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Godparent Sunday
February 13th

2021-22 Church School Theme

Dear_____,

On Sunday, February 13, 2022 we will be having "Godparent Sunday" at St. George Orthodox Church. It would be an extra special day if you would attend the Divine Liturgy with me. Matins begin at 8:50am and Divine Liturgy begins at 10am. If we are prepared, we can receive Holy Communion together. Fr. Joe is available for confessions on Saturdays after Great Vespers at 5pm, by appointment during the week, or from 8:30am-9:30am on Sunday mornings.

We are planning a delicious meal following the service that day and I pray you could plan on staying and enjoying it with me!

I hope that we can be together on this special day!

Love in Christ,

_____

GODPARENT SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 13TH

We are excited to announce the 21st Annual **Godparent Sunday** sponsored by our Church School.

This day will allow our Godparents and Godchildren to "reconnect" with each other and help us understand the joy and beauty of that special relationship! Please make note of the following:

2021-22 Church School Theme

- *Children (or parents) INVITE your Godparents to Divine Liturgy and Meal as soon as possible!*
- *Godparents INVITE your Godchildren to Divine Liturgy and Meal as soon as possible!*
- *Godparents and Godchildren should prepare themselves with Confession before February 13th so they can participate in Holy Communion together!*

⇨ An **Invitation** *(to be sent by Godparents to Godchildren or Godchildren to Godparents)* is on the **previous page!**

A delicious meal for Godparents, Godchildren, and our WHOLE parish Family is being planned!

There is no cost for the meal, but free-will offerings will be accepted!

~~ All offerings go to our Christian Education Program ~~

Godparents

by Fr. Troy Mashburn from The WORD*, June 1997*

In a healthy Orthodox parish, there is a continual flow of births, and consequently baptisms in the parish. Where the parish is genuinely taking the faith to the surrounding world, there is also a steady stream of Chrismations of individuals into the parish and the Kingdom of God. In each of these blessed sacramental events, not only are the priest and the one receiving the sacrament integrally involved, a third person is essentially entwined in the sacrament, that being the Godparent (sponsor). Many times the Godparent's role is minimized, centering only on material aspects of the sacrament. However, he/she has personal responsibilities as well as representative responsibilities for the entire parish that go far beyond material considerations. It is good for us to be reminded of the role of Godparents in the life of the Orthodox Christian.

Regarding their representative role, we must never forget that the entire parish takes responsibility for those "born again" by baptism (or received by Chrismation) into its midst.

Regarding the Godparent's personal role, there are many good descriptions in print already. I have borrowed the following from one of the better ones, Fr. Stanley Harakas' *455 Questions,* wherein he discussed the history and responsibility of Godparents as follows:

"The godparent at a baptism is recorded as early as the year 200AD by Tertullian in his book *De Baptismo.* St. John Chrysostom mentions godparents in his book *On The Psalms.* In the early church, adults, primarily, were baptized. Godparents were chosen for each person. They were nearly always of the same sex of the person to be baptized. Their role was to assure the Church of the moral character of the candidate, to assist at the baptism itself, and to watch over his or her growth in the faith. By the 6th century, the practice of infant baptism became dominant. Together, with their previous duties, the godparent is responsible for the spiritual and moral growth of the child. In the East the godparent is known as "*Anadohos*," which literally means, "one who takes responsibility for another" which shows both the role and the significance of the godparent ... When you become a child's godparent, you become the spiritual and religious mentor and guide of your godchild for the duration of both of your lives ...

"The sponsor is a very important person in the baptismal service and in the life of the baptized Christian. In the early Church the majority of persons entering the Church were adults. This meant that they were able to make their own profession of faith, to reject evil and sin, and personally commit themselves to Christ. In infant baptism, which otherwise has much to commend it, this is not possible. The parents make the decision to baptize their child, thus bringing the child into the life of redemption. It is the Godparent, however, who rejects the devil, accepts Christ, and who makes the profession of faith on behalf of the child. It is a mistake for Godparents to think of their role as a merely social one. It is primarily religious and

spiritual. The task of the Godparent does not consist simply in buying a cross and some new clothing, and participating in the service of baptism ... All these things are merely the beginning of the responsibilities of the sponsor. For with these acts, the sponsor assumes a lifelong commitment to care for the spiritual aspects of the life of his or her Godchild. This means several things. First, to see to it, together with the parents, that the child is taught the necessary things for the living of the Christian life. This includes attendance at Church religious education classes, and, most importantly, frequent participation in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Godparents should also have close personal ties with their Godchildren. They should visit with them regularly, in person, by letter, or on the phone. They should remember their Godchildren on their name days, birthdays

and other holidays. All this should be accompanied by loving counsel and concern in reference to the various stages of their lives with a view to the Christian formation of the Godchild. In later years, during the teens, a Godparent who has done these things during childhood years may prove to be the only one who can influence a young person during those trying and difficult times. Finally, the Godparent should include his or her Godchild in daily prayers."

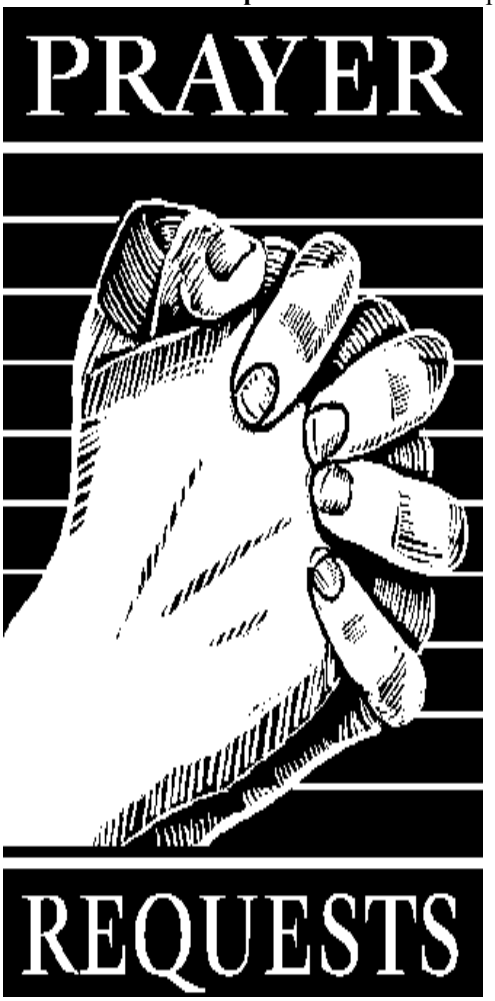
All of this may (and should) give prospective Godparents pause before accepting the task. It is a great responsibility. However, we should not flee from it, but embrace it. It will always prove to be just as instrumental for the Godparent's salvation as it does for the newly baptized or Chrismated. It is in our sharing our lives in Christ with others that we ourselves draw nearer to the Holy Trinity. May God grant us increased understanding of this important role in the Kingdom of God.

Daily Prayer Life

- For the servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: **Edward** Shadeed (+December 27th, brother-in-law of JoAnn Hawkins), **Jim** Simpson (+December 27th, uncle of Kelly Sanderson), **Laurie** Crisp (+January 3rd, cousin of Lauren Zerka), **Ronna** Royer (+January 4th, mother of Fr. Bob), **Nael** Bannura (+January 13th, father of Amani Jarayseh), and **Sub-deacon Brian** Thabit (+January 14th, relative of Father Michael).

May their memory be eternal!

- Remember our parishioners and those who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Metropolitan Paul** and **Archbishop John** who are in captivity, **Sahar** Abdallah, **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett), **Shafiqa** Abuaitah, **Suheil** and **Abeer** Abuaita, **Laila** Abud, **Anwar** and **Georgette** Abueita, **Chelsy** Abufarha, **William** Alsahouri, **Emil** Bathish, **Levi** Cooper, **Vera** Daoud, **Jimmy** David, **Elias** Gantos, **Phyllis** Good, **Daisy** Isaac, **Salwa** Isaac, **Nicola** Khoury, **Rafat** Nasri, **Laura** Nassar, **Aida** Raffoul, **Roger** Saadeh, **Deborah** Salim, **Elaine** and **Ellis** Salim, **Nicholas** Saseen, **Elaine** Shaheen, **Michael** Silpoch, and **Georgette** Yusuf; *all first-responders and medical personal, those who worked and those who continue to work on a COVID-19 cure, those suffering in our community and the Middle East, the supporters and benefactors of St. George, the members of our Parish Council, Ladies Auxiliary, Teen SOYO, Altar Servers, Altar Society, Chanters, Choir, Church School, OCF (Orthodox Christian Fellowship), Preschool Ministry, and Ushers.*



- Remember the servants of God who are with child: **Casandra** and **Daniel** Burbar, **Yara** and **Mudaffer** Rishmawi, and **Jacqueline** (daughter of Anwar and Janet) and **John** Timm**.**

➢ *Please update Fr. Joe if the following should remain on our prayer list!*

- Remember the family and friends of St. George parishioners: **Sharon** Ballreich (sister of Nancy Silpoch and Debbie Salim), **Kinan** Turjman (nephew of Sahar Abdallah), **Fr. Dennis** Heifner, **Angelo** and **Chrisodolus** Bastounis, **Cynthia** Brooks, **Heather** Campbell, **Georgianna** (Gigi) and **Zossima** Daugherty, **Bryan** Stewart, and **Charles** Thabet (family/friends of Fr. Mike and Pam Bassett), **Mariam** Ghanim (mother of Manal Abuaita), **Youssef** and **Georgette** Damouni (parents of Lina Burbar and May Gantos), **Ranna** Esho (friend of Batoul Burbar), **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett Abuaita), **Nihad** Bannura (cousin of Jane Abu-Eita), **Amy** Handley (friend of Nataly Odeh), **Abdulnour** Hanna (brother of the Hanna, Elias, Joubran families), **Maha** Qassis and **Nadia** Ibrahim (sister/mother of Ziyad), **Shafeka** Qurpan and **George** Ishak (mother/nephew of Amira Hanna), **Philip** Jones (brother of Dannie Jones), **Elias** Ibrahim and **Taghrid** (uncle/friend of Rula Alkazaha), **Mary** Khal and **Hanna** Abu-Nimer (relatives of Karam and Aida Nassar), **Scott** Lints (friend of Mary Jo Ghattas), **Tom** Ellenburg (friend of Sally Joseph), **Harrison** Keller, **Anna** Kramer, and **Gloria** Nakfoor (friends/sister of Elaine Shaheen), **Saliba** Musleh (father of Julianna Abuaita), **Ibtisam** Odeh (cousin of Elham Ishak), **Megan** Meade and **Casey** Webb (relatives of Bob Teunion), **Sanaa** Alqassis (former parishioner), **Eva** Saseen (daughter of Nicholas), **Averie** Fisher (niece of Doug and Sandy Thomas), **Vicki** Toma (sister of Fr. Joe), **Dominique** Vasquez (friend of Areen Bathish), **Imad** Isaac (friend of St. George), **Nabil** Andoni (brother of Vera Daoud), **Loretta** Karpelenia (mother of Denise Ghattas), **Lan** Kiley (niece of Raji and Sue Salomon), **Shirley** Zerka (mother of Victoria), **Jennifer** Craft and **Brionna** Gorbutt (friends of Mariann Hayek), **Amira** Vicari-Hills and newborn twins **Giovani** and **Leila**, and **Larry** Judson (friends of Tim Beers).

Congratulations and God bless:

❖ **Samer Abuaita** and **Marianne Abulail** who were recently engaged to be united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

❖ The newly elected 2022 officers of our *St. George Parish Council*:

Fadi Rishmawi, Chairman — **Anwar Abueita**, Vice Chairman
Tony Daoud, Treasurer — **Areen Bathish**, Secretary

Special thanks to **Emil Abueita** and **Habeeb Ghattas** who completed 6 years on our Parish Council and for their dedicated and hard-working service to our beloved St. George family.

❖ **Ghassan**, **Jasanta**, and newborn **Sophia** Al-Khouri (January 12th).

Announcements

FASTING DISCIPLINE FOR FEBRUARY The traditional fasting discipline (*no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil or their by-products)* is observed on all Wednesdays and Fridays, except there is no fasting the week following the Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican (February 13th).

GODPARENT SUNDAY & BRUNCH IS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH (SEE FLIER AND INVITATION!) Invitations should be sent by Godchildren to their Godparents (and Godparents to their Godchildren). Please send them TODAY! It will be a wonderful day and we want everyone to be here! When you know who will be attending (Godparents and/or Godchildren), please RSVP in the Church School office. Thank you!!!

REOPENING IN FEBRUARY God willing there will not be any more surges! We will begin Church School, Bible Studies, Teen SOYO Mondays, etc. in February. See the February Calendar for days and times.

OUR STEWARDSHIP, OFFERINGS, & DONATIONS Though everyone is not attending church due to the pandemic or other reasons, **our stewardship, offerings, and donations are still very badly needed**. PLEASE help our/your parish by continuing to bring or mail your offerings to St. George, 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507. Or go to our parish website (https://saintgeorgeflint.org/) and donate on-line.

MONTHLY OFFERINGS

Our average monthly parishioner offerings (not including other income) needs to be $21,385 to meet our 2021 Budget. Our offerings in December were $15,157 ~ which means we were **short $6,628**! God bless you for your generosity and let us pray God will always provide! We all need to support our church, please fill out your 2022 Offering Form as soon as possible and support the work of God through our parish of St. George.

To Tithe is to Love!

The Bible says a "tithe" is giving 10% of our income to God through His Holy Church. In the Old Testament, the tithe was the maximum.

For Christians (yes, US!), the tithe is the minimum!

Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7

ALL of our **240 families** are asked to make an Offering. Why? Because it is such a blessing to give back to God a little of what He has given us!

- Our 2022 Budget is $287,753
- To meet our budget, our weekly offerings need to average: $5,534
- Total Offered by 26 Families/Individuals: $38,280
- Number of Families who need to offer: ALL THOSE WHO BELONG TO OUR ST. GEORGE FAMILY!
- Offering Range: ***according to how God has blessed you!***

Your commitment is NEEDED!
Please fill out your 2022 Offering Form -- as soon as possible.
THANK YOU!!!

To Tithe is to Love!

2022 Offering Update

As of January 20, 2022

We thank the following families for turning in their 2022 Offering Form in support of God's work at St. George. If your name is not listed, please fill out your 2022 Offering Form and mail it to the Church or put it in the Sunday Offering Tray.

Thank You and God Bless You!

New this year in Underlined (did not fill out a form last year)
Increase in Offering is **BOLD**

Add Your Name to the List!!!

1. Fr. Joe and Kh. Leslee Abud
2. Laila Abud
3. Anwar and Janet Abueita
4. **Issa and Jane Abueita**
5. **Michael and Ola Alqazaha**
6. **Fr. Mike and Kh. Pam Bassett**
7. Adeeb and Inam Bathish
8. Areen Bathish
9. Hiam Bathish
10. Issa and Vera Daoud
11. Iman David
12. James David
13. Ayman and Wafaa Elias
14. Betty Froberg
15. Nasri and Carol Haddad
16. Elias and Amirah Hanna
17. Najwa Joubran
18. Dr. Raouf Mikhail
19. Karam and Aida Nassar
20. George and Jeanette Nassif
21. Deborah Salim
22. Elaine Shaheen
23. Ric and Martha Shahin
24. **Paul and Camela Takach**
25. **William and Elise Sophiea**
26. Robert Teunion

2022 Offering Form

St. George Orthodox Church ~ Flint, Michigan

I Want To Be Counted!

Frequency	Amount	A % of Income
Weekly	$	
OR Twice Monthly	$	
OR Monthly	$	
OR Quarterly	$	
OR Annually	$	

~ Offerings Are Treated confidentially ~ Please fill out completely.

Name(s)	
Address	
City	
ZIP	
Telephone	

Offerings can be made in different ways.

- Put your offering in the **Sunday Tray** or **send it to St. George**.
- Online at https://app.easytithe.com/app/giving/saintgeorgeflint.
- Call the office (810-732-0720) and use a **Credit Card**.
- An **ACH** direct-payment transaction from your bank account.

Signature: _____ Date:_____

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse" (Malachi 3:10)

Seeing the rich bringing their gifts and then a widow bringing a few pennies, Jesus said, *"Truly I say to you that this widow has put in more than all."* (Luke 21:3)

2022 بطاقة التبرعات لعام

كنيسة القديس جورج للروم الاورثودوكس فلنت، متشغن

أريد أن أكون معدودا !

الدفعات	المبلغ	% من قيمة الدخل
اسبوعيا	$	
مرتين بالشهر	$	
شهريا	$	_____
كل ثلاثة شهور	$	
سنويا	$	

كل التبرعات يتم التعامل معها بسرية تامة ~ الرجاء تعبئة كل البطاقة.

الاسم / الأسماء	
العنوان	
المدينة	
الرقم	
رقم الهاتف	

يمكن تقديم التبرعات بعدة طرق مختلفة.

- يمكن وضع التبرعات في صينية التبرعات يوم الأحد أو ارسالها الى عنوان الكنيسة.
- عن طريق الانترنت https://app.easytithe.com/app/giving/saintgeorgeflint
- عن طريق الاتصال على رقم تلفون مكتب الكنيسة 0720-732(810) واستخدام بطاقة الائتمان (كريديت كارت).
- أو عن طريق الدفع أو التحويل المباشر من حسابك المصرفي-ACH.

الامضاء _____التاريخ _____

هاتوا العشور جميعها الى بيت الجزية (ملاخي 10:3)

عندما رأى الأغنياء يتقدمون بتبرعاتهم والأرملة الفقيرة تقدم القليل قال يسوع: *"الحق أقول لكم أن هذه الأرملة الفقيرة قد ألقت أكثر منهم جميعا"* (لوقا 3:21)

Namedays, Birthdays and Anniversaries

February 1 to February 28, 2022

Birthdays

February

1 Said M. Farah
Iyan R. Khoury

2 Elias Bannoura
Ronald "Ron" Haddad
Victoria A. Haddad
Christina M. Joseph

3 Stephani Burch
Ayman Elias
Ibrahim Shamma

4 Phadia Reed

5 Hiam J. Bathish
Victor H. Habbas

6 Inam Y. Bathish
Isabella Ibrahim

7 Jane N. Abu-Eita
Olga Nassar

8 Mudaffer Rishmawi

9 Adam W. Cooper
Shamseh Iseid

10 Alexis M. Russell

11 Christopher Isaac
Abraham Rashmawi

12 Rami Khoury
Christina Nassar

13 Mariam Al-Khouri
Samer Ishaq
Christopher S. Jehnsen
Isabelle M. Khouri

14 Amirah Hanna
Nawal Iseid
Mariana A. Yacoub

15 Xavier S. Abdallah

18 Joseph "Fr. Joe" M. Abud

19 Zain B. Hawwash

20 Basil Andoni
Abbey C. Lawrence
Victoria "Vicky" Nassar

21 Lawrence "Larry" J. Porada Jr.

22 Nicole N. Khoury
Sally Rashmawi

23 Walid Q. Hayek

24 Ramiz Alsahouri

25 Elia Abu-Aita

26 Majed Rishmawi

27 Fouad Abuaita

28 Leah N. Farah
London Haddad

Namedays

February

3 Simon Drake Khouri

6 Julianos Fouad Awad

Wedding Anniversaries

February

14 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Farah

18 Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Farah
Mr. and Mrs. Jamil Ghantous

20 Mr. and Mrs. Omar Nassar

23 Mr. and Mrs. John Joseph

27 Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Tipton

God Grant You All Many Years!

February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 **Evening Liturgy** ***Meeting of the Lord in the Temple*** @ **Assumption* 6pm	2 **Presentation of our Lord into the Temple** **Arabic Bible Study** 12-2pm	3 **Righteous Simeon the God-Receiver**	4	5 ***Great Vespers* and Confessions 5pm**
6 **Sunday of the Canaanite Woman** **Martyr Julian of Emesa** (Homs, Syria)	7 **Bible Study** 3-5pm Teen SOYO Monday 6-8pm	8	9 **Arabic Bible Study** 12-2pm	10	11	12 ***Great Vespers* and Confessions 5pm**
13 1st Pre-Lenten Sunday **Publican and Pharisee** **Godparent Sunday**	14 **Bible Study** 3-5pm Teen SOYO Monday 6-8pm	15	16 **Arabic Bible Study** 12-2pm	17 **Parish Council** 6:15pm	18	19 ***Great Vespers* and Confessions 5pm**
20 2nd Pre-Lenten Sunday **Prodigal Son**	21 **Bible Study** 3-5pm Teen SOYO Monday 6-8pm	22	23 **Arabic Bible Study** 12-2pm	24	25	26 ***Great Vespers* and Confessions 5pm**
27 3rd Pre-Lenten Sunday **The Last Judgment** **Meatfare Sunday**	28 **Bible Study** 3-5pm Teen SOYO Monday 6-8pm					

***Assumption**
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(between Holly & Fenton Roads)
Grand Blanc 810-771-4611

Meeting of our Lord in the Temple

February 2nd

On this day, the Church commemorates an important event in the earthly life of our Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 2:22-40). Forty days after His birth the God-Infant was taken to the Jerusalem Temple, the center of the nation's religious life. According to the Law of Moses (Lev. 12:2-8), a woman who gave birth to a male child was forbidden to enter the Temple of God for forty days. At the end of this time the mother came to the Temple with the child, to offer a young lamb or pigeon to the Lord as a purification sacrifice. The Most Holy Virgin, the Mother of God, had no need of purification, since she had given birth to the Source of purity and sanctity without defilement. However, she humbly fulfilled the requirements of the Law.

At this time the righteous Elder Simeon (February 3rd) was living in Jerusalem. It had been revealed to him that he would not die until he should behold the promised Messiah. By inspiration from above, St Simeon went to the Temple at the very moment when the Most Holy Theotokos and St Joseph had brought the Infant Jesus to fulfill the Law.

The God-Receiver Simeon took the divine Child in his arms, and giving thanks to God, he spoke the words repeated by the Church each evening at Vespers: *"Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to enlighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel"* (Luke 2:29-32). St Simeon said to the Most Holy Virgin: *"Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel, and for a sign which shall be spoken against. Yea, a sword shall pierce through your own soul also, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed"* (Luke 2:34-35).

At the Temple was the 84-year-old widow Anna the Prophetess, daughter of Phanuel (February 3), *"who did not leave the temple, but served God with fasting and prayers night and day. She arrived just when St Simeon met the divine Child. She also gave thanks to the Lord and spoke of Him to all those who were looking for redemption in Jerusalem"* (Luke 2:37-38). In the icon of the Feast she holds a scroll which reads: *"This Child has established Heaven and earth."*

Before Christ was born, righteous men and women lived by faith in the promised Messiah, and awaited His coming. The Righteous Simeon and the Prophetess Anna, the last righteous people of the Old Testament, were deemed worthy to meet the Savior in the Temple.

The Feast of the Meeting of the Lord is among the most ancient feasts of the Christian Church. We have sermons on the Feast by the holy bishops Methodius of Patara (+ 312), Cyril of Jerusalem (+ 360), Gregory the Theologian (+ 389), Amphilocius of Iconium (+ 394), Gregory of Nyssa (+ 400), and John Chrysostom (+ 407). Despite its early origin, this Feast was not celebrated so splendidly until the sixth century.

In 528, during the reign of Justinian, an earthquake killed many people in Antioch. Other misfortunes followed this one. In 541 a terrible plague broke out in Constantinople, carrying off several thousand people each day. During this time of widespread suffering, a solemn prayer service (Litia) for deliverance from evils was celebrated on the Feast of the Meeting of the Lord, and the plague ceased. In thanksgiving to God, the Church established a more solemn celebration of this Feast.

Church hymnographers have adorned this Feast with their hymns: St Andrew of Crete in the seventh century; St Cosmas Bishop of Maium, St John of Damascus, and St Germanus Patriarch of Constantinople in the eighth century; and St Joseph, Archbishop of Thessalonica in the ninth century.

On this day we also commemorate the icon of the Most Holy Theotokos known as "the Softening of Evil Hearts" or "Simeon's Prophecy." The Mother of God is depicted without Her Child, with seven swords piercing her breast: three from the left side, three from the right, and one from below. A similar icon, "Of the Seven Swords" (August 13th) shows three swords on the left side and four from the right.

The icon "Simeon's Prophecy" symbolizes the fulfillment of the prophecy of the righteous Elder Simeon: *"a sword shall pierce through your own soul"* (Luke 2:35).

Join us for fellowship, friendship, and worship!

SAINT GEORGE
ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

Grand Rapids, Michigan invites you to join us for the

2022 Parish Life Conference

June 15 to June 19, 2022

EVENT WEBSITE

www.toledoplc.org

Event Registration * Souvenir Journal * Vendor Sign-Up

This year's Souvenir Journal is in Celebration of Bishop Anthony's 10 Years and In Memory of Fr. John Winfrey; we'd love for you to include photos of Bishop Anthony or Fr. John in your "ad"

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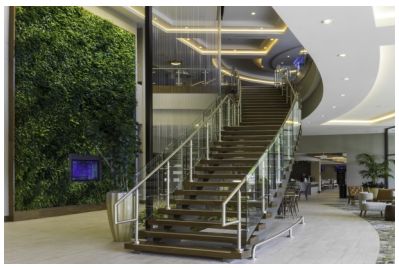

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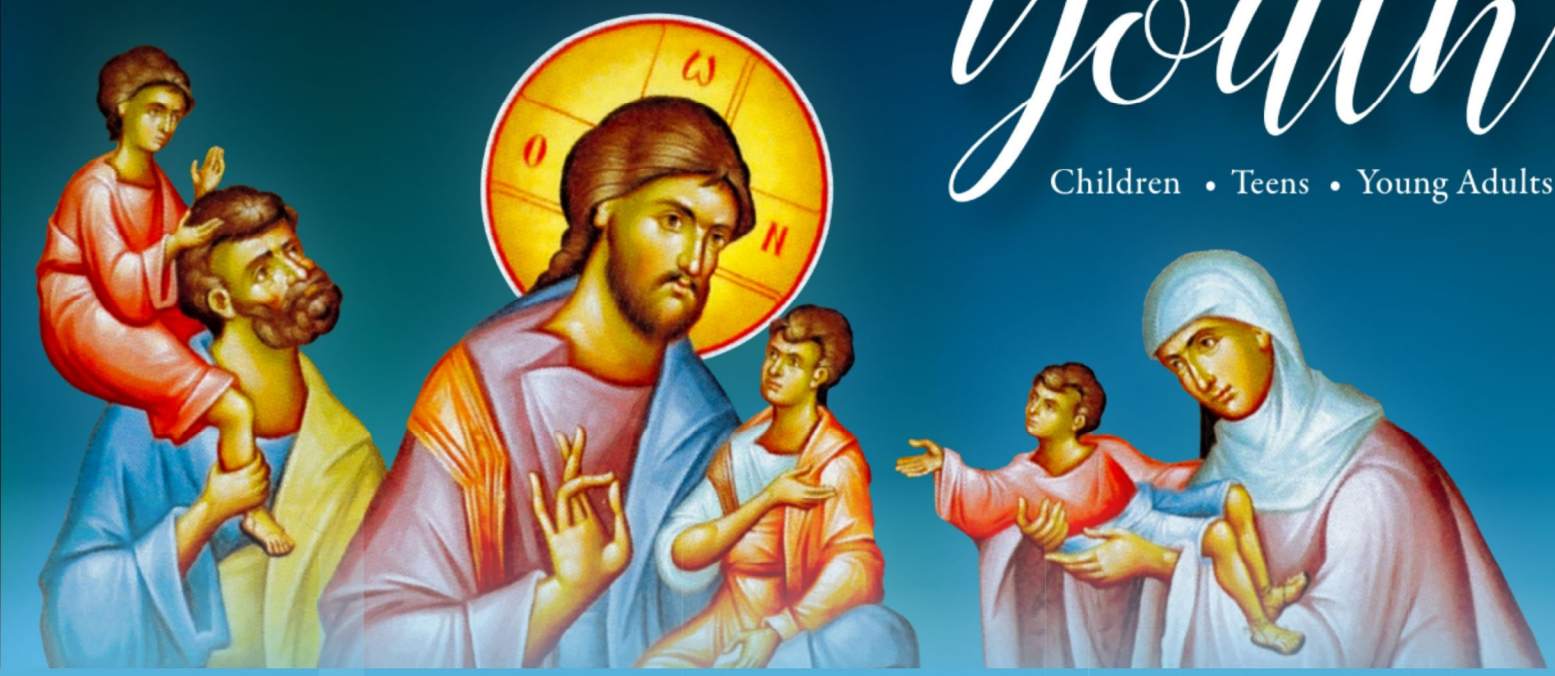
"Let the children come to Me"
Matthew 19:14

YEAR OF The Youth

Children • Teens • Young Adults



Meet The Bishops: TOWNHALLS

An opportunity for youth to meet hierarchs of the Assembly of Bishops in a townhall setting.

Hierarchs attending:

Metropolitan Gerasimos

Metropolitan Joseph

Metropolitan Gregory

Archbishop Michael

Bishop Irinej

February 23rd | 8:00 pm EST

Register: assemblyofbishops.org/ministries/youth/register

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V. Rev. Fr. Joseph M. Abud, Pastor
Rev. Fr. Michael Bassett. Assistant Pastor
Web Site: *saintgeorgeflint.org*

Divine Services for the Lord's Day

- Saturday
  - *Great Vespers* **5:00 PM**
  - * Confessions may also take place by appointment with Father Joe or Father Michael during the week.
- Sunday
  - *Sacrament of Repentance* {Confession*} **8:30 AM—9:30 AM**
  - *Matins* {Arabic & English} **8:50 AM**
  - *Divine Liturgy* **10:00 AM**
  - ***Church School***: Classes are in session following Holy Communion from September to May

Major Feast Days (see Calendar)

2021-22 Theme for Church School, Creative Festivals, and our Parish Life Conference

Parish Council, Departments, & Organizations

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