



# 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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“Love, Pray, Repent”

“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

## 18 September 2022, Tone 5 / Eothion 3 After-feast of the Elevation of the Cross



**MATINS/ORTHROS, 8:45 AM • DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 AM**

**PASTOR:** Father Mark Sahady

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

### **Elected / Appointed Members**

Melanie Thompson, *Chair*  
Wayne Sanders, *Vice-Chair*  
Ronald Malooley, *Treasurer*  
Nicholas Schaefer, *Secretary*  
George Nimee, *Antiochian Men*  
Rdr Michael Baum, *Ecclesiarch*

### **Organization Representatives**

Genie Sanders, *Chanters/Choir*  
Dee Khoury, *Antiochian Women*  
Sbdn David Anderson, *Sunday School*  
Robert Abraham, *Facilities*  
Nicholas Medawar, *Order of St Ignatius*  
No Teen Rep Presently, *SOYO*

## BULLETIN PART ONE – ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

Contact Fr Mark by calling the Church 815-664-4540. Council Minutes Binder is in Hall

**WORSHIP** On Youtube: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy\\_\\_6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy__6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA)

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

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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

September 17, Saturday, **1 pm Topic: The Parish as Steward** by Fr. Barnabas Powell  
**3 pm Topic: Inspiring Generosity and Stewards** by Rev. Dr. Robert Holet

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September 17, Saturday, **6 pm Vespers**

September 18, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy, 11:45am Council mtg**

September 23, Friday, 9 am Membership Committee meeting

September 23, Friday, **6 pm Serving Meal at PADS to homeless**, Arrive by 5:30 pm

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September 24, Saturday, **6 pm Vespers**

September 25, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy, 11:15 am Fellowship**

**11:45 am Order of St Ignatius Meeting**

September 27, Tuesday, **6:30 pm Forum: Wholeness through Windows to Heaven**

September 29, Thursday, 11 am – 1 pm, Nativity Roman Catholic Church Lunch

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October 1, Saturday, **6 pm Vespers**

October 2, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins, 10 am Divine Liturgy, 11:15 am Fellowship**

October 5-6, Wednesday-Thursday, 4-9 pm Rip's Dinner, tickets from Mark Kerasotes

October 6, Thursday, 9 am Stewardship Committee Meeting

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Offering Schedule	Holy Bread & Food Fellowship	Epistle Reader
<b>Sunday, September 18</b>	George & Patrice Nimee	George Nimee
<b>Sunday, September 25</b>	Fr Mark & Kh Barbara Sahady	Kh Barbara
<b>Sunday, October 2</b>	Open	Open
<b>Sunday, October 9</b>	Medawar & Sanders Families	Open
<b>Sunday, October 16</b>	George & Patrice Nimee	George Nimee
<b>Sunday, October 23</b>	Open	Open

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### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 3: Ron and Mari Ford (anniversary)

Sept. 4: Tyler Thompson

Sept. 6: Chris & Jennifer Baran (anniv.)

Sept. 8: Mike Kasap

Sept. 11: Andrea Schaefer

Sept. 12: George Nimee

Sept. 16: John Thompson

Sept. 17: George & Patrice Nimee (anniv.)

Sept. 20: Jay Klein

Sept. 25: Jax Thompson

Sept. 25: Kaitlyn Kelly

Sept. 29: Nancy Johnson

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### CHURCH FINANCES

#### August 2022 Income-Expense

Total August Income: \$6,228.24

Total August Expenses: \$6,678.89

Net August Income: \$-450.65

#### January-August 2022 Totals

Total Year Income: \$ 51,768.18

Total Year Expense: \$60,005.81

Total Year Net Income: \$-8,237.63

## BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

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

### THE THIRD EOTHINON DOXASTICON IN TONE THREE:

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

Verily, the Disciples were taunted for the hardness of their hearts because they doubted when Mary Magdalene proclaimed to them the fact of the Resurrection of the Savior and His appearance to her. But, when they were armed with miracles and wonders, they were sent out to warn. As for Thee, O Lord, Thou didst ascend to Thy Father, the Element of all light; and they preached in every place verifying their words with wonders and miracles. Wherefore, we who were enlightened by them glorify Thy Resurrection from the dead, O 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 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 AND THE FIRST ANTIPHON:

**Verse:** O God, my God, attend to me; why hast Thou forsaken me? Far from my salvation are the words of my transgressions.

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

**Verse:** My God, I will cry by day, and wilt Thou not hearken? And by night, and it shall not be unto folly for me. But as for Thee, Thou dwellest in the sanctuary, O Praise of Israel.

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

**Verse:** *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

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

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### THE LITTLE LITANY AND THE SECOND ANTIPHON:

**Verse:** O God, why hast Thou cast us off unto the end? Remember Thy congregation which Thou hast purchased from the beginning.

**Refrain:** Save us, O Son of God, Who wast crucified in the flesh; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

**Verse:** This is Mount Zion wherein Thou hast dwelt.

**Refrain:** Save us, O Son of God, Who wast crucified in the flesh; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

*Verse:* God is our King before the ages. He hath wrought salvation in the midst of the earth.

*Refrain:* Save us, O Son of God, Who wast crucified in the flesh; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

*Verse:* Glory to the Father...Both now & ever...O, only begotten Son & Word of God...

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### THE LITTLE LITANY AND THE THIRD ANTIPHON:

The Lord reigneth, let the people rage; He sitteth upon the cherubim, let the earth be shaken. The Lord is great in Zion; and He is high above all peoples. Let them confess Thy great Name, for it is terrible and holy.

### APOLYTIKION OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE ONE

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

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### THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAY:

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

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

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

### APOLYTIKION OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE ONE

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

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

### KONTAKION OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE FOUR

Thou Who wast raised up on the Cross of Thine own will, O Christ our God, do Thou bestow Thy compassions upon this, Thy new commonwealth named after Thee. Gladden with Thy sov'reign might our most Orthodox hierarchs and vouchsafe them victory over every false teaching; and as Thy help in war may they possess the weapon of peace, the trophy invincible.

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### THE LITANY AND THE TRISAGION HYMN

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

**THE EPISTLE (For the Sunday after the Elevation of the Holy Cross):**

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** How magnified are Thy works, O Lord.

In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**Clergy:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Reading from the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Galatians. (2:16-20)

**Clergy:** Let us attend!

**Reader:** Brethren, knowing that a person is not justified by the works of the Law, but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by the works of the Law; for by the works of the Law shall no flesh be justified. But if, while we sought to be justified in Christ, we ourselves also were found sinners, is Christ then a minister of sin? God forbid! For if I build up again those things which I destroyed, I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself up for me.

**Clergy:** Peace be to thee, who readest.

**Reader:** And to thy spirit.

**Chanter:** God is our King before the ages;

He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth!

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

**THE GOSPEL (For the Sunday after the Elevation of the Holy Cross):**

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark. (8:34-9:1)**

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the Gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And He said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God come with power."

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

**THE ORDINARY KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN):**

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

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**COMMEMORATION:** The After-feast of the Elevation of the Cross; our Righteous Father Eumenios the wonderworker, bishop of Gortyna; and Martyr Ariadne of Phrygia.

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**BULLETIN PART THREE – MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO**

The Parish Communion Chalice, Paten, Spoons, Spears, and Hand Crosses' re-goldplate cost will be \$3,000. Anyone interested in donating this, please contact Fr Mark.

2022 St George Community Events  
Everyone welcome!  
In-person or on Zoom!



# Wholeness

Through Windows to Heaven:  
Body & Soul in Sacred Art

Illustrated panel discussion

Tuesday night, September 27: 6:30 pm



**Bodies, minds, and spirits – God means them to work together for our good!** Come hear how the holy pictures called icons engage us both spiritually and physically, and can help guide us toward wholeness with God. Speakers:

**Fr Jonathan Bannon:** Pastor at Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church in Rockford, IL, and an artist and icon painter. Fr Jonathan will explore the process of creating icons from the standpoints of tradition, art, and prayer.

**Fr Mark Sahady:** Pastor at St George Orthodox Church in Spring Valley, IL. Fr Mark will comment on the use of icons in prayer and reflection, with examples drawn from the historic icons that grace our own historic church building.

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

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## **RIP'S Chicken Fundraiser, Cost \$12**

**October 5 and 6, 2021 Time: 4 – 9 pm**

At **RIP'S TAVERN**, [www.ripschicken.com](http://www.ripschicken.com)

311 N Main Ave, Ladd, IL 61329

¼ Light or Dark Chicken with Fries,

-or- Chicken Strips with Fries

### **Dine-In or Carry-Out**

For Carry-Out, Call 815-894-3051

to Schedule Pickup Time.

**Dessert Sale: 5-8 pm both days.**

**Contact Mark Kerasotes for Tickets**

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**Join in and Help out on Friday, September 23, to Serve a Meal at PADS-Peru, IL** Illinois Valley **P**ublic **A**ction to **D**eliver **S**helter, Established 1991, to provide shelter, food, and services to people in need. Their Core Values are to Value human dignity and worth, Serve with compassion and generosity, Partner with communities for local resources, Empower people to be self-sufficient. Services are designed to offer a hand up, not a hand out. They provide the following: A bunk bed with storage tote, laundry basket, and locker storage, 3 meals per day (breakfast and dinner served in the shelter along with a sack lunch), restrooms with showers, washer and dryer, Individualized case management with goal setting and a plan of action, On-site classes in job skills, computer skills, budgeting, parenting, and more along with a support group and Bible study, Occasional transportation to appointments, Assistance with a variety of needs – applying for other social services, assistance with prescriptions, referrals to medical and mental health professionals, etc. All must agree to and comply with all shelter rules.

**Contact Ruth Baum for Coordination of food and servers**

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### **The Divine Liturgy – Epiklesis**

After the elevation of the eucharistic gifts to the Father, the celebrant of the Divine Liturgy prays for the Holy Spirit to come upon them, and upon all of the people, and to change (or as the Liturgy of Saint Basil says, to show) the bread and wine offered in remembrance of Christ to be the very Body and Blood of the Lord. The prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit is considered by the Orthodox to be an essential part of the Divine Liturgy. It is called the epiklesis, which means literally the calling upon or the invocation. The Orthodox Church believes, as it prays, that the Holy Spirit is always “everywhere and fills all things.” The invocation of the Holy Spirit at the Divine Liturgy is the solemn affirmation that everything in life which is positive and good is accomplished by the Spirit of God. Creation, salvation, eternal glorification; the entire

work of God in making and saving the world is accomplished by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is the one who dwelt in Jesus making him the Christ. He is the one by whom Christ was incarnate of the Virgin Mary. He is the one who led Christ to the cross as the innocent Victim, the one who raised Him from the dead as the triumphant Victor. He is the one who guarantees the indwelling of God with men in the Holy Communion of the Church and in the life of the Kingdom to come. "Again we offer unto Thee this reasonable and bloodless worship, and we ask Thee, and pray Thee, and supplicate Thee: Send down Thy Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts here offered. And make this bread the precious Body of Thy Christ. And that which is in this cup, the precious Blood of Thy Christ. Making the change by the Holy Spirit. That these gifts may be to those who partake for the purification of soul, for remission of sins, for the communion of the Holy Spirit, for the fulfillment of the Kingdom of Heaven; for boldness towards Thee, and not for judgment or condemnation." In the Orthodox Churches of the Slavic tradition, the Prayer of the Third Hour is added to the epiklesis. It is a prayer asking the Lord to send the Holy Spirit to the Church right now as He did "at the third hour" to His holy apostles and disciples on Pentecost. This prayer was added to emphasize the necessity of the Holy Spirit in the sacramental action of the Divine Liturgy, and to affirm that nothing at all may be done in Christ without the specific intervention of the Spirit of God.

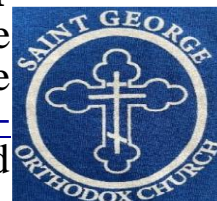
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The **Silent Auction** for purses and jewelry **from the Rummage Sale** continues **this Sunday** - write down **final bids** during Fellowship. Thank you to all who helped with the Rummage Sale. Thank you to the A-Men group for their donation of \$200 and for the Hot Dog sale during lunch times. Thank you to the A-Women for making it happen.

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**Now Order Online Your Saint George Fall Sportswear** Crewneck SweatShirt, Hoodie SweatShirt, Full-Zip Hoodie SweatShirt along with the T-Shirts, all sporting the St George logo! Order online at: <https://kaleels.com/product-category/saint-george-orthodox-church/> and your order will be shipped directly to you. Part of each purchase supports the church!



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**Diocese Fall Gathering, October 21-22, 2021, hosted by St. George-Fishers, IN**

<https://www.stgindy.org/events/midwest-fall-family-gathering/>

Bishop Anthony invites everyone to join him in Fishers, IN for a weekend of spiritual nourishment, community service, and fellowship.

Church Name: Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church

Church Address: 10748 East 116th Street; Fishers, IN 46037

Phone Number: (317) 845-7755

Event Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/midwest-diocese-family-fall-gathering-tickets-412995890827>

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**Prayer Warriors – Contact Mark Kerasotes – Pray for Parish**

Meet to Pray at Church - Pray at Home - Pray at same time

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on ... us all!

Let us be transformed through Prayer!