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4TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST | 13 JUNE 2021

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ANTIOCHENE SYRIAC MARONITE CHURCH
*St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness
of the Gospel and living the richness of the Syriac
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New to St. George's?
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,

In the Gospel reading for this Sunday Our Lord prays, “I give you praise, Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.” It is this childlike state that all of us seek to keep throughout our lives when we approach God in prayer and contemplation. One of the greatest theologian-poets of the Syriac Churches, St. Ephrem, knew deeply the need for a childlike faith in God. He wrote many works against supposedly “wise and learned” theologians who sought to explain every detail of the Mystery of God. He instead offered a beautiful theology of poetry and hymnody that allows us to praise God and extol Him through simple but beautiful and theologically rich means.

Mor Ephrem writes in his *Hymn on the Faith, No. 10*: “When the Lord came down to earth, to mortals, a new creation he created them, like to the Watchers [the angels]. He mingled Fire and Spirit in them, to make them fire and spirit within.” Through his Incarnation, Jesus Christ made us *new creations*, newborn children of God. Through this act of new creation, Jesus imparted to us Fire and Spirit. Fire is the traditional symbol of Divinity – Christ mingled his Divinity with our Humanity in order to give us eternal life. Spirit, that is the Holy Spirit, he mingled in us to enliven our souls and bodies with a new life through the Holy Spirit.

This Fire and Spirit that we receive through Baptism, Chrismation, and the Eucharist continues to transform us from mere earthly creatures into, what Mor Ephrem calls, the likeness of “the Watchers” on high. These Watchers, or angels, are creatures of fire and spirit that are intimately connected to the worship of God. So, as we continue to celebrate Pentecost and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Church, let us recall our Baptism and Chrismation when the Holy Spirit descended upon the water and oil to give us a new birth filled with Fire and Spirit. And let us rejoice in the gift of the Holy Eucharist that we receive from the hands of the priest, that the Holy Spirit again continues to renew and nourish us in Fire and Spirit that we may fulfill our mission given by the Lord to go out to the four corners of the earth bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the nations so that all might worship him in Spirit and Truth.

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PARISH INFORMATION

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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

Stewardship | Week of 06 June 2021

1 st Collection	\$1,896.00
Electronic Giving	\$311.00
2 nd Collections	\$8.00

Candles	\$162.00
Pew Books	\$1,250.00

Received	\$3,627.00
Budget	\$3,200.00
Surplus	\$427.00

Stewardship | 2021 Year-to-Date

Received	\$96,860.00
Budget	\$73,600.00
Surplus	\$23,260.00

Electronic Giving

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.

PARISH EVENTS AND POINTS OF INTEREST

Welcome! We wish a warm welcome to all our visitors and to those who already call St. George's 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's your spiritual home!

Sunday Obligation. Bishop Gregory has decreed that the dispensation from the duty to keep holy the Lord's Day and Sacred Feasts will be suppressed as of Sunday, 27 June. All Maronites after this date will once again enjoy a moral obligation to attend Liturgy on Sundays and Feasts unless genuinely prevented by a grave reason. Failure to keep holy the Lord's Day will once again be a matter of grave sin and require sacramental absolution.

Vacation Bible School. On Friday, 30 July, students entering grades 1-12 are invited to attend a very special one day Vacation Bible School, learning more about our Maronite traditions and celebrating our rich cultural heritage. Save the date for VBS 2021: "Faith, Food, and Family Fun." Please call the Parish Office to register your child or to volunteer to help.

National Maronite Youth Days. Registration is open for this year's Virtual National MYO Retreat on 26-27 June. Registration and more information can be found at: www.maroniteyouth.org

Graduates. We offer our heartfelt congratulations to all of our 2021 graduates from the parish, including: **Hannah Sutton** (Laurel Highlands – California Uni of PA), **Riley Nicole Artis** (Connellsville – WVU Nursing), **David Joseph Zwack** (Bel Air – TBA), **Erin George** (Laurel Highlands – Duquesne), **Haley Sutton** (Cali Uni | Biology & Chemistry), **Noah Michael** (Penn State Fayette | Administration of Justice), and **Morgan Ferris** (Laurel Highlands – California Uni of PA). This has been a unique year and we wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

June Breakfast. Our Parish Breakfasts will return beginning on Sunday, 20 June 2021 between the Sunday Liturgies. Please join us as we return to parish fellowship!

Apostles' Fast. The Ancient Apostles' Fast before the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul begins on Thursday, 10 June until 28 June. The obligatory days of the Apostles' Fast as decreed by the Synod of Mount Lebanon (1736) are 25-28 June. The usual fasting practices are observed.

Second Collection. A second collection will be taken on Sunday, 27 June for the Holy Father's Collection (Peter's Pence).

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 are able to serve as a counter, please contact the Parish Office to arrange for training and scheduling. We are in need of a few more volunteers.

Save the Date. Our Parish Food Festival returns on Sunday, 8 August 2021. Please mark your calendars and more information is forthcoming!

Stewardship. If you are unable to physically attend liturgies you may drop off your weekly stewardship offering at the Parish Office or mail-in your offering. Alternatively, I encourage you to enroll in electronic giving via our parish website. Electronic giving is the most secure and reliable form of stewardship, especially in uncertain times like these. Thank you for your continued generous support for St. George 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.

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.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION	
SAT	12 JUN	4:00PM	+ Rolda Straight	<i>by</i> David & Sandra Pitman
SUN	13 JUN	8:30AM	+ Helen Sloboda	<i>by</i> Family
SUN	13 JUN	10:30AM	+ Nina Napoleone	<i>by</i> Ernie, Corrine Monaco & Daughter
MON	14 JUN			
TUE	15 JUN	6:00PM	+ Amy George	<i>by</i> Donna Kowalsky
WED	16 JUN	8:30AM	Karen Mealey Wellness <i>e</i> 's Safety	
THU	17 JUN	6:00PM	+ Ronald Sandbothe	<i>by</i> Subdeacon Mallard <i>e</i> 's Donna George
FRI	18 JUN	8:30AM	Evert <i>e</i> 's Jessica Mealey Wellness <i>e</i> 's Wellbeing	<i>by</i> Karen Mealey
SAT	19 JUN	4:00PM	+ Jerome S. Toth, Jr.	<i>by</i> Family
SUN	20 JUN	8:30AM	+ Evan, Sally, & Miff Carom	<i>by</i> Jamie, Georgette <i>e</i> 's Jennie Anne <i>e</i> 's Family
SUN	20 JUN	10:30AM	+ Nina Napoleone	<i>by</i> Simon <i>e</i> 's Sherry John

PARISH CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
13 4th Sunday of Pentecost St. Aquilina of Jbeil Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am 1 Cor 2:11-16 Luke 10:21-24	14 Elisha the Prophet [Fast] No Liturgy Acts 7:44-50 Matt 18:1-5	15 St. Basil the Great, C [Fast] Liturgy 6:00pm Acts 7:51-8:1a Matt 18:6-10	16 Hosea the Prophet [Fast] Liturgy 8:30am Acts 8:1b-8 Matt 18:11-14	17 Amos the Prophet [Fast] Liturgy 6:00pm Acts 8:9, 13b-25 Matt 18:11-14	18 St. Leontius of Tripoli, M [Fast] Liturgy 8:30am Acts 8:26-40 Matt 18:21-35	19 St. Jude Thaddeus (Laba), Ap Liturgy 4:00pm Eph 2:11-21 John 14:15-26
20 5th Sunday of Pentecost Pope St. Silverius, C Liturgy 8:30am Breakfast 9:15am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am Phil 3:7-14 Matt 10:1-7	21 St. Louis Gonzaga, C [Fast] No Liturgy Acts 9:19-30 Matt 10:8-15	22 St. Eusebius, C [Fast] Liturgy 6:00pm Eph 4:25-5:2 Mark 11:24-26	23 St. Agrippina, M [Fast] Liturgy 8:30am Acts 10:1-10,19-23 Matt 10:21-26	24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist, M [Fast] Liturgy 6:00pm Gal 4:21-5:1 Luke 1:57-66	25 Zechariah & Elizabeth, Parents of St. John the Baptist Fast Liturgy 8:30am Acts 10:44-48 Matt 10:34-39	26 Bl. Yaqoob Haddad Liturgy 4:00pm Acts 11:19-30 Matt 10:40-11:1
27 Sts. Peter & Paul (Observed) St. Samson the Hospitable Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am 2 Cor 11:21-30 Matt 16:13-20	28 St. Irenaeus, M Fast No Liturgy Acts 12:1-11 Matt 15:1-9	29 Sts. Peter & Paul Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 11:21-30 Matt 16:13-20	30 The Twelve Apostles Liturgy 8:30am Rom 10:12-21 Matt 9:36-38	01 July Pope St. Gregory X Liturgy 6:00pm Acts 13:13-25 Matt 16:1-4	02 The Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth Liturgy 8:30am Acts 13:26-39 Matt 16:5-12	03 St. Jerome Liturgy 4:00pm Acts 13:44-52 John 3:31-36
04 7th Sunday of Pentecost St. Andrew the Hymnographer Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am 2 Cor 3:1-6 Luke 10:1-7	05 St. Macarius of the Cross, C No Liturgy Acts 14:1-7 Luke 10:13-16	06 No Liturgy Acts 14:8-18 Luke 10:13-16	07 St. Thomas the Hermit, C No Liturgy Acts 14:19-28 Luke 10:17-20	08 St. Procopius, M No Liturgy Acts 15:1-12 Luke 10:25-28	09 St. Pancras, M No Liturgy Acts 15:13-21 Luke 10:29-37	10 The Massabki Martyrs Liturgy 4:00pm Heb 12:1-9 Luke 12:6-10
11 8th Sunday of Pentecost St. Benedict, C Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am Rom 8:1-11 Matt 12:14-21	12 St. Rufina and Secunda, M No Liturgy Acts 15:36-16:10 Luke 11:1-4	13 Joel the Prophet No Liturgy Acts 16:11-23 Luke 11:5-8	14 No Liturgy Acts 16:25-34 Luke 11:9-13	15 Sts. Cyriacus and Julitta, M No Liturgy Eph 6:17-24 Matt 18:1-6	16 No Liturgy Acts 17:16-34 Luke 11:24-26	17 St. Marina of Qannoubine, C Liturgy 4:00pm 1 Cor 4:1-8 Matt 25:1-13

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.

JUNE MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
Vigil Lights	Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly	<i>by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families</i>
Altar Bread & Wine	Amy George	<i>by Sherry Pollick & Family</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
 Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Catherine Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Rodie Gabriel
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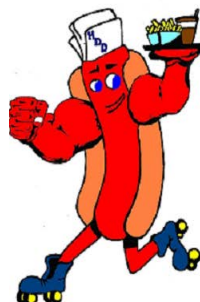
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