



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
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“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

Sunday, 21 November 2021; Tone 5 / Eothinon 11 Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos



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

PASTOR: Father Mark Sahady

ECCLESIAARCH: Rdr Michael Baum

SACRISTAN: SbDn David Anderson

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Melanie Thompson, *Chair*
Mark Kerasotes, *Vice-Chair*
Ronald Malooley, *Treasurer*
Michael Kasap, *Secretary*
George Nimee

Genie Sanders, *Chanters/Choir*
Dee Khoury, *Antiochian Women*
David Anderson, *Sunday School*
Wayne Sanders, *Facilities*
Markella Fousekas

BULLETIN PART ONE – ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH FINANCES

October 2021 Income-Expense

Total October Income: \$4,751.00
Total October Expenses: \$7,084.61
Net Income October: \$-2,333.61
Total Jan-Oct Income: \$50,322.20
Total Jan-Oct Expenses: \$57,750.18

October 2021 Income Breakout

Seminaries Collection: \$233.00
Rip's Fundraiser: \$1,142.00
College Student Fund: \$131.00
Stewardship Offerings: \$3,245.00
Net Income Jan-Oct: \$-7,427.98

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

WORSHIP On Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy__6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA

STUDIES & MEETINGS On Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5822049765>

November 20, Saturday, **Vespers at 5 pm**

November 21, Sunday, **Matins 8:45 am, Divine Liturgy 10 am, Fellowship 11:15am**

Parish Council Mtg 11:45 am

November 23, Tuesday, **Akathist of Thanksgiving, 7 pm**

November 27, Saturday, **Vespers at 5 pm**

November 28, Sunday, **Matins 8:45 am, Divine Liturgy 10 am, Fellowship 11:15am**

• November 30 - Giving Tuesday – World Day of Giving to Charities

December 1, Wednesday, **Presentation on St Andrew, 7 pm at Church & On Zoom**

December 3, Friday, **Vespers for Saint Barbara, 7 pm**

December 4, Saturday, **Vespers at 5 pm**

December 5, Sunday, **Matins 8:45 am, Divine Liturgy 10 am, Fellowship 11:15am**

December 8, Wednesday, **Presentation on Theotokos Conception, 7 pm & On Zoom**

December 10, Friday, **Advent Service, 7 pm**

December 11, Saturday, **Vespers at 5 pm**

December 12, Sunday, **Matins 8:45 am, Divine Liturgy 10 am, Chanter/Choir Sunday**
Fellowship 11:15am, Ladies Mtg 11:45 am,

December 15, Wednesday, **Presentation on Ss Herman & Lucy, 7 pm & On Zoom**

December 17, Friday, **Advent Service, 7 pm**

December 18, Saturday, **Vespers at 5 pm**

December 19, Sunday, **Matins 8:45 am, Divine Liturgy 10 am, Ignatius Sunday,**
Fellowship 11:15am, Ladies Mtg 11:45 am, Christmas Caroling at 1 pm.

December 20, Monday, **Vespers w-Canon for Holy Week of Christmas**

December 22, Wednesday, **Vespers w-Canon for Holy Week of Christmas**

December 24, Friday, **Royal Hours 8 am, Vespers Liturgy 10 am,**
Matins 5 pm, Liturgy 6:15 pm, Fellowship 7:30 pm

December 26, Sunday, **Matins 8:45 am, Divine Liturgy 10 am, Fellowship 11:15am,**

December 31, Friday, **Vespers w-Artoklasia for New Year 6 pm, Fellowship 7 pm.**

Thank you to everyone: 56 pounds of food collected for Illinois Valley **Food Pantry**

Thank you to everyone for helping with the **Bake Sales** bringing in a total over \$6,000

Our Men's Club Fundraiser has begun & ends Dec 26. (10=1K) Contact George Nimee

BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

- The “Glory” hymn at the end of Matins:

THE DOXASTICON FOR THE ENTRANCE IN TONE TWO

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

Today the all-blameless Virgin is presented in the Temple for the abode of God, the King of all, the Nourisher of all our souls. Today the all-pure holiness doth enter into the Holy of Holies, as a three-year ewe. Wherefore, let us, like the angel, hail her, saying, Rejoice, O thou who alone art blessed among women.

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 GREAT DOXOLOGY AND TROPARION “Having Risen from the Tomb”

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- The Hymns of the Day during the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom:

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THE GREAT LITANY & THE FIRST ANTIPHON:

Verse: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God and in His holy mountain. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

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

Verse: God is known in her palaces for a refuge. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God. (*Refrain*)

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

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THE LITTLE LITANY & THE SECOND ANTIPHON:

Verse: The Most High hath sanctified His tabernacle. Holiness and majesty are in His sanctuary.

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

Alleluia.

Verse: This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter in thereat. (*Refrain*)

Verse: Holy is Thy temple, and wonderful in righteousness. (*Refrain*)

Verse: Glory to the Father... Both now and ever... O, only begotten Son and Word...

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THE LITTLE LITANY & THIRD ANTIPHON:

Verse: Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor. The King’s daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. Virgins shall be brought to the King after her: her companions shall be brought unto Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying: Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator’s dispensation.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAY:

Priest: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God,
Who art risen from the dead, who sing unto Thee, Alleluia.

All: Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing unto Thee, Alleluia.
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• *After the Little Entrance (Eisodos), sing these Apolytikia in the following order.*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE:

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

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KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR:

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.

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PRAYER & THE TRISAGION HYMN
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• *The Scripture of the day:*

THE EPISTLE (For the Feast):

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. He hath regarded the lowliness of His servant.

Clergy: Wisdom!

Reader: Reading from the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Hebrews. (9:1-7)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, the first tabernacle had ordinances of the divine services and an earthly sanctuary. For the first tabernacle was prepared, in which were the candlestick, and the table, and the bread of the offering, which is called the Sanctuary. And behind the second veil stood the tabernacle which is called the Holy of Holies; having a golden altar of incense, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, which contained a golden jar holding the manna, and Aaron’s rod that budded, and the two tablets of the covenant; and above it the two Cherubim of glory overshadowing the Ark’s lid; of these things, we cannot now speak in particular. Now these things having been thus prepared, the priests go in continually into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the divine services; but into the second the high priest enters alone, once in the year, not without blood, which he offers for himself, and for the ignorances of the people.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Choir: Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (For the Feast):

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (10:38-42; 11:27-28)

At that time, Jesus entered a certain village; and a woman named Martha received Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to His teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to Him and said, "Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As He said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore Thee, and the breasts that Thou didst suck!" But He said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

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• **Instead of "It is truly meet..." Sing:**

MEGALYNARION OF THE ENTRANCE IN TONE FOUR

The Angels beholding the entrance of the all-pure one were overtaken by surprise; how hath the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies? Since thou art a living temple of God, O Theotokos, no impure hand shall touch thee. But the lips of believers, let them ceaselessly laud thee, crying unto thee joyfully with the voice of the angels: Verily, O undefiled Virgin, thou art more exalted than all creatures.

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• **After "One is Holy, One is Lord..." & "I Believe O Lord and I Confess..." Sing:**

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR THE FEAST IN TONE EIGHT

I will take the cup of salvation, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord. Alleluia.

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COMMEMORATION: The Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos to the Temple

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PRAYER LIST: Mia Gerber, Sarah Sanders, Bill Miller III, Mike Kasap, Dee Khoury, the Kerasotes Family

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Offering Schedule	Holy Bread - Memorial - Fellowship	Epistle Reader
Sunday, November 21	Mark Kerasotes for mother Patricia	Mark Kerasotes
Sunday, November 28	Mike & Ruth Baum	Mike Baum
Sunday, December 5	Nick & Anysia Medawar	Nick Medawar
Sunday, December 12	Leonard & Panizzi Families	Open
Sunday, December 19	John & Melanie Thompson	John Thompson
Friday, December 24	Wayne & Genie Sanders Family	Wayne Sanders
Sunday, December 26	Richard & Bette Malooley	Richard Malooley
Friday, December 31	New Year's Eve Open	

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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| Nov. 4 – John Sahady | Nov. 15 – Anysia Medawar |
| Nov. 5 – Michael Harshman | Nov. 20 – John & Freda Kapetaneas (Anniv) |
| Nov. 11 – Monique & Jim Harvey (Anniv) | Nov. 21 – Mary Lynn Malooley Spitz |
| Nov. 13 – Georgia Kapetaneas | Nov. 22 – John Kapetaneas |
| Nov. 14 – Kh Barbara Sahady | Nov. 27 – Pratik & Melissa Desai (Anniv) |

BULLETIN PART THREE – SPECIAL EVENTS

2022 Calendars are available at Church - Thank you to Barto Funeral Home

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Order Online Your Saint George Fall Sportswear Crewneck SweatShirt, Hoodie SweatShirt, Full-Zip Hoodie SweatShirt, all sporting the St George logo! Order online at: <https://kaleels.com/product-category/st-george-orthodox-church/> shipped directly to you.



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GIVING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday was created to unite us all in a day of generosity, to make a difference in the world in a positive loving way. It has since grown into the biggest giving movement in the world. With **YOUR HELP** we can make our **SECOND Giving Tuesday** at Saint George Orthodox Church a **SUCCESS!** Make an impact on Tuesday, November 30 by supporting [Saint George Orthodox Church](https://gofund.me/75d46665) on **#GivingTuesday**. <https://gofund.me/75d46665>

Where does my donation go?

These monies will go directly to the continuation of our 103 year old Saint George Orthodox Church including needed repairs, expenses and ongoing projects. Your donation assists in the perpetuation of all church ministries and services including: Sunday School, Workshops, Bible Studies, Community Support, Spiritual Counseling.

When can I make a donation?

ANYTIME from now till November 30, 2021 we are accepting donations for our **#GivingTuesday** campaign! <https://gofund.me/75d46665>

HOW CAN I DONATE TO SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH ON #GIVINGTUESDAY?

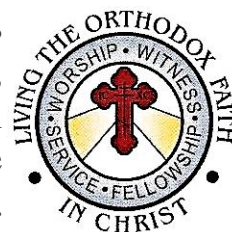
Click on the [GoFundMe Link](https://gofund.me/75d46665) or Call Saint George Church at (815) 664-4540 or email us at office@springvalleyorthodox.com and we will guide you through the options below:

- Click on the GO Fund Me Link: <https://gofund.me/75d46665>
- OR Go to <https://www.springvalleyorthodox.com> and click on the DONATE button at the bottom of the page to make an electronic donation.
- OR Make your check payable to “Saint George Orthodox Church” and mail your check to Saint George Church, P.O. Box 122, Spring Valley, IL 61362

Join us in remembering our beloved Saint George Orthodox Church on this #GivingTuesday! = November 30th.

Join us in making a difference? Support Saint George Orthodox Church as we serve the Spring Valley, IL, community by providing an authentic, empowering experience of faith as the family of God. Any donation will help make an impact. Thanks in advance for your contribution to the spiritual well-being of all those who want to grow in the Love of God.

#GivingTuesday! = November 30th at <https://gofund.me/75d46665>



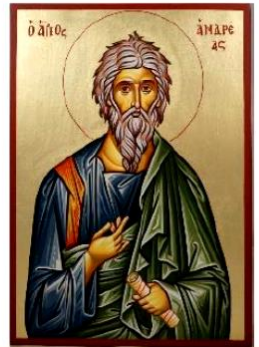
Four Feasts of the Advent Season

Slide Presentations Wednesday Evenings 7:00-8:00 pm

Wednesday, December 1

St. Andrew: Apostle to the World

Andrew the Apostle (feast day November 30) was the first disciple to follow Jesus and traveled farthest spreading the Word of Christ's coming, resurrection, and salvation for humanity. We'll visit many places he evangelized across Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, and see icons, churches, and memorials to him.



Wednesday, December 8

Conception of the Theotokos: Beginning of Our Salvation

In honor of the feast on December 9, we'll examine the central role the Mother of God played and plays in God's plan for our deliverance. Her miraculous conception by Sts Joachim and Anna is the very beginning of the Christmas story – or does the beginning go back to Adam? Icons and stories of an answer to prayer and what happened after.

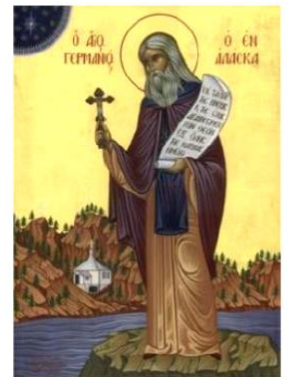


Wednesday, December 15

St Lucia & St Herman: Two Great Saints



Very different people from very different eras – filled with the same love for Christ and sharing the same feast day (December 13). Lucia (Lucy), the 3rd-century Italian virgin martyr, appears as a bringer of light in dark times. Herman, a simple Russian monk sent thousands of miles from home to a frozen and deadly wilderness, brought the light and news of Christ to the native peoples of Alaska and earned their love to this very day. Icons, pictures, stories, and more.



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For Parish Council Election in January, two candidates are needed. If you would like to make a difference and be involved in shaping the future of your church step forward. Council members must practice servant leadership by identifying and examining the ministry needs of the parishioners and taking the necessary steps to meet those needs, whether through the improvement and expansion of existing ministries or through the creation of new ones. Their responsibility is to assist the Pastor in fulfilling the Orthodox Church's mission to live and proclaim the Gospel of Christ. This involves the administration of Parish ministries including planning, developing, organizing, and implementing stewardship, educational, fellowship & outreach programs of the Church.

