

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SATURDAY: VESPER SERVICE @ 400 P.M.

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Welcome to St. George! Thank you for attending today's Divine Services. If you are a first-time visitor, please register your visit by completing the guest book located in the narthex. We would appreciate getting to meet you after liturgy, so feel free to join us during Coffee Fellowship! Every Sunday we remember the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The word "Liturgy" means work of the people that means everyone participates through singing, praying, hearing the teaching, and opening our hearts to allow God's grace to enter. Anyone interested in learning more about our faith are encouraged to speak with one of our clergy.

Guidelines for Receiving Holy Communion for Orthodox Christians: Orthodox Christians fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist by receiving Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood. In order to be properly prepared to receive Holy Communion, the faithful should fast (no food or drink from midnight the night before), the Sacrament of Confession (7 years and older) within the last 2 months, being at peace with others, and striving to always love God and their neighbor. Frequent communion and regular confession are recommended for all faithful Orthodox Christians.

For other Christians: We welcome you to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Unfortunately we cannot extend to you a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christian's believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signify-

ing a oneness in faith, life, and worship of our community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, but for which we must all pray. All, however, are welcome to partake of the blessed bread (antidoron) which will be given when coming forward to venerate (kiss) the Holy Cross and receive the final blessing from the priest. Again, welcome!

**; APOSTLES OLYMPAS, RODION, SOSIPATER, TERTIOS, ERASTOS AND
QUARTOS OF THE SEVENTY;**

GREAT-MARTYR ORESTES OF CAPPADOCIA

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE THREE

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

TROPARIAN OF ST. GEORGE IN TONE FOUR

As deliverer of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings, Victorious Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, * the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, * the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, * into the House of the Lord * on this day is brought forward * and bringeth with herself the grace * of the Most Divine Spirit; * her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, * for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

THE EPISTLE

(For the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost)

O chant unto our God, chant ye. Clap your hands, all ye nations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (1:11-19)

Brethren, I would have you know that the Gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I per-

Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people; so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He Who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other Apostles except James the Lord's brother.

لَتَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتِكَ عَلَيْنَا.
رَتَّلُوا لِإِلَهِنَا رَتَّلُوا. يَا جَمِيعَ الْأُمَمِ صَفِّقُوا بِالْأَيْدِي.
فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولُسِ الرَّسُولِ إِلَى أَهْلِ غَلَاطِيَّةِ.

يا إخوة، أُعَلِّمُكُمْ أَنَّ الْإِنْجِيلَ الَّذِي بَشَّرْتُ بِهِ، لَيْسَ بِحَسَبِ الْإِنْسَانِ. لِأَنِّي لَمْ أَتَسَلَّمْهُ أَوْ أَتَعَلَّمْهُ مِنْ إِنْسَانٍ، بَلْ بِإِعْلَانِ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ. فَإِنَّكُمْ قَدْ سَمِعْتُمْ بِسِيرَتِي قَدِيمًا فِي مِلَّةِ الْيَهُودِ أَنِّي كُنْتُ أَضْطَهَدُ كَنِيسَةَ اللَّهِ بِإِفْرَاطٍ وَأَدْمَرُهَا. وَأَزِيدُ تَقَدُّمًا فِي مِلَّةِ الْيَهُودِ عَلَى كَثِيرِينَ مِنْ أَتْرَابِي فِي جِنْسِي، بِكُونِي أَوْفَرَ مِنْهُمْ غَيْرَةً عَلَى تَقْلِيدَاتِ آبَائِي. فَلَمَّا ارْتَضَى اللَّهُ، الَّذِي أَفْرَزَنِي مِنْ جَوْفِ أُمِّي وَدَعَانِي بِنِعْمَتِهِ. أَنْ يُعَلِّنَ ابْنَهُ فِيَّ لِأَبَشِّرَ بِهِ بَيْنَ الْأُمَمِ، لِسَاعَتِي لَمْ أُصْغِ إِلَى لَحْمٍ وَدَمٍ. وَلَا صَعِدْتُ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ إِلَى الرَّسُولِ الَّذِينَ قَبْلِي، بَلْ انْطَلَقْتُ إِلَى دِيَارِ الْعَرَبِ، وَبَعْدَ ذَلِكَ رَجَعْتُ إِلَى دِمَشْقَ. ثُمَّ إِنِّي بَعْدَ ثَلَاثِ سِنِينَ، صَعِدْتُ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ لِأَزُورَ بُطْرُسَ، فَأَقَمْتُ عِنْدَهُ خَمْسَةَ عَشَرَ يَوْمًا. وَلَمْ أَرْ غَيْرَهُ مِنَ الرَّسُولِ سِوَى يَعْقُوبَ أَخِي الرَّبِّ.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Eighth Sunday of Luke)

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (10:25-37).

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read?" And the lawyer answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest

was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" The lawyer said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

فصلٌ شريفٌ من بشارَةِ القديسِ لوقا الإنجيليِّ البشيرِ والتلميذِ الطاهرِ.

في ذلك الزمان، دنا إلى يسوع ناموسيٌّ وقال، مُجرباً له: يا مُعلِّمُ، ماذا أعملُ لأرث الحياةَ الأبديةَ. فقال له: ماذا كُتِبَ في النَّاموسِ؟ كيفَ تقرأُ؟ فأجاب وقال: أَحِبِّ الرَّبَّ إِلَهَكَ مِنْ كُلِّ قَلْبِكَ، وَمِنْ كُلِّ نَفْسِكَ، وَمِنْ كُلِّ قُدْرَتِكَ، وَمِنْ كُلِّ ذَهْنِكَ، وَقَرِيبِكَ كَنَفْسِكَ. فقال له: بالصَّوابِ أَجِبْتَ. إعملْ ذلكَ فَتَحيا. فأرادَ أن يَزكِّي نَفْسَهُ فقالَ لِيَسوعَ: وَمَنْ قَرِيبِي؟ فَعادَ يَسوعُ وقالَ: كانَ إنسانٌ مُنحدرًا مِنْ أورشليمَ إلى أريحا، فوَقَعَ بَيْنَ لُصُوصٍ. فَعَرَّوهُ وَجَرَّحُوهُ وَتَرَكوهُ بَيْنَ حَيٍّ وَمَيِّتٍ. فَانْتَقَى أَنْ كاهنًا كانَ مُنحدرًا في ذلكَ الطريقِ، فَأَبْصَرَهُ وَجَارَ مِنْ أَمامِهِ. وكذلكَ لاويُّ، وأتى إلى المكانِ، فَأَبْصَرَهُ وَجَارَ مِنْ أَمامِهِ. ثُمَّ إِنَّ سامريًّا مُسافرًا مرَّ بِهِ، فَلَمَّا رآهُ تَحَنَّنَ. فدنا إِلَيْهِ وَضَمَدَ جراحاتِهِ، وَصَبَّ عَلَيَّهَا زَيْتًا وَخَمْرًا، وَحَمَلَهُ على دابَّتِهِ، وأتى بِهِ إلى فُنْدُقٍ، وَاغْتَنى بِأَمْرِهِ. وفي الغدِ، فيما هُوَ خارِجٌ، أَخْرَجَ دينارَيْنِ وَأَعْطاهُما لِصاحِبِ الفُنْدُقِ وقالَ له: اعْتَنِ بِأَمْرِهِ، وَمَهْمَا تُنْفِقُ فَوْقَ هَذَا فَأَنَا أَدْفَعُهُ لَكَ عِنْدَ عَوْدَتِي. فأَيُّ هؤَلاءِ الثلاثةِ تَحَسَّبُ صارَ قَرِيبًا لِلَّذِي وَقَعَ بَيْنَ اللُّصُوصِ؟ قالَ: الذي صَنَعَ إِلَيْهِ الرَّحْمَةَ. فقالَ له يَسوعُ: امضِ فَاصْنَعْ أَنْتَ أَيْضًا كَذَلِكَ.

Holy Oblations Offered by

Ric Shahin and his family for the health of the of Shahin, Moore, Hawkins, and Rhinehart families, and in loving memory of: Elaine (40 days), James, Donald and Donald; Fr. Joe and Kh. Leslee Abud for the health of their family and in loving memory of Eliana Bahou.

PRAYER LIST

Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: Sahar Abdallah, Abeer Abuaita, Reader Fouad and Soad Abuaita, Philip and Janett Abuaita, Rasha Abuaita, Sami and Shafiq Abuaitah, Laila Abud, George Abueita, Georgette Abueita, Youssif Abousamra, William Alsaouri, Basil Andoni, Naila Banna, Stephanie, Cynthia Brooks, Douglas Coone, Kristy Corcoran, Vera Daoud, Wafaa Elias, Said Farah, Joseph Gagne, Elias Gantos, Subdeacon George and Suad Gantous, Phyllis Good, Daisy Isaac, Danny Mortensen, Karen Mortensen, Kevin Myott, Laura Nassar, George Nassif, Adam Odeh, Betty Ramsdale, Elaine Shaheen, Michael and Nancy Silpoch; Natania, Rene and the newborn Marina Rene Hanna (10/26), Lianna and Hanna and the newborn Leah (10/10); our Catechumens who are under instruction to become members of our Orthodox Faith: Maria, Kirk, Evan Sanford and Jaden Turner; our Expectant Parents: Dania and Subdeacon Salim Hanna; and for Karim Alkhouri and Mary Boulos who were engaged on Saturday (God grant them many years!).

Servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: Nejme Khair (+ Sep 26th Mother of Esperanza Abuaita), Elaine Moore (+ Oct 3rd Ric Shahin's mother in law), Robert Clark (+ Oct 6th Kelly Dotson's stepfather), Bishara Farah (+ Oct 11), Jeremy Andrew Meshraky (+ Oct 11th the son of Samir Meshraky), Issa Fouad Awad (+ Oct 18th Fouad Awad's uncle).

Arabic Divine Liturgy

Wednesday Nov 13th, 2024 at 6:00 PM

BIBLE UNDERSTANDING (study) ARABIC

Tuesday Nov 12 at 3:00 PM.

Thursday Nov 14 at 6:00 PM.

Want to be an Angel?

Our parish is again participating in the **North End Soup Kitchen Angel Tree**. We have 31 children looking for "angels" to brighten their Christmas! The gift range is between \$30 and \$40. Gift cards are OK for children 15-17 years old. Several items may be requested, but you only need to pick one or more of these items. Attach the provided gift tag that has the child's name to the gift and place it in gift bags. All gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 8th! The tags can be picked up after Divine Liturgy in the Banquet Center or by contacting May Gantos (810-869-4012).

You can make an online donation (see QR CODE BELOW) under the "Angel Tree" FUND or send it directly to the church with the memo "Angel Tree" so our coordinators can purchase gifts. If you have any questions, speak with one of our coordinators May, Gabby, or Lauren Gantos. **If you want to do this, do it TODAY; ~ call May or make a donation online.** Again, thank you, and may God always bless your generosity!



Church School News!

A big Thank you to all the generous individual for their donations towards the Thanksgiving dinner, from making turkeys to monetary donations to help us cover the costs of all the food purchased, to all our volunteers who worked in the kitchen, helped the children prepare or helped in anyway, God bless you!!!

Church School Christmas Program

December 14, 2024

Must sign up Sunday, November 17th @ 12:00, towards the end of class. This will be to assign roles: Narrators, actors, and singers. Preschool/K/1/2 will be angels and shepherds if they want to participate; Parents need to let me know. Practice days and times will be given out at the meeting. Thank you.

Church school director - Ms. Janet

SAVE THE DATE

DECEMBER 8, 2024

OUR GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Teen SOYO Wants YOU!!!

All teens of St. George are encouraged to participate in our teen group – Teen SOYO (Society of Orthodox Youth Organizations). Our group has dedicated leadership who will not be happy until all teens of St. George are participating! Whoever is reading this please pass it along to a teen in your house or to Godchildren, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, sons, & daughters. We are gathering on Thursday, November 14th. 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. If you would like to know more, come to our get-togethers, scan the QR code to signup, or contact President Cezar Abuaita (810-986-1434 or cezaruabuaita@icloud.com).



REMINDERS:

HOME BLESSING PLEASE CONTACT FR. AMIN AT OFFICE: (810) 732-0720 OR

CELL: (248) 709 1186

SAY YOUR PRAYERS AT HOME AND READ THE BIBLE.

The Voice News Letter

**You will be receiving the news letter of our parish four times a year, starting
the beginning of January 2, 2025.**

OUR STEWARDSHIP, OFFERINGS, & DONATIONS

BELOVED MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY OF ST. GEORGE

EACH OF YOU SHOULD GIVE WHAT YOU HAVE DECIDED IN YOUR HEART TO GIVE, NOT RELUCTANTLY OR UNDER COMPULSION, FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER. (2 CORINTHIANS 9:7)

Our stewardship, offerings, and donations are needed. PLEASE help your parish by continuing to offer your gifts! If you cannot come to church, you can simply go to our parish website (<https://saintgeorgeflint.org/>) and donate on-line (or use the QR code below) or you can bring or mail your offerings to St. George, 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507. As always, THANK YOU for your generosity and love of our St. George! Online Donations will accept Credit / Debit Cards or ACH (transfers from a banking account) and can be set for automatic donations. Call the Church Office (810-732-0720) if you need help with this.

Automatic Giving. Did you know most banks and credit unions offer automatic bill payment services? You can set it up so they send a check from your account to St. George for the amount you designate. This can be a one-time event or done automatically weekly/monthly. Just call or go online with your banking institution to get the form you need.



SAINT OF THE DAY

Holy Apostles Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Tertios, Erastos and Quartos of the Seventy.

On November 10 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the holy Apostles Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Tertios, Erastos and Quartos of the Seventy.

Verses

With words I hymn six disciples of the Word and Wisdom,
Who with their words delivered mortals from want of wisdom.
On the tenth the six Apostles passed from this life.

Olympas and Herodion were followers of the Apostle Peter and when Peter suffered, they were beheaded by the command of Emperor Nero. Erastus had been the steward of the church in Jerusalem, and later became Bishop of Paneas in Palestine. Quartos was the first Bishop of the Apostolic See of Beirut. He suffered greatly, but converted many to the Christian Faith. Sosipater was the bishop in Iconium and Tertios was the second bishop in that city. They waged spiritual warfare and, as victors, received heavenly wreaths of glory. On this day, we also commemorate the Great-martyr Orestes of Tyana in Cappadocia. He was a Christian from birth and a physician by profession. He was harshly tortured by a certain wicked eparch Maximus during the reign of Diocletian. When Maximus advised him to deny Christ and worship idols, Orestes replied: "If you knew the power of the Crucified One, you would reject idolatrous falsehoods and worship the true God. I am prepared to endure every pain, having the sign of my Lord Jesus Christ inscribed on my heart." A man bright as the sun appeared, gathered Orestes' relics, and honorably buried them on a hill near Tyana. This wonderful saint appeared to St. Dimitri of Rostov and showed him all the wounds on his body.

Live Streaming of Divine Services

St. George is open for all parishioners and visitors. If you cannot attend, please pray with us through our livestream which can be seen on our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/SaintGeorgeOrthodoxChurchFlintMI>

If you have a smart TV, you actually have a web browser and YouTube app built in. All you have to do is start the browser app for YouTube and put the link in the address bar.