



SAINT GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH

UNIONTOWN, PA

SUNDAY OF THE HEALING OF THE LEPER | 26 FEBRUARY 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.*

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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,

The following prayer is taken from the Evening Office of the Sunday of the Healing of the Leper:

O Good and Kind Lord, in Your goodness You healed the leper who approached You. In Your compassion and Your abundant mercy heal our bodies and souls, we who are sinners and Your servants who have become leprous with sin and by the abundance of our transgressions. Purify us in Your mercy and with Your hyssop wash Your worshippers, now and at all times, forever. Amen.

Throughout the body of prayers from our Syriac Maronite tradition we find a repeated image – that of Christ as a physician. Our Lord Jesus Christ is both the Creator of souls and bodies and also the Heavenly Physician who heals the wounds caused to our souls and bodies by sin and death.

Last week, Christ manifested His Divinity by transforming the water at Cana into wine (also transforming the family's shame and humiliation into joy and divine praises) and, this week, He manifests His Divinity again by cleansing the leper of his ailment. We see in this miracle a healing of body (the physical result of his leprous state) and soul (the estrangement from the community as a result of his unclean status). The miracles we commemorate throughout the Season of Great Lent continually demonstrate to us the medicinal power of Christ's compassion and mercy. The physical miracles of Christ always contain a metaphysical miracle as well.

Throughout our lives we all experience physical ailments - be they leprosy, paralysis, blindness, or anything else. We also suffer from spiritual ailments as well – the leprosy of jealousy, the paralysis of fear, the blindness of pride or anger, etc. If we will bring ourselves to an earthly doctor for medical care let us also remind ourselves to approach the Heavenly Physician who heals wounds far greater than our own physical ailments.

Let us make this holy Fast a time to examine our own spiritual infirmities and approach the Heavenly Physician – we have no need to repay Him for His services, as He heals us only out of His ineffable compassion, mercy, and love for mankind.

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Liturgical Schedule

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 19 Feb 2023

1 st Collection	\$1,688.00
Electronic Giving	\$707.00
Ash Monday	\$234.00
Candles	\$100.00
Memorials	\$290.00

Received	\$3,019.00
Budget	\$3,500.00
Difference	-\$481.00

Annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal

Received	\$0.00
Goal	\$5,500.00
Balance	\$5,500.00

Stewardship | 2023 YTD

Received	\$19,634.00
Budget	\$24,500.00
Difference	-\$4,866.00

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!

Eparchial Charities Appeal is the annual Bishop's Appeal that funds our **Seminary**, helps our **retired clergy**, and funds many initiatives throughout the Eparchy. For 2023 our parish has been **assessed a goal of \$5,500**. Thank you for your generosity to our Eparchy to further the Work of God in the United States.

Lenten Evening Prayer. During **Wednesdays of Great Lent** we will pray the Office of **Evening Prayer at 7:00pm**.

Benediction of the Cross. During **Fridays of Great Lent** we will celebrate **Benediction of the Cross at 7:00pm**.

Fish Fry. Our **Lenten Fish Fry** returns during the **Fridays of Great Lent**. Lunch will be served from **11:00am-2:00pm** and Dinner from **4:00pm-6:00pm**. Preorders are available and **recommended**. More information can be found on our website and Facebook. We are also in need of **volunteers** to help work the dinner shift.

CRS Rice Bowl. St. George Church is participating in the Catholic Relief Services **"Rice Bowl"** for the fifth year. You may **write a check** payable to **St. George Church** (note CRS on your check memo line), **donate directly** to CRS online via: crsricebowl.org/give or **drop your loose change** into the **"Rice Bowls"** which you can **find in the narthex**. For further information, please contact Gina Michael at 724.366.4561.

Easter Flowers. Thank you to everyone who memorialized a loved for Christmas through a gift of flowers, the Holy of Holies was beautifully decorated for the feast. For those who would like to do the same for Easter please note that the Easter Flower **form** or Easter Flower **envelope** is due by **31March**. You may use **either** the form in the bulletin or the envelope that comes with your weekly contribution envelopes.

NAM Lenten Retreat. NAM will host a regional retreat at **Our Lady of Victory Church** in Pittsburgh on **Saturday, 25 March** from 10:00am-12:30pm. Speaker Fr. Jason Charron will be presenting on the **Family as the Domestic Church**. To RSVP please contact the parish office at OLOV at 412.278.0841.

Lenten Afternoon of Reflection. The Ladies of Charity of the Roman Catholic Churches of Uniontown, will hold a Sunday of Lenten Reflection on March 19, 2023, at 2:00 pm. The event will be held at St. Mary Nativity Church, Uniontown. Deacon Andrew Hamilton, will speak on "The Story of Queen Esther of the Old Testament-A Model of Feminine Virtue." There is no charge for the afternoon. A social and refreshments in St. Mary Parish Center will follow Deacon Andrew's presentation. For more information about Day of Reflection contact Bobbi, 724.366.1626.

Liturgy Intentions. Many upcoming **Daily Liturgy** intentions are often open. 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>26 Healing of the Leper St. Alexander, Patriarch of Alexandria, C Liturgy 8:30am + Shmooni "Mimi" Rafail <i>by Family</i> MCF 9:30am Liturgy 10:30am + Frank Kennedy <i>by Joe & Barbara</i> George</p> <p>2 Kings 5:1-14 Rom 6:12-23 Luke 1:35-45</p>	<p>27 St. Thalaleus, Disciple of St. Maron, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Fast 2 Tim 1:1-11 Matt 16:24-28</p>	<p>28 Sts. Koura and Marana, Disciples of St. Maron, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Bible Study 6:30pm</p> <p>Fast 2 Tim 2:1-13 Matt 18:1-5</p>	<p>01 Mar St. Domnina, Disciple of St. Maron, C St. Afdokia of Baalbek, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Confession 6:30pm Vespers 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast 2 Tim 2:14-26 Matt 20:20-28</p>	<p>02 St. John Maron, C</p> <p>Liturgy 7:00pm</p> <p>Rom 9:30-10:4 Luke 2:22-35</p>	<p>03</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-6pm Confession 6:30pm Lenten Devotions 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast 2 Cor 1:8-14 Luke 2:36-41</p>	<p>04 St. Paul and His Sister, St. Juliana, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Agnes "Aggie" Almes & Richard "Rick" Davidson <i>by Larry & Judy Unice</i></p> <p>Tit 1:1-9 John 13:13-17</p>
<p>05 Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman St. Albert the Great, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias G. Rafail <i>by Family</i> ARS Dough Liturgy 10:30am + Sobeth & Roubi Barkett Simon <i>by Woody Kelly & Families</i></p> <p>Num 15:37-41 2 Cor 7:4-11 Luke 8:40-56</p>	<p>06 St. Conan of Isauria, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Fast 1 Tim 4:9-16 John 8:21-27</p>	<p>07 The Seven Young Men of Ephesus, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Fast 2 Cor 8:1-9 Matt 23:1-12</p>	<p>08 St. Frances of Rome, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Confession 6:30pm Vespers 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Gal 2:1-7 Matt 17:10-13</p>	<p>09 The Forty Martyrs of Sebaste</p> <p>Liturgy 5:15pm at St. John's University Parish Morgantown, WV</p> <p>+Frank Kennedy <i>by Randy & Joanne Richey</i></p> <p>2 Cor 4:11-18 Luke 6:20-23</p>	<p>10 St. Auxentius, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-6pm Confession 6:30pm Lenten Devotions 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Rom 3:1-7 Luke 12:16-21</p>	<p>11 St. Sophronius, Bishop of Jerusalem, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Barbara John Ritchey <i>by the Ladies Guild</i></p> <p>2 Tim 3:1-9 Matt 12:1-14</p>
<p>12 Parable of the Prodigal Son Pope St. Gregory the Great</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>MCF 9:30am</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Christopher "Buffy" Kelly <i>by Mother Sherry & Family</i></p> <p>Zech 3:1-7 2 Cor 13:5-13 Luke 15:11-32</p>	<p>13 St. Theophanes the Chronicler, C</p> <p>No Liturgy Clergy Retreat</p> <p>Fast 2 Cor 9:1-15 Luke 9:37-45</p>	<p>14 St. Euphrasia, C</p> <p>No Liturgy Clergy Retreat</p> <p>Fast 1 Cor 16:15-24 Mark 8:22-26</p>	<p>15 St. Benedict, C</p> <p>No Liturgy Clergy Retreat</p> <p>Fast Rom 14:1-13 Luke 7:1-10</p>	<p>16 St. Papas, M The First Council of Constantinople</p> <p>No Liturgy Clergy Retreat</p> <p>Fast 2 Cor 1:23-2:5 Matt 15:29-39</p>	<p>17 St. Patrick, C</p> <p>No Liturgy Clergy Retreat</p> <p>Fish Fry 11-6pm</p> <p>Fast 2 Cor 12:21-13:5 Matt 9:27-35</p>	<p>18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Robert Wilson <i>by the Joyce Carbonara Family</i></p> <p>2 Tim 4:9-19 Mark 3:1-12</p>
<p>19 Healing of the Paralytic</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias Gabriel <i>Forty Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am +Joe & Mary Michael & Son <i>by Woody Kelly & Families</i></p> <p>Is 35:1-10 1 Tim 5:24-6:5 Mark 2:1-12</p>	<p>20 St. Photina the Samaritan Woman, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Fast Eph 5:3-13 Mark 5:1-20</p>	<p>21 St. Synesius, Bishop of Ptolemais, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Fast 1 Tim 1:1-8 Mark 6:47-56</p>	<p>22 St. Sergius Paulus, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am +Frank Kennedy <i>by John Yanik, Jr</i></p> <p>Confession 6:30pm Vespers 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Eph 6:1-9 Luke 7:11-17</p>	<p>23 St. Rafka, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Fast 2 Cor 1:1-7 Luke 10:38-42</p>	<p>24 St. Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am +Esther Bena <i>by Paula George</i></p> <p>Fish Fry 11-6pm Confession 6:30pm Evening Prayer for the Annunciation 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Phil 2:12-19 Luke 4:31-44</p>	<p>25 The Annunciation to the Mother of God</p> <p>Liturgy 10:50am</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Robert Wilson <i>by Paula Totb</i></p> <p>Gal 3:15-22 Luke 1:26-38</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.**

FEBRUARY MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
Vigil Lights	AVAILABLE	
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 | Aliya Davis | Loretta Joseph | Kimberly Steinmiller | Patty Benson | Joseph Faris, Jr. | Shirley Wolbert Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Catherine Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklyn Dennis | Rodie Gabriel | Melissa Chomiak Cookie Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie | Kamberly George | Lorraine Guynn | Marion Bryson | Eileen Crutchman | Barb Howard Misiak | Richard George Amanda Gamble | Teresa Rogers | Helen Adams | Joanne John | Vince Komacko | Tanya Loring Kizner | John Mansberry | Monica Calvert | Duke George

"May the souls of the faithful departed rest in the peace of The Lord."

In memory of the deceased members of the **Lebanese Club.**

By Mr. Arthur Gabriel
من السيد أسعد زغيب

pray for peace IN LEBANON

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