



SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
Metropolitan JOSEPH

Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest
Bishop ANTHONY

“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

SUNDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

& SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

**AFTER-FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION (MEETING) OF CHRIST
ORTHOS, 8:45 AM • DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 AM**



PASTOR: Father Mark Sahady

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Melanie Thompson, *Chair*
Mark Kerasotes, *Vice-Chair*
Ronald Malooley, *Treasurer*
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Genie Sanders, *Chanters/Choir*
Dee Khoury, *Antiochian Women*
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BULLETIN PART ONE – WORHSIP

• The “Glory” hymns at the end of Matins:

THE SECOND EOTHINON DOXASTICON IN TONE TWO

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

They who were with Mary came and brought with them ointments; and as they were at a loss how to achieve their desire, they saw that the stone had been rolled, and a divine young man removed all anxiety and trouble from their souls by saying, The Lord Jesus hath risen. Wherefore, they proclaimed to His Disciples, that they should hasten to Galilee and behold Him, risen from the dead; for He is the Lord, the Giver of Life.

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.

• The Divine Liturgy Hymns of the Day:

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

My heart hath poured forth a good word; I speak of my works to the king. My tongue is the pen of a swiftly writing scribe.

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

Grace is poured into thy lips: therefore, God hath blessed thee forever. (**Refrain**)

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

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O mighty One, in Thy comeliness and Thy beauty. Bend Thy bow, and proceed prosperously, and be king.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast borne in the arms of righteous Simeon; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

Thine arrows are sharp, O mighty One, in the heart of the king’s enemies; whereby the peoples fall under Thee. (**Refrain**)

A scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Thy kingdom. (**Refrain**)

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

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father’s house. Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy countenance. I shall commemorate thy name in every generation.

APOLYTIKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace, for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God, lighting those who are in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder, carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls, Who granteth us Resurrection.

- *The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is “O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead...” as on ordinary Sundays. After the Little Entrance, chant the apolytikia in the following order:*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace, for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God, lighting those who are in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder, carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls, Who granteth us Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF SAINT GEORGE IN TONE FOUR

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 OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin’s womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon’s arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

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

THE EPISTLE (For the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: **The Lord will give strength to His people. Ascribe to the Lord,
O sons of God, ascribe to the Lord honor and glory.**

Clergy: Wisdom!

Reader: **Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:1-10)**

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: **Brethren,** working together with Him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For He says, “At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation.” Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Choir: *The Lord answers you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protects you! Save the king, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!*

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (For the Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew)

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (25:14-30, + Luke 8:8)

The Lord spoke this parable: A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying: “Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.” And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying: “Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.” He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying: “Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.” But his master answered him, “You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.” As Jesus said these things He cried out: “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

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Prayer List: Mona Kaleel; Sarah Sanders; Andrea Schaefer & baby.

COMMEMORATIONS OF THE DAY

The Venerable Parthenios, bishop of Lampsakos; Venerable Luke of Hellas; New-martyr George of Crete; and the Holy and Righteous Mothers of the Three Hierarchs Emmelia, Nona and Anthousa.

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OFFERING SCHEDULE	Holy Bread & Memorial	Epistle Reader
Sunday, February 7	Dee Khoury Paul Khoury Memorial	
Sunday, February 14	Mike & Ruth Baum	Mike Baum
Sunday, February 21		
Sunday, February 28		
Sunday, March 7	Antiochian Women	
Sunday, March 14	Mary Miller	
Sunday, March 21	Mike Kasap	

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARY - *Notify Father of missing info!*

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| Feb. 1 – Kyle Thompson, Cathy Cox | Feb. 12 – Nick Medawar, Mary Leonard |
| Feb. 3 – Bob Abraham, Elias Kapetaneas | Feb. 13 – Mike and John Bachio |
| Feb. 5 – Wayne and Genie Sanders
(Anniversary) | Feb. 24 – Brianna Kaleel |
| Feb. 6 – Patrice Nimee | Feb. 25 – Kenneth Welgatt,
Hillary Thompson |
| Feb. 7 – Mary Majerus | Feb. 27 – Harrison Leonard |
| Feb. 8 – David Anderson | |

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UPCOMING SERVICES

YouTube Events: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy__6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA

- Feb 6 Sat, 5 pm Vespers – [On YouTube](#)
- Feb 7 Sun, 8:45 am Orthros, 10 am Divine Liturgy – [On YouTube](#)
11:30 am Andrea Schaefer Baby Shower
- Feb 10 Wed, 7 pm Bible Study – [Gospel of Mark, On Zoom](#)
- Feb 11 Thu, 7 pm Chant Class – [Tone 3, On Zoom](#)
- Feb 13 Sat, 5 pm Vespers – [On YouTube](#)
- Feb 14 Sun, 8:45 am Orthros, 10 am Divine Liturgy – [On YouTube](#)
11:30 am Ladies Meeting

Zoom Events at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5822049765>

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BULLETIN PART TWO – ANNOUNCEMENTS

**February 23 Angelos Restaurant Fundraiser
Tickets Now Available - See Mark Kerasotes**

**Fundraiser for
Saint George Orthodox Church
Tuesday, February 23, 4 – 8 pm
At Angelos Restaurant
<https://angelos-restaurant-pizza.business.site/>
COST \$10**

**Gyro & Fries – or –
2 Pizza Slices w-1 topping & Side Salad
CURBSIDE PICKUP
Call 815-664-2622 to Order
and schedule Pickup Time at
400 E Dakota St;
Spring Valley, IL 61362**

Get your tickets by 14 February – Valentine’s Day

CHURCH FINANCES

December 2020

Total income: \$33,061.15
 Total expenses: \$5,908.50
 Net income: \$27,152.65

January – December 2020

Total income: \$76,902.12
 Total expenses: \$100,893.92
 Net income: -23,991.80

Thank you to all our parishioners, friends, donors and benefactors this past year.

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2021 Parish Council Members, Terms & Positions

Council Member	Elected 3 Year Term	Year Started	Year Leaves (After 3 Years)
Mark Kerasotes	Elected	2019	2022
Michael Kasap	Elected	2020	2023
George Nimee	Elected	2021	2024

Council Member	Appointed 3 Year Term	Year Started	Year Leaves (After 3 Years)
Melanie Thompson	Appointed	2019	2022
Ronald Malooley	Appointed	2020	2023
Markella Fousekas	Appointed	2021	2024

Council Member	Organization		
Genie Sanders	Choir		
Dee Khoury	Antiochian Women		
David Anderson	Sunday School		
Wayne Sanders	Facilities		

Council Office Position (1 Year Term)

Chair	Vice-Chair	Treasurer	Secretary
Melanie Malooley	Mark Kerasotes	Ron Malooley	Mike Kasap

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Five Purple Altar Boy Robes have been ordered for Lent at \$225 each.

If anyone is interested in Donating any of them, please contact Fr Mark.

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Orthodox Great Lent begins March 15

Orthodox Palm Sunday is April 25

Pascha is May 2

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Thank you to all who have responded to the request of Senator Sue Rezin for Valentines for our Senior Citizens living in assisted living and long-term care facilities in the 38th District. 95 Valentines were collected at church - plus those who sent her cards directly