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St. George Orthodox Church
Ladies Auxiliary
5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507

Thanksgiving Bake Sale

Sunday, November 18th

The Ladies will be selling a variety of pastries: cookies, pies, cakes, Arabic sweets, etc. If you have any questions, see any member of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Please fill out the form below and send it to the Church with your check or give it to any member of the Ladies Auxiliary by November 11th

Thank you for your Support!

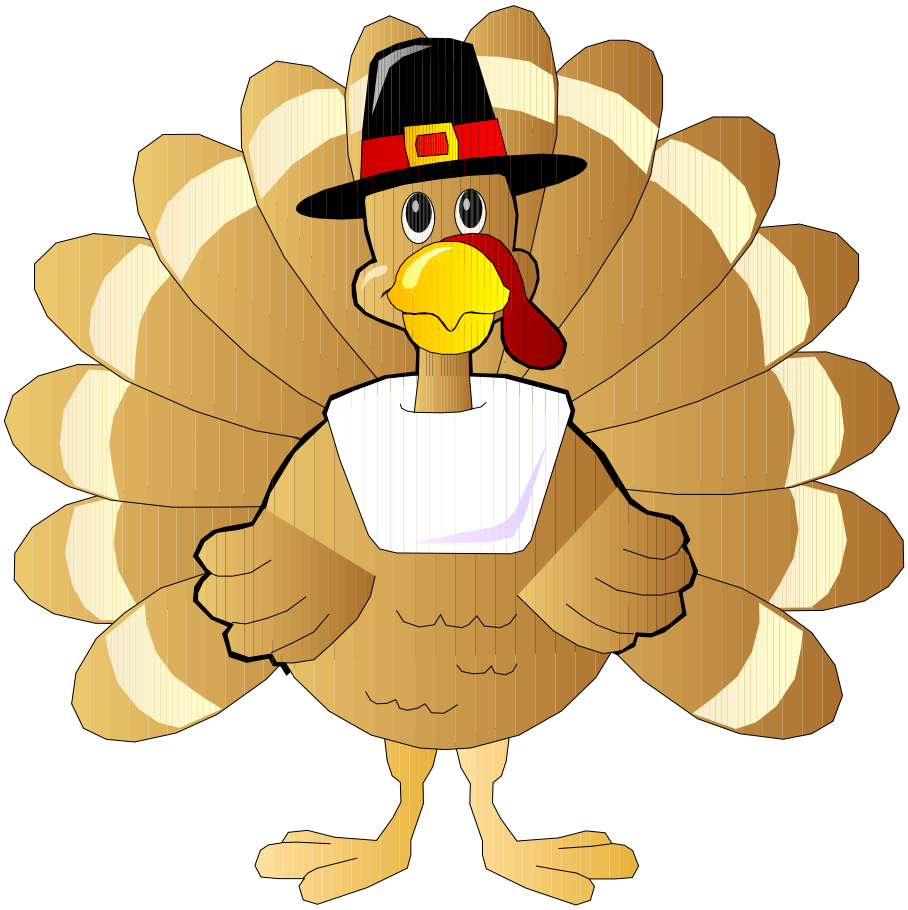
DEADLINE is November 11th!!!

Order Form

Item	Number of Dozens	Price ($15 per dozen)
Spinach Pies		
Meat Pies		
Date Cookies		
TOTAL		

Name_____

Fall Harvest PARISH Thanksgiving Celebration!!!



Saturday, November 10th

Our Church School children *(no Preschoolers, **ONLY** Kindergarten thru 12th Grade)* are to be dropped off at 2pm. They will prepare their part of the meal, set the tables, do crafts, and have a great time together! We are asking that all parents with their preschoolers be back by **5pm** so their children are sitting next to them praying at Great Vespers. Following Great Vespers, we will all enjoy the meal prepared by our children!

This is for ALL parishioners – see you there!

TASTE of the MEDITERRANEAN

THE MIDDLE EAST / ITALY / GREECE / FRANCE

Saturday, November 3, 2018

Savor
Mediterranean culinary delights and wine from the Middle East, Italy, Greece, and France.

Listen
to contemporary sounds throughout the evening.

Peruse
the stunning entertainment and exhibits featuring Mediterranean cultures.

Enjoy
an evening of friendly mingling and pleasure!

Your evening closes with a Nightfall Party and dessert buffet of Mediterranean amusements and delights created especially for you!

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Taste of the Mediterranean:

7:00 p.m. - Midnight

The Mediterranean Experience Tickets:

$100 per person

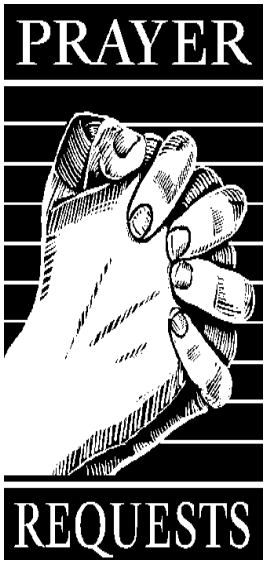
includes food & wine tastings and admission into Nightfall Party

Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties

Your Participation and contributions support St. George Orthodox Church, Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties, and The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan.

FOOD BANK of Eastern Michigan

Daily Prayer Life



- Remember our parishioners and those who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: **Metropolitan Paul** and **Archbishop John** who are in captivity, **Bishop Alexander** (Ottawa and Eastern Canada, and Upstate New York), **Laila** and **Sahar** Abdallah, **Androlla** Abu Aita, **Manal** Abuaita, **Ceasar** Banna, **Pamela Mary** Bassett, **Emil** Bathish, **Alex** and **Panayiotis** Deligorges, **Vera** Farah, **Betty** Froberg, **Phyllis** Good, **Carol** Haddad, **Roland** Haddad, **Daisy** Isaac, **Nawal** and **Nemer** Iseid, **Sally** Joseph, **Nakhleh** and **Nicola** Khoury, **Danny** Mortensen, **Heather** and **Karam** Nassar, **George** and **Renee** Nassif, **Aida** Raffoul, **Elaine** Shaheen, **Michael** Silpoch, **William** Sophiea Jr., **Lois** Teunion; *all first-responders, those suffering in the Middle East and City of Flint; 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: **Jenny** (Hanna) Abuaita, **Walaa** (Rami) Khoury, and **Karen** (Nicholas) Shaheen {Drs. Ron and Kathy's son}.

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

- Remember the family and friends of St. George parishioners: **Kinan** Turjman (nephew of Sahar Abdallah), **Nancy** Maes, **Trish** Lee, **Jessica** Blake, **Bryan** Stewart, **Bryan** Campbell, **Danielle**, **Christopher**, and **Breydon** Heban (family/friends of the Bassetts), **Jim** and **Marianne** Crawford (Dormition Monastery), **Michel** Abuaita (father of Mary Khoury), **Mariam** Ghanim (mother of Manal Abuaita), **Youssef** and **Georgette** Damouni (parents of Lina Burbar/May Gantos), **Asma** Abuaita (sister of Janett Abuaita), **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), **Joann** (Haddad) Merrelli (former parishioner), **James** Gorr (father of Dr. Melissa Bathish), **Elias** Ibrahim and **Taghrid** (uncle/friend of Rula Alkazaha), **Hanna** Abu-Nimer (relative of Karam and Aida Nassar), **Sandra** Fromather (cousin of Diana Rishmawi), **Jenna** Marsico (niece of Evelyn Delbridge), **Scott** Lints (friend of Mary Jo Ghattas), **Tom** Ellenburg, **Patrick** Haley, **Bibiana** Guerra (friends of Sally Joseph), **Saliba** Musleh (father of Julianna Abuaita), **Ibtisam** Odeh (cousin of Elham Ishak), **Megan** Meade and **Casey** Webb (relatives of Bob and Lois Teunion), **Dennis** Perez (from St. Mary Magdalene), **Sanaa** Alqassis (former parishioner), **Eva** Saseen (niece of George and Jeanette Nassif), **Fran** Khoury (relative of Evelyn Delbridge), and **Vicki** Toma (sister of Fr. Joe).

Congratulations and God bless:

- ❖ **Luai** and **Rasha** Abuaita and newborn **Joy** (September 20th).
- ❖ **Andrew** and **Rachel** Sackllah and newborn **Laila** (September 30th).

❖ **David** and **Josalien** (Abuaita) **Khoury** who were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on October 28th.

Announcements

FASTING DISCIPLINE FOR NOVEMBER The traditional fasting discipline (*no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products)* is observed all Wednesdays and Fridays. On Thursday, November 15th, we begin the traditional forty-day ***CHRISTMAS*** *(Advent)* ***FAST*** in preparation for the feast of the Nativity of Christ on December 25th. The Fast is divided into two periods. The first period is November 15th through December 19th when the traditional fasting discipline *(no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, oil and their by-products)* is observed on all days except Tuesdays and Thursdays when *wine and oil* are permitted and Saturdays and Sundays when *fish, wine, and oil* are permitted. On the national holiday of Thanksgiving November 22nd, the Orthodox Church in this country allows for no fasting.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS at 2:00AM on Sunday, November 4th. Before going to bed on Saturday night, November 3rd, please remember to set your clocks BACK (*"fall back")* one hour.

Taste of the Mediterranean (see flier)
November 3, 2018

Tickets are available during Coffee Fellowship – get yours TODAY!
Sponsorship opportunities are in the Lounge ~~ Volunteers needed ~ speak with Katrina
For more information and tickets, contact co-chairs:
Katrina (Khouri) Gagne at 810-252-4475 or Rula Alkazaha at 810-955-2792

- If you are waiting until the last minute, IT'S the LAST MINUTE! Get your tickets, be a sponsor, and enjoy this one-of-a-kind fun evening while supporting St. George!

2018 PARISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Our annual **General Assembly** will be held Sunday, November 11th, immediately following Divine Liturgy. Members in good standing both spiritually (attending church) and in their financial stewardship (offerings to the church) are considered Voting Members and may speak and vote on any non-canonical matter presented at the meeting. Please review the Report Packet that will be sent and plan on attending. Childcare with lunch and activities will be provided by Teen SOYO for the duration of the meeting for those parents staying for the meeting.

- **GENERAL ASSEMBLY VOTING MEMBER** is defined in our Constitution as: *all persons, regardless of sex, eighteen (18) years of age and over, who have been baptized and accepted as members of the Holy Orthodox Church according to its teachings, who accept, profess and practice the faith and discipline of the Holy Orthodox Church and who subscribe to the temporal maintenance of the Parish, through payment of such dues, pledges and assessments.*
- **General Assembly Proxies** are given to those who cannot attend the meeting because of medical treatment or illness, those confined to their homes, or those with written verification of a prior travel commitment. A VOTING member who cannot attend the meeting may have another VOTING member vote on their behalf. PLEASE NOTE: To better our procedures for Proxies, they are available in the church office beginning on Sunday, October 21st and must be returned back to the office by Sunday, November 4th. Proxies received after November 4th will be considered invalid. If you have any questions, please speak with a member of our Credentials Committee (Anwar Abueita, Fadi Rishmawi, or Fr. Joe).

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT 2nd Friday of the month (November 9th). Registration is at 6:30pm and Play begins at 7pm. Have you worked before? If you would like to help out for a couple of hours, volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Please contact coordinator Hiam Andoni (810-813-1076) for more information.

EXPLORING OUR FAITH 4th Tuesday of the month (November 27th) from 6-8pm here *at St. George Church* beginning with ***Little Compline*** followed by fellowship, snacks, teaching, and discussion. The intent of the series is to discover (or rediscover) various aspects of our Orthodox Faith so they might be of practical benefit to us on our life's journey in Christ. All are invited to join! Any questions or if you would like more information, contact Protodeacon Michael Bassett frdnmike@gmail.com or 989-627-9580.

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN Please mark your calendars and come help feed the hungry during our once-a-month commitment at the Soup Kitchen on Tuesday, November 27th from 9am-12:30pm. If you have questions or want to sign-up, please contact Goni Ishak (810-449-6599).

CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS We are now able to take Credit or Debit Card purchases and donations. If you would like to make a purchase or a donation, please come to the office during normal Office Hours (*see back page*) or call to do it by phone.

Coming Events in December

8th	Church School **Parish Pre-Christmas Program**
24th	**Christmas Matins**: 4:50pm **Christmas Divine Liturgy**: 6pm

MONTHLY OFFERINGS

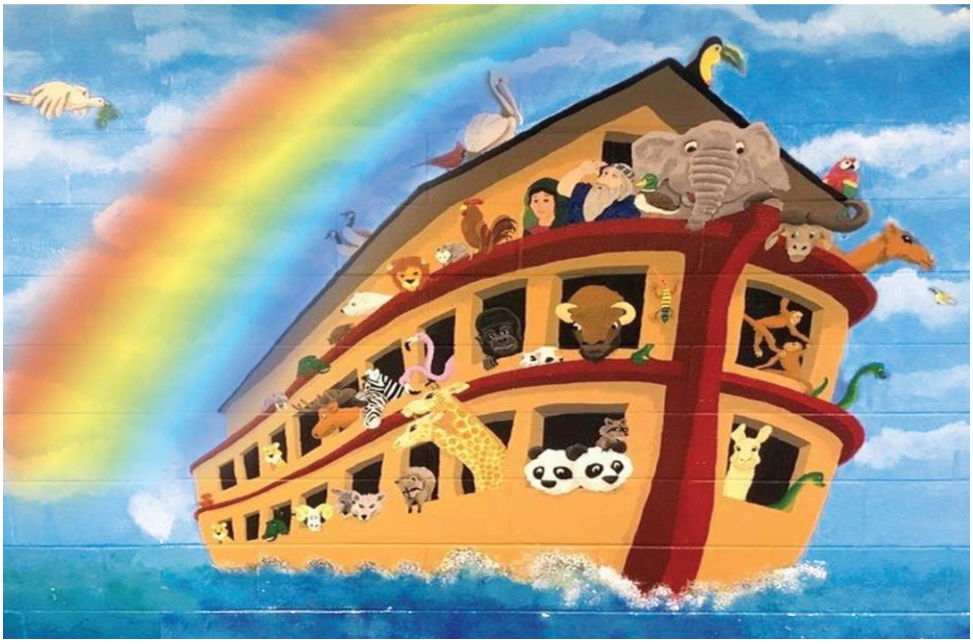
Our average monthly offerings need to be $24,390 to meet our 2018 Budget. Our offerings in September were $11,948 which means we were **short $12,442**! Please support the work of God through St. George.

Teen SOYO Wants YOU!!!

All teens of St. George are encouraged to participate in our Teen SOYO (*see Calendar for days and times*). Our group 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. It doesn't cost a thing to attend, we do fun stuff, and the company is great. If you would like more information, call or e-mail our coordinators, Nataly Odeh at 810-449-8834 or Mariana Yacoub 810-814-0022.

☞ If you know of a parishioner who has given birth, fallen ill, or admitted to the hospital, please call the church office or let Father Joe know.

☞ If you would like to offer Holy Bread (*Holy Oblation*) in memory of a loved one, for the health or safety of a loved one, or to commemorate a special occasion, you may phone the church office (810-732-0720) by 12 Noon of the Wednesday before. If in memory of a loved one, please state whether you would like to have a **Memorial Service** near the end of Divine Liturgy. It is always appropriate to have a Memorial Service on the 3rd, 9th, and 40th day after one's falling asleep along with the yearly anniversary. It may also be done on the 6th month anniversary. If you would like to make the Holy Bread, please see/contact Aida Nassar 810-433-1515.



St. George Preschool & Childcare

Programs

Infants

Toddlers

Preschool

Latchkey

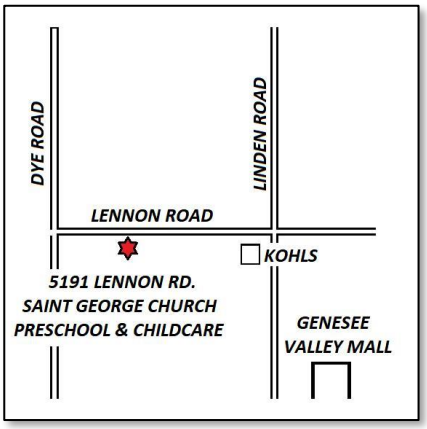
If you are looking for a safe, fun and nurturing environment for your child in a Christian setting this is where you need to be!

We Offer:

- Competitive rates
- Full & part time care
- 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. (Monday-Friday)
- Educated, loving & caring staff

We provide developmentally appropriate programs focused on each child's growth and needs in the following areas:

- Arts
- Language and Cognitive
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Physical
- Science and Technology
- Social and Emotional
- Social Studies
- Spiritual



Our team, led by our Program Director Jessica Blake, looks forward to meeting you, *listening* to you and providing answers to all your questions.

Call and schedule a visit with us!

09/13/2018

We Are Located At

St. George Church
5191 Lennon Rd
Flint, MI 48507
810-732-1500

stgeorgeschool17@gmail.com

saintgeorgeflint.org/preschool.html

FB: St. George Preschool & Childcare

Questions?

Call or email us

A Ministry of St. George Orthodox Church

State of MI Childcare License: DC250393111

Namedays, Birthdays and Anniversaries

November 1 to November 30, 2018

Birthdays

November

2 Batoul Burbar
Wafaa Elias
Nida Ishaq
Nicola "Nick" Khoury
Avery E. Porada

3 Maher Alatrash
Zain Jaraysa

4 Elena E. Rodriguez

5 George AbuAita
Josalien Abuaita

6 Jillian S. Isaac
Moussa Khouri

7 Zayna D. Andoni
Nimer Iseid

8 Salwa Abousamra
Jiries A. Abu-Aitah
Michael T. Bassett
Nisreen G. Rodriguez

9 Daisy A. Isaac

10 Suha E. Abueita

11 Erini Abuaita
Ibrahim Abufarha
Samantha M. Russell

12 Yvette M. Ghantous

13 Brian M. Silpoch

14 Daniel Daoud
George Fanous

15 Issa "Chris" Y. Abu-Eita
Timothy "Tim" S. Beers
Adrian "Anan" Khouri

17 Adeeb R. Bathish
Marissa L. McCann
Nashwa E. Meshraky
William "Bill" A. Shaheen Jr.

18 Majdi Alkazaha
Maria J. Kirk

19 Marcellus "Marcello" S. Abufarha
Melissa A. Bathish
Jolie G. Farah
Yasmeen G. Mitri
Mousa Rishmawi

20 Blanka AbuAita
Shafiqa Abuaitah
Michael J. Fanous
Mariah E. Tijerina

21 Issa A. Burbar
JoAnn M. Hawkins
Souheil Nassar

22 Souria Farah
Amira-Amy N. Helal

23 Adriana R. Abuaita
Khaled P. Abuaita
Issa T. David

24 Sharbel E. Abueita

25 Marcos L. Abuaita
Ramy Abueita
Ziyad Ibrahim
Terry A. Monkaba

26 Ariana H. Abuaita

28 Mike Abdallah
Sharon L. Abu-Aitah
Donald "Don" A. Hawkins

29 Lindsey C. Bathish

30 Fares Abdallah
Lina A. Elia
Mario Ibrahim
Issa G. Odeh

Namedays

November

6 Leonardo Jaraysa

8 Mike Abdallah
Angel Suheil Abuaita
Micheal Khaled Abuaita
Michael Anthony Yacoub Abueita
Michael G. M. Alqazaha
Michael T Bassett
Micheline El-Chaer
Michael Jeries Fanous
Michelle Hanan Farah
Michelle Farah
Said Michael Farah
Shane Michael Gantos
Gabriella "Gabby" Freida Ghattas
Michael Hamati
Leland "Lee" Michael Harris
Michael Hayek
Mario Ibrahim
Michael Khal
Michael Joseph McCann
Kirolous Michael Meshraky
Gary Michael Monkaba
Michael Mortensen
Eddie Nassar
Angela Eyad Rishmawi
Aziz Michael Rishmawi
Michael "Mike" S. Rishmawi
Michael Aziz Rishmawi Jr.
Miguel Jesus Rishmawi
Micheline Russell
Reese Michael Salim
Brian Michael Silpoch
Michael "Mike" Joseph Silpoch
Victor Salim Zarour

11 Victor Hafez Habbas
Hadil Victor Habbass

14 Khaled Philip Abuaita
Philip Abuaita
Tamer Philip Abuaita
Evan Philip Isaac

15 Habeeb Ghattas
Habib Skafi

16 Matthew Khaled Abuaita
Levi (Matthew) Wesley Cooper
Matthew Wael Hayek
Souheil Nassar
Brendan Matthew Silpoch
Matthew "Matt" Marvin Thomas

21 Angela Marie Nassar

25 Laura Catherine Farah
Yasmine "Katie" Kathleen Farah
Katrina L. Gagne
Katia Haddad

God Grant You All Many Years!

25 Katherine Devahn Joseph
Kathleen "Kathy" Lisa Kudray
Katrin Munir Mitri
Kelly (Katherine) Lynn Sanderson

30 Andrew Majdi Alkazaha
Andrew George Fox
Andrew McDonald
David Andrew Salim
Nicholas Andrew Shahin

Wedding Anniversaries

November

1 Mr. and Mrs. Samir Haddad
6 Mr. and Mrs. Nabeel Fakhoury
8 Mr. and Mrs. Ziyad Ibrahim
12 Mr. and Mrs. Salim Farah
16 Mr. and Mrs. Philip Abuaita
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Joseph
22 Mr. and Mrs. Maher Abufarha
27 Mr. and Mrs. Roger Isaac

ATTENTION!

If parishioners such as you, a family member, or friend's name does not appear in **THE VOICE** under *Birthdays, Anniversaries, or Namedays*, it is because we do not have your information on our church computer.

Please call the office 810-732-0720 or e-mail our church secretary, Kelly, at kellysecstgeorge@gmail.com and your name will be added.

God Grant You All Many Years!

November

Sun	*Mon*	*Tue*	*Wed*	*Thu*	*Fri*	*Sat*
	Christmas Fast begins November 15th *(40-day preparation for the Nativity of Christ)*			**1**	**2** OCF @ St. George 7pm	**3** **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm **Taste of the Mediterranean**
4 **Venerable Ioanokios the Great**	**5** Bible Study 3-5pm	**6** **Leonard of Noblac** Ladies Auxiliary 5pm	**7** Arabic Bible Study 12-2pm SOYO Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm	**8** **Synaxis of Archangels Michael, Gabriel, and all the bodiless powers of Heaven**	**9** Euchre Tournament 6:30	**10** Church School Dinner Preparation **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm Parish Thanksgiving Dinner follows
11 **Martyrs Menas of Egypt** and **Victor of Damascus** Annual Parish General Assembly	**12** Bible Study 3-5pm	**13** Altar Society 6pm	**14** **Apostle Philip** Arabic Bible Study 12-2pm SOYO Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm	**15** **Martyr Habib of Edessa**	**16** **Apostle Matthew the Evangelist**	**17** **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm
18 **Martyrs Platon, Romanos, Zacchaeos the deacon and Anastasios of Palestine**	**19** Bible Study 3-5pm	**20** Combine Pan-Orthodox **Evening Divine Liturgy** for *Entrance of the Virgin Mary into the Temple* 6pm	**21** **Entrance of Mary into the Temple** Arabic Bible Study 12-2pm NO SOYO Wednesday	**22** **Give Thanks to God in all things!**	**23**	**24** **Great Vespers and Confessions** 5pm
25 **Great Martyr Katherine the all wise of Alexandria**	**26** Bible Study 3-5pm	**27** North End Soup Kitchen 9am-12:30pm Exploring our Faith 6-8pm	**28** Arabic Bible Study 12-2pm SOYO Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm	**29**	**30** **Apostle Andrew the First Called**	

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Divine Services for the Lord's Day

- Saturday
  Great Vespers and Sacrament of Repentance {Confession*} **5:00 PM**
- Sunday
  Sacrament of Repentance {Confession*} **8:30 AM—9:30 AM**
  Matins {Arabic & English} **8:50 AM**
  Divine Liturgy **10:00 AM**

Church School follows Holy Communion from September to May

* Confessions may also take place by appointment with Father Joe during the week.

Major Feast Days (see *Orthodox Churches of Greater Flint* schedule of Divine Services)

2018-19 Theme for Church School, Creative Festivals, and our Parish Life Conference

Parish Council, Departments, & Organizations

PARISH COUNCIL • Anwar Abueita, Chairman 810-771-7152 or andydollar007@aol.com
Parishioners may attend meetings and speak during "Parishioner Comments".

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TEEN SOYO • coordinators Nataly Odeh (natalyodeh22@gmail.com or 810-449-8834) and Mariana Yacoub (myacoub0214@icloud.com or 810-814-0022).

USHERS • Jimmy David 810-515-1314 and Anwar Abueita 810-771-7152 or andydollar007@aol.com Coordinators

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP • Subdeacon Salim Hanna, Parish Coordinator 810-875-3127 or salimh91@gmail.com

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Monday 10am-4pm; Tuesday and Wednesday 1-4pm; Thursday and Friday 10am-4pm