



SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

SUNDAY, 7 MARCH 2021; TONE 6 / EOTHINON 6

Sunday of the Last Judgment (MEAT FARE - CARNIVAL)



ORTHROS, 8:45 AM • DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 AM

PASTOR: Father Mark Sahady

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Melanie Thompson, *Chair*
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BULLETIN PART ONE – ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH FINANCES

February 2021 Income-Expense

Total Feb Income: \$7,728.00
Total Feb Expenses: \$4,730.22
Total Jan-Feb Income: \$12,929.10
Total Jan-Feb Expenses: \$9,038.36

February 2021 Income Breakout

More Giving Tuesday: \$1,000
Angelo’s Fundraiser: \$1,500
More Memorial Income: \$720
Stewardship Offerings: \$4,508

Thank you to Angelo’s Restaurant for sponsoring this February Fundraiser for our Church of Saint George which raised-donated \$1,500.

Thank you to all our parishioners, friends, donors and benefactors for your support.

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Save your yellow onion skins in a plastic bag in the refrigerator and then bring them to Church during Holy Week to dye Easter-Pascha Eggs red on Holy Friday.

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

March 4 – Ron Ford
March 6 – Dee Khoury
March 13 – Nick Schaefer
March 14 – Bill Miller
March 23 – Anne Abraham
March 24 – George Kaleel
March 30 – Christopher Baran
Notify Father of missing info!

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BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

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

THE DOXASTICON FOR SUNDAY OF LAST JUDGMENT IN TONE ONE

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

Let us go before, O brethren, and cleanse ourselves for the queen of virtues; for behold she hath come bringing to us a fortune of good deeds, quenching the uprisings of passion and reconciling the wicked to the Master. Let us welcome her, therefore, shouting to Christ God, O Thou who rose from the dead, keep us uncondemned, who glorify Thee, O Thou Who alone art sinless.

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:**

During the Little Entrance, chant the Tone 6 Resurrectional Apolytikion. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is “O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead...” After the Little Entrance, chant the apolytikia in the following order:

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

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, the victory-clad George: Intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

KONTAKION FOR SUNDAY OF LAST JUDGMENT IN TONE ONE

When Thou comest, O God, to earth with glory, and all creatures tremble before Thee, and the river of fire floweth before the Altar, and the books are opened and sins revealed, deliver me then from that unquenchable fire, and make me worthy to stand at Thy right hand, O righteous Judge.

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

THE EPISTLE (For Sunday of the Last Judgment)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: **The Lord is my strength and my song.**

With chastisement has the Lord chastened me!

Clergy: Wisdom!

Reader: **Reading from the First Epistle of Saint Paul to the Corinthians. (8:8-9:2)**

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: **Brethren**, food will not bring us closer to God; for neither if we eat, are we the better, nor if we do not eat, are we the worse. But take heed lest by any means this authority of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak. For if any one sees you, as someone who has knowledge, reclining at a table in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of the one who is weak be emboldened to eat of the things sacrificed to idols, and through your knowledge the weak brother perishes, for whom Christ died? And thus, sinning against the brethren, and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to stumble, I will not eat meat forever, lest I cause my brother to stumble. Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are not you my work in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, yet at least I am to you; for the seal of my apostleship are you in the Lord.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Choir: *Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.*

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

THE GOSPEL (For Sunday of the Last Judgment)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (25:31-46)

The Lord said, "When the Son of man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. Before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and He will place the sheep at His right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at His right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the

kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed Me, I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me, I was in prison and you came to Me.’ Then the righteous will answer Him, ‘Lord, when did we see Thee hungry and feed Thee, or thirsty and give Thee drink? And when did we see Thee a stranger and welcome Thee, or naked and clothe Thee? And when did we see Thee sick or in prison and visit Thee?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.’ Then He will say to those at his left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see Thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to Thee?’ Then He will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to Me.’ And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

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COMMEMORATIONS OF THE DAY - The Hieromartyrs of Cherson: Basil, Ephraim, Eugene, Kapiton, Elpidios, Agathodoros and Aetherios; Venerable Laurence; Venerable Paul the Simple, disciple of Anthony the Great.

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PARISH PRAYER LIST: Mona Kaleel; Sarah Sanders; Richard & Bette Malooley.
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OFFERING SCHEDULE	Holy Bread or Memorial	Epistle Reader	Usher
Sunday, March 7	Antiochian Women	Andrea Schaefer	Lynette Forsa
Sunday, March 14	Mary Miller	Ruth Baum	Kh Barbara Sahady
Sunday, March 21	Mike Kasap	Dottie Malooley	Dee Khoury
Sunday, March 28	Kh Barbara Sahady Nina Gaspar 12 Yr Memorial	Kh Barbara Sahady	Ruth Baum

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THIS CHEESEFARE WEEK'S SERVICES & EVENTS

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

- Mar 6 Sat, 5 pm **Vespers** – [On YouTube](#)
- Mar 7 Sun, 8:45 am **Orthros**, 10 am Divine **Liturgy** – [On YouTube](#)
National Antiochian Women Project Collection
- Mar 10 Wed, 7 pm **Lenten Hours-Vespers Service** – [On Zoom](#)
- Mar 12 Fri, 7 pm **Lenten Hours-Vespers Service** – [On Zoom](#)
- Mar 13 Sat, 5 pm **Vespers** – [On YouTube](#)
- Mar 14 Sun, 8:45 am **Orthros**, 10 am Divine **Liturgy** – [On YouTube](#)
National Antiochian Women Project Collection

Forgiveness Sunday, Ladies Meeting, 11:30 am. Lent begins tonight.

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

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UPCOMING LENTEN & PASCHAL SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS

- March 14, Forgiveness Sunday, Ladies Meeting, 11:30 am. Lent begins tonight.
National Antiochian Women Project Collection**
- March 15, Mon, Grand Compline with St Andrew Canon 1st Section, 7 pm.**
- March 17, Wed, Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, 5:30 pm.**
- March 19 Fri, Akathist/Medayeh with 1st Section, 7 pm. (Flowers Appreciated)**
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- March 21, Orthodoxy Sunday Seminarian Collection, Council Meeting at 11:30 am**
- March 22, Mon, Grand Compline with St Andrew Canon 2nd Section, 7 pm.**
- March 24, Wed, Vespers, 5:30 pm.**
- March 25, Thur, Annunciation Matins, 9 am.**
- March 26, Fri, Akathist/Medayeh with 2nd Section, 7 pm. (Flowers Appreciated)**
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- March 28, Gregory Palamas Sunday, Antiochian Women Project Collection**
- March 29, Mon, Grand Compline with St Andrew Canon 3rd Section, 7 pm.**
- March 31, Wed, Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, 5:30 pm.**
- April 2, Fri, Akathist/Medayeh with 3rd Section, 7 pm. (Flowers Appreciated)**
- April 3, Sat, Retreat on Angels, 10 am – 2 pm. BYOL and Ladies Meeting at Noon.**
- April 4, Holy Cross Sunday (Flowers for Cross Requested)**
- April 5, Mon, Grand Compline with St Andrew Canon 4th Section, 7 pm.**
- April 7, Wed, Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, 5:30 pm.**
- April 9, Fri, Akathist/Medayeh with 4th Section, 7 pm. (Flowers Appreciated)**
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- April 11, John of the Ladder Sunday**
- April 12, Mon, Compline with full Ss Andrew Canon & Mary of Egypt Life, 7 pm.**
- April 14, Wed, Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, 5:30 pm.**
- April 16, Fri, Akathist/Medayeh with All Sections, 7 pm. (Flowers Appreciated)**
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- April 18, Mary of Egypt Sunday, Parish Council Meeting, 11:30 am**
- April 19, Mon, Grand Compline, 7 pm.**
- April 21, Wed, Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, 5:30 pm.**
- April 22, Thur, Paraklesis to St George, 7 pm.**
- April 23, Fri, Lazarus Vespers with Canon, 7 pm.**
- April 24, Sat, Lazarus Matins, 9 am & Divine Liturgy, 10 am. (Palms Needed)**
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- April 25, Orthodox Palm Sunday Morning Services, Patriarchate Collection
& Bridegroom Matins, 7 pm.**
- April 26, Holy Mon, Bridegroom Matins, 7 pm.**
- April 27, Holy Tue, Bridegroom Matins with Kassiani Hymn, 7 pm.**
- April 28, Holy Wed, Holy Unction, 7 pm.**
- April 29, Holy Thur, Mystical Supper at 9 am & Passion Gospel Matins at 7 pm.**
- April 30, Holy Fri, Royal Hours, 9-11 am
& Tomb Decoration-Egg Dying, 12:30 pm. (Flowers/Eggs Needed)
& Vespers, 3 pm,**

**& Vigil at the Tomb, 4-7 pm.
& Lamentation Matins, 7 pm.**

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May 1, Holy Sat, Vespertal Liturgy, 9 am.

**& Nocturnes at 10 pm, & The Light with Procession at 10:20 pm.
& Matins, 10:30 pm.
& Divine Liturgy, 11:30 pm.**

May 2, Pascha Sunday, Bless Paschal Baskets, 00:30 am.

**& Agape Vespers with celebration of St George, 2 pm.
& Easter Egg Hunt with Parish Picnic, 3 pm.**

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May 9, Sunday, Mothers Day, NO SERVICES.

May 16, Sunday, Ladies Meeting, 11:30 am & Golf Outing, 3 pm.

May 25, Tue, Mid-Feast Vespers, 7 pm.

May 31, Mon, Memorial Day, Cemetery Memorial, 10 am & Parish Picnic.

June 9, Wed, Vigil for Ascension - Vespers at 6:30 pm & Matins at 7:30 pm

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The Gospel reading today remembers Christ's parable of the Last Judgment. This adds to the previous pre-Lent Sundays teaching that it is not enough to see Jesus, to see ourselves as we are, or to come home to God as His prodigal sons. In addition, one must also be God's sons by following Christ, His only-begotten divine Son, and by seeing Christ in everyone and by serving Christ through them. Salvation and final judgment will depend upon action, not merely on intentions or even on the mercies of God apart from personal cooperation and obedience to serving Christ through His people.

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His Eminence
The Most Reverend
Metropolitan JOSEPH



Archbishop of New York and
Metropolitan of
All North America

**ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE
OF NORTH AMERICA
March, 2021**

Beloved Antiochian Woman of our God-Protected Archdiocese: Greetings to you and your families as we both give thanks to God for all that He bestows and continues to bestow upon us and, at the same time, beseech Him for a speedy end to the ongoing pandemic that has plagued our world and our continent for more than a year. When I wrote to you last year at this time, you were undoubtedly preparing for Women's Month, thinking in your local parishes who would be reading the Epistles, doing the collections, planning your annual charity dinners or fundraisers for the national project of "Fulfilling the Vision," etc. Suddenly, just as Women's month was underway, our lives came to a crashing halt and we had to temporarily stop people from coming to the churches save a priest and chanter, stop our social functions and enter what has been a dark winter that has already lasted a year and is still not over. While we now have a vaccine that will hopefully help us get back to "normal", the question remains: What will this new

“normal” be and how has your ministry changed and adapted during this time? Just last month I wrote the following to the Antiochian Women of the Diocese of the West for their newsletter:

“From time to time in the history of the Church, for various reasons like persecutions or the emigration of people from one place to another where no church exists, we have been compelled to be separated from the church community and the sacraments. Some of these reasons have even included previous pandemics. Thanks be to God you have endured this period with love and patience, doing what you can to keep the Antiochian Women connected to the churches and to each other. At other times in history, people did not have the means of communication that we have today which makes it easier to stay connected to be sure. As I wrote earlier, however, this can never replace that face-to-face contact that we hope to be able to restore before we are too far into 2021. While we are once again able to attend the services in a safe and limited way in most places, many of the older members or vulnerable members of our Antiochian Women groups are still understandably afraid, and we encourage you to continue to reach out to them and do your best to bring the Church to them during this time, in a safe way. This is your new ministry for this time, before we “get back to normal”, as we often hear.”

I admonish you all to persevere in your prayer lives and fast with earnest this year, even if you cannot attend the divine services of this holy season the same way you normally would. I pray that you will use this time where you cannot see family and friends as usual to “meet” your extended family and friends, that is, the holy saints, the angels and the Mother of God through your prayers and contemplation, always keeping in mind that we are “surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses.” (Heb 12:1) Let us take this difficult time and use it for something good.

Finally, with regard to our ongoing project, I encourage you to do your best to come up with new and creative ways to support our project. The Antiochian Village needs us now more than ever. After being closed for the past year, and for likely several more months, we need to try even harder to keep this vision alive and well and give them the support they need. Therefore, do what you can, think outside the box as they say, use this time to find inspiration for new and innovative ways to raise funds. Turn a negative situation into a positive one. Let us together continue to dream dreams and realize this vision!

I pray that you all have a holy and blessed Great Fast and, despite the difficult times in which we find ourselves, I pray that, by the time I write this letter in 2022, we will speak of this pandemic in the past tense. At the same time, I pray that while shedding the bad memories of associated with the past year, we will nevertheless give glory to God for all of the hidden blessings that we keep from this time and carry forward together as strong, revitalized army of Antiochian Women!

Your Father in Christ,



+JOSEPH Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America

During Great Lent, there are three services that are repeated each week:

Grand (Great) Compline on Mondays, the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy on Wednesdays, and the Akathist on Fridays. The Psalms which are read during Great Compline urge us to confess our sins and deliver our souls to divine providence. The Psalms, prayers and hymns of Great Compline place us in the right state of mind, meaning that we are all sinners and are in need of repentance in order to accept in our heart God's mercies which are freely given. The hymns which we sing during Great Compline also declare the fact that God alone is our hope, our refuge, and our salvation, such as when we sing: "God is with us, understand all you nations and submit yourselves, for God is with us." We place our trust in the hands of God. When we kneel down during the Prayer of Saint Ephraim the Syrian, it is a way of showing our submission to God and confession of our sins. It also shows us that although we are brought down by sin, once again we rise up in repentance through the help of God. In one of the prayers of Great Compline, we beseech God to "raise us up again at the time of prayer strengthened in His commandments, holding steadfastly within us the remembrance of His judgments." Here we are reminded by Jesus Christ's calling to remain vigilant and awake. This means that we have to be always spiritually awake and ready to meet the Lord. It reminds us of the vigilant and wise five virgins that were prepared to meet the bridegroom who arrived at an unknown time. Our hope is to be like these five wise virgins, and not like their counterpart, the five foolish virgins. The wise virgins were prepared with enough oil in their lamps, and their souls were ready to meet the Lord. So also must we be ready to meet the Lord, in each and every moment of our lives, whether we are awake or asleep. Great Compline is composed of three sections, each beginning with the call to prayer, "O come, let us worship God...". The First Part includes the hymn "*God is with us. Understand all ye nations and submit yourselves for God is with us.*" This is from Isaiah 8-9. This refrain should not be understood as a claim that God is with US and NOT with "the nations"; instead, as the verses that follow make clear, it is a hymn of joy that "God-with-us", Emmanuel, has come into the world, and that He brings us the saving help promised in the preceding psalms. The Second Part includes the Prayer of Manasseh from 2 Chronicles 33:10-17. Manasseh was one of the most idolatrous of the Kings of Judah, but after being captured by the Assyrians, he repented of his idolatry and begged for God's mercy. The Third Part includes the hymn "*O Lord of Hosts, be with us. For we have none other help in times of sorrow, but Thee. O Lord of Hosts, have mercy on us.*" "Lord of Hosts" is the most used name for God in the Scripture occurring 272 times. This Refrain is sung between the verses of Psalm 150 – the last Psalm. The Lord of Hosts is the king of all heaven and earth – the Pantocrator. The sun, moon, planets, stars and their angels were the highest objects of religious worship to the pagans in general. The Scripture teaches us about a Being who was the Lord of all these, showing at once God's superiority to all of creation. When we feel overwhelmed and powerless to do anything, run to the Lord of Hosts, our only help. The service consists of about a dozen Psalm readings, several prayers and several hymns. Grand Compline is simple yet profound, it is challenging yet comforting, sobering yet encouraging. It makes us realize that our sins are as many as the grains of the sand on the seashore, and yet God's mercy is more infinite than the widest sea.