eternal!

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour is hosted by Rosa and 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, Yasmin Kakish, Carol Haddad, Ted & Camille Goll, Peter Hafiz, Kh. Vergin Khoury, Margaret Boalbey, Norm Holmes, Phyllis Hodge, Sarah Vanlerberghe, 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 @ bgkstgeorge@gmail.com** by **Wednesday NOON** before the Sunday you desire to have it in the bulletin.

THIS WEEK

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.

ALTAR BOY TEAM 2 WILL SERVE SUNDAY, October 28.

CONDOLENCES

We offer our sincere condolences and sympathy to Rick Constable and his wife Darla on the passing of her mother Delores Senn. May her memory be eternal.

DIRECTORY PICTURES

If you were unable to attend the photography sessions here at St. George, there is still an opportunity for you to have your picture in the directory. First, you must call Lifetouch at 1-800-521-4611 to schedule your day and time and tell them you are from St. George Church in West ST. Paul. Second, here are your day and time options:

- Oct. 23-27; at St. Peters Catholic Church in Richfield
- Oct 26 & 27; at Crossroads Church in Inver Grove Heights

Please consider doing this so we can all get to know each other!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Clergy Retreat and Fall Gathering: October 18-21, St. George Cathedral, Toledo, Ohio.
- October 25; Pan Orthodox Twin Cities Young Adult League Social Hour. (*See below*)
- 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.
- St. Maron's Bake Sale; Sat. Nov. 10, 11am-6pm and Sun. Nov 11, 9am-1pm. (*See flyer*)

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY BREAD LIST

Oct. 28, Brikti Haile
Nov. 04, Sue Perry
Nov. 11,
Nov. 18,

COFFEE HOUR LIST

Brikti Haile
Sue Perry
(open)
(open)

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.**

YOUNG ADULT HAPPY HOUR

The Pan-Orthodox Twin Cities Young Adult League invites all young adults (20s and 30s) to join us for a social hour starting around 5 pm, Thursday evening, October 25, at The News Room, 990 Nicollet Mall, in downtown Minneapolis. For questions, or to RSVP please contact eperich@gmail.com

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

ST MARON CHURCH ANNUAL BAKE SALE

Sale of delicious Lebanese pastries, bread and much more! Saturday, Nov. 10 from 11:00am-6:00pm and Sunday, Nov. 11 from 9:00am-1:00pm at St. Maron Church 602 University Ave. NE Visit our website @ www.stmaron.com. For pre-orders call (612)379-2758.

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!

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 it is still the House of God. Everyone should respect the church, as well as the building, its furnishings and items we use or borrow. Please return these items promptly, 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.

