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SAINT GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH

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13TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST | 28 AUGUST 2022

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
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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,

During the Liturgy we sing a beautiful hymn following the reception of Communion while the priest performs the ablutions. The text of this hymn comes from our funerary tradition and is sung during the *gnizo* celebrated before the burial. The text translates as:

Because I have consumed your Holy Body may the fire not consume me, and because I have touched it to my eyes, may they behold, O Lord, Your grace. Here, O Lord, I have not been a stranger to You, there may I not be an outcast. Do not set me among the goats, but make me worthy to praise You with the lambs at Your right hand.

You have given me, O Son of God, food for the journey, and when I was hungry I partook of Your Gift, O Savior of the World. May the fire shrink back from my members as the perfume of Your Body and Blood drives it from me. May Your Baptism be for me an unfailing ship to transport me from the region of fear to the place of the fullness of life.

While taken from the funeral rites, this hymn has traditionally played a recurring part in our communion rite at the Liturgy in the Maronite tradition. This is a profoundly beautiful reflection on the role the Eucharist has in our path from this World to the Next. This hymn reflects on the human condition – the reference to the senses (taste, smell, etc.) and on the spiritual condition (our proximity or estrangement from God). The Eucharist is described as *viaticum* or “food for the journey” that nourishes us not only in this life on earth but also in the journey from this life to Paradise. This hymn is also demonstrative of Syriac cosmology, where our tradition describes the afterlife as a journey over a lake of fire on the way to paradise. The fragrance of the Eucharist serves as a “shield” that fends off the flames and also prowling demons that seek to take a soul into Gehenna. Baptism serves as our boat across the fire with the Eucharist as our guide and guardian to the place “full of life.”

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PARISH INFORMATION

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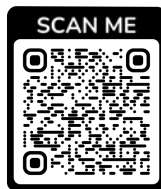
Sat | 4:00 pm

Sun | 9:30 am

Tue & Thu | 6:00 pm

Wed & Fri | 8:30 am

Feasts | 6:00 pm



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 21 August 2022

1 st Collection	\$1,160.00
Electronic Giving	\$381.00
Candles	\$62.00
Feasts	\$25.00
Received	\$1,628.00
Budget	\$3,300.00
Shortfall	-\$1,672.00

Parish Festival

Net after Expenses \$30,968.00

Stewardship | 2022 YTD

Received	\$125,588.00
Budget	\$111,200.00
Difference	\$14,388.00

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!

88th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The Sisters of St. Basil the Great will hold their **88th Annual Pilgrimage** at Mount St. Macrina on **Sunday, 4 September**. The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at **4:00pm**.

First Responder's Liturgy. To commemorate the **Anniversary of the 9/11 Attacks** and our Community's First Responders we will celebrate Liturgy for our First Responders at **4:00pm on Saturday, 10 September**.

Baby Shower. You are cordially invited to a Parish sponsored **Baby Shower** on **Sunday, 11 September** from 11:00am-1:00pm for **The Center of Hope** - a non-profit, faith-based pregnancy care center which provides a variety of services for local families. Our parish goal is to stock the agency with supplies to support these families. Supplies needed: Size 4 or 5 diapers, Pull Ups size 3T-4T, vaporizer/humidifier, baby gate, bottle warmer, swing, highchair, Walmart gift cards, and receiving blankets. Items for expecting moms such as maternity clothes sizes Large (12-14) and above (can be new or gently used), and toiletries for new moms would be appreciated. They have a sufficient supply of baby clothing and bedding. Please extend this invitation to your family and friends. RSVP to the **Parish Office**. Anyone interested in helping to make this event a success, please contact **Ronda Risha** at 724.557.0399.

Second Collection. A second collection will be taken on **10-11 September** for the **Catholic University of America**.

Faith Formation. Our **Youth Faith Formation** program for 2022-2023 will begin on **Tuesday, 13 September** at **6:30pm**. Faith Formation for will be held on the **2nd and 4th Tuesdays** of the month (with a few adjustments for holidays).

Bible Study. Beginning **Tuesday, 13 September** at **6:30pm**, our parish **Adult Faith Formation** program will hold a **Bible Study** examining the **Major Prophets of the Old Testament**.

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.

Rosary Walk. The **33rd Annual Rosary Walk** will be held on **Sunday, 18 September** at **2:00pm**.

Night at the Races. Save the Date! We will host our annual **Night at the Races** on **Saturday, 8 October**. Doors open at 5:30pm and **races start at 6:00pm**. More information to come!

Trunk or Treat. Save the Date! Our annual **Trunk or Treat** for our children will be held on **Friday, 28 October** at **5:00pm**. More information to come!

Seeking Collection Counters. Financial **best practices** call for our parish to maintain a fresh and **revolving** team of counters to oversee our weekend stewardship. If you can serve as a counter, please contact the Parish Office to arrange for training and scheduling.

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.

PARISH LITURGICAL AND EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>28 13th Sunday of Pentecost St. Moses the Ethiopian, C Liturgy 9:30am +Elizabeth & Joseph George Ryzek <i>♂</i> Daughters Martha, Leslie, Caroline, Amelia, <i>♂</i> Families by Corrine, Ernie, Natalie, <i>♂</i> Rick +Kay Alexander <i>40 Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Gen 2:8-17 1 Cor 3:1-11 Luke 8:1-155</p>	<p>29 Beheading of St. John the Baptist, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 John 1:1-10 Luke 13:31-35</p>	<p>30 Bl. Estephan, C</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm + Denise Nestor <i>by her Children</i></p> <p>1 John 2:1-11 Luke 14:1-6</p>	<p>31 St. Zakhia, C St. Aegidius, C St. Abda, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>1 John 2:12-20 Luke 14:7-11</p>	<p>01 Sep St. Simon the Stylite, C</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm</p> <p>1 Cor 9:24-27 Luke 18:18-30</p>	<p>02 St. Mammias the Great, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Rom 9:14-22 John 12:44-50</p>	<p>03 St. Theodore the Great, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm +Max Furin <i>by Marie George</i></p> <p>+Robert Wilson <i>40 Day Memorial</i></p> <p>1 John 3:11-22 Luke 14:25-35</p>
<p>04 14th Sunday of Pentecost St. Babyllas, Patriarch of Antioch, M</p> <p>Liturgy 9:30am +Emiline Elias <i>by Richard Elias</i></p> <p>Deut 6:4-9 1 Thes 2:1-13 Luke 10:38-42</p>	<p>05 St. Sharbel of Raha and His Sister, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Col 1:1-9 Matt 10:28-33</p>	<p>06 St. Michael the Archangel, An</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm</p> <p>Rev 12:7-12 Matt 18:1-5, 10</p>	<p>07 St. Sozon, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>1 John 5:1-12 Luke 16:1-8</p>	<p>08 Nativity of the Mother of God</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm + Connie Ferris <i>by Paula Toth ♂ Family</i></p> <p>2 Cor 4:1-6 Luke 8:16-21</p>	<p>09 Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Mother of God, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Matthew Ryan John <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Eph 5:22-32 Luke 3:23-38</p>	<p>10 St. Pulcheria the Queen, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm +First Responders Blue Mass <i>by Ladies of St. George</i> First Responder Reception 5:00pm</p> <p>3 John 1-15 Luke 17:1-4</p>
<p>11 Exaltation of the Holy Cross Observed St. Theodora of Alexandria, C Liturgy 9:30am <i>Subdeacon Mallard ♂ Donna George 44th Wedding Anniversary</i> Baby Shower 11am</p> <p>Exod 17:8-15 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 12:20-32</p>	<p>12 St. Cornelius the Centurion, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>2 Pet 1:1-11 John 3:11-21</p>	<p>13 St. Christopher, M</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm Faith Formation Program 6:30pm</p> <p>2 Pet 1:12-21 John 8:21-30</p>	<p>14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross</p> <p>Liturgy ♂ Procession 6:00pm + Bernard T. John <i>by Simon ♂ Sherry John</i></p> <p>Exod 17:8-15 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 12:20-32</p>	<p>15 St. Shaina, C St. Sassine, M</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm + Connie Ferris <i>by Rose Marie Hensob</i></p> <p>1 Cor 3:1-9 Luke 12:35-44</p>	<p>16 St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Kay Alexander <i>by Barb ♂ Joe George ♂ Family</i></p> <p>Phil 1:1-12 Luke 21:10-19</p>	<p>17 St. Sophia and Her 3 Daughters, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm +George Unice, Jr. <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Heb 12:1-9 Mark 4:24-32</p>
<p>18 1st Sunday of Holy Cross Flight of the Lord Jesus to Egypt Liturgy 9:30am +Richard (Rick) Davidson & Agnes (Aggie) Almes <i>by Larry ♂ Judy Unice</i></p> <p>MCF Meeting 10:30am Rosary Walk 2pm Deut 17:14-20 2 Tim 2:1-10 Mark 10:35-45</p>	<p>19 St. Januarius, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 1:1-8 Mark 8:3-34-9:1</p>	<p>20 St. Eustatius and His Wife & Children, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 1:9-20 Mark 9:33-37</p>	<p>21 St. Quadratus, Bishop of Athens, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Rev 2:1-7 Mark 9:38-50</p>	<p>22 St. Phocas & His Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 6:00pm + Robert Wilson <i>by Ann ♂ Joe Marshall</i></p> <p>2 Cor 13:5-13 Luke 21:10-19</p>	<p>23 Jonah the Prophet</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Rev 2:12-17 Mark 10:28-31</p>	<p>24 St. Thecla, Woman Protomartyr</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm +Harry ♂ Rita Salim Sisson ♂ Dtrs. Terry ♂ Rita Jo <i>by Joe, Ronda Rioba, ♂ Family</i></p> <p>2 Cor 10:1-7 Matt 25:1-13</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	<i>by Family</i>
Vigil Lights	Rose Michael Swartz	<i>by Doug & Paula Sanner & Family</i>
Altar Bread & Wine	Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly	<i>by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families</i>

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | David Gallo | Aliya Davis | Loretta Joseph | Kimberly Steinmiller | Patty Benson
 Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Catherine Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Rodie Gabriel
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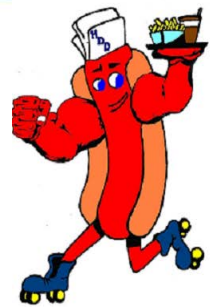
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