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*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 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 these 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

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 8 August 2021

1 st Collection	\$1,822.00
Electronic Giving	\$1,208.00
Candles	\$150.00
Feasts	\$5.00
Received	\$3,185.00
Budget	\$3,200.00
Deficit	-\$15.00

Stewardship | 2021 Year-to-Date

Received	\$125,447.00
Budget	\$102,400.00
Surplus	\$23,047.00

Weekly Attendance

SAT 07 AUG 4:00PM	29
SUN 08 AUG 8:30AM	40
SUN 08 AUG 10:30AM	57
TOTAL	126

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!

Thank you!!!!!! We offer our heartfelt thanks to all those who volunteered, patronized, and sponsored our Night at the Races and 25th Annual Food Festival this past weekend. Without your tireless work it would not have been such a beautiful and successful event. Many thanks!

Congratulations. We offer our congratulations to parishioner Hannah Sutton who was awarded the Massabki Brothers Scholarship by the National Apostolate of Maronites!

Vigil Liturgy. There will be no vigil liturgy this Saturday, 14 August. Liturgy will be celebrated at 7:00pm at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson, OH. Please attend the pilgrimage, the Sunday liturgies, or St. John the Baptist will be celebrating the Vigil of the Assumption at 5:30pm next door.

56th Annual Assumption Pilgrimage. The 56th Annual Assumption Pilgrimage at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson, OH will be held on 13-15 August 2021. We hope that we will have a nice representation at the Pontifical Liturgy on Sunday, 15 August at 7:00pm.

St. John the Baptist Parish Picnic. Our next-door neighbors will be having their parish picnic at 1:30pm this Sunday, 15 August.

Almaza Beer. We have some Almaza Lebanese Beer remaining from the festival available for purchase. \$50/case or \$15/6 pack. Please contact the parish office if interested.

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.

87th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The Sisters of St. Basil the Great will hold their 87th Annual Pilgrimage at Mount St. Macrina on Sunday, 5 September. The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00pm.

First Responder's Liturgy. To commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 Attacks we will celebrate Liturgy for our First Responders at 4:00pm on Saturday, 11 September.

Second Collection. A second collection will be taken on 11-12 September for the Catholic University of America.

Pontifical Liturgy. Save the date! Bishop Gregory will make a Pastoral Visit to our parish on Sunday, 19 September to celebrate a Pontifical Divine Liturgy with us followed by brunch in the parish hall.

Rosary Walk. The Annual Rosary Walk will be held on Sunday, 19 September at 2:00pm.

St. John the Baptist Car Show. St. John the Baptist Church next door will be hosting its annual Car Show on Sunday, 26 September from Noon to 4:00pm.

Eparchial Benefit. Save the date! The Twelfth Annual Benefit Event for the Eparchy of Saint Maron will be held on Thursday, 7 October 2021. Details to follow.

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.

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.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
SAT	14 AUG		No Liturgy Assumption Pilgrimage at National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon
SUN	15 AUG	8:30AM	+ Deceased Members of the Gestin <i>∞</i> Hassoun Rafail Family <i>by</i> Family
SUN	15 AUG	10:30AM	+ Bernard T. John <i>by</i> Simon <i>∞</i> Sherry John
MON	16 AUG		
TUE	17 AUG	6:00PM	+ Clinton R. Frangipani <i>by</i> Barb <i>∞</i> Tom Michael
WED	18 AUG	8:30AM	+ Shirley, Hershel, <i>∞</i> Eric Kefover <i>by</i> Simone John
THU	19 AUG	6:00PM	+ Fouad John <i>by</i> Patricia Joseph
FRI	20 AUG	8:30AM	+ Christina Hartzel <i>by</i> her Family
SAT	21 AUG	4:00PM	+ Bruce Durka <i>by</i> Gary <i>∞</i> Mary Jo Elias
SUN	22 AUG	8:30AM	+ Paul Paroda <i>by</i> the Paroda Kids
SUN	22 AUG	10:30AM	+ Fouad John <i>by</i> Simon <i>∞</i> Sherry John

PARISH CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
15 Aug The Assumption of the Mother of God Liturgy 8:50am Liturgy 10:30am Rom 12:9-15 Luke 1:46-55	16 St. Roch, M No Liturgy Heb 11:1-7 Luke 12:35-44	17 St. Myron of Crete, M Liturgy 6:00pm 1 John 2:1-11 Luke 14:1-6	18 Memorial of the Letter of King Abgar to Christ Liturgy 8:30am 1 John 2:12-20 Luke 14:7-11	19 St. Luke of Baalbek, M Liturgy 6:00pm 1 John 2:21-29 Luke 14:12-15	20 St. Bernard, C Liturgy 8:30am 1 John 3:1-10 Luke 14:16-24	21 Samuel the Prophet Liturgy 4:00pm 1 John 3:11-22 Luke 14:25-35
22 Aug 14th Sunday of Pentecost St. Symphorian, M Liturgy 8:50am Liturgy 10:30am 1 Thes 2:1-13 Luke 10:38-42	23 St Isaac the Syrian, C No Liturgy Heb 13:7-17 Luke 4:14-21	24 St Eutyches of Sebastia, M Liturgy 6:00pm 1 John 4:7-21 Luke 15:8-10	25 St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples, Ap Liturgy 8:30am 1 John 5:1-12 Luke 16:1-8	26 Pope St. Zephyrinus, C Liturgy 6:00pm 1 John 5:13-21 Luke 16:9-12	27 St. Biyameen the Hermit, C Liturgy 8:30am 2 John 1-13 Luke 16:13-17	28 St. Moses the Ethiopian, C Liturgy 4:00pm 3 John 1-16 Luke 17:1-4
29 Aug 15th Sunday of Pentecost Beheading of John the Baptist Liturgy 8:50am Liturgy 10:30am Heb 11:32-40 Mark 6:14-29	30 Estephan Ne'mee, C No Liturgy 1 Cor 9:7-12 Matt 20:1-6	31 St. Abda, M. St. Zakhia, C. St. Aegidius, C Liturgy 6:00pm Eph 6:10-18 Matt 19:27-30	01 Sep St. Simeon the Stylite, C Liturgy 8:30am 1 Cor 9:24-27 Luke 18:18-30	02 St. Mammias the Great, M Liturgy 8:30am Rom 9:14-22 John 12:44-50	03 St. Theodore the Great, M No Liturgy Jas 2:14-26 Luke 17:31-37	04 St. Babylas, Patriarch of Antioch, M Liturgy 4:00pm Jas 3:1-12 Luke 18:1-8
05 Sep 16th Sunday of Pentecost St. Sharbel of Raha & His Sister, M Liturgy 8:50am Liturgy 10:30am Rom 8:18-27 Luke 18:9-14	06 St. Michael the Archangel No Liturgy Col 2:16-23 Matt 18:1-5, 10	07 St. Sozon, M Liturgy 6:00pm Jas 4:1-10 Luke 18:18-23	08 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Liturgy 8:50am 2 Cor 4:1-6 Luke 8:16-21	09 Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of BVM Liturgy 6:00pm Eph 5:22-32 Luke 3:23-38	10 St. Pulcheria the Queen, C Liturgy 8:30am Jas 5:7-12 Luke 19:11-28	11 St. Theodora of Alexandria, C Liturgy 4:00pm First Responder's Reception 5:00pm Jas 5:13-20 Luke 19:41-44
12 Sep Exaltation of the Holy Cross St. Cornelius the Centurion, M Liturgy 8:50am Liturgy 10:30am 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 12:20-32	13 St. Christopher Liturgy 6:00pm 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 12:20-32	14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross Liturgy 8:50am 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 12:20-32	15 Sts. Shaina & Sassine, C Liturgy 8:30am 1 Cor 13:1-9 Luke 12:35-44	16 St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, M Liturgy 6:00pm Phil 1:1-12 Luke 21:10-19	17 St. Sophia & Her 3 Daughters, M Liturgy 8:30am Heb 12:1-9 Mark 4:24-32	18 The Flight of the Lord Jesus to Egypt Liturgy 4:00pm Jude 17-25 Luke 23:36-43

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.

AUGUST MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
Vigil Lights	Deceased Faculty & Friends of the Uniontown Area School District	<i>by Valerie & Sam Cortis</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 | Shirley Sokol | Patty Benson
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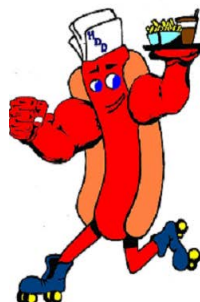
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