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UNIONTOWN, PA

2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY | 17 JANUARY 2021

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*St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness
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Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and
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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,

St. Ephrem the Syrian writes beautifully in his Hymn on Epiphany, No. 8 concerning the Baptism of our Lord. St. Ephrem views the baptism of Christ in the water as analogous to the divine presence in the womb of Mary and therefore as the means by which we are “divinized” or made to partake in the divine nature. Also, using Moses as an example, he claims that just as God in his mercy limited Himself in coming to Moses, He does the same for feeble human beings.

“God in His love stooped and came down, to mingle His love with the waters, and to unite the nature of His majesty with the weak bodies of humans. By means of the waters he found a way to come own and to dwell among us; like to the way of love He came down and dwelt in the womb. O the love of God Who seeks for Himself all occasions to dwell among us!

He stooped and came down to the cave in Horeb, and He extended His shadow of His majesty on Moses; He mixed His glorious splendor to a mortal. There was therein a figure of Baptism: For He came down to dwell in it, in the water he had tempered the might of His majesty, that He may dwell among the infirm. On Moses dwelt the Breath, and on you the plentitude of Christ.

That might then none could endure; not Moses chief of deliverers, nor Elijah chief of zealots; and the Seraphim too veil their faces, for it is the might that subdues all. His love mingled gentleness in the water and the oil; that humanity in its weakness might be able to stand before Him when covered by the water and the oil.”

May Christ, baptized by John, renew our hearts and minds as we commemorate the sanctification of water and oil by which we receive Holy Baptism and Chrismation.

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 10 January 2021

1 st Collection	\$1,853.00
Electronic Giving	\$1,495.00
Capital Campaign Donation	\$1,500.00
Feasts	\$800.00
Candles	\$183.00
Initial Offering	\$15.00
	\$33.00

Received	\$5,879.00
Budget	\$3,200.00
Surplus	\$2,679.00

Stewardship | 2020 Year-to-Date

Received	\$12,090.00
Budget	\$6,400.00
Surplus	\$5,690.00

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 your spiritual home. We are happy to have you worshipping with us. While we cannot currently gather for hospitality please feel free to introduce yourself to the parish clergy. We hope you will soon make St. George's your spiritual home!

Upcoming Collections. Please note some upcoming second collections that you will have in your contribution envelope pack: 24 January – **USCCB Worldwide Charities** is taken for the US Bishops' Conference charitable efforts. February – The collection for the **Commemoration of the Faithful Departed** is taken for liturgy intentions throughout the Season of Commemoration until the beginning of Great Lent. Intentions for the Faithful Departed will be commemorated at each liturgy and upon the altar. The **Eparchial Charities Appeal** is the annual Bishop's Appeal that funds our seminary, helps our retired clergy, and funds many initiatives throughout the eparchy. The **Lenten Offering** is for the parish to allow us to participate in charitable efforts as a parish during the Lenten season.

Adult Faith Formation. Continuing Adult Faith Formation will be held on **Tuesdays at 7:00pm** on: **9** (please note change) & 16 Feb, 2 & 16 Mar.

Youth Faith Formation. Classes will meet on Sundays, 24 Jan, 14 & 28 Feb, and 14 & 28 Mar.

COVID Practices. As cases are rising in our area and as vaccine distribution begins, we ask that you kindly mind CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health best practices as much as is reasonably possible. In all things Christian charity prevails!

Ash Monday. The Fast of **Great Lent** begins on **Monday, 15 February.** We will celebrate Liturgy at **6:00pm.** The blessing and distribution of ashes will take place at the liturgy on this day only.

Confessions & Stations of the Cross. During **Fridays of Great Lent** Confessions will be heard at **6:00pm** while Stations of the Cross or other devotions may take place.

Evening Prayer & Benediction of the Cross. During **Fridays of Great Lent** we will pray the Office of **Evening Prayer** at **6:30pm** followed by the **Benediction of the Cross.**

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

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
SAT	16 JAN	4:00PM	+ Amy George
SUN	17 JAN	8:30AM	+ Roger Jeffries
SUN	17 JAN	10:30AM	+ Michael John
MON	18 JAN		No Liturgy
TUE	19 JAN	6:00PM	+ Theresa Showman Reinitz
WED	20 JAN	8:30AM	+ Amy George
THU	21 JAN	6:00PM	Intentions of Parishioners
FRI	22 JAN	8:30AM	For the Sick
SAT	23 JAN	4:00PM	+ Ann Gabriel, Mary, Dorothy, & Haseba George
SUN	24 JAN	8:30AM	+ John C. Myers
SUN	24 JAN	10:30AM	+ Amy George

Forty Day Memorial
by Wife, Children, & Grandchildren
by Family

by Family

by Terry & Pam Miller

by Dr. Pete & Mary Gabriel
by Pam Miller
by Sherry Pollick & Mary Swaney & Families

PARISH CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
17 2 nd Sunday after Epiphany Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am 2 Cor 4:5-15 John 1:35-42	18 St. Athanasius of Alexandria No Liturgy 2 Cor 1:1-11 John 1:43-51	19 St. Macarius the Egyptian, C Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 1:12-24 Luke 5:1-11	20 St. Euthymius the Great, C Liturgy 8:30am 2 Cor 2:1-11 Matt 4:18-25	21 Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 2:12-17 Matt 9:9-13	22 St. Timothy, Disciple of St. Paul, Ap. Liturgy 8:30am 2 Cor 12:17-13:4 Matt 9:35-38	23 Pope St. Sergius I, C Liturgy 4:00pm 2 Cor 13:5-13 Matt 10:1-6
24 Commemoration of the Priests Liturgy 8:30am Faith Formation 9:20am Liturgy 10:30am 1 Tim 4:6-16 Luke 12:42-48	25 Conversion of St. Paul No Liturgy 2 Tim 1:1-11 Matt 16:24-28	26 St. Agnes, M No Liturgy 2 Tim 2:1-13 Matt 18:1-5	27 St. Paula, C No Liturgy 2 Tim 2:14-26 Matt 20:20-28	28 St. Ephrem the Syrian No Liturgy Heb 13:7-17 John 15:1-8	29 St. Hippolytus of Antioch, M No Liturgy 2 Tim 4:1-8 Luke 22:24-30	30 St. Maximus the Confessor Liturgy 4:00pm Tit 1:1-9 John 13:13-17
31 Commemoration of the Righteous and the Just Liturgy 8:50am Liturgy 10:30am Heb 12:18-24 Matt 25:31-46	01 Feb St. Pionius and His Companions, M No Liturgy Heb 12:1-13 Matt 5:1-12	02 Presentation of Christ in the Temple No Liturgy Rom 9:30-10:4 Luke 2:22-35	03 Sts. Simeon and Anna No Liturgy 2 Cor 1:8-14 Luke 2:36-41	04 St. Isidore of Pelusium, C No Liturgy Heb 13:1-8 Matt 5:21-26	05 St. Agatha, M No Liturgy Heb 13:9-14 Matt 5:27-37	06 St. Proclus, Bishop of Smyrna, C Liturgy 4:00pm Heb 13:17-25 Matt 5:38-48
07 Commemoration of the Faithful Departed Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am 1 Thes 5:1-11 Luke 16:19-31	08 Zechariah the Prophet, C No Liturgy 1 Thes 4:13-18 Luke 12:1-7	09 St. Maron Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Tim 3:10-17 John 12:23-30	10 St. Apollonia, M Liturgy 8:30am 2 Thes 2:1-12 Luke 12:13-21	11 St. Charalampus, M Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Thes 2:13-3:5 Luke 12:22-32	12 St. Meletius of Antioch, C Liturgy 8:30am 1 Cor 15:35-44 Luke 12:33-40	13 Liturgy 4:00pm 1 Cor 15:51-58 Luke 12:49-59
14 Sunday of the Entrance into Great Lent Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am Rom 14:14-23 John 2:1-11	15 Ash Monday Fast Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 5:20-6:7 Matt 6:16-21	16 St. Theodore of Tyre Fast Liturgy 6:00pm Rom 15:1-13 Matt 6:5-15	17 St. Agapitus of Synnada, C Fast Liturgy 8:30am Rom 15:14-21 Matt 6:1-4	18 Pope St. Leo the Great Fast Liturgy 6:00pm 1 Tim 6:6-12 Matt 6:25-34	19 The 500 Martyrs of Tyre Fast Liturgy 8:30am Confessions 6:00pm Lenten Service 6:30pm 2 Thes 3:6-14 Matt 7:13-27	20 St. James, Hermit of Cyrrhus, C Liturgy 4:00pm Heb 3:14-4:4 Luke 18:9-14

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.

JANUARY 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	Magdalen & Joseph Williams	<i>by Valerie & Sam Cortis</i>

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | David Gallo | Aliya Davis | Loretta Joseph | Kimberly Steinmiller
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