



# SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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

The Parish Council is relooking at our Mission & Vision Statements and wants your ideas. Follow the format below and send them to: [Office@SpringValleyOrthodox.com](mailto:Office@SpringValleyOrthodox.com)

## Our Mission Statement

Called by Christ to [Insert “Purpose” statement], we serve [Insert “Mission Target” summary statement], by/with [Insert “specifics” summary statement].

## The Vision of our Parish in Three Years

What should our church experience be and look like in three years?

## The Vision of our Parish in Six Years

What should our church experience be and look like in six years?

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# 6 August 2023, Tone 8, Eothinon 9 Transfiguration of Christ our Lord



**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 & Youth*

Sbdn David Anderson, *Sunday School*

#### Organization Representatives

Genie Sanders, *Chanters/Choir*

Nicholas Medawar, *Order of St Ignatius*

Ruth Baum, *Antiochian Women*

Robert Abraham, *Facilities*

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## 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

August 5, Saturday, 6:30 pm Vespers with Bp Anthony at Holy Transfiguration Church  
28W770 Warrenville Rd, Warrenville, IL 60555

August 6, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**

August 7, Monday, **6:30 pm Paraklesis**

August 8, Tuesday, **2 pm Senior Share** (Social, Greek Slides, Table Games)

August 9, Wednesday, **6:30 pm Paraklesis**

August 11, Friday, **6:30 pm Paraklesis**

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August 12, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**

August 13, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy, 11:45 am Ladies Meeting**

August 15, Tuesday, **9 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy for Dormition Feast**

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August 19, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**

August 20, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy, 11:45 am Council Meeting**

August 22, Tuesday, **2 pm Senior Share** (Social, Education, Table Games)

August 24, Thursday, **1:30 pm Bible Study – Romans - At Rectory or On Zoom**

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August 26, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**

August 27, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**

August 29, Tuesday, **5 pm Vespersal Divine Liturgy**

August 31, Thursday, **1:30 pm Bible Study – Romans - At Rectory or On Zoom**

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### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Aug. 7 – Leo Kapetaneas

Aug. 12 – Marsha Neven

Aug. 14 – Lynette Forsa

Aug. 16 – Kelsey Klein

Aug. 17 – Lynn Nimee

Aug. 20 – Genie Sanders

Aug. 27 – Fr Mark & Kh Barbara (anniv)

Aug. 28 - Seraphina Leone Panizzi

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### CHURCH FINANCES

#### May 2023 Income-Expense

Total May Income: \$3,482.38

Total May Expenses: \$9,845.87

Net Income May: \$-6,363.87

#### January-May 2023 Totals

Total Year Income: \$ 49,957.80

Total Year Expense: \$36,221.12

Total Year Net Income: \$13,736.68

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and clicking the Donate Button at the bottom of the page with PayPal or Credit Card or  
contact Fr Mark for Bank Information for Direct Deposit by Transfer from your bank.

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

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Offering Schedule	Holy Bread & Food	Epistle Reader
Sunday, August 6	The Schaefer Family	Nicholas Schaefer
Sunday, August 13	Kh Barbara Sahady	Kh Barbara Sahady
Sunday, August 20	?	?
Sunday, August 27	?	?
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## BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

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

### THE DOXASTICON OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE EIGHT:

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

Christ took Peter, James, and John, into a high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them; and His face did shine as the sun, and His raiment was white as the light. And there appeared Moses and Elias talking with Him. And a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud, which said: This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him.

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### THE GREAT DOXOLOGY AND APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN

When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.

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

### THE GREAT LITANY & THE FIRST ANTIPHON:

**Verse:** Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, in His holy mountain. Who sets fast the mountains by Thy strength, Who art girded about with power.

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

**Verse:** Who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment. The mountains shall rejoice at the presence of the Lord, for He cometh; yea, He is come to judge the earth.

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

**Verse:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

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

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### THE LITTLE LITANY & THE SECOND ANTIPHON:

**Verse:** His foundations are in the holy mountains. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

**Refrain:** Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

**Verse:** Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

**Refrain:** Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

**Verse:** A man will say: Mother Sion; and: That man was born in her; and: The Most High Himself hath founded her.

**Refrain:** Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

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

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### THE LITTLE LITANY & THE THIRD ANTIPHON:

## PSALM 89 VERSES AND THE APOLYTIKION FOR TRANSFIGURATION

**Verses:** Of Thy mercies, O Lord, will I sing forever. The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of saints. Blessed is the people that knoweth jubilation. O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance shall they walk, and in Thy Name shall they rejoice all the day long.

### APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN

When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.

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### THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF THE FEAST:

For in Thee is the fountain of life, and in Thy light shall we see light.

Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

**Repeat:** Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

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

### APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN

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### KONTAKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN

Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.

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### LITANY & TRISAGION HYMN

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

### THE EPISTLE (For the Transfiguration)

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** O Lord, how manifold are Thy works;

in wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**Clergy:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Reading from the Second Epistle of Saint Peter. (1:10-19)

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** Brethren, be the more zealous to confirm your call and election, for if you do this you will never fall; so there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Therefore, I intend always to remind you of these things, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to

recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, “This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased,” we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with Him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made surer. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

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

**Reader:** And to thy spirit.

**Reader:** The heavens are Thine, the earth also is Thine!

Blessed are the people who know the festal shout!

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

### THE GOSPEL (For the Transfiguration)

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew. (17:1-9)

At that time, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is well that we are here; if Thou wilt, I will make three booths here, one for Thee and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased; hear Him.” When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is risen from the dead.”

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• **Instead of “It is truly meet...” Sing:**

### MEGALYNARION FOR THE FEAST IN TONE EIGHT

Now the unheard-of is heard; for the Son, Who without father came forth from the Virgin, is gloriously testified by the Father's voice to be God and man, the same unto the ages.

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• **After “One is Holy, One is Lord...” & “I Believe O Lord and I Confess...” Sing:**

### KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE EIGHT:

O Lord, in the light of the glory of Thy face shall we walk,  
and in Thy Name shall we rejoice forever. Alleluia.

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• **Instead of** “We have seen the true light”, **sing:** the Apolytikion of the Transfiguration.

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• **After** “Blessed be the Name of the Lord”, **will be:** the Blessing of the Grapes”.

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**COMMEMORATION:** May He Who was transfigured in glory before His holy disciples and apostles on Mount Tabor, Christ our true God, ... loveth mankind.

## BULLETIN PART THREE – MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

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**Senior Share - the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 2 - 4 pm (Next one is this Tuesday, 8 August)**

This Program works in conjunction with the Bureau County Senior Center in Princeton.

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**Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS) provides guidance, food & overnight shelter  
Collecting Needed Items Now thru Aug 13 for PADS Homeless Shelter in Peru, IL**



Drink Mixes – Powdered Lemonade or Koolaid, Bulk Ground Coffee.

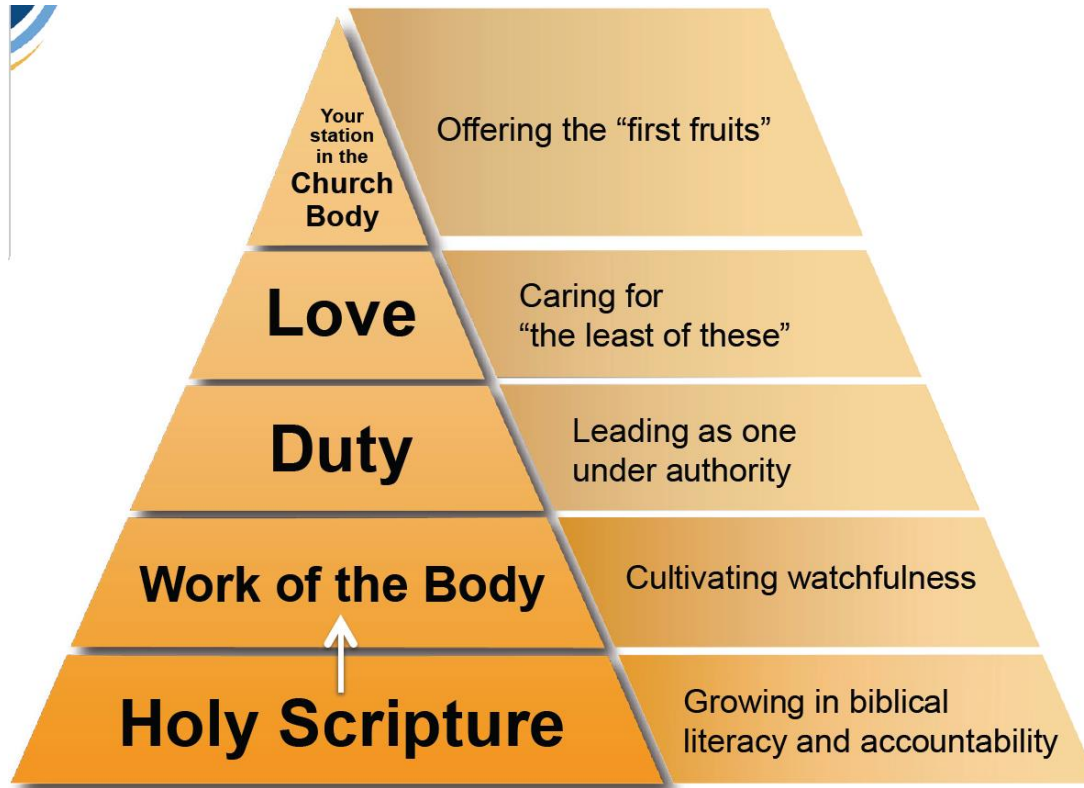
Personal Items – Personal Items: small bottles of Shampoo, soap, tooth paste

Gas Cards - Becks or Hyvee in \$10 denominations.

Fast Food Cards – Subway, Jimmy Johns, McDonalds, Wendys.

**Make &/or Help Serve a Meal at PADS on September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm!**

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The Parish Council had a wonderful workshop last month as part of the Orthodox Christian Leadership Initiative led by Fr Paul Hodge. Church Growth comes from the commitment of parishioners to living a life in Christ. To do that we need to grow in Bible reading, understanding and life implementation. This leads to offering your gifts and talents to Christ our Lord in and

through His Body the Church. We need to be clear about our purpose in the Church of Christ. So, the Parish Council is relooking at our Mission & Vision Statements and wants your ideas. Follow the format below and send them to: [Office@SpringValleyOrthodox.com](mailto:Office@SpringValleyOrthodox.com) **Our Mission Statement**

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St. Paisius says: “If you want to help the Church, it is better to correct yourself, rather than be looking to correct others. If you manage to correct yourself, one small part of the Church is immediately corrected. If everyone did the same, the body of the Church would be in good health. Judging others is easy, whereas working on yourself takes effort.”