



SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
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Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest
Bishop ANTHONY

“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

SUNDAY, 14 MARCH 2021; TONE 7 / EOTHINON 7

Sunday of Forgiveness (CHEESE FARE SUNDAY)



THE EXPULSION FROM PARADISE

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.

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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Food for Hungry People & Charitable Outreach 47th Anniversary Campaign

Even during the Pandemic our Parishioners, collected over **\$160,000** last year. With just a little extra effort from every parish we can try to collect and distribute more this year to those in need. This year we celebrate **47 years of raising funds for our FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE & CHARITABLE OUTREACH Program.** Through your generosity, over \$6.2 million has been distributed to the hungry poor in the United States and around the World. During this past year, we made every effort to reach out to those in need in our own Parishes and in our local communities.

Following the Feast of the Resurrection, please bring your collection boxes to Church for the money to be sent to FFHP Coordinator Robin Lynn Nicholas.

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His Eminence
The Most Reverend
Metropolitan JOSEPH
ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA



Archbishop of New York and
Metropolitan of
All North America

Great Fast, 2021

No one can say, "I am poor and hence I have no means of giving alms." For even if you cannot give as the rich gave their gifts into the temple treasury, give two farthings as the poor widow did, and from you God will consider it a greater gift than the gifts of the rich. And if you do not have as much as two farthings? You can take pity on the sick and give alms by ministering to them. And if you cannot do even this? You can comfort your brother by your words. "A good word is better than the best of gifts."

-----St. Dorotheos of Gaza

Beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I pray that you and your families are safe and in good health as we prepare to begin another Lenten journey that culminates in the death and resurrection of our Lord.

Last year at this time we were just becoming aware of a virus that started to rear its ugly face on the shores of North America. Just as we began our holy Lenten season, our journey to Pascha was interrupted, and our rhythm of prayer, fasting and almsgiving suffered. Nevertheless, we persevered thinking this interruption to our “normal” way of life would soon be over and we would quickly resume our daily routines as usual. Here we are a year later and, while there is hope now that a vaccine is available and being distributed, we nevertheless will once again have a different Lenten experience.

Despite this different time in which we live, there is one program that should never suffer due to our modified way of life, that program is the Food for Hungry and Charitable Outreach Program. This outreach, under the guidance of Ms. Robin Nicholas, has helped countless numbers of people for the past 47 years! People now, more than ever, are in need depend on our pennies, nickels and dimes that we collect from all over the archdiocese.

As we begin a new fast, let us this year more than ever, be vigilant in our effort to give alms. While we might not be able to participate as fully as usual in the liturgical and prayer life of the Church because of the pandemic, let us increase our efforts in helping the poor and others in need. Let us emulate the words of St. Dorotheos of Gaza quoted above remembering that, even if we ourselves are experiencing some economic difficulty during this time, let us give what we can and if we cannot give, let us minister to the poor in other ways. Let us strive to reach out and help our brothers and sisters who are in need at this trying time as we examine our hearts and souls in order to cleanse them as we approach the feast of our Lord’s glorious resurrection from the dead.

Wishing you all a fruitful and spiritually rewarding fast, I remain,
Your Father in Christ,



+JOSEPH

Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America

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BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

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

THE DOXASTICON FOR SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS IN TONE SIX

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

The time cometh for us to begin our spiritual contests and triumph over the demons. Let us put on the complete armor of abstinence which is the beauty of the angels and the confidence before God; for thereby Moses spoke with the Creator, and he heard the voice of the Invisible One. Thereby, O Lord, make us worthy to worship Thy Passion and holy Resurrection, since Thou art the Lover of mankind.

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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• **The Divine Liturgy Hymns of the Day:**

During the Little Entrance, chant the Tone 7 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 SEVEN

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.

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 FORGIVENESS SUNDAY IN TONE SIX

O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

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

THE EPISTLE (For Sunday of Forgiveness)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: O chant unto our God, chant ye. Clap your hands, all ye nations!

Clergy: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Romans. (13:11-14:4)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in chambering and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts. But as for the one who is weak in faith, receive him, but not for disputes over opinions. For one believes he may eat anything; but the weak person eats herbs. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to be the judge over the servant of a stranger? To his own master he either stands or falls; but he will be made to stand; for God is able to make him stand.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Choir: *It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High.
To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night.*

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (For Sunday of Forgiveness)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew. (6:14-21)

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

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• **After “One is Holy, One is Lord...”, sing the following Hymns in Tone Two:**

Let us all hasten to the subjugation of the flesh by abstinence, as we approach the divine battlefield, the battlefield of blameless fasting. Let us pray to the Lord, our Savior, in tears and prayers, turning away completely from sin, and crying, “We have sinned against Thee, O Christ, the King. Save us, therefore, as of old Thou didst save the people of Nineveh; and make us partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom, O compassionate One.”

If I were to imagine all my sins deserving all punishment, I would despair of myself, O Lord Savior; for by them have I disobeyed Thy noble commandment, wasting my life in extravagance. Wherefore, I beseech Thee to purify me with Thy showers of forgiveness, and lighten me with fasting and supplication; for Thou alone art compassionate; and reject me not, O all-bountiful and of transcendent goodness.

Let us begin the season of fasting with rejoicing, giving ourselves to spiritual strife, purifying soul and body, fasting from passions, as we fast from foods, faring on the virtues of the Spirit, which, if we continue to long for, we shall all be worthy to behold the most solemn Passion of Christ, and the holy Passover, rejoicing with spiritual joy.

Praise the Lord from the Heavens. O Praise ye Him in the Highest. Alleluia

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• **After “Blessed be the Name of the Lord...”, sing the following:**

FIRST LENTEN GREAT PROKEIMENON IN TONE EIGHT

Deacon: The Evening Prokeimenon!

Choir: Turn not away Thy face from Thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily. Attend to my soul, and deliver it. (TWICE)

Verse 1. *Let Thy salvation, O God, help me. (Refrain)*

Verse 2. *Let the poor see it and be glad. (Refrain)*

Verse 3. *Seek God, and thy soul shall live. (Refrain)*

THE APOSTICHA FOR FORGIVENESS SUNDAY IN TONE FOUR

Thy grace hath risen, O Lord, the illumination of our souls hath shone forth. Lo, now is the acceptable time; the season of repentance hath come. Let us cast down the works of darkness, and put on the works of light, that we may pass the great tempest of fasting and reach the summit of the third-day Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the Savior of our souls.

THE DISMISSAL AND CEREMONY OF MUTUAL FORGIVENESS

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COMMEMORATIONS OF THE DAY - The Venerable Benedict of Nursia; and Euschemenos, bishop of Lampsakos.

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PARISH PRAYER LIST: Mary Miller; Sarah Sanders; Richard & Bette Malooley.
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OFFERING SCHEDULE	Holy Bread or Memorial	Epistle Reader	Usher
Sunday, March 14		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 FIRST WEEK OF LENT'S SERVICES & EVENTS

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

- 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 - [On Zoom](#), Lent begins tonight**
- Mar 15 Mon, 7 pm **Grand Compline w/ St Andrew Canon 1st part** – [On YouTube](#)
- Mar 17 Wed, 5:30 pm **Pre-Sanctified Liturgy** – [On YouTube](#)
- Mar 19 Fri, 7 pm **Akathist/Medayeh 1st Part (Flowers Appreciated)** – [On YouTube](#)
- Mar 20 Sat, 6 pm **Vespers** – [On YouTube](#)
- Mar 21 Sun, 8:45 am **Orthros**, 10 am Divine **Liturgy** – [On YouTube](#),
 Seminarian Collection

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

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UPCOMING LENTEN & PASCHAL SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL SERVICES & EVENTS

- March 21, Orthodoxy Sunday Seminarian Collection, Council Meeting at 11:30 am 6:30 pm Pan-Orthodox Vespers at St Haralambos GOA Church in Niles, IL**
- 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.**

Get Your Food For Hungry People Collection Boxes Today!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	MARCH 15 How many clocks do you have in your home? Deposit .25 for each in your Food for Hungry People Box because "time" is running out for those who are starving.	16 "Put a little love in your heart," get FFHP off to a good start. Put in a dime for all the "loves" in your life.	17 Count the number of Bibles in your home and deposit .50 for each, because Jesus said, "I was hungry and you gave me food."	18 Count the number of soda cans or water bottles in your home. Put in .15 each, because Jesus said, "I was thirsty and you gave me drink."	19 How many tablets do you own? Deposit .25 each. Tablets can be a means of communication. Let's communicate our love for the hungry.	20 Count the number of steps (inside and outside) of your home. Pay .10 for each step. Help the hungry "step" into a new future.
21 How many mirrors are in your home? Pay .15 for each. Let your "mirror" reflect the image of one who cares.	22 Count the locks in your home. Pay .20 for each lock. Let's "unlock" the door that gives hope to the hungry.	23 How many rings do you have? Deposit .15 per ring. This will help us b"ring" food to the hungry!	24 How many eggs are in your refrigerator? Pay .15 for each. Hungry people have to "scramble" for their food.	25 How many doors does your home have? Pay .20 for each. Help open a "door" to a better future for the world's hungry.	26 Have everyone in the family deposit all the loose change they have in their pockets or purses. It makes "cents" to help the hungry	27 How many electrical outlets are in your kitchen and living room? Pay .15 each. You'll get a "charge" out of feeding the hungry.
28 "Button up your overcoat" - so simple to do. They are not only hungry but very cold too. Deposit .50 for each coat in your home.	29 For every cellphone in your home, pay .30. It is "long distance" to hungry areas in most parts of the world. Let's make it a toll free number.	30 How many extension cords do you have in your home? Pay .25 for each. Let's "extend" a helping hand to those who need it.	31 For each pie or cake in your home, deposit .40. We should never "dessert" the hungry.	April 1 How many Apple products do you own? For every one deposit .35. Let's never "tune out" the hungry.	2 For every salt and pepper shaker, pay .25. Let's all "sprinkle" their lives with a little seasoning.	3 For every TV show that was watched today pay .35. TV helps us see around the world, this money will help us feed the hungry around the world.
11 How many cars are in your family? You can't "Dodge" the hungry, but you can a"Ford" to pay .50 for each car.	12 "Day by day," from dawn till night, Hunger knows no hour - nor if it's day or night. Pay .20 for each lamp in your home.	13 How many cameras do you have? Pay .30 for each. This will help us make all "negatives" positives.	14 Pick up all the loose change laying around the house. Put it in your FFHP Box. This will help make a "change" in the world!	15 Count the scissors you have in your home and pay .25 for each pair. Let's "cut-out" the hunger in hunger-y!	16 How many members are in your family? Pay .20 for each. The hungry have families to feed also; let's make this a real "family affair!"	17 How many towels are in your home? If you pay .05 for each towel, this may help us "wipe out" hunger for all people.
18 "Hey Big Spender" drop a coin in the slot - give unto others what they haven't got! Put in a coin or bill of your choice.	19 How many heads of lettuce are in your refrigerator? Pay .30 for each. "Lettuce" show the hungry that we care.	20 Count the cans in your cupboard. Pay .05 for each. Don't let their cupboards be like "Old Mother Hubbard's!"	21 How many friends do you have on Facebook? Pay .05 for each friend. Let's be-"friend" those in need.	22 How many sweaters do you have? Pay .10 for each. Sweaters keep you warm. This is one time they won't mind if we "pull the wool over their eyes."	23 How many chairs are in your home? Pay .15 per chair. We can't just "sit" around when so many people are hungry.	24 How many cookbooks do you own? Pay .20 for each. We will be able to "cook up" a better recipe for the hungry to live by.

“Blessed are the merciful for they will receive mercy (Mt 5:7). The merciful is he who gives to others what he himself received from God. Whether it is money, food, strength, a helpful word, a prayer, or anything else that he has through which he can express his compassion for those in need. At the same time he considers himself a debtor, since he has received more than he is asked to give by Christ’s grace, both in the present and in the world to come, before the whole of creation he is called merciful, just as God is called merciful.” St. Peter of Damascus