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UNIONTOWN, PA

SUNDAY OF THE HEALING OF THE LEPER | 21 FEBRUARY 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
Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and
striving for personal and communal holiness.*

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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,

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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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 14 February 2021

1 st Collection	\$984.00
Electronic Giving	\$865.00
Bishops Appeal	\$45.00
Candles	\$5.00
Feasts	\$25.00
Received	\$1,924.00
Budget	\$3,200.00
Deficit	-\$1,276.00

Stewardship | 2021 Year-to-Date

Received	\$22,972.00
Budget	\$22,400.00
Surplus	\$572.00

Annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal

Received	\$57.00
Goal	\$5,500.00
Balance	\$5,443.00

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!

Confessions & Lenten Evening Prayer. We will celebrate **Evening Prayer** during the **Wednesdays of Great Lent**. **Confessions** will be heard at **5:30pm** followed by Evening Prayer at **6:00pm**.

Confessions & Lenten Devotions. 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**.

Lenten Fish Fry. We will be having Lenten Fish Fries 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 will be available on our website and Facebook. We are also in need of **volunteers** to help work shifts. Please contact Mary Jo Rozgony to schedule workers: 724.208.0617.

Easter Flowers. The Easter Flower **form** or Easter Flower **envelope** is due by **31 March**. You may use **either** the form in the bulletin or the envelope that comes with your weekly contribution envelopes.

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 2021 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.

CRS Rice Bowl. St. George Church is participating in the Catholic Relief Services **"Rice Bowl"** for the fourth year. We know how important it is to make this donation as a parish community. Once again, your support is very important and much appreciated. 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.

Adult Faith Formation. Continuing Adult Faith Formation will be held on **Tuesdays at 7:00pm** on: 2 & 16 Mar.

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

COVID Practices. 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!**

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.

First Confession & Communion. Our First Communion Class will make their First Confessions on **Sunday, 21 March** following the 8:30am Liturgy. First Communion will be celebrated on **Sunday, 25 April** at the 10:30am Liturgy.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION	
SAT	20 FEB	4:00PM	+ James Critz	<i>by Wife & Family</i>
SUN	21 FEB	8:30AM	+ Mary Louise Chomiak	<i>by Chuck & Denise Bohr & Family</i>
SUN	21 FEB	10:30AM	+ Martha "Zhoor" John George	<i>by Children & Grandchildren</i>
MON	22 FEB		No Liturgy	
TUE	23 FEB	6:00PM	+ Amy George	<i>by Dr. Pete & Mary Gabriel</i>
WED	24 FEB	8:30AM	+ Mary Louise Chomiak	<i>by Dr. Pete & Mary Gabriel</i>
WED	24 FEB	6:00PM	Vespers Evening Prayer	
THU	25 FEB	6:00PM	+ Bonnie Nara Morley	<i>by a Friend</i>
FRI	26 FEB	8:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	
FRI	26 FEB	6:30PM	Vespers & Benediction of the Cross	
SAT	27 FEB	4:00PM	+ Amy George	<i>by Tom & Barbara Michael</i>
SUN	28 FEB	8:30AM	+ "Mimi" Shmoonie Rafail	<i>by Nieces & Nephews</i>
SUN	28 FEB	10:30AM	+ Agnes (Aggie) Almes	<i>by the Unice Family</i>

PARISH CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
21 Healing of the Leper Liturgy 8:50am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am Rom 6:12-23 Mark 1:35-45	22 Chair of St. Peter in Antioch Fast No Liturgy 1 Thes 3:6-13 Matt 6:22-24	23 St. Polycarp of Smyrna, M Fast Liturgy 6:00pm Gal 2:11-17 Matt 7:1-12	24 St. Margaret the Penitent, C Fast Liturgy 8:30am Vespers 6:00pm Rom 3:19-27 Matt 12:38-45	25 Pope St. Felix II, C Fast Liturgy 6:00pm Phil 4:4-19 Luke 8:4-15	26 St. Alexander, of Alexandria Fast Liturgy 8:30am Fish Fry 11-2:00pm Fish Fry 4-6:00pm Confessions 6:00pm Lenten Service 6:30pm Rom 1:18-25 Matt 18:23-35	27 St. Thalaleus, Disciple of St. Maron, C Liturgy 4:00pm Heb 12:28-13:9 Mark 11:19-25
28 Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman Liturgy 8:30am Faith Formation 9:20am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am 2 Cor 7:4-11 Luke 8:40-56	01 Mar St. Domnina, C St. Afdokia of Baalbek Fast No Liturgy 1 Tim 4:9-16 John 8:21-27	02 St. John Maron, C Fast Liturgy 6:00pm Adult Faith Formation 7:00pm Phil 1:21-30 Matt 5:13-17	03 Fast Liturgy 8:30am Vespers 6:00pm Gal 2:1-7 Matt 17:10-13	04 St. Paul and His Sister, Juliana, M Fast Liturgy 6:00pm Gal 1:1-10 Luke 17:20-37	05 St. Albert the Great Fast Liturgy 8:30am Fish Fry 11-2:00pm Fish Fry 4-6:00pm Confessions 6:00pm Lenten Service 6:30pm Rom 3:1-7 Luke 12:16-21	06 St. Conan of Isauria, M Liturgy 4:00pm 2 Tim 3:1-9 Matt 12:1-14
07 Parable of the Prodigal Son Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am 2 Cor 13:5-13 Luke 15:11-32	08 St. Frances of Rome, C Fast No Liturgy 2 Cor 9:1a, 5-15 Luke 9L37-45	09 The Forty Martyrs NO FAST Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 4:11-18 Luke 6:20-23	10 St. Auxentius, C Fast Liturgy 8:30am Vespers 6:00pm Rom 14:1-13 Luke 7:1-10	11 St. Sophronius, C Bishop of Jerusalem Fast Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 1:23-2:5 Matt 15:29-39	12 Pope St. Gregory the Great Fast Liturgy 8:30am Fish Fry 11-2:00pm Fish Fry 4-6:00pm Confessions 6:00pm Lenten Service 6:30pm 2 Cor 12:21:13:5 Matt 9:27-35	13 St. Theophanes the Chronicler, C Liturgy 4:00pm 2 Tim 4:9-19 Mark 3:1-12
14 Healing of the Paralytic Liturgy 8:30am Faith Formation 9:20am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am Daylight Savings 1 Tim 5:24-6:5 Mark 2:1-12	15 St. Benedict Fast No Liturgy Eph 5:3-13 Mark 5:1-20	16 St. Pappas, M Fast Liturgy 6:00pm Adult Faith Formation 7:00pm 1 Tim 1:1-8 Mark 6:47-56	17 St. Patrick, C Fast Liturgy 8:30am Vespers 6:00pm Eph 6:1-9 Luke 7:11-17	18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem Fast Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Tim 1:6-14 Mark 4:33-41	19 St. Joseph [Fast Optional] Liturgy 8:30am Fish Fry 11-2:00pm Fish Fry 4-6:00pm Confessions 6:00pm Lenten Service 6:30pm Eph 3:1-13 Matt 1:18-25	20 St. Photina of Samaria, C Liturgy 4:00pm Col 3:23-4:7 Mark 7:31-37
21 Healing of the Blind Man Liturgy 8:30am 3 rd Hour 10:15am Liturgy 10:30am 2 Cor 10:1-7 Mark 10:46-52	22 St. Sergius Paulus, C Fast No Liturgy Rom 15:25-33 John 7:32-36	23 St. Rafka, C Fast Liturgy 6:00pm 2 Cor 1:1-7 Luke 10:38-42	24 St. Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia, C Fast Liturgy 8:30am Vespers 6:00pm 1 Thes 4:1-9 Luke 11:37-48	25 Annunciation to the Mother of God NO FAST Liturgy 6:00pm Gal 3:15-22 Luke 1:26-38	26 St. Gabriel Fast Liturgy 8:30am Fish Fry 11-2:00pm Fish Fry 4-6:00pm Confessions 6:00pm Lenten Service 6:30pm 2 Thes 3:6-18 Luke 4:1-13	27 Lazarus Saturday Liturgy 10:30am Liturgy 4:00pm 1 Thes 2:17-3:5 John 11:55-12:11

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.

FEBRUARY MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
Vigil Lights	Mary Mosako	<i>by Family</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
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