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UNIONTOWN, PA 2ND SUNDAY OF HOLY CROSS | 24 SEPTEMBER 2023

A CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
ANTIOCHENE SYRIAC MARONITE CHURCH
*St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness
of the Gospel and living the richness of the Syriac
Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and
striving for personal and communal holiness.*

Most Reverend Gregory John Mansour
Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

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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 spiritual home! Please
contact the parish office for more information.



FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Syriac Churches sing a hymn on Friday night that prays:

*Adam instructed his children of what reason he and Eve were called
to depart from Paradise. He spoke to them of his former authority
and of his fall and his exile when he was shamed. It is not fitting
for the foot that ran to the Tree to tread the Holy Place when it is
not clean. It is not right for the hand that plucked the fruit in Eden
to wave over the Offering of the Lord. Christ, who came and walked
on the earth and uprooted its thorns, by you Adam returned to
Paradise.*

All of us, by birth, are children of Adam. Because of his fall it
is not fitting that Adam's children would minister to the Lord
in worship. However, because of the Incarnation and because
of the Cross, we are not merely children of Adam.

All Christians, by the new birth of Baptism, are children of the
Father once again. This is why Christians may again offer
prayer, sacrifice, and worship to God. Adam walked through
the Garden to the Tree and plucked Its Fruit leading to Death.
Christ walked upon the Earth to the Tree and became Himself
the Fruit that we pluck in the Eucharist leading to Life. May
we walk always with the Lord towards the Tree of Life, and
not follow the footsteps of our father Adam in his path of
disobedience, exile, and shame. For the Cross is our refuge,
our protection, and our joy!

Abouna Aaron

PARISH INFORMATION

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Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 pm
Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Wed | Vespers | 7:00 pm
Tu - Fri | 8:30 am
Feasts | 7:00 pm



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 17 September 2023

1 st Collection	\$1,607.00
Electronic Giving	\$51.00
Candles	\$75.00
Miscellaneous	\$70.00
Capital Campaign	\$23.00
First Responders	\$200.00
Hall Rental	\$250.00
Received	\$2,276.00
Budget	\$3,500.00
Difference	-\$1,224.00

Stewardship | 2023 YTD

Received	\$148,350.00
Budget	\$122,500.00
Difference	\$25,850.00

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.

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!

Bible Study. Our **Bible Study Program** meets twice monthly for Vespers at 6:00pm followed by Bible Study at 6:30pm. The next study will be on the **Book of Psalms on 26 September**.

St. John Car Show. St. John the Baptist Byzantine Church will be having its annual **Classic Car Show on Sunday, 24 September from 12-4:00pm**.

Faith Formation classes begin on **Sunday, 24 September**. All school age children are **expected** to be enrolled and regularly attending Faith Formation, participating in the MYO, serving the Liturgy (for boys), or in other roles during and outside the liturgy (for girls).

ARS. The **Altar & Rosary Society** will meet on **Sunday, 1 October**, praying the Rosary and Litany at 9:50am.

Blessing of Animals. To celebrate the Feast of St. Francis, we will offer the **Blessing of Animals on 4 October at 6:00pm** under the portico of the Church.

Maronite Youth Organization. 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. To be **eligible for any Parish Scholarships**, or to be recommended for any **NAM or Eparchial awards**, a child must be a **regular communicant** at Sunday and Festal liturgies and an **active participant** in the **MYO/Faith Formation** program.

Eparchial Benefit. Save the date! The **14th Annual Benefit Dinner** for the Eparchy of Saint Maron will be held on **Thursday, 5 October 2023**.

Second Collection. A second collection will be taken on **Sunday, 22 October for World Mission Sunday**.

Trunk or Treat. Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on **Saturday, 28 October at 5:00pm**. Donations for a small dinner would be greatly appreciated.

SVDP. The **St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry** is in need of **food and/or monetary** donations. Monetary donations can be sent to the parish office. Food donations can be brought to the pantry directly or to the parish. Thank you for your support for the most in need in our community!

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.

PARISH LITURGICAL AND EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>24 2nd Sunday of Holy Cross St. Thecla, the First Woman Martyr, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias G. <i>e</i> Harriet Rafail <i>by Family</i></p> <p>MCF 9:20am Liturgy 10:30am + Joanne John <i>by Sherry Pollick</i></p> <p>Joel 2:1-16 1 Cor 15:19-34 Matt 24:1-14</p>	<p>25 St. Paphnutius the Confessor, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 3:1-6 Matt 1:16-22</p>	<p>26 St. John the Evangelist, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>by Phil e Richard Susa</i></p> <p>Vespers 6:00pm Bible Study 6:30</p> <p>Rev 3:7-13 Matt 11:20-24</p>	<p>27 St. Vincent de Paul, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Rev 3:14-22 Matt 12:29-32</p>	<p>28 St. Chariton, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Ian McKenzie <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Rev 4:1-11 Matt 12:33-37</p>	<p>29 St. Romanos the Cantor, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Joanne John <i>by James e Kelly John</i></p> <p>Rev 5:1-10 Matt 12:38-42</p>	<p>30 St. Gregory the Illuminator, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>by Eli e Bev George</i></p> <p>Rev 6:9-17 Matt 12:43-45</p>
<p>01 Oct 3rd Sunday of Holy Cross</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>MCF 9:20am Rosary 9:45am Liturgy 10:30am Living Members of the Altar Rosary Society</p> <p>Dan 7:9-14 Phil 3:17-4:1 Matt 24:23-31</p>	<p>02 Sts. Cyprian e Justina, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Heb 10:32-39 Matt 24:3-14</p>	<p>03 St. Dionysius the Areopagite, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>by Charles e Sally Calabrese</i></p> <p>Rev 10:1-11 Luke 6:20-26</p>	<p>04 St. Francis of Assisi, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Sondra Yezbak <i>by Ladies Guild</i></p> <p>Blessing of Animals 6:00pm</p> <p>Gal 6:11-18 Matt 11:25-30</p>	<p>05 St. Paul the Simple, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Rosemarie Gabriel <i>by Ladies Guild</i></p> <p>Rev 12:1-12 Luke 21:34-38</p>	<p>06 St. Thomas the Apostle, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Joanne John <i>by Janine Schuessler</i></p> <p>Rev 13:1-18 John 5:17-23</p>	<p>07 Sts. Sarkis & Bacchus, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" e Amy George <i>by Tom e Donna Kolencik</i></p> <p>2 Cor 4:7-15 Mark 13:9-13</p>
<p>08 4th Sunday of Holy Cross St. Pelagia of Antioch</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Helen Sloboda <i>by her Children</i></p> <p>MCF 9:20am</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am +Loretta Joseph <i>Forty Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Gen 41:38-44 1 Thes 5:1-11 Matt 24:45-51</p>	<p>09 St. James, Brother of the Lord, Ap</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>2 Cor 5:20-6:7 Luke 6:12-19</p>	<p>10 Sts. Eulampius e His Sister Eulampia, e Their Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Loretta Joseph <i>by Eli e Bev George</i></p> <p>Rev 18:1-8 John 16:20-24</p>	<p>11 St. Phillip the Deacon, C Pope St. John XXIII Nicaea I</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Esther Bene <i>by Paula e Mike George</i></p> <p>Rev 19:1-16 Luke 12:16-21</p>	<p>12 St. Edno, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Heb 7:11-17 John 15:1-8</p>	<p>13 Sts. Carpus e Papylus, e Their Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>by Raymond e Harriet Learn</i></p> <p>Rev 21:22-22:5 Luke 15:3-7</p>	<p>14 St. Isaiah the Monk, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm</p> <p>Rom 6:18-23 Matt 10:28-33</p>
<p>15 5th Sunday of Holy Cross</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Lorraine George <i>by Paula e Mike George</i></p> <p>MCF 9:20am</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Joanne John <i>by Marvin e Marlene Miller</i></p> <p>Song 5:2-8 Phil 2:12-18 Matt 25:1-13</p>	<p>16 St. Longinus the Centurion, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Cor 1:1-9 Luke 16:1-12</p>	<p>17 Sts. Cosmas e Damian, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Gerald Deeds <i>by Eli e Bev George</i></p> <p>1 Cor 1:10-17 Luke 18:1-8</p>	<p>18 St. Luke the Evangelist, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>2 Cor 8:16-22 Luke 10:1-7</p>	<p>19 St. Aaron of Antioch, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Rev 7:9-17 Matt 10:16-22</p>	<p>20 St. Shallita (Artemius), M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Phil 1:21-30 Matt 5:1-12</p>	<p>21 St. Hilarion of Tabatha, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm</p> <p>1 Cor 4:14-21 Matt 22:1-14</p>

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 **3:30-3:55pm** or by appointment.

SEPTEMBER MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen
by Family

Vigil Lights

Eli & Rodie Gabriel
by Sherry Pollick & Family

Altar Bread & Wine

Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly
by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

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Benson | Leonard W. Neill II |
Davey Rusko | Jim Delgreco |
Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-
Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Gina
Michael | Cookie Shady Benson |
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