

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church
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Right Reverend Archimandrite Duane Pederson, *attached*

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2012

THE SUNDAY OF THE TEN LEPERS

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE

TONE: 6

EOTHINON: 9

On this day, we commemorate: *Venerable Paul of Thebes & John the Hut-dweller*
Venerable Martyr Pansophios of Alexandria; Venerable Gabriel of Lesnovo.

DIVINE LITURGY TODAY OF ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

During and after the Little Entrance with the Gospel Book, sing:

The Troparion of the Resurrection in Tone: 6

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 there-by. 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.

Then sing:

The Troparion of St. John the Hut Dweller in Tone: 4

Since thou hadst with fervor longed after the Lord from thy youth, thou leftist the world with its delights and nobly didst strive in valiant ascetic deeds. Thou didst pitch thy hut before the gates of thy parents; thou didst break the demons' snares, O all-blessed Father. And therefore, as is meet, hath Christ God glorified thee, O John.
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The Troparion of St. George, our Patron saint.

The Kontakion of the Meeting of the Lord in Tone: 1

Thou, who didst sanctify the virginal womb by thy nativity and didst bless the hands of Simeon, hast come this day and saved us, O Christ God. Grant peace and strength to the Orthodox people whom thou hast loved, O only Lover of mankind.

*Prokeimenon: O Lord, how manifest are your works;
You have made all things in wisdom.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

EPISTLE: The Reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians
(3:4-11)

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices, and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST LUKE
(17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them, He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed.

Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to Him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

HOLY BREAD

Holy Bread is given for the health and welfare of Tom and Mary Rudquist and family All the members of St. George, Mercedes Sikaffy, The monk Theodolus, and in memory of: The newly departed Shirley Ziembra, Very Reverend Essa and Khouria Olympia Kanavati, Juan Sikaffy, Very Reverend Elias and Khouria Rose Kanavati, Miriam Sikaffy, Zarafat Khoury.

COFFEE HOUR

The coffee hour is offered this morning by Tom & Mary Rudquist. Everyone is invited to this time of fellowship.

MEMORIAL

We will hold a memorial service for this morning for Kh. Olympia Kanavati. May her memory be eternal!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all our guests and visitors. We are delighted to have you visiting and worshipping with us this morning and hope that you return again soon. We invite you to participate in the Divine Liturgy, but due to the sad divisions in Christianity **only baptized/chrismated members of the Orthodox Church who have made their Confession before an Orthodox priest and prepared themselves by fasting may receive Holy Communion.** Please come forward after Liturgy to venerate the Cross and partake of the *Antidoron* - Holy Bread. Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour after the Liturgy. Also, please **turn off your cell phones and all electronic devices.**

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Lorraine DeFlorin, Wally Golden, Nicholas Marinkov, Yasmin Kakish, Mary Saba, Erma Ziton, John Etoll, Jackson & Hunter Golden, Julie Funari, Denise Scott, Mavis Aussey, Margaret Boalbey, Gracie Holmes, Katherine Melchert, Carol Haddad, Ted Goll, Betty Ablan & Rosa Neimy.

If you are ill and wish to be remembered in the Liturgy and daily prayers of the priest, please contact Fr. Tom.

OUR CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to Liz Ziemba and her family, on the falling asleep of her mother, Shirley Ziemba. May her memory be eternal!

DRAFT 2012 PARISH DIRECTORY – The 2012 Parish Directory is now available and may be picked-up in the box by the bulletin board. Please review your contact information let us know about any corrections that need to be made.

CONGATULATIONS

Our heart felt congratulations to Archdeacon Russell and Phyllis Hodge who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 13th. We will have a special blessing for them in church this morning. May God grant them many years!

THIS WEEK

CHOIR PRACTICE

Sunday Jan 15, rehearsal after liturgy – Bass Section.
Wednesday Jan 18 – Full Choir rehearsal.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study will meet Wednesday, January 18, at 7:00 PM. in the church hall.

PARISH COUNCIL

There will be a Parish Council Meeting, January 19, at 6:30 P.M.

VESPERS

We will serve Vespers, Saturday January 21, at 5:00 P.M.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOUSE BLESSINGS

Please call Fr. Tom to schedule a house blessing. Houses should be blessed between Theophany and the beginning of Great Lent.

HOLY BREAD LIST LIST

Jan. 22 Bashara/Can

Jan. 29 Pat Burbank

Feb. 5 Joannie Alevizos

Feb. 12 Norman Holmes & Memorial

COFFEE HOUR

Pat Burbank

Bishop's luncheon

If you can take one of the open dates, please contact Joannie Alevizos. If you would like to offer Holy Bread or a memorial for your loved one on a date that is already taken please feel free to schedule it with Joannie. Also, if you would like to host the coffee hour the same Sunday, please contact Sanaa. It is completely proper to have more than one memorial or holy bread on a Sunday.

Choir Rehearsals for January 2012

In anticipation of our Bishop's Visit in February

Sunday Jan 22 – Alto

Wednesday – Jan 25 – All

Sunday – Jan 29 - Sop

MEOCCA CATECHISM

You can still participate in the Spring MEOCCA Catechism. Pick-up a schedule at the ushers desk today!

Antiochian Village Summer Camp Registration Now Online!

Are you ready for summer 2012? We are! Registration is open for campers who will be between the age of 9 (or entering 4th grade) through 17 next summer. Register online now... it's the best Christmas gift there is!

MARCH FOR LIFE

This year the March for life will be January 22, at 2:00 at the State Capitol. There will be a short service for the unborn at 12:30 PM at St. Mary's GOC. Following the service the bus will leave to go to the Cathedral to then march to the capitol. (See flyer on bulletin board).

LADIES SOCIAL EVENT Tickets were donated for the Joke Joint Comedy Club in Lilydale for January 21st, Saturday, at 8:00PM. The address is 801 Sibley Memorial Highway. If you are interested in going to dinner before the performance or just going to the performance, please sign up on the sheet in the Social Hall with your request. We have 16 tickets. Thank you

FOCUS SERVING SCHEDULE

The future serving dates for FOCUS meals are: Jan 15th, 22nd and Feb 12th, 19th, 26th. Please help as you can. (for more information see flyer on the bulletin board).

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

We will celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple, February 1, at 6:30 P.M.

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

The Antiochian Women of St. George will hold their meeting February 2, at 6:00 P.M. Please plan to attend. We have important things to discuss prior to the visit of our new bishop.

BISHOP'S VISIT

Our Bishop Anthony has agreed to make his first pastoral visit to St. George on the weekend of February 3-5. St. George Church holds a very special place in the heart of our new bishop and he is looking forward to visiting us! Please mark your calendars. As we receive more information we will pass it on.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

The Super Bowl Party will be held February 5, sponsored by the St. George Men's Club. More information will be published as we draw near the date.

DEFIBRILLATOR The AED, automated external defibrillator, is located at Church when you walk in the office; go to the right, on the shelf behind the main door. This will be the location until the AED storage box arrives.

Stewardship Envelopes - For those parishioners that use envelopes, 2012 stewardship envelopes are located outside the Church Hall. If you do not see envelopes assigned to you, please contact Habte Techlehaimanot or Pat Percy. If your child was not assigned envelopes and you would like them to participate in the child stewardship program, let Habte or Pat know.

Archdiocese Assessment - To help our Church meet the Archdiocese assessment, an envelope is included in the stewardship envelopes for this purpose. The suggested amount per parishioner is \$40. If you do not use envelopes, please mark your check as Archdiocese Assessment. Thank you to those parishioners that have already contributed!

Mortgage Balance - As of January 1, 2012, the balance for our mortgage is \$110,450.95

2011 Donation Statements - The 2011 donation statements have been prepared and will be distributed over the next several weeks. Financial donations to our Church are only one part of being a member at St. George -- your time and talents are appreciated also! For your information, the following table shows a breakdown of the giving at St. George for 2011. The first column shows the number of families that contributed the amount in column 2 (yearly total). Column 3 shows the yearly total broken down to a weekly amount. Thank you to all that financially contribute to St. George!

No. of Families	Yearly Amount	Weekly Amount
29	\$10 - \$130	25 cents- \$2.50
40	\$131 - \$550	\$3 - \$11
31	\$590 - 1350	\$12 - \$25
29	\$1400 - \$5500	\$27 - \$105
2	\$7500 - \$8500	\$145-\$155
2	\$10000-\$13000	\$200-\$255
1	> \$20,000	\$385
TOTAL 134		

Encountering the Icon

Icon Classes begin soon!

So is our immersion into iconography as a form of Holy Scripture.

It is nothing else but the Bible, and the correct interpretation of the Bible, transferred to paint and mosaic... "

"Christ," says St. Paul, "is the icon of the invisible God" (Col. 2:7).

The schedule of 2012 classes is as follows: please register by sending a deposit of \$75.00 to Icon Art Studios, 13921 127th Street North, Stillwater, MN, 55082. All inquiries can be sent via e-mail at akorluka@aol.com or my cell at 612-889-5868.

Session 1 will concentrate on the prototype of "The Holy Face". Sessions 2 and 3 will offer a new study, for 2012- "Prayer and Contemplation with Angels". Either an archangel or the guardian angel will be the prototype of choice for icons written during these sessions.

Session 1- at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church on Lake Calhoun, 3450 Irving Ave. South, Mpls., 55408, Thursdays from 5:30 to 9:30 on January 19, 26, and February 2 and 9. Tuition cost is \$135.00 plus materials.

Session 2- at St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, Thursdays from 6:00 to 9:30 on February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. Tuition cost is \$195.00 plus materials.

Session 3- at the Basilica of St. Mary, Hennepin at Sixteenth Street, Mpls., 55403 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays, March 3,10,17 and 24 during Great Lent. Tuition including materials \$295.00

