

# **SAINT GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH**

### **UNIONTOWN, PA**

## ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MOTHER OF GOD 26 NOVEMBER 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

#### PARISH CLERGY

Rev. Father Aaron J. Sandbothe Pastor ajsandbothe@gmail.com | 315.790.0059

Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Charles D. Machesky Rev. Subdeacon Charles J.R. Michael

#### 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 *qolo* of this Sunday sings:

Come, Isaiah, rejoice with us! Son of Amoz, sing with praise! For your words now have been fulfilled and your prophecy made known: that a Virgin shall conceive and Emmanuel be born, He whose name means "God with us!" Taking flesh, God came as man, dwelling here with us on earth.

This Sunday of Announcement is one of the most important as this is the proper day of celebration of the Incarnation – that God took on a human body to dwell with His creation. All of creation rejoices on this day, the earth and the stars, the seas and the skies, the plants and the animals, men and women, old and young, the Prophets of Olde, the Righteous Fathers, the Martyrs, the bishops, priests, monks, nuns, hermits and all the praying Church rejoices and worships on this day. Let us praise the Incarnate Lord who humbled Himself so that we might know Him and participate in His life.

Abouna Aaron

# PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office

6 Lebanon Terrace | Uniontown, PA 15401 Phone | 724.437.5589 Fax | 724.437.3819 Email | info@stgeorgeuniontown.org

**Mrs. Paula Toth** Administrative Assistant Office Hours | Tue-Fri 12 pm - 4 pm

Mr. Damien Zsiros Organist dzsiros@atlanticbb.net

#### Stay Connected

Website | www.stgeorgeuniontown.org Facebook | @stgeorgeuniontown Instagram | @stgeorgeuniontown Remind | http://rmd.me/b?rid=58399870 MYO Remind | myo202 to 81010 Flocknote | stgeorgeuniontown.flocknote.com

#### Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 pm Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am Tue | Vespers | 6:00 pm (var) Tu - Fri | 8:30 am Feasts | 7:00 pm



#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP Week of 19 November 2023

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$2,929.00
Electronic Giving	\$859.00
Capital Improvement	\$110.00
Candles	\$180.00
Bulletin Advertising	\$500.00
Received	<b>\$4,578.00</b>
Budget	\$7,000.00
Difference	<b>-\$2,422.00</b>

#### Stewardship | 2023 YTD

Received	\$173,326.00
Budget	\$154,000.00
Difference	\$19,326.00

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!

Christmas Flowers. Donations may be made In Memory or In Honor of your family members and friends. Please use the flower offering envelope or the form that is inserted in the bulletin. You may place them in the collection or send them to the parish office no later than 19 December.

ARS-LG Christmas Party. Ladies attending the Altar & Rosary-Ladies Guild Christmas Party on 3 December are asked to bring men's socks for St. Vincent DePaul. Each pack of socks will receive a ticket to win a door prize. Bring as many as you like!

**St. Barbara.** In honor of the **Feast of St. Barbara**, youth in our **MCF program** are invited and **encouraged to dress as saints** (or bring another appropriate Halloween Costume out of storage) on **Sunday**, **3 December**. St. Barbara treats will be available for the Children on this day!

**Nativity Fast.** The traditional Nativity Fast would begin this year on Wednesday, 15 November and you are encouraged to keep the ancient fast. The Nativity Fast prescribed for our Eparchy begins on **Saturday**, **16 December and continues through to Christmas Eve**. The typical fasting proscriptions are to be observed.

Toys for Tots. The Uniontown Fire Department is collecting donations (monetary or toys) for this year's Toys for Tots. Donations can be brought to the Parish Office or to the Fire Department.

**Collection Counters and Lectors.** We are in need of volunteers for **collection counters** and Old Testament **Lectors** beginning in the New Year. Willing and interested parties are asked to contact the Parish Office.

Bulletin Advertising. If you wish to continue (or add an advertisement) in the Bulletin the yearly cost is \$250. Thank you to all who have advertised and patronized our businesses. This helps to defray the printing costs of the bulletin each year.

**Liturgy Intentions.** Liturgy Intention scheduling for the new liturgical year can now be done by contacting the Parish Office or in the binder in the narthex. 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 specific or recurring monthly or yearly liturgy, please remember to send in your stipend **before** the liturgy is celebrated.

**Bible Study.** Our **Bible Study Program** meets twice monthly for Vespers at 6:00pm followed by Bible Study at 6:30pm. The current study covers the **Book of Psalms**.

Faith Formation. 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).

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.

# PARISH LITURGICAL AND EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	LITURGICA Tue	LAND LVE Wed	THU	NDAR Fri	SAT
	27	28	29	30	01 Dec	02
26	21 St. James Intercissus,	20 St. Stephen the	29 Sts. Saturninus &	St. Andrew, Ap	Nahum the Prophet,	U <b>2</b> Habakkuk the
Announcement to the Mother of God St. Peter, Patriarch of Alexandria, M	M	Younger, M	Sisinius, M	St. Bishoy, C	C	Prophet, C
Liturgy   8:30am +Helen Unice Durka by Family No MCF Today Liturgy   10:30am	No Liturgy	Liturgy   8:30am <i>Available</i> Vespers   6:00pm Bible Study   6:30	Liturgy   8:30am <i>Available</i>	Liturgy   8:30am <i>Available</i>	Liturgy   8:30am + Paula David <i>by Sarah Jane Russo</i>	Liturgy   4:00pm + Loretta M. Joseph by Arleen Wilson
+ Sobeth & Roubi Barkett Simon <i>by Woody Kelly &amp; Family</i> 2 Sam 7:8-17	0.1716		Gal 3:23-29	1 Cor 1:26-31	Gal 4:8-12	C 1 ( 17.99
Gal 3:15-22 Luke 1:26-38	Gal 3:1-6 Luke 11:27-32	Gal 3:7-14 Matt 11:25-30	Matt 13:54-58	Matt 4:18-23	John 6:40-44	Gal 4:13-20 Luke 10:21-24
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
Announcement of the Virgin to Elizabeth Liturgy   8:30am +Suzanne & Joseph	St. Barbara, M	St. Saba the Hermit, C	St. Nicholas (Zakhia), C	St. Ambrose of Milan, C Vigil	The Conception of the Mother of God	St. Francis of Paola, C
Elardo by <i>daughters Mary &amp; Nancy &amp; Families</i> MCF   9:20am St. Barbara Party	No Liturgy	Liturgy   8:30am + John Dimitroff <i>by Melany &amp; Greg</i> <i>Chrash</i>	Liturgy   8:30am + Rosann Nardozzi <i>by Rutbanne &amp; Palmar</i> <i>Sabatine</i>	Liturgy   7:00pm + Amy George by Jaughter Kathy	Liturgy   8:30am Living Members of the Ladies Guild	Liturgy   4:00pm + Loretta M. Joseph <i>by Joe Joseph</i>
Liturgy   10:30am +Helen Unice Durka by Sherry & Family LG/ARS Christmas Party   12:30pm 2 Sam 6:9-18 Eph 1:1-14		Vespers   6:00pm Bible Study   6:30		[Holy Day of Obligation 7pm]	Holy Day of Obligation   8:30am	
Luke 1:39-45	1 Cor 7:36-40 Matt 25:1-13	Eph 2:1-10 Luke 10:38-42	Heb 13:7-17 Matt 25:14-30	Eph 2:17-22 John 4:39-42	Heb 7:11-17 Luke 11:27-32	Eph 4:1-7 Luke 5:27-32
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>Nativity of St. John</b> <b>the Baptist</b> Pope St. Militades, C	St. Daniel the Stylite, C	St. Spiridion the Wonderworker, C	St. Lucy, M	St. Nemtallah El- Hardini, C	St. Eleutherius ♂ His Mother, M	Haggai the Prophet, C
<b>Liturgy   8:30am</b> +Helen Unice Durka <i>by Eli &amp; Bev George</i>	No Liturgy	Liturgy   8:30am + Roseann Nardozzi <i>by Faye Lyons</i>	Liturgy   8:30am +Helen Unice Durka <i>by Deanna Antoon</i>	Liturgy   8:30am + Brian Campbell <i>by Jobn &amp; Lisa Elias</i>	Liturgy   8:30am	Liturgy   4:00pm + James & Ann Mullen + John & Josephine
MCF   9:20am Liturgy   10:30am		Vespers   6:00pm Bible Study   6:30			Decorating   6:00pm	Marhefka by Family
+ Ellwood Kelly by his Children					Confessions   6:30pm Novena   7:00pm	Confessions   6:30pm Novena   7:00pm
l Sam 1:9-23 Gal 4:21-5:1 Luke 1:57-66	Rom 9:1-5 Luke 1:67-80	Rom 9:6-13 Matt 11:11-15	Rom 9:14-18 Matt 17:9-13	Rom 12:1-8 Matt 4:18-25	Fast Rom 9:39-33 Matt 11:16-19	Fast Rom 10:1-13 John 5:31-36
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>Revelation to Joseph</b> The Three Youth in	Daniel the Prophet	St. Athenodorus, M	St. Ignatius of Antioch, M	St. Julian, M	St. Anastasia of the Balkans, M	St. Eugenia, M
the Furnace Liturgy   8:30am + Loretta M. Joseph by Attorney e <sup>3</sup> Mrs. Dedola Breakfast   9:30am Liturgy   10:30am + Jerome S. Toth Sr & Jerome S. Toth, Jr by Family Children's Breakfast e <sup>3</sup> Program   11:30am	No Liturgy	Liturgy   8:30am	Liturgy   8:30am + Thomas J. George <i>by Paula &amp; Mike</i> <i>George</i>	Liturgy   8:30am	Liturgy   8:30am	Liturgy   4:00pm +Helen Unice Durka <i>by Katby Unice</i>
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# 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.

# **NOVEMBER MEMORIALS**

Sanctuary Light James & Ann Mullen by Family

Altar Candles Phillip A. Thomas by Family

Altar Bread & Wine

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

# PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | Aliya Davis Kimberly Steinmiller Patty Benson | Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Jim Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Gina Michael | Cookie Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie | Kamberly George | Lorraine Guynn | Marion Bryson | Eileen Crutchman | Barb Howard Misiak | Helen Adams | Tanya Loring Kizner | John Mansberry | Richard George | Melissa Chomiak | Donald George | Larry Hicks | Subdeacon Mallard George

