



SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Metropolitan SABA

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest Bishop ANTHONY

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

Celebrating 105 Years of Serving Christ in the Central Illinois Valley

22 October 2023, Tone 3, Eothinon 9

I received the Gospel through a revelation of Jesus Christ



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*

Robert Abraham, *Facilities*

Ruth Baum, *Antiochian Women*

Maxwell Colby, *Young Adults*

BULLETIN PART ONE – ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

WORSHIP On Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy__6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA

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

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October 21, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**

October 22, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**

11:15 Fellowship, Special Olympics Collection

October 23, Monday, **9 am – Noon Bake Together** for Dec 2nd Bake Sale

October 24, Tuesday, **9 am – Noon Bake Together** for Dec 2nd Bake Sale

2 pm Senior Share (Social, Education, Table Games)

++++++ Start Bringing items for Illinois Food Pantry for Thanksgiving

October 28, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**

October 29, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**

October 30, Monday, **9 am – Noon Bake Together** for Dec 2nd Bake Sale

October 31, Tuesday, **9 am – Noon Bake Together** for Dec 2nd Bake Sale

November 2, Thursday, **6:30 pm Vespers for Saint George**

November 3, Friday, **9 am Matins for Saint George**

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November 4, Saturday, **10 am Memorial** at Cemetery

10:45 am Confab: “Death-Saints-Prayer” at Church

Noon Picnic at Church

5:30 pm Vespers

November 5, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy**

Bring items for Illinois Food Pantry

November 6, Monday, **9 am – Noon Bake Together** for Dec 2nd Bake Sale

November 7, Tuesday, **9 am – Noon Bake Together** for Dec 2nd Bake Sale

6:30 pm Vespers for Angels

November 8, Wednesday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy for Angels**

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 8 – Michael & Ruth Baum (anniv)

Oct. 20 – John Ball

Oct. 15 – Jessica Malooley

Oct. 24 – Richard & Bette Malooley (anniv)

Oct. 16 – Jennifer Harlay

Oct. 26 – Joe & Maribeth Soldati (anniv)

Oct. 18 – Daya Desai

Oct. 28 – Cary Miller

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CHURCH FINANCES

September 2023 Income-Expense

Total September Income: \$2,776.00

Total September Expenses: \$6,790.67

Net Income September: \$-4,014.67

January-September 2023 Totals

Total Year Income: \$ 67,789.11

Total Year Expense: \$68,521.29

Total Year Net Income: \$-732.18

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Our Parish Mission

Called by Christ to provide hope to the world, we serve people seeking truth with a loving community and the worship of the original Christian church.

Our Parish Vision

St George strives to be a growing community of believers of all ages, sharing frequent worship services, Christian education, a culture of giving and stewardship, and support to our neighbors.

BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

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

THE NINTH EOTHINON DOXASTICON IN TONE FIVE:

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

In the fullness of time, O Christ, thou didst appear among Thy beloved ones on the eve of the Sabbath, and didst confirm to them a wonder through a wonder, namely Thy Resurrection from the dead by Thine entrance while the doors were closed. But Thou didst fill the Disciples with joy, granting them a Holy Spirit, and didst bestow on them power to forgive sins. And as for Thomas, Thou didst not permit him to drown in the depths of faithlessness. Wherefore, grant us the knowledge of the truth, and forgiveness of sins, O compassionate Lord.

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.

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GREAT DOXOLOGY & TROPARION “Today is Salvation ...”

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

THE GREAT LITANY & THE FIRST ANTIPHON:

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

THE LITTLE LITANY & THE SECOND ANTIPHON:

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee.
Alleluia. (*Thrice*) *Vs.* Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

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THE LITTLE LITANY & THE THIRD ANTIPHON: 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.

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THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAY:

Clergy: 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.

Choir: 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 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 ST. AVERKIOS IN TONE FOUR

Thy works of justice did reveal thee to thy community as a canon of faith, the likeness of humility and teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Averkios. Wherefore, by humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and by thy meekness wealth. Intercede, therefore, with Christ God to save our souls.

APOLYTIKION OF THE SEVEN EPHESIAN YOUTHS IN TONE FOUR

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee * received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. * For since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants * and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. * O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

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.

ORDINARY 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.

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LITANY & TRISAGION HYMN

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

THE EPISTLE (For the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all ye peoples.

Clergy: Wisdom!

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

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: 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.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Reader: In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (For the Sixth Sunday of Luke)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint 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. + + + + + + +

• 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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COMMEMORATION: The Averkios the wonderworker, equal-to-the-Apostles and bishop of Hierapolis; the Seven Holy Youths ("Seven Sleepers") martyred in Ephesus; and the Bishop Eulalios.
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BULLETIN PART THREE – MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

Offering Schedule	Holy Bread & Food	Epistle Reader
Sunday, October 22	Rich & Betty Malooley	Betty Malooley
Sunday, October 29	Mike & Ruth Baum	Rdr Mike Baum
Sunday, November 5	Allyson Scandale	Allyson Scandale
Sunday, November 12	Daniel & Tara Rakes Family	Rdr Mike Baum
Sunday, November 19	Kh Barbara Sahady	Kh Barbara Sahady
Sunday, November 26	Mike & Ruth Baum	Rdr Mike Baum

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Senior Share - the 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 2 - 4 pm (Next one is Tuesday, 24 October)
This Program works in conjunction with the Bureau County Senior Center in Princeton.

**His Eminence
The Most Reverend
Metropolitan SABA**



**Archbishop of New York
and Metropolitan of
All North America**

**ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE
OF NORTH AMERICA**

October 2023

Beloved Clergy and Faithful of our Archdiocese:

Greetings in the Name of our Great God and Savior, Jesus Christ!

God willing, this coming summer our teens will have the blessing to host and serve at the 43rd Special Olympics SOYO Sports Training Camp, providing—free of charge—a week of sports training for over 320 athletes and coaches. As has been the long-standing custom, we ask the parishes of our God-protected Archdiocese to generously support this worthy program.

The mission of Special Olympics, as described on their website, “is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.” As is true in any ministry, when we offer the love of Christ to others, we receive so much in return. I know from my own personal experience of caring for a brother with special needs for many years how life-changing it can be, both for the people competing, and even more for those providing them the opportunity to gather and meet. Please generously support this offering of love by our young people and be a part of the far-reaching transformative impact it has on so many lives.

As you leave liturgy this morning, the teens will offer you a bookmark with an icon of the Communion of the Apostles. They offer this icon as an expression of their appreciation for your contribution and for you joining them in this sacred ministry that helps them share their blessings with others.

Asking the Lord to bless this forty-third year of our participation in Special Olympics as well as all of you and your loved ones, I remain,

Your Father in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "T. Saba".

**A Special Collection will be taken today,
Sunday, 22 October, for Special Olympics.**

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Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA

“The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch” (Acts 11: 26)

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