

# SAINT GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH

UNIONTOWN, PA

THE FINDING OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE | 02 JANUARY 2022

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*St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness  
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### PARISH CLERGY

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**Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Charles D. Machesky**  
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**New to St. George?**  
Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping  
with us! We hope that you will soon call our parish  
your home! Please contact the parish office for more  
information.



### FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

On 1 January we celebrate many events. It is the secular New Year. We have already begun a new year of grace with the liturgical “new year” in November but the secular new year still provides us with a sense of renewal of purpose and priorities.

We also celebrate the secular “World Day of Peace” which calls for common understanding, cooperation, and reconciliation between peoples. This is a laudable goal as we live in most uncertain times.

The First of January is also the feast day of Saints Basil and Gregory, two great men, two of the three great Cappadocian Fathers, who provided great influence in the development of monasticism and the battle against the heresy of Arianism.

We also celebrate the Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord. Even though He was not subject to the Law, Christ underwent circumcision to show us the fulfillment of the Old Law and the New Law of Grace given to us in Baptism, the feast that we will celebrate on the 6th of January.

With so many things to remember it gives us an opportunity to reflect on various aspects of our faith and culture to see how the Light of Christ can be lived out in the religious and secular world. Using the examples of Basil and Gregory and the graces given to us in Holy Baptism, we are called to go out into the world to spread the Gospel of Christ to all peoples and nations!

Abouna Aaron

# PARISH INFORMATION

## Parish Office

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## Mrs. Paula Toth

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### Organist

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## Stay Connected

Website | [www.stgeorgeuniontown.org](http://www.stgeorgeuniontown.org)

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## Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 pm

Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Tue & Thu | 6:00 pm

Wed & Fri | 8:30 am

# PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 26 December 2021

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$1,590.00
Electronic Giving	\$452.00
Christmas	\$1,709.00
Candles	\$122.00
Received	\$3,954.00
Budget	\$3,200.00
Difference	\$754.00

## Stewardship | 2021 Final

Received	\$179,326.00
Budget	\$160,000.00
Surplus	\$19,326.00

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

FRI 24 DEC 7:00PM	97
SAT 25 DEC 9:30AM	80
SUN 26 DEC 9:30AM	98
TOTAL	275

# PARISH EVENTS AND POINTS OF INTEREST

**Welcome!** We wish a **warm welcome** to all our visitors and to those who **already call St. George home**. We are happy to have you worshipping with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to the parish clergy. We hope you will soon make St. George your spiritual home!

**Thank You!** Fr. Aaron would like to offer a very hearty **thank you** to anyone who gifted him for Christmas! May God reward you for your generosity and love!

**Feast of the Epiphany.** We will celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany on **Thursday, 6 January at 6:00pm**. This is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. During this liturgy we will bless Epiphany Water. Please bring your **empty** bottles with you so you can take the blessed water home with you. If you would like to schedule a **Home Blessing during the Epiphany Season**, please email or call me and I would be happy to bless your homes and businesses!

**Adult Faith Formation.** Our Adult Faith Formation program will meet on **Thursday, 06 January** for a class on the Epiphany by Fr. Alex Harb **at 7:00pm**.

**FY2021. Thank you** to everyone who has contributed to our parish stewardship throughout the previous year. We were able to hold a few familiar and a few new fundraisers for the parish and our parish organizations this year but, as the pandemic continued throughout the year, most of our operational costs were covered by individual contributions and weekly collections. Despite the pandemic we have finished the year with a modest **surplus**. May God continue to reward you for your devotion to His Holy Church! With inflation and several looming capital projects on campus, 2022 will be a year where fundraising events and other efforts will be essential to securing a solid financial outlook for the parish for the next year.

**January Vigil Lights.** The memorial for the **Vigil Lights** for the month of January is available.

**MYO.** All youth in **Grades 6-12** are encouraged to sign up for MYO. Please call or text **Subdeacon Chuck Michael** at 724.323.4653. Also, please sign up on **Remind** to keep up to date with any MYO events and announcements by texting @myo202 to 81010.

**Faith Formation.** Youth Faith Formation will be held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays** of the month. The next class will be held on **Sunday, 09 January** at 9:30am.

**Stewardship.** Online stewardship is the easiest and most secure way of contributing to the financial stability and health of our parish. Please consider making your weekly or monthly contributions online. Instructions can be found on the parish website. **Thank you for your continued generous support for St. George Church.**

**Liturgy Intentions.** If you would like to schedule a liturgy for a loved one or any other intention, please **contact the parish office**, send a note via **mail** or **collection basket**, or **email**. If you have already scheduled a recurring monthly or yearly liturgy please **remember** to send in your stipend before the liturgy is celebrated.

## St. George eBulletin Flocknote Mailing List

Keep up to date with parish news, events,  
and important communications and surveys!



# LITURGY INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION	
SAT	01 JAN	4:00PM	+ Elizabeth "Libby" John	<i>by</i> Simon & Sherry John
SUN	02 JAN	8:30AM	+ George & Ruth Harttung	<i>by</i> Joseph & Beate Nassif
SUN	02 JAN	10:30AM	+ Thomas J. George	<i>by</i> Sherry Pollick & Family
TUE	04 JAN	6:00PM	Intentions of Parishioners	
WED	05 JAN	8:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	
THU	06 JAN	6:00PM	<b>Intentions of Parishioners</b>	
FRI	07 JAN	8:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	
SAT	08 JAN	4:00PM	+ Ann Gabriel	<i>by</i> Dr. Pete & Mary Gabriel
SUN	09 JAN	8:30AM	+ Rose Michael Swartz	<i>by</i> Daughters & Grandchildren
SUN	09 JAN	10:30AM	+ James & Martha Nassif Nesser	<i>by</i> N. Joseph & Beate Harttung Nassif

# PARISH CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>02</b> <b>Finding of Our Lord in the Temple</b> Pope St. Silvester I  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am  Heb 7:11-19 Luke 2:41-52	<b>03</b> Malachi the Prophet  No Liturgy  Heb 7:20-28 Luke 2:25-35	<b>04</b> Pope St. Caius, M  Liturgy   6:00pm  Heb 6:9-12 Luke 2:36-40	<b>05</b> St. Paul, the First Hermit, C  Liturgy   8:30am  Rom 5:1-11 Luke 3:1-6	<b>06</b> <b>Feast of the Glorious Epiphany</b>  Liturgy   6:00pm Adult Faith Formation   7:00pm  Tit 2:11-3:7 Luke 3:15-22	<b>07</b> Praises of St. John the Baptist, M  Liturgy   8:30am  Col 1:24-29 Luke 7:18-30	<b>08</b> St. Carterius the Priest, M  Liturgy   4:00pm  Col 2:1-7 Matt 3:13-17
<b>09</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany</b> St. Eustratius, C  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am  Heb 7:11-19 Luke 2:41-52	<b>10</b> St. Gregory of Nyssa, C  No Liturgy  Heb 7:20-28 Luke 2:25-35	<b>11</b> St. Theodosius of Antioch, C  Liturgy   6:00pm  Heb 6:9-12 Luke 2:36-40	<b>12</b> St. Tatiana, M  No Liturgy  Rom 5:1-11 Luke 3:1-6	<b>13</b> St. Jacob of Nisibis, C  No Liturgy  Tit 2:11-3:7 Luke 3:15-22	<b>14</b> St. Hilary of Potier, C  No Liturgy  Col 1:24-29 Luke 7:18-30	<b>15</b> <b>Our Lady of the Sowing</b> St. John Calybites  Liturgy   4:00pm  Col 2:1-7 Matt 3:13-17
<b>16</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany</b> The Chains of St. Peter  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am  2 Cor 4:5-15 John 1:35-42	<b>17</b> St. Anthony the Great  No Liturgy  2 Cor 1:1-11 John 1:43-51	<b>18</b> St. Athanasius of Alexandria, C  No Liturgy  2 Cor 1:12-24 Luke 5:1-11	<b>19</b> St. Macarius of Egypt, C  No Liturgy  2 Cor 2:1-11 Matt 4:18-25	<b>20</b> St. Euthymius the Great, C  No Liturgy  2 Cor 2:12-17 Matt 9:9-13	<b>21</b> St. Sebastian, M  No Liturgy  2 Cor 12:17-13:4 Matt 9:35-38	<b>22</b> <b>St. Timothy, Disciple of St. Paul</b>  Liturgy   4:00pm  2 Cor 13:5-13 Matt 10:1-6
<b>23</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany</b> Pope St. Sergius I  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am  Gal 3:23-29 John 3:1-16	<b>24</b>  No Liturgy  2 Cor 4:16-5:10 John 5:1-16	<b>25</b> Conversion of St. Paul  No Liturgy  Gal 1:11-17 Matt 20:1-16	<b>26</b> St. Agnes, M  Liturgy   8:30am  2 Cor 6:1-13 John 9:13-25	<b>27</b> St. Paula, C  Liturgy   6:00pm  2 Cor 6:14-7:1 John 9:26-41	<b>28</b> St. Ephrem, C  Liturgy   8:30am  Heb 13:7-17 John 15:1-8	<b>29</b> <b>St. Hippolytus of Antioch, M</b>  Liturgy   4:00pm  2 Cor 7:11-15 John 19:38-42
<b>30</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany</b> St. Maximus the Confessor Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am  Rom 7:1-6 John 4:5-26	<b>31</b>  No Liturgy  Rom 7:7-13 John 4:31-38	<b>01 Feb</b> St. Pionius and His Companions, M  Liturgy   6:00pm  Rom 7:14-25 John 4:39-42	<b>02</b> <b>Presentation of Christ in the Temple</b>  Liturgy   8:30am  Rom 9:30:10:4 Luke 2:22-35	<b>03</b> St. Simeon the Elder & St. Anna the Prophetess, C  No Liturgy  2 Cor 1:8-14 Luke 2:36-41	<b>04</b> St. Isidore of Pelusium, C  No Liturgy  2 Cor 3:1-6 John 7:37-39	<b>05</b> St. Agatha, M  Liturgy   4:00pm  2 Cor 3:7-14 John 19:28-37



# SACRAMENTAL & PASTORAL CARE

**MYSTERIES OF BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION** | Sacramental Preparation is required before a baptism can be scheduled. We encourage this to happen before the birth of a child.

**MYSTERY OF CROWNING** | Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Marriage Preparation is required as part of the process.

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK** | If a loved one is hospitalized, ill, or homebound, please call or email the Parish Office. For emergencies, please call Father Aaron directly at 315.790.0059.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** | Faith Formation for both Children and Adults will be available during the academic year.

**CONFESSIONS** | Confessions are held on Saturday from 3:00-3:45pm or by appointment.

## JANUARY MEMORIALS

<b>Sanctuary Light</b>	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
<b>Vigil Lights</b>	Available	
<b>Altar Bread &amp; Wine</b>	Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly	<i>by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, &amp; Families</i>

## PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | David Gallo | Aliya Davis | Loretta Joseph | Kimberly Steinmiller | Shirley Sokol | Patty Benson  
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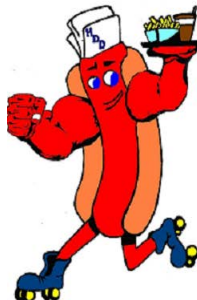
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