



# SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest Bishop ANTHONY

“Love, Pray, Repent” / Welcome All!  
“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

## 28 MAY 2023, SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION HOLY FATHERS SUNDAY



**MATINS 8:45 AM • DIVINE LITURGY 10 AM • FELLOWSHIP 11:15 AM**

**PASTOR:** Father Mark Sahady

### **PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

#### **Elected / Appointed Members**

George Nimee, *Chair & Antiochian Men*

Melanie Thompson, *Treasurer*

Rdr Michael Baum, *Ecclesiarch*

Wayne Sanders, *Vice-Chair*

Nicholas Schaefer, *Secretary*

Sbdn David Anderson, *Sunday School*

#### **Organization Representatives**

Genie Sanders, *Chanters/Choir*

Nicholas Medawar, *Order of St Ignatius*

Ruth Baum, *Antiochian Women*

Robert Abraham, *Facilities*



## BULLETIN PART ONE – ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

**WORSHIP** On Youtube: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy\\_\\_6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy__6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA)

**STUDIES & MEETINGS** (when noted) On Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5822049765>

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 27, Saturday, 5:30 pm Vespers

May 28, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**, 11:15 am Fellowship

~ **Hall Township Food Pantry Collection Now through June 25** ~

May 29, Monday, **10 am Cemetery Memorial, 11 am Church Picnic**

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June 3, Saturday, 5:30 pm Vespers

June 4, Pentecost Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**,

11 am Kneeling Vespers Prayers, 11:30 am Fellowship

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### MAY - JUNE BIRTHDAYS

May 27 – Ruth Baum

June 4 – Jeremiah Schaefer

June 1 – Ron & Dottie Malooley (anniv)

June 11–Matthew/Angelena Panizzi (anniv)

June 2 – Nick Malooley

June 12 – Kim & Jeannie Leonard (anniv)

June 3 – Mary Miller

June 16 – Melanie Thompson

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### CHURCH FINANCES

#### April 2023 Income-Expense

Total April Income: \$15,386.38

Total April Expenses: \$4,873.45

Net Income April: \$10,512.93

#### January-April 2023 Totals

Total Year Income: \$ 46,475.80

Total Year Expense: \$26,375.25

Total Year Net Income: \$20,100.55

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**Your Stewardship Donations into the General Fund make all ministries happen.**

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Offering Schedule	Holy Bread & Food	Epistle Reader
Sunday, May 28	Nicholas & Andrea Schaefer	Nicholas Schaefer
Sunday, June 4	Mike & Ruth Baum	Reader Michael Baum
Sunday, June 11	?	?
Sunday, June 18 Fasting	?	?
Sunday, June 25 Fasting	?	?

## BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

- The “Glory” hymn at the end of Matins:

### THE DOXASTICON OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

When the rank of the holy Fathers flocked from the ends of the inhabited world, they believed in one Substance and one Nature of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, delivering plainly to the Church the mystery of discoursing in theology. Wherefore, in that we laud them in faith, we beatify them, saying: What a divine army, ye God-inspired soldiers of the camp of the Lord, ye most brilliant luminaries in the noetic firmament, ye impregnable towers of the mystical Zion, ye scented flowers of paradise, the golden mouths of the Word, the boast of Nicaea, and delight of the whole universe, intercede ceaselessly for our souls.

*Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

Most blessed art thou, O Virgin Theotokos, for through Him that was incarnate of thee is Hades despoiled, Adam is recalled from the dead, the curse is made void, Eve is set free, death is slain, and we are endowed with life. Wherefore, in hymns of praise, we cry aloud: Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who is thus well pleased, glory to Thee.

### THE GREAT DOXOLOGY AND TROPARION “Having risen from the tomb”

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- The Hymns of the Day during the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom:

### THE GREAT LITANY AND THE FIRST ANTIPHON

*Verse:* Clap your hands, all ye nations; shout unto God with a voice of rejoicing. For the Lord Most High is terrible; a great King over all the earth.

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

*Verse:* He hath subdued peoples under us, and the nations under our feet. God is gone up in jubilation, the Lord with the voice of the trumpet.

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

*Verse:* Glory to the Father... Both now and ever... (*Refrain*)

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### THE LITTLE LITANY AND THE SECOND ANTIPHON

*Verse:* Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, in His holy mountain. The mountains of Sion on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

*Refrain:* Save us, O Son of God, Who didst rise from us in glory to the heavens; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

*Verse:* God is known in her towers when He cometh to help her.

*Refrain:* Save us, O Son of God, Who didst rise from us in glory to the heavens; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

*Verse:* For lo, the kings of the earth were assembled; they came together.

*Refrain:* Save us, O Son of God, Who didst rise from us in glory to the heavens; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

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

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### THE LITTLE LITANY AND THE THIRD ANTIPHON

*Verses:* Hear this, all ye nations; give ear, all ye that inhabit the world. My mouth shall speak wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. I will incline mine ear unto a parable; I will unfold my problem on the psaltery.

### APOLYTIKION OF THE ASCENSION IN TONE FOUR

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

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### THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAYS

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

*Refrain:* Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

- *After the Little Entrance (Eisodos), sing these Apolytikia in the following order.*

### **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 ASCENSION IN TONE FOUR**

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

### **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.

### **APOLYTIKION OF SAINT GEORGE IN TONE FOUR**

Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of the captives, a help and succour of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for the kings, O great among martyrs, thou victory-clad George: Intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

### **KONTAKION OF THE ASCENSION IN TONE SIX**

When Thou didst fulfill Thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celestials, Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto Thy beloved: I am with you, and no one shall be against you.

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### **THE TRISAGION HYMN**

- **The Scripture of the day, following the Trisagion Hymn:**

### **THE EPISTLE**

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** **Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all Thou hast done to us.**

**Clergy:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** **The Reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles. (20:16-18, 28-36)**

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** In those days, Paul was determined to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening, if possible, to be at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the priests of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you bishops, to shepherd the church of the Lord and God, which He purchased with His own blood. For I know that after my departure ravenous wolves will enter among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore, remain watchful, remembering that for three years I did not cease to admonish every one, night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or

apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by such laboring we ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down on his knees with them all, and prayed.

**Clergy:** Peace be to thee, who readest.

**Reader:** And to thy spirit.

**Choir:** The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Gather to Me My venerable ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice!

**All:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### THE GOSPEL

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (17:1-13)

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ Whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.”

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- After “One is Holy, One is Lord...” & “I Believe O Lord and I Confess...” sing **THE ORDINARY KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN):**

Praise the Lord from the Heavens. Praise Him in the Highest. Alleluia.

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- Instead of “We have seen the true light,” sing the Apolytikion of the Ascension.

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#### Christ is Ascended! From Earth to Heaven in Glory!

On the fortieth day after His passover, Jesus ascended into heaven to be glorified on the right hand of God. The ascension of Christ is the formal completion of His mission in this world as the Messianic Saviour. It is His glorious return to the Father Who had sent Him into the world to accomplish the work that He had given him to do (Jn 17.4–5). He goes in order send the Holy Spirit, Who proceeds from the Father to bear witness to Him and His gospel in the world, making Him present in the lives of disciples.



**BULLETIN PART THREE – MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO**

**Senior Share - the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 2 - 4 pm (Next one is 13 June)**

Enjoy the Social and Learning Activities, as well as table games in the church hall for all. This Program works in conjunction with the Bureau County Senior Center in Princeton.

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**The 56<sup>th</sup> Biennial Antiochian Archdiocese Convention – July 23-30, 2023 in Phoenix, AZ, [www.ac2023az.org](http://www.ac2023az.org) with Patriarch John & Metropolitan Saba Theme is Genesis 1:26 “Let us make Man in our image, according to our likeness”**

**Keynote Speaker: Fr. Evan Armatas, “Reclaiming the Great Commission”**

**Speaker: Yelena Popovic, Writer & Director of movie “Man of God”**

**Speaker: Tim McFadden, “An Orthodox Understanding of the Gender Debate”**

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**Toledo Diocese Parish Life Conference 2023 June 28<sup>th</sup> - July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Hosted by St Mary Orthodox Church in Palos Heights, IL**

**At Double Tree Hotel in Oak Brook, IL**

**<https://www.antiochianevents.com/toledo>**

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**Are you GRADUATING this year from... • 8th Grade, • High School, • College, • Professional Certificate? Congratulations! Contact Fr Mark with info for the Bulletin.**

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**We are collecting during June several items & money for **Hall Township Food Pantry.****

Bring to church “Ready to Eat” or “Heat & Eat” items like pizza, cup of macaroni & cheese, kid friendly food cups, cereal or PB crackers. Bring bottled water, NO soda, baking mixes & ingredients, tissues, paper products, individual toilet paper rolls, They serve 1,000 persons a month. Bring items to Church and put them in the basket downstairs. There is also an envelope for \$. Money helps them get 10x the amount of food you can bring. Bring items by 25 June.

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**We had a wonderful Day Trip to the Convent in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin**

