

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

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Sunday, December 30, 2018

AFTER-FEAST OF & SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

The Sixth Day of Christmas

TONE: 6

EOTHINON: 9

Commemorations: Commemoration of Joseph the Betrothed, David the Prophet and King, and James the brother of the Lord

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST IN TONE FOUR

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, hath given rise to the light of knowledge in the world; for they that worshipped the stars did learn there from to worship Thee, O Sun of justice, and to know that from the east of the Highest Thou didst come. O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY IN TONE TWO

Proclaim, O Joseph, to David, the grandparent of God, the amazing wonders; for thou hast seen a Virgin great with child; for with the shepherds thou didst give glory, with the Magi thou didst worship, and by the angel it was revealed to thee. Wherefore, plead thou with Christ God to save our souls.

Now sing the apolytikion of St. George our patron saint.

KONTAKION OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST IN TONE THREE

On this day the Virgin beareth the Transcendent in Essence; to the Unapproachable, the earth doth offer a small cave; Angels join in choir with shepherds in giving glory; with a star the Magi travel upon their journey; for our sakes is born a young Child, He Who existed before the ages as God.

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

I will confess Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Thy wonders. In the council of the upright, and in the congregation, great are the works of the Lord.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

They are sought out in all the things that He hath willed. Confession and majesty are His work, and His righteousness abideth unto ages of ages. **(Refrain)**

Glory... Both now... **(Refrain)**

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord; in His commandments shall he greatly delight. His seed shall be mighty upon the earth. The generation of the upright shall be blessed.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast born of a Virgin; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

Glory and riches shall be in his house, and His righteousness abideth unto ages of ages. **(Refrain)**

There hath risen up in darkness a light for the upright; he is merciful and compassionate and righteous. **(Refrain)**

Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

The Lord said unto my Lord: sit Thou at My right hand, until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool. The Lord shall send Thee a rod of strength out of Zion. With Thee is dominion in the day of Thy power, in the beauties of Thy saints.

EPISTLE:

God is wonderful among His saints.

Bless God in the congregations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (1:11-19)

Brethren, I would have you know that the Gospel, which was preached by me, is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people; so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus.

Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

GOSPEL:

The Reading from the Gospel according to St. Matthew (2:13-23)

When the wise men had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the Child and His mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the Child, to destroy Him." And he rose and took the Child and His mother by night, and departed to Egypt, and remained there until the death of

Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt have I called My Son."

Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, was in a furious rage, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region, who were two years old or under, according to the time which he had ascertained from the wise men.

Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they were no more."

But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Rise, take the Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the Child's life are dead." And he rose and took the Child and His mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus reigned over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, "He shall be called a Nazarene."

HOLY BREAD

Holy Bread is offered for the health and welfare of Rosa Neimy and family, George, Brigitte, Katrina and Marie and for all St. George members.

In loving memory of the Peter Neimy, Adam & Catherine Geier, Lucien Ferren and all departed members of St. George Parish.

COFFEE HOUR

Please join us for a light coffee hour!

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 John and John Etoll, Mary Baker, Wally & Maria, Allen, Nick, Jackson & Hunter Golden, Yasmin Kakish, Carol Haddad, Ted & Camille Goll, 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, Terry Conway & Nancy Maker, Jerry Joseph, 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 PROCEDURE

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

CONDOLENCES

We express our condolences and sympathy to Youssef Haddad and family on the falling asleep in the Lord of his brother Khairallah in Damascus on December 17th. May the God of all consolation wipe away every tear of sorrow and grant rest to the soul of Khairallah. May his memory be eternal!

CONDOLENCES

We express our sympathy and condolences to Katrina Begley on the death of Great Uncle Richard. May the God of all consolation wipe away every tear of sorrow and grant rest to the soul of Richard. May his memory be eternal!

CALENDARS

Deb Korluka and Icon Art Studios have generously donated the beautiful icon calendars for 2019. Please take only one at this time.

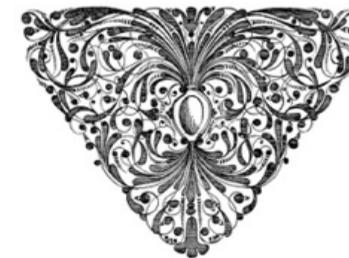
My dear parishioners and friends,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for the many kind gifts, cards, and remembrances during this Christmas time. It is such a pleasure to be back with you and celebrating these great days together.

I want to thank all of you who support our Parish in so many ways, those who worked so hard in decorating the Church for Christmas and those who sang, chanted and served the Holy Liturgies.. I pray that God will bless you during this Holy Season of joy and that you and your loved ones will be richly blessed in the coming New Year.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Our New-born Saviour!

Right Reverend Archimandrite John A. Mangels, pastor



THIS WEEK

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON AT ST. GEORGE CHURCH

Saint Basil the Great, Monday, December 31 at 6:00pm

Evening Divine Liturgy

Arabic Divine Liturgy, Friday, January 4 at 7:00pm

The Feast of the Theophany/Epiphany, January 6, 2019

Great Vespers will be served on Saturday, January 5 at 5:00pm.

Festal Matins 9:00am, Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

followed by the Blessing of the Water.

If you would like to take the Epiphany Water home with you, please bring containers.

We will serve Vespers on Saturday, January 5 at 5:00 p.m.

ALTAR BOY TEAM 2 WILL SERVE SUNDAY, January 6, 2019.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- No Sunday School December 30! Happy New Year 2019!
- St. George NEW YEAR'S HAFLI, CANCELED
- Men's Club Meeting, January 6, 2019.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY BREAD LIST

Dec. 31, Joannie Alevizos

Jan. 06, Jubran/Neimy

Jan. 13, (OPEN)

Jan. 20, Souad & Fam.

Jan. 27, Christina Worrall

COFFEE HOUR LIST

N/A

Fried Dough

Souad

Sunday School

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 all your bulletin information by Wednesday the week before your coffee hour, in order to print the bulletin in a timely manner. Thank you for your cooperation!**

HOLY BREAD OPEN DATE LIST

Check your schedule and look at the posted Holy Bread list for a Sunday of your choice. January 13 is open. Please seriously consider choosing a date. We will help you if you need assistance. Joannie Alevizos.

NEW YEAR'S EVE HAFLI

Unfortunately, we did not have enough people sign up for the Hafli so it has been cancelled.

HANDICAP PARKING

Please observe the handicap parking since the spaces are limited. Be considerate and do not park there unless you have a handicap parking permit. Thank you!

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

There will be a Men's Club Meeting Sunday, January 6 during coffee hour in the Conference room to discuss a possible SUPER BOWL PARTY.

THE MINISTRY OF ICONOGRAPHY

The schedule of 2019 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.

The schedule of 2019 classes are as follows:

Session 1 at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church on Lake Calhoun, 3450 Irving Ave. South, Mpls., 55408, Thursdays from 5:30 to 9:30 on January 17, 24, 31 and February 7. 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 5:30 to 9:30 on February 21, 28 and March 7, 14, 28. Tuition cost is \$165.00 plus materials. Session 2 will study an icon of "Weep Not for Me, O Mother".

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.

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Is way of life, which acknowledges accountability, reverence, and responsibility before God. A primary goal of Stewardship is to promote spiritual growth and strengthen faith. Becoming a Steward begins when we believe in God, to whom we give our love, loyalty and trust and act on those beliefs. As Stewards, we affirm that every aspect of our lives comes as a gift from Him. Stewardship calls on the faithful to cheerfully offer back to God a portion of the gifts with which they have been blessed. For your convenience, an online giving system is available that allows you to set up automatic recurring payments from your checking account. If you are interested in participating in this program, you can register by seeing our Financial Secretary, Denise Ferraro.

CHURCH SPONSORED FOOD DRIVE

Food Drive Thank you! The Church School sponsored Food Drive was a huge success!! We had \$850 in cash donations and 400 lbs of food that was delivered to Neighbors, Inc. in the months of November and December. Additionally, the Church Council donated \$500 to Neighbors this month! Thank you to all who contributed to help our "neighbors" in need! Giving to those in need and remembering the less fortunate should occur throughout the year. Please give cash donations to George or JoAnne Droubie or Willy Percy.

BOOK STORE NEWS

The bookstore continues to feature and offer information about a certain kind of healing oil used during Biblical times. Every purchase will receive a sample of the featured oil during that month; one per person. Oil of Cinnamon Bark will be featured during the month of November, mention of it can be found in Proverbs, Revelation, Exodus and Song of Solomon.