

Sunday, November 11, 2018
Sunday Orthros, 9:00 am :: Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am
Holy Martyr Menas of Egypt



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Father Andrew Kishler

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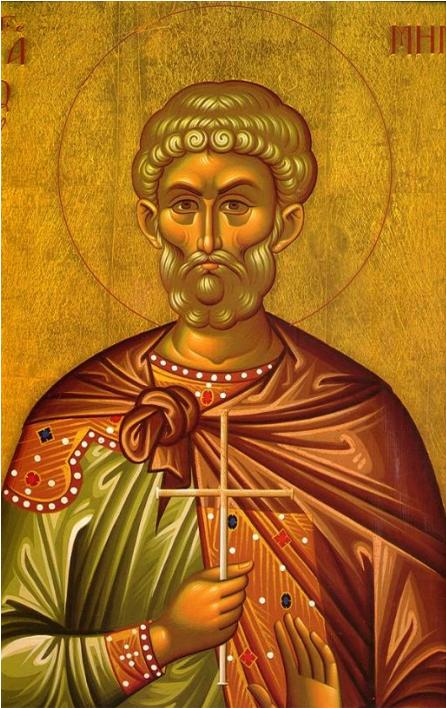


Today's coffee hour: George and Lynette Forsa

Today's Epistle reader: Joe Zagar

Next week's coffee hour: Ron and Dottie Malooley

Hymns after the Small Entrance:



Troparion for the Resurrection (Tone 7): Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the great mercy.

Troparion for St. Menas of Egypt (Tone 5): With great valor of soul, thou didst strive in martyrdom, and having fought the good fight, O divine Great Martyr Menas, thou from Heaven hast received the gift of miracles; for God hath shown thee to the world as a worker of great signs, and He made thee our protector and a swift help in afflictions and ever-vigilant defense from harm.

Troparion to St. George (Tone 4): Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of captives, a help and support of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for kings: O great among Martyrs, the victory-clad George, intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

Kontakion for the Entrance of the Theotokos (Tone 4): The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

THE EPISTLE – *for St. Menas of Egypt*

The Lord will give strength to His people.

Ascribe to the Lord, O children of God, ascribe to the Lord glory and honor.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (4:6-15)

Brethren, it is the God Who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” Who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. While we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus’ sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that He Who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

THE GOSPEL – *for the 8th Sunday of St. Luke*

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (10:25-37)

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read?” And the lawyer answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” And Jesus said to him, “You have answered right; do this, and you will live.” But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” The lawyer said, “The one who showed mercy on him.” And Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at St. George, see our website, www.stgeorgeorthodox.org.

- **Today:** Children's Sunday school, downstairs immediately after Holy Communion.
- **Today:** Ladies of St. George monthly meeting, upstairs during coffee hour.
- **Church office hours this week:** Tuesday 9-12; Wednesday 9-10:30am, Thursday, 9-12. *All are welcome to come by the church during these hours to speak with Father, to light a candle, or to take a moment to sit quietly in church.*
- **Wednesday, Nov. 14:** Evening prayers and confessions, 6pm.
- **Saturday, Nov. 17:** Vespers, 6pm.
- **Sunday, Nov. 18: First Sunday of Advent.** Matins, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am.

A big thank you to our 100th anniversary committee for making last weekend possible and for all the work you have done to make our church a better place! Thank you especially to Beverly Malooley for your leadership; to Nick and Anysia Medawar, Jake Malooley, Nicole Wiltse, Andy Dudek, Jeannie Leonard, Ron Malooley, our parish council members and other leaders, all who helped out in any way or donated. May God bless all of you and grant you many, many years!

Memory eternal! Our dear friend **Carol Bachio** passed away last weekend, and her funeral was this past Friday. Our sincerest condolences to her children John, Mike, and Anne, and their families. Memorial donations may be made to St. George Orthodox Church.

Memory eternal! Condolences to Patrice Nimee and her family, at the loss of her father **John Mattison**. Visiting hours will be Monday, Nov. 12, 9-11am at Barto Funeral Home, followed by funeral mass at 11am.

Our annual BAKE SALE will take place Saturday, Dec. 8, 9am to 12. This is our church's biggest fundraiser for the year and we rely on the full participation of all of our members! We are looking for anyone who can bake Middle Eastern, Greek, or other ethnic pastries, or a donation from each household. Please see Christina or any of the ladies if you have questions.

"The Other Georgia": Mike and Ruth Baum recently made an Orthodox pilgrimage to the Republic of Georgia. They will be presenting a fascinating two-part retreat on the Orthodox Christian culture, cuisine, iconography, music, and spirituality of Georgia in two parts: **Wednesday, Nov. 28, and Wed., Dec. 19, both at 7pm.** This will be open to the public and promoted in our community. Come and bring your friends!

Holy Land pilgrimage: We have an opportunity to participate in an Orthodox-led trip to the Holy Land, May 6-18, 2019. Information is available downstairs; please see Mike and Ruth Baum for additional information or if you have any questions.

Sunday Volunteer Schedule

	Holy Bread/Coffee Hour	Epistle Reader
TODAY	George/Lynette Forsa	Joe Zagar
Sunday, Nov. 18	Ron/Dottie Malooley	Keeley Thompson
Sunday, Nov. 25	Kishler/Anderson	George Forsa
Sunday, Dec. 2	Nick/Anysia Medawar	Nick Medawar
Sunday, Dec. 9	OPEN	
Sunday, Dec. 16	Kim/Jeannie Leonard	
Sunday, Dec. 23	Wayne/Genie Sanders	
Sunday, Dec. 30	Kishler	

Regarding HOLY BREAD, you are welcome to bake your own, or use the bread provided by the church (donations of any amount are appreciated). On your Sunday, please also provide to Father Andrew a list of names (living and departed) for prayers during the Liturgy.

COFFEE HOUR may be as simple or elaborate as you want. While CLEAN UP is primarily the responsibility of those who provide coffee hour, all of us should help by bussing our own tables and cleaning up as we are able.

** SHADED DATES indicate fasting. No meat should be served on these dates.*



November Birthdays & Anniversaries

Please let Father know if we are missing anyone!

Nov. 5 – Michael Harshman

Nov. 9 – Olly Rowan

Nov. 13 – Georgia Kapataneas

Nov. 15 – Anysia Medawar

Nov. 21 – Mary Lynn Malooley Spitz

Nov. 27 – Carol Bachio

Church Finances

October 2018

Operating income: \$3,392.00

Operating expenses: \$5,655.12

Cash flow: -\$2,263.12

January 1 to October 31, 2018

Operating income: \$55,367.33

Operating expenses: \$61,720.34

Cash Flow: -\$6,353.01

100th Anniversary Account

Total deposits: \$11,000.00

Total expenditures: \$8,068.00

** While our attendance has been quite high even through the summer months, our giving is not where it needs to be. Please, let us not neglect our duty to support the ministries of our church!*

“He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

~ 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

:: Bishop Anthony on Lazarus and the Rich Man, Part 1 ::

Adapted from last week's sermon

Abraham says to the rich man: *"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"* (16:25). Good things may indeed come to us in this life. But if they do, the challenge for us – our moment of truth – is what we do with it. Do we keep all the abundance of what God gives us for our own pleasure and luxury, or do we use it as the beginning of an ever-flowing river of generosity to others? So if God gives me something and keeps giving me more and more, then I have to give more of my substance from my something, so that others can also have something.

If we keep it all to ourselves, we end up like the rich man. This rich man may not have been a bad man, but he was an insensitive. He didn't realize there were others around him, even someone right underneath his feet, who could use some of the 'something' God had given him. He went day after day like this, in the fantasy of his own plenty, forgetting that God gave him the gifts. He lost his opportunity to do the good God wanted him to do while he was on earth. And that's why I believe he was in torment. He was in anguish because he knew he could have done better. In the judgment, I believe God will show us two things: What we've done, and what we could have done. And our conscience will tell us whether we pass the test.

Maybe the rich man's tongue became so dry from speaking of his failure and regret over and over again. What if this fire was not on the outside, but the fire of his conscience on the inside making his speech dry? He needed Lazarus to touch his tongue with water so he could keep saying "I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry."

Deuteronomy 6:5 says: *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might."* And Jesus adds to this the words of Leviticus 19:18: *"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."* Those are the two greatest commandments, but the rich man forgot about them.

I feel bad for the rich man, because he doesn't get a chance to do it over again. Once it's over, it's over. But in the Church, we always have hope! This is why we remember all those who have gone before us to their rest. Notice that he's in Hades – Hades is not Hell. Hades is the place of the dead until the Second Coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Only then will Hell will exist as a permanent place. Right now, Hades is a temporary place. This is why we have to pray for the departed, because in the end God wants us to help wet their tongues with repentance. So what they couldn't do in this life, let us pray that they may ask God for forgiveness. When Jesus comes back at His Second Coming, they may have a chance.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

NOVEMBER 11-17

Sunday, Nov. 11 – Great Martyr Menas of Egypt

Mark 16:1-8 / 2 Corinthians 4:6-15 / Luke 10:25-37

Monday, Nov. 12 – St. John the Merciful

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 / Matthew 5:14-19

Tuesday, Nov. 13 – St. John Chrysostom

Hebrews 7:26-8:2 / John 10:9-16

Wednesday, Nov. 14 – Holy Apostle Philip

2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 / Luke 15:1-10

**Thursday, Nov. 15 – Guria, Shamuna, & Habib,
Martyrs of Edessa**

2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5 / Luke 16:1-9

Friday, Nov. 16 – Apostle & Evangelist Matthew

Romans 10:11-11:2 / Matthew 9:9-13

Saturday, Nov. 17 – Righteous Mother Hilda of Whitby

1 Corinthians 12:7-11 / Luke 9:57-62

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