



**Established 1918**

## **SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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*Metropolitan SABA, Antiochian Orthodox Christian*

*Archdiocese of North America*

*Bishop ANTHONY, Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest*

### **Our Parish Mission & Vision**

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. 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.

## **12 May 2024: Sunday of Thomas the Apostle**

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Great Vespers every Saturday at 5:30 pm unless otherwise indicated**

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- Sunday, May 12, **8:45 am Matins, 10:00 am Deacon's Typika for Thomas Sunday with Dn Jeremy Finzel**, Fellowship for Mother's Day, Adult Education
- Tuesday, May 14, **10:00 am Dottie Malooley Funeral** at Nativity of Our Lord, 510 Mautino Dr.
- Wednesday, May 15, **6:30 pm Vespers**
- Sunday, May 19, **8:45 am Matins, 10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women with Fr Jon Fate**, Fellowship, Parish Council
- Tuesday, May 21, **11:00 am Wedding of Jay Kalman & Stephanie Kinard**
- Wednesday, May 22, **6:30 pm Vespers**
- Sunday, May 26, **8:45 Matins, 10:00 am Divine Liturgy for Sunday of the Paralytic**, Fellowship, Adult Education
- Monday, May 27, **10:00 am Blessing of Graves at Cemetery** (no picnic to follow)

### **WORSHIP**

- **The "Glory" hymn at the end of Matins:**

#### **DOXASTICON FOR THOMAS SUNDAY IN TONE SIX**

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.* Eight days after Thy Resurrection, O Jesus, the King, the Word, and only Son of the Father, Thou didst appear to Thy Disciples, the doors being shut, granting them Thy peace. And to the Disciple who believed not Thou didst show the marks, saying, Reach out and probe My hands, feet and incorruptible side. But he, being convinced, cried out unto Thee, saying, My Lord and my God, glory to Thee.

#### **GREAT DOXOLOGY, APOLYTIKION FOR THOMAS SUNDAY TONE SEVEN**

While the tomb was sealed, Thou didst shine forth from it, O Life. While the doors were closed, Thou didst come in to Thy Disciples, O Christ God, Resurrection of all, renewing in us through them an upright spirit, according to the greatness of Thy mercy.

- *Deacon's Typika begins with "Christ is risen..." sung first by Deacon, then twice by choir.*
- *Deacon's Typika continues - see separate booklet, starting at Great Litany.*

### FIRST ANTIPHON

**Verse:** Shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing to His Name, give glory to His praises.

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

**Verse:** Say to God: How awesome are Thy works; let all the earth worship Thee, and sing to Thee. Let it sing a song to Thy Name, O Most High. **(Refrain)**

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

### LITTLE LITANY & SECOND ANTIPHON

**Verse:** May God have mercy upon us, and bless us, and may He cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy upon us.

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

**Verse:** That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy salvation among all nations; let the peoples give thanks to Thee, O God, let all the peoples give thanks to Thee. **(Refrain)**

**Verse:** May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear Him. **(Refrain)**

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

### LITTLE LITANY & THIRD ANTIPHON

- *The following Third Antiphon is sung instead of the Beatitudes:*

**Verse:** Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Him flee from before His face.

**Refrain:** Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life!

**Verse:** As smoke vanisheth, so let them vanish; as wax melteth before the fire. **(Refrain)**

**Verse:** So let sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad. **(Refrain)**

**Verse:** This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein. **(Refrain)**

### EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF PASCHA

In the gathering places bless God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

- *After "Save us, O Son, of God...." sing these hymns in the following order:*

### APOLYTIKION FOR THOMAS SUNDAY IN TONE SEVEN

While the tomb was sealed, Thou didst shine forth from it, O Life. While the doors were closed, Thou didst come in to Thy Disciples, O Christ God, Resurrection of all, renewing in us through them an upright spirit, according to the greatness of Thy mercy.

- *Do not sing apolytikion to St George*

### KONTAKION OF PASCHA IN TONE EIGHT

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet didst Thou destroy the power of Hades, and didst arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

### THE TRISAGION HYMN

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

## THE EPISTLE

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul Great is our Lord, and great is His strength. Praise ye the Lord, for the Lord is good.

**Clergy:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles. (5:12-20)

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people magnified them. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the cities around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the chief priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the sect of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said: "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

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

**Reader:** And to thy spirit.

**Chanter:** Come let us rejoice in the Lord, let us shout with jubilation unto God our Savior. For the Lord is a great God and a great king over all the earth.

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

## THE GOSPEL

**Clergy:** The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (20:19-31)

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be to you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be to you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe." Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be to you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, you have believed because you have seen Me. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His Name.

- *Deacon's Typika continues – see separate booklet.*
- *After “One is Holy, One is Lord...”, say “I Believe O Lord and I Confess”, then:*

**MEGALYNARION FOR THOMAS SUNDAY**

O most radiant lamp, the Theotokos, the immeasurable honor, which is more exalted than all creatures, with praises do we magnify thee.

**THE KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) OF THOMAS SUNDAY**

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion. Alleluia.

- *Deacon's Typika resumes through Communion and Communion hymns.*
- *Instead of “We have seen...” sing “Christ is Risen” once.*
- *Deacon's Typika concludes with final psalm of thanksgiving, and dismissal.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO**

<b>Offering Date</b>	<b>Holy Bread</b>	<b>Food</b>	<b>Epistle Reader</b>
<b>Sunday, May 12</b> <b>Thomas Sunday</b> <b>Mother's Day</b>	Ruth Baum	Allyson Scandale & Ruth Baum	Allyson Scandale
<b>Sunday, May 19</b>	?	?	?
<b>Sunday, May 26</b>	?	?	?

**\*\*Everyone, please, clean up after yourselves both the table and floor areas\*\***

Welcome to Dn Jeremy Finzel on his first Sunday of official assignment as our clergy at St George! Please welcome him and his family at fellowship today!

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As you can see from the chart above, we need volunteers for Holy Bread and food! Please see Ruth Baum!

**MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

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| May 3 – Lydia Schaefer                    | May 15 – Matthew Harvey |
| May 5 – Audrey Spitz                      | May 21 – Ron Malooley   |
| May 9 – Nicole Wiltse                     | May 22 – Bev Malooley   |
| May 10 – Jennifer Harshman                | May 22 – Gretel Kaleel  |
| May 11 – John and Carole Ball anniversary | May 23 – Ryker Thompson |
| May 14 – Mirjana Sljivar                  | May 27 – Ruth Baum      |

**CHURCH FINANCES**

<b>March Income-Expense</b>	<b>2024 YTD Income-Expense</b>	<b>2023 YTD Comparison</b>
Income: \$4,373.00	Income: \$24,221.06	Income: \$31,089.42
Expense: \$4,031.83	Expense: \$14,691.04	Expense: \$21,501.80
<b>Net: \$ 341.17</b>	<b>Net: \$9,530.02</b>	<b>Net: \$9,587.62</b>

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Elected / Appointed Members**

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| Wayne Sanders, <i>Chair</i>        | Mark Kerasotes, <i>Vice-Chair &amp; Order of St Ignatius</i> |
| Melanie Thompson, <i>Treasurer</i> | Rdr Michael Baum, <i>Secretary &amp; Ecclesiarch</i>         |
| Nicholas Schaefer                  | Sbdn David Anderson, <i>Sunday School</i>                    |

**Organization Representatives**

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| Genie Sanders, <i>Chanters/Choir</i> | Ruth Baum, <i>Antiochian Women</i> |
| Maxwell Colby, <i>Young Adults</i>   | Robert Abraham, <i>Facilities</i>  |