SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
"Love, Pray, Repent" Welcome All!
"One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church" Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest Bishop ANTHONY

Celebrating 105 Years of Serving Christ in the Central Illinois Valley

5 November 2023, Tone 5, Eothinon 11

The Story of the Rich Man and Poor Lazarus from Luke 16:19-31



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

Our Parish Misson

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.

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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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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

November 3, Friday, 9 am Matins for Saint George

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,** 11:15 am Fellowship 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

November 11, Saturday, 5:30 pm Vespers

November 12, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy,** 11:15 am Fellowship Bring items for Illinois Food Pantry, **11:45 am A-Women Mtg**

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 4 – John Sahady Nov. 20 – John/Freda Kapetaneas (Anniv)

Nov. 5 – Michael Harshman, Adria Nimee Nov. 21 – Mary Lynn Malooley Spitz

Nov. 11 – Monique & Jim Harvey (Anniv) Nov. 22 – John Kapetaneas Nov. 13 – Georgia Kapetaneas Nov. 25 – Fr Mark Sahady

Nov. 14 – Kh Barbara Sahady Nov. 27 – Pratik & Melissa Desai (Anniv)

Nov. 15 – Anysia Medawar Nov. 30 – Mavick Malooley

CHURCH FINANCES

September 2023 Income-Expense January-September 2023 Totals

Total September Income: \$2,776.00
Total September Expenses: \$6,790.67
Net Income September: \$-4,014.67
Total Year Income: \$67,789.11
Total Year Expense: \$68,521.29
Total Year Net Income: \$-732.18

BULLETIN PART TWO - WORSHIP

• The "Glory" hymn at the end of Matins:

THE ELEVENTH EOTHINON DOXASTICON IN TONE EIGHT:

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

When Thou didst show Thyself to the Disciples after Thy Resurrection, O Savior, Thou didst appoint Simon to shepherd the sheep, for the renewal of love, asking him to tend the flock. And Thou didst say to him: If thou lovest Me, O Peter, feed My lambs, feed My sheep. But he at once inquired concerning the other Disciple, showing his exceeding love. Wherefore, by the intercession of both, O Christ, keep Thy flock from corrupting wolves.

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 "Having risen from the tomb..."

• 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...

THE LITTLE LITANY & THE THIRD ANTIPHON: RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection. +++++++

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.
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Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

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. ++++++

LITANY & TRISAGION HYMN

• The Scripture of the day, following the Trisagion Hymn:

THE EPISTLE (For the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: Thou, O Lord, shalt preserve us and keep us from this generation. Save me, O Lord, for the godly man hath disappeared.

Clergy: Wisdom!

Reader: Reading from the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire

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to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Reader: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy

truth from generation to generation.

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (For the Fifth Sunday of Luke)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. (16:19-31)

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead." ++++++

• 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.

Commemoration: The holy Martyrs Galaktion and Episteme of Homs; and the holy Apostles Hermas, Linus, Gaius, Patrobas and Philologos of the Seventy.

BULLETIN PART THREE – MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

Offering Schedule	Holy Bread & Food	Epistle Reader
Everyone, Please, clean up after yourselves both the table and floor areas		
Sunday, November 5		Allyson Scandale
Sunday, November 12	Daniel & Tara Rakes Family	Rdr Mike Baum
Sunday, November 19	Kh Barbara Sahady	Kh Barbara Sahady
Sunday, November 26		Rdr Mike Baum
Sunday, December 3	Kim & Jeannie Leonard Memorial for Ed & Sadie Malooley	Gabe Leonard
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The Ladies of Saint George Orthodox Church present their



Bake Sale

Saturday, December 2nd 9 am – Noon



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Baklawa, Date Fingers
Mamoul, Ghribee
Meat Pies, Spinach Pies
Cheese Bread, Zaatar Bread
And more...











Join Together to Bake these items at Church on Mondays & Tuesdays from 9 am – Noon. Also, Please, bake your own specialties at home, such as: Christmas Cookies & Bars; Greek and other Ethnic Baked Goods; Breads (like Banana, Date-Nut, Pumpkin); Home-canned Pickles, Jams, Jellies; Pies, Cakes, etc... Arrange to have them at church on Friday, December 1, so we can get them ready to sell.

When was the last time you focused your prayer on **being thankful**? Often, prayer becomes a one-way conversation to God with a list of our needs instead of praying from a heart of gratitude. At the beginning of your day or at the end of your day, start the habit of thanking God for your blessings and praying these verses out loud. Invite a friend or your family to join you for 30 days of thankful prayers. Then, continue to foster a thankful heart and way of life. Create a gratitude journal—adding specific praise verses and prayers that are personal to your own life. Below is a prayer & Bible verse for each day.

- 1. Thank you for your love for me. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" John 3:16.
- 2. Thank you for your Word and the ways you communicate through Scripture to guide my life. "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness" 2 Timothy 3:16.
- 3. Thank you for your sacrifice and for the gift of salvation for me. "Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being

made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!" Philippians 2:6-8.

- 4. Thank you for both your mercy and your grace for my life. "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need" Hebrews 4:15-16.
- 5. Thank you for living in me and being a guide and comforter. "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you" John 14:16-17. "But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come" John 16:13.
- 6. Thank you that you are always with me. "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you" Deuteronomy 31:6.
- 7. Thank you for creating me and knowing me even when I was in my mother's womb. "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well" Psalm 139:13-14.
- 8. Thank you for every breath you give me. "This is what God the LORD says—the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it" Isaiah 42:5.
- 9. Thank you for the ways you change my heart. Help me to abide in you all of my days. "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh" Ezekiel 36:26.
- 10. Thank you for coming to offer abundant life for all who know you. "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" John 10:10. ++++++

Saints are "those who will inherit salvation" (Hebrews 1:14) through whom God is "bearing witness, both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will" (Hebrews 2:4). They often died as martyrs, making a fearless confession of faith (often with the threat of death) and demonstrating self-sacrificing service to God. Our God is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living (Mark 12:27). This means we all remain fully alive in Christ even after we have fallen asleep. Thus, the Saints continue to live with Him in Paradise beside His Throne and pursue communion with Him. Because Saints are friends of God, our brothers and sisters in the Faith, we ask them to pray to God for us and for forgiveness of our sins (John 15:14-15). It's important to remember that while prayer can be a part of worship — when we pray to God, for example — prayer and worship themselves are not the same. The word "Pray" means "Ask" as in "I pray you give me a glass of water."