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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,

In his Homily *On the Mother of God*, St. Jacob of Serug writes, “Through Eve’s silence came defeat and disrepute, through Mary’s words, Life, Light, and victory.” It is opportune for us in times of uncertainty and anxiety, to reflect upon her life during this holy feast in her honor.

Throughout our lives we are confronted with many challenges, obstacles, and temptations and often through our silence or inaction we allow ourselves and others to succumb to the temptations of the world. Like Eve, we unquestioningly heed the serpent’s suggestions, and allow the world to take hold of us. It is our Christian obligation, however, to embrace Mary’s loquaciousness rather than Eve’s silence! Not only did Mary question Gabriel and enter dialogue with him at her Annunciation but she then broke into a beautiful hymn of praise to God saying, “My Soul doth magnify the Lord! And my Spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior!” It is our calling to engage God in dialogue, questions, and discourse through prayer and meditation. Further, we are called to respond to this dialogue with praise!

It is because of this hymn of praise uttered by the lips of Mary that the Lord did receive the soul of the Mother of God upon her death and usher her through the Gates of Paradise! Indeed, Mary’s hymn “My Soul doth magnify the Lord!” was made clear to the Apostles when they found the Tomb of Mary to be empty.

It is from the Empty Tomb of Christ that the Apostles went forth the first time and from the Empty Tomb of Mary that the Apostles went forth to complete their apostolic missions. One by one each apostle met death and were laid in a tomb as well. But these men went happily to their tombs because they had seen in the Empty Tomb of Mary the foretaste of what they will experience at the Second Coming.

May we all join in the praise of God offered by Mary: “He hath received Israel His servant, being mindful of His Mercy. As he spoke to our Fathers, to Abraham and his seed forever.” Being mindful of the Mercy of God, shown to Mary at her death and promised to us upon our own deaths, let us ask the intercession of the Mother of God that we might be always singing of the mysteries of God with open lips and open hearts in expectation of the Lord’s Coming.

Abouna Aaron

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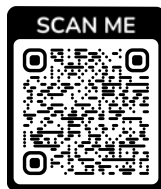
Sat | 4:00 pm

Sun | 8:30 am e³ 10:30 am

Wed | Vespers | 7:00 pm

Tu - Fri | 8:30 am

Feasts | 7:00 pm



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 6 August 2023

1 st Collection	\$1,594.00
Electronic Giving	\$619.00
Donations	\$3,500.00
Candles	\$150.00
Received	\$5,863.00
Budget	\$3,500.00
Difference	\$2,363.00

Stewardship | 2023 YTD

Received	\$137,744.00
Budget	\$108,500.00
Difference	\$29,244.00

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!

Assumption. We will celebrate the **Feast of the Assumption** with traditional Maronite **Vespers for the feast at 6:00pm on Monday, 14 August followed by the Vigil Liturgy at 7:00pm**. We will also celebrate Liturgy for the feast on Tuesday morning, **15 August at 8:30am**. This is a **Holy Day of Obligation**.

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, 9 September**.

Second Collection. A second collection will be taken the weekend of **9 September for The Catholic University of America**.

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**.

Catechetical Sunday. There will be a **mandatory** Parent-Catechist Meeting at **9:30am on Sunday, 17 September**. Catechists and students will receive a blessing for the new academic year during the **10:30am Liturgy**. **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).

Rosary Walk. The **Annual Rosary Walk** will be held on **Sunday, 17 September at 2:00pm**.

Summer Stewardship and Online Giving. Please remember St. George as you travel during the summer months. Our bills and expenses remain even as we enjoy our vacations and travels.

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>13 12th Sunday of Pentecost St. Hippolytus of Rome, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Descendants of Hassoun <i>☪</i> Gestin Rafail Family <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Thomas J. George <i>by Paula ☪ Mike George</i></p> <p>Ruth 1:15-19 Eph 3:1-13 Matt 15:21-28</p>	<p>14 Micah the Prophet, C Fast</p> <p>Vespers 6:00pm</p> <p>Vigil Liturgy 7:00pm</p> <p>Acts 27:1-26 Luke 12:54-59</p>	<p>15 The Assumption of the Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>by Donna Kowalwy ☪ Vito Dragone</i></p> <p>Sirach 24:1-14 Rom 12:9-15 Luke 1:46-55</p>	<p>16 St. Roch, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Eugene, Bernadette, <i>☪</i> Gene Simon <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Heb 11:1-7 Luke 12:35-44</p>	<p>17 St. Myron of Cyzicus, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Rosemarie Gabriel <i>by Barb ☪ Bob Bakos</i></p> <p>Acts 28:11-15 Luke 13:10-17</p>	<p>18 Memorial of the Letter of King Abgar to Christ</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Joanne John <i>by Phil ☪ Sue Thomas</i></p> <p>Acts 28:16-22 Luke 13:18-21</p>	<p>19 St. Luke of Baalbek, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Martha George <i>by Children</i></p> <p>Acts 28:23-31 Luke 13:22-30</p>
<p>20 13th Sunday of Pentecost St. Bernard, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" <i>☪</i> Amy George <i>by daughter Kathy</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Bernard T. John <i>by Simon ☪ Sherry John</i></p> <p>Gen 2:8-17 1 Cor 3:1-11 Luke 8:1-15</p>	<p>21 Samuel the Prophet, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 John 1:1-10 Luke 13:31-35</p>	<p>22 St. Symphorian, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 John 2:1-10 Luke 14:1-6</p>	<p>23 St. Isaac of Nineveh, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Heb 13:7-17 Luke 4:14-21</p>	<p>24 St. Eutyches of Sebastia, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 John 2:21-29 Luke 14:12-15</p>	<p>25 St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples, Ap</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 John 3:1-10 Luke 14:16-24</p>	<p>26 Pope St. Zephyrinus, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Denise Nestor <i>BirthDay Memorial by Peewee ☪ Kamberly George</i></p> <p>1 John 3:11-22 Luke 14:25-35</p>
<p>27 14th Sunday of Pentecost St. Biyameen the Hermit, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" <i>by Barb ☪ Joe George</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Ferris <i>☪</i> Sandora Risha <i>☪</i> Descendants <i>by Joe ☪ Ronda Rioba ☪ Family</i></p> <p>Deut 6:4-9 1 Thes 2:1-13 Luke 10:38-42</p>	<p>28 St. Moses the Ethiopian, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>2 Tim 4:1-8 Matt 5:13-17</p>	<p>29 Beheading of St. John the Baptist, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Heb 11:32-40 Mark 6:14-29</p>	<p>30 Br. Estephan Ne'mee, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Cor 9:7-12 Matt 20:1-16</p>	<p>31 St. Zakhia, C St. Aegidius, C St. Abda, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Eph 6:10-18 Matt 19:27-30</p>	<p>01 Sep St. Simeon the Stylite, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Cor 9:24-27 Luke 18:18-30</p>	<p>02 St. Mammias the Great, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Rosemarie Gabriel <i>by Barbara ☪ Tom Michael</i></p> <p>Rom 9:14-22 John 12:44-50</p>
<p>03 14th Sunday of Pentecost St. Theodore the Great, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Emiline Elias <i>by Richard Elias</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Freda Kelly <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Mic 7:7-20 1 Thes 1:1-10 Luke 7:36-50</p>	<p>04 St. Babylas, Patriarch of Antioch, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Jas 1-8 Luke 17:5-10</p>	<p>05 St. Sharbel of Raha & 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>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 12:7-12 Matt 18:1-5, 10</p>	<p>07 St. Sozon, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Jas 2:1-13 Luke 17:26-30</p>	<p>08 Nativity of the Mother of God</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Ian McKenzie <i>by Family</i></p> <p>2 Cor 4:1-6 Luke 8:16-21</p>	<p>09 Sts. Joachim <i>☪</i> Anne, Parents of the Virgin Mary, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm Living <i>☪</i> Deceased First Responders <i>by Ladies of St. George</i></p> <p>Eph 5:22-32 Luke 3:23-38</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.**

AUGUST MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen
by Family

Vigil Lights

Subdeacon Thomas & Amy George
by Alan & Marsha George & 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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Teresa Rogers | Aliya Davis |
Loretta Joseph | Kimberly
Steinmiller | Patty Benson |
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Neill II | Davey Rusko | Jim
Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette
Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn
Dennis | Gina Michael | Cookie
Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie
| Kamberly George | Lorraine
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